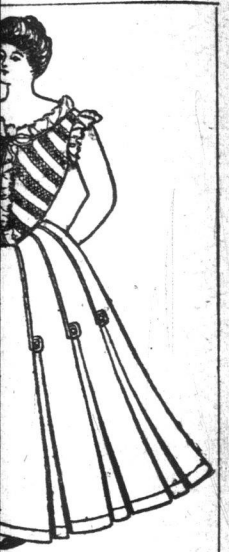


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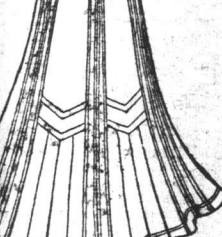
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DEATH OF PASSENGERS ON NEW YORK TRAIN

Loaded Coaches Left Central Track While Going at High Rate of Speed

MANY ARE KILLED OR INJURED

Cars Broken to Splinters and Some of the Passengers Mangled Beyond Recognition

New York, Feb. 18.—The White Plains and Brewster express, a six-car electric train on the Harlem di- vision of the New York Central rail- road, jumped the track at a curve near Woodlawn road, in the Bronx, tonight, resulting either death or injury to nearly sixty of its 150 or more pas- sengers.

The train, No. 25, left the Grand Central station at 8:13 o'clock, drawn by two heavy passenger engines and a baggage and smoking car, with a mattress crowd on their way home. It was made up of a combination of baggage and smoking cars and five passenger coaches. After stopping at 125th street the train was scheduled to run as an express to White Plains.

At Woodlawn road, the four trucks ran through a heavy cut and make a sharp curve. When the train reached the curve, according to the passen- gers, it was running at a high rate of speed, estimated by some at sixty miles an hour. Both motors and the smoking car swung into the curve and the cars following left the rails and plunging over their sides with a terrific crash. The baggage car and after sliding hundreds of yards col- lapsed in a mass.

Of those instantly killed by far the greater number were women. Many were mangled beyond recognition. An- nouncements and survivors from every- where in the Bronx and Bellevue re- sponded to hurry calls as did two fire engine companies and two police cars from near the scene. The bodies of the injured were quickly extricated from the wreckage, while others were taken out for some time. Those most seriously injured were hurried to the hospital in the Bronx and Bellevue. The bodies of the dead as fast as their bodies were recovered.

The bodies were recovered from the wreckage of the overturned cars.

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EXPECTS TO UNCOVER COPPER-GOLD VEINS

Mining Expert Will Test Iron Surface Showing on Sooke Peninsula

Steps are to be taken at once to set- tle the question of whether or not the iron showings on and near Mount Maguire, in the Sooke peninsula are a capping for copper-gold veins that have been suspected for many years but, so far, no steps have been taken on a sufficient scale to decide the ques- tion. The western expert of one of the largest mining syndicates in the States has spent some weeks on the peninsula mentioned and also examining the formation on the north side of Sooke bay, and yesterday, in his opinion, there is an immense mass of iron ore underlying the iron and that, at the nearest possible mo- ment, he would commence the nec- essary operations to prove or disprove the theory.

It is found that the iron men- tioned is merely a capping, as sus- pected, it will be necessary to dis- cover the existence of one of the iron mineral fields of the province within a few miles of Victoria.

Earlier Investigations Magnetic iron has been known to exist for many years in the vicinity of Sooke harbor. As early as 1857 it was noticed by the late Dr. Dawson, who considered the deposit rather in the nature of a capping, rather than a true vein. Shortly after this claims were made out by Frank Richards, now sheriff of Victoria, and others who claimed pieces of iron as long as a foot and one and a half inches in diameter that attracted the mag- net. Some of these iron deposits were named after himself, and did con- siderable work, more with the idea of discovering the underlying copper be- lieved to exist than for the iron val- ues. This property was reported on by the Provincial Mineralogist in 1902, who stated: "Although there is more or less copper ore all through this area, associated with the magnetite, it is not likely to be of a grade or quantity to pay for extraction, unless the mine- ral is an iron ore." It is now known, however, that the copper ore has been in quantity on an adjacent claim.

Great Possibilities This question was discussed in 1904 by W. M. Brewer, M. E., who in de- scribing the Golden Thrush group of claims owned by H. B. Thomson and others of this city, drew the follow- ing conclusions: "The discovery of the Sooke copper deposits has been a most important one. It has shown that there is a large deposit of iron ore in the Sooke peninsula, and that the iron ore is associated with copper. This property was reported on by the Provincial Mineralogist in 1902, who stated: 'Although there is more or less copper ore all through this area, associated with the magnetite, it is not likely to be of a grade or quantity to pay for extraction, unless the mine- ral is an iron ore.' It is now known, however, that the copper ore has been in quantity on an adjacent claim."

They have no value when judged on their possibilities for producing iron of commercial grade, but that when considered from the standpoint of their possibilities of developing into copper deposits, the theory that the so-called iron ore is merely an iron capping covering a deposit of ore composed of the iron ore is of the opinion that they also merit further and systematic exploitation.

Every Chance of Success From the foregoing opinions it will be seen that the proposed investi- gation, in the eyes of competent author- ities, will be made with every chance of success. The copper veins have been traced over a large portion of the Sooke peninsula, and also in the vicinity of Copper Cove on the other side of the harbor. As is generally known, the iron capping believed to exist in the locality mentioned is a dis- tinctive feature of all great copper de- posits and the proof of its occur- rence near this city will do much to increase interest in mining.

LIMITING RAILWAY HOURS Washington, Feb. 18.—The house committee on interstate and foreign commerce decided today to make a favorable report on a bill limiting the time of consecutive employment of trainmen to sixteen hours. In addi- tion to limiting the hours of labor for men actually engaged in moving trains, the bill also contains an amendment to limit the hours of labor for men who are on duty in the vicinity of the stations. The bill is limited to thirteen hours.

MAGILL GOES TO PRISON Toronto, Feb. 18.—Charles Magill, former general manager of the Ontario Bank, who is under sentence of five years' imprisonment for making false returns to the Dominion government, left this morning for Kingston. The prisoner had been detained here for his return to the Dominion government, but this morning for Kingston. The prisoner had been detained here for his return to the Dominion government, but this morning for Kingston.

PREMIER SCOTT'S JOURNEY Winnipeg, Feb. 18.—Hon. Walter Scott, premier of Saskatchewan, left last evening on the south train for the coast to the Bermuda islands, where he will spend some weeks recuperat- ing from his recent illness.

PROPOSED MEMORIAL Toronto, Feb. 18.—A deputation from Brantford waited on Premier Scott this morning and asked that the government make a grant of \$10,000 towards a memorial to the inven- tor of the telephone, Prof. Alexander Graham Bell. Consideration was prom- ised.

Halifax, Feb. 15.—The provincial legislature met today in the first session since the general elections in June, when the Murray government carried thirty-three of the thirty-eight seats in the assembly. The speech from the throne will foreshadow a new policy, in line with the development and expansion of Nova Scotia industries. Foremost in the government's programme will be the establishment of a complete sys- tem of technical education, which it is believed will be far in advance of any other province in Canada. It is proposed to establish, probably at Halifax, a central school of tech- nology on the lines of the Macdonald Institute of Technology. This is to be supplemented by a chain of subordinate schools in all impor- tant industrial centres for the accom- modation of miners and mechanics, who also, if they desire, may be taken into the province subsequently at the central institution.

The province will also inaugurate a new policy, and a measure will be introduced providing for the con- struction and maintenance of good roads in the province as permanent highways directly under the control of the provincial department of public works or a highway committee. Ac- tive steps will also be taken to pro- mote immigration to Nova Scotia, and efforts, independent of the govern- ment's department of immigration, will be put in force to secure settlers from the farm lands in the British Isles, and to induce expatriated Nova Scotians in the United States to re- turn home.

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A MOORISH BATTLE Tangier, Feb. 18.—Troops of the sultan stormed the village of Beda- duan yesterday and had fifteen men killed in the operation. The French mail, had taken refuge in Bedaduan. They es- caped.

TRIED TO KILL MINISTER The Hague, Feb. 18.—An insane man attempted to assassinate the minister of justice, M. van Ratten. While the minister was standing in front of his residence the lunatic fired five shots at him and missed him each time. He would be assassinated as he fled.

SPANIARDS FOR HAWAII London, Feb. 18.—Twenty thousand Spanish emigrants, engaged by Ha- waiian sugar planters to succeed Jap- anese laborers, will be conveyed from Malaga to Honolulu by the British steamer Helopolis.

INDEX TO ACTIVITY OF REAL ESTATE MARKET

Records of Land Registry Office Testify to Increase of Transactions

FEES WERE HEAVY IN JANUARY

Total for Last Month Very Much Larger Than for Corresponding Period of 1906

No stronger evidence of the ever-increasing activity of the local real estate market could be furnished by the records of the Land Registry office. Yesterday Registrar Wootton explained the earnings of the department through fees, taken on account of the issuance of ti- tle deeds, etc., reached a total of \$2,214.00 during the month of January. The money received from the same source in the same period of last year was \$942.65, a difference of \$1,281.35 in favor of the current year.

The registrar also said that, al- though such a comparison was not to be accepted as an authentic cri- terion of the progress which had been made in the course of the twelve months. He pointed out that there were large numbers of applications on hand which, owing to pressure of busi- ness, had not yet been dealt with. If these had all been handled as they came in the receipts of the Land Reg- istry department for January would have been much in excess of the figure mentioned; in fact, he would not hesitate to say that a total, under other circumstances, might have reached something like \$4,000.

While there has been a material in- crease in the land registry fees, the net revenue of the department presided over by Registrar Wootton for the last month does not show any remark- able advance over that for the same period of 1906. The comparative fig- ures for January, 1906, and January, 1907, were \$2,214.00 and \$942.65, re- spectively. The registrar explained that at the first of the previous year some exceptionally large numbers of members of joint stock companies were incor- porated, which inflated the receipts for January, 1906, to an extent which has not since been equalled.

For that reason he claims that the proportionate increase in general business cannot be gauged by these totals.

AGREEMENT REACHED IN JAPANESE QUESTION

San Francisco Deputation Comes to Terms With Federal Authorities

Washington, Feb. 15.—The San Francisco school controversy growing out of the segregation of the Japanese school children in that city has been settled. The basis of the agreement reached at the White House conference today is that Mayor Schmitz and the members of the school board shall immediately after the passage of the immigration bill, in congress, abolish the Oriental schools and admit Japanese children in the same manner as the President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Root gave the San Franciscans assurance that if the bill is not passed at this session of the congress an ex- tra session will be called immediately after the adjournment on March 12.

The abolition of the Oriental schools applies of course, only to the use of them by the Japanese. Their main- tenance for the Chinese will be con- tinued. Mayor Schmitz issued a state- ment tonight, saying: "We have come to a satisfactory understanding upon the assumption that congress will pass the amendment to the immigration bill introduced on Feb. 12. Until the amend- ment is enacted into a law we shall make no statement as to what the agreement on policy, and a measure will be introduced providing for the con- struction and maintenance of good roads in the province as permanent highways directly under the control of the provincial department of public works or a highway committee. Ac- tive steps will also be taken to pro- mote immigration to Nova Scotia, and efforts, independent of the govern- ment's department of immigration, will be put in force to secure settlers from the farm lands in the British Isles, and to induce expatriated Nova Scotians in the United States to re- turn home."

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A TORONTO TRAGEDY Toronto, Feb. 18.—A murder and suicide occurred on Richmond street yesterday. John J. Raymore, former- ly a member of the Northwest Mounted Police, shot Mrs. Mary C. Hartson, a woman with whom he lived on Richmond street, and then shot him- self through the head. Raymore has a wife living here, and his victim was a widow of a former hotelkeeper.

One of the wood-turners in Camer- on's shop across the road saw two men, one of whom he identified as Raymore, enter the hotel. He telephoned for the ambulance when he saw her fall. The woman died on the exclusive of the hotel. The second shot Raymore returned to the house and shot himself. Jealousy was the cause of the crime.

TURF CROOKEDNESS Los Angeles, Feb. 18.—As a result of an investigation by the officials of the American Turf Club, the banishing of Mrs. Miller, owner of several horses that had appeared this season, was ruled. The banishing was based on the performance of "Round Dance" in the fourth race yesterday. Before the race the horse stopped unaccountably, and an exam- ination by a veterinary disclosed that the animal had been drugged. Com- mitted this, claiming that he did not know who was responsible.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY French Cabinet Arranges War and Commercial Stations Paris, Feb. 18.—The cabinet today approved the recommendations of the committee of defence relative to the organization of wireless stations. The coast and interior stations for com- mercial purposes will include extra powerful plants at Quersans, Mar- sailles and Algiers, and ordinary sta- tions at Boulogne Sur Mer, Havre, St. Nazaire, Nice and Cape Corse. They will be placed under the administra- tion of the minister of posts and tel- egraphs. Extra powerful naval sta- tions will be erected at Toulon, Bel- zerts and Oran, and ordinary stations at Cherbourg, Brest, L'Orient, Rochefort and Ajaccio. They will be under the administration of the min- istry of the navy. Wireless special military stations will be established under the war ministry in the interior on the coasters and in connection with the lighthouses. The installations of all the stations will be conducted un- der the ministry of public works. In the event of war the military author- ities will take over the stations.

POSITIONS IN CABINET ARE SOON TO BE FILLED Announcement of Names of New Ministers Expected Early This Week COUNCIL WILL MEET TOMORROW Premier McBride Receives Many Messages of Congratulation On Recent Victory

Premier McBride is expected to make an announcement early this week in regard to the appointments to cabinet positions which have to be made in order to complete the execu- tive council. He stated yesterday that no definite decision had yet been reached as to who would be honored with the vacant portfolios in his gov- ernment.

For the past several days the Premier has been sufficiently well to at- tend to his duties, and every after- noon he has received numbers of in- fluential people representing almost every section of the province. All proffered their congratulations upon the sweeping victory attained by the Liberal-Conservative party in the re- cent elections. Budgets of communi- cations to the premier have been re- ceived, and the Premier has been taking this opportunity of again thank- ing those who assisted him through- out the campaign.

The first cabinet meeting since the recent election has been called for to- morrow. It is understood that the business to be considered, for the most part, is in preparation for the opening of the House, which takes place on March 7.

WALKER'S BIG FEET New Britain, Conn., Feb. 18.—The latest information regarding the missing treasurer, W. F. Walker, of the savings bank of New Britain, is that on Sunday last while in New York he had \$200,000 cash in his possession, and that to disguise the character of his white whiskers taken off. Within a few weeks Walker disposed of \$300,000 worth of the securities of the bank.

MACKAY COMPANIES Boston, Feb. 15.—At the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Mackay companies held here today, the present five trustees, namely, Clarence H. Mackay, John H. Conkey, George H. Ward, Dumont Clark and Edward O. Platt, were re-elected; and two new trustees, namely, Piny Flinn and R. A. Smith of Toron- to, were added to the board. The annual report shows the companies in a ready prosperous condition, having no debts and an increasing surplus. The Mackay companies own the Commercial Cable Company, the Postal Telegraph Cable Company and the Pacific Commercial Cable Com- pany. The balance sheets show assets of \$98,307,247.

THAW'S LETTERS Pittsburg, Feb. 18.—J. D. Danniston, New York, vice president of the Union National bank, has a bundle of letters written by Harry K. Thaw to the bank in preparation for the opening of the House, which takes place on March 7.

ONTARIO MINE TAXATION Toronto, Feb. 18.—The Ontario gov- ernment is considering a bill provid- ing for the imposition of an acreage tax on mining lands and on profits of mining operations. The bill would provide for a tax on natural gas. Copies of the bill distributed still lack the signatures of the members of the cabinet. The bill provides for a three-year trial payment of taxes.

ITALIAN GOVERNMENT READY FOR TROUBLE Anti-Clerical Demonstration To- day Likely to be Attended by Disorder

Rome, Feb. 18.—The government has taken the most energetic mea- sures to prevent disorders during the anniversary of the martyrdom of Giordano Bruno, the philosopher, who was burned at the stake as a heretic by order of the Inquisition. The whole Garrisonian demonstration in readi- ness, and two thousand soldiers will guard the vicinity. It is expected that the death yesterday at Bologna of Giuseppe Carducci will further inflame the anti-clerical, who will hold a monster meeting tonight and march in procession tomorrow.

BOILER TAMPERED WITH Vallejo, Cal., Feb. 18.—It became known today that a secret inquiry is being held at Mare Island navy yard in connection with the condition of the boilers of the cruiser Yorktown. The Yorktown had been ordered to Maga- lona Bay to protect American interests in case of trouble in Central America; but just before the start it was found that her boilers were leaking badly, and examination showed that eleven rivets had been removed, apparently deliberately. Had the Yorktown been allowed to proceed, it is stated, the Bennington horror would have been duplicated. The flagship Chicago was dispatched south in place of the Yorktown.

NANAIMO CONCERNED ABOUT THE HERRING Free Use of Seines Likely to Exterminate Fish and Put an End to Industry

Nanaimo, Feb. 18.—A rather unusu- ally bad herring season is being expe- rienced in the harbor today. The herring spawning season is here, and all the large fish, the mother her- ring, have left, and only smaller ones remain. This has never happened before, and the fishermen are very anxious that it will be done here this season, so that next season will see a shortage of fish here.

Old fishermen attribute this to the fact that many seines have been in operation in the harbor for some time. While the catches this year have been larger than ever, it does not follow that a greater number of fish have been taken than heretofore. The large catch has resulted from the excep- tionally large number of seines used for the past ten years, and if these were allowed the privilege of spawning in the harbor it is only a question of a short time until the herring would be the basis of a Na- naimo industry.

BLAMES THE CURRENTS At an investigation held at Seattle by the United States marine inspectors, the department sent officials to Washington to investigate the working of the system in the States. They found that this rural free delivery had involved a succession of deficits of \$15,000,000 per year. He did not think that Canada was ready to pay any- thing like a proportionate price for the luxury. This question might yet become a live issue. Meanwhile the postoffice department was improving the free delivery system in cities and towns where the population was 12,000 and the revenue \$20,000.

Edward Uchirano, M. E., is being fed by artificial means, and cannot last long. The local English and Scottish so- cieties will celebrate the anniversary of the union of England and Scotland by a social gathering on March 7. John Bain, assistant commissioner of customs, was presented today with a social gathering in partnership with Hon. Clifford Sifton. J. D. McEwen's appointment as fair waste officer of the department of labor has been approved by His Ex- cellency.

LARCHMONT VICTIMS Providence, R. I., Feb. 18.—A num- ber of funerals of the victims of the ill-fated Larchmont were held today. Relative today identified the body of Edward Farrell of New York.

MANITOBA ELECTIONS Winnipeg, Feb. 16.—It is officially announced that the nomination of the Manitoba legislature will be held on Thursday Feb. 23, and polling on March 7.

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ITALIAN POET DEAD

Demise of Carducci Cause for Nation- al Mourning

FLOATING RAILWAY LOAN

Paris, Feb. 18.—A syndicate has been formed here to float the \$29,000,000 foreign loan of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railway com- pany. It is headed by the Societe Generale of Paris, which is associated with the Comptoir National de Es- comptes, the Warings of London, the Slope company of Amsterdam, the Disconto Gesellschaft company of Ber- lin, and the Warburg company of Ham- burg. The loan will be issued simulta- neously in the four countries in- terested.

Public opinion, however, is decid- ily opposed to a solution of the San Francisco school problem on the basis of the restriction of the admission of Japanese laborers into the United States. It is generally admitted that if a solution is effected on the basis mentioned it will arouse strong oppo- sition throughout the Japanese em- pire. The relations between the fed- eral government at Washington and the governments of the various states of the Union are little known here, and a restriction of the admission of laborers would be looked upon as an unwarranted concession on the face of the treatment which the Japanese in San Francisco are asking for na- tional support in connection with the San Francisco controversy apart from the question of restricting the admission of laborers. It is generally admitted that if a solution is effected on the basis mentioned it will arouse strong oppo- sition throughout the Japanese em- pire. The relations between the fed- eral government at Washington and the governments of the various states of the Union are little known here, and a restriction of the admission of laborers would be looked upon as an unwarranted concession on the face of the treatment which the Japanese in San Francisco are asking for na- tional support in connection with the San Francisco controversy apart from the question of restricting the admission of laborers. It is generally admitted that if a solution is effected on the basis mentioned it will arouse strong oppo- sition throughout the Japanese em- pire. The relations between the fed- eral government at Washington and the governments of the various states of the Union are little known here, and a restriction of the admission of laborers would be looked upon as an unwarranted concession on the face of the treatment which the Japanese in San Francisco are asking for na- tional support in connection with the San Francisco controversy apart from the question of restricting the admission of laborers.

JAPANESE OBJECTIONS TO WASHINGTON PROPOSAL Opposition to Restriction of Im- migrants Will be Very Strong

STATE RIGHTS NOT UNDERSTOOD Doubtful Whether the Government of Japan Will Agree to Settlement on the Terms Suggested

Tokyo, Feb. 18.—The projected amendments to the American im- migration law involving a restriction on Japanese immigration to the United States from the Hawaiian islands are naturally received here with great displeasure, but the well-in- formed fall under existing circum- stances to find grounds for complaint at this action of the government. The council of elder statesmen and the cabinet ministers today showed no concern whatever over the diplomatic situation.

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Only the limited few who are well posted on the actual state of affairs are not excited, and even they are surprised why the difficulty could not be solved outside the labor question.

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MINISTERS DISAGREE ON CHURCH QUESTION France May This Week Experience Another Change of Government

Paris, Feb. 18.—There were perstis- tent rumors today that a serious clash had occurred at this morning's cabinet meeting between Minister of Educa- tion Briand and Premier Clemenceau over the negotiations on the question of church contracts. Several minis- ters, it was said, supported the Premier, and the cabinet was reported to have adjourned with an open breach imminent.

Later it was learned that M. Clemenceau was not much opposed to what Briand proposed, but he insisted on a prolongation of the negotiations which had caused such a state of nervousness in the chamber of deputies that the definite approval of the majority should be obtained before the final contract was signed. Finally the Premier announced that, in spite of his bad health, he would bring the matter up in the chamber on Monday, when the fate of the cabinet probably would be decided.

It was learned that the Prefect Amato and Mgr. Thomas, the vicar-general, reached a complete agreement on the question of the lease of the parish churches. This M. Briand presented to the cabinet, and M. Clemenceau took the position that it should not be ratified until the chamber had an opportunity to ap- prove or disapprove it.

MISSIONS IN SPAIN Report of American Commissioners on the Subject

Boston, Feb. 16.—The annual report of the American board of commission- ers for foreign missions, made public today, says in part: "Unquestionably the general feeling in Spain on the part of Catholics as well as Protestants is that whatever the formulas of renunciation on the part of Queen Victoria may have been, whether her personal acts may be unless they should be those of cruel fanaticism, which is not all to be expected, the effect of the King's alli- ance with that historical Protestant family court and people will be to liberalize Spanish sentiment and life. "The Christian Endeavor Society has been adopted by other missions, with the result that today there are in Spain 49 societies with 1811 members.

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VICTORIANS SHOULD WORK FOR COLLEGE

Superintendent of Schools Says Steps Should be Taken at Once

TELLS HOW IT CAN BE SECURED

Favors Control by Private Corporation and Affiliation With McGill University

Ever since the establishment in Vancouver of a college controlled by a fully incorporated local board...

F. H. Eaton, superintendent of the Victoria public schools, a member of the board of management of the McGill University...

Mr. Eaton yesterday went into the situation most minutely explaining it point by point...

The time had come for Victoria to take steps in the same direction. It was true that the local high school was entitled to take up some work outside its scope...

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R. M. MARPOLE ATTENDS MEETING OF DIRECTORS. Details of E. & N. Operations Discussed—C. P. R. Land Clearing Scheme.

PARISIANS WELCOME TO BRITISH SOVEREIGNS. Paris, Feb. 9.—All this week interest centered on the King. There is no necessity to say which King the Parisians today quite as much as for the English, there is only one as yet.

DEATH TO PASSENGERS ON A NEW YORK TRAIN. Cars, but the flames were quickly extinguished and the firemen helped the injured. Special trains carried many of the injured to White Plains and Mount Vernon.

DAILY REVIEW OF THE LOCAL MARKETS. Wheat, per bush \$1.25 to \$1.50. Flour, per bush \$4.50. Sugar, per sack \$1.00.

REGIMENT STRENGTHENED. A number of new recruits have been received into the ranks of the Fifth Regiment lately. A regimental order was published yesterday.

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NOTICE RAYMOND & SONS 7 PANDORA STREET. Wish to inform their numerous patrons that they have in stock full line of Satin Finish English Enamel and American Onyx Tiles.

LARGE AREAS BE ON MARKET. Two Important Factors Divided for Raising HEAVY SALES DURING THE YEAR. Total Sum Changing Over Half Dollars.

Winnipeg. Similar sale yesterday improved ranch in the market was the highest reported in value at least \$100,000.

Grant & Lineham. Several lots of land on the west side of the city were sold yesterday.

Advertising. Through the Royal Trust company has been attracted a large amount of business.

ADDITIONS TO THE LIST OF LARCENIES. Two of Rescue Question of Conduct Dismissed.

Providence, R. I. Vann of Fayetteville, N. C. died last night of pneumonia. The identification of the survivors of the night of the 18th of the month in the city.

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HEAVY SALES DURING PAST WEEK

Total Sum Changing Hands Reached Over Half a Million Dollars

Unprecedented activity in the realty market was the characteristic of the past week. Reported sales aggregated in value at least \$300,000, and this does not more than half cover the total. Two sales of more than ordinary importance were consummated yesterday. The first was that of the well known farm, formerly the property of C. D. Rowlands. It comprises 40 acres of some of the finest land between the Gorge and Burnside road, the consideration was \$100 per acre. This sale revived the rumors that a branch tramway will be built from the present C. E. Electric Railway's line on Douglas street along the Burnside road to the Rowlands place and two other agencies also sold to another investor on the prairie.

Grant & Lineham also had a busy week. Their total sales reaching in the week \$140,000. They included a house and lot on Menzies street, James Bay, near the corner of the street, and a large lot on Niagara street near Beacon Hill park; 12 lots in the Pearce estate, Cadboro Bay road, and two lots in the Finlayson estate. The Dominion Real Estate Exchange yesterday sold 2 lots on Menzies street, and 2 lots on Phoenix street, and 3 lots on Phoenix street, and 3 lots on Phoenix street.

Several City Lots Sold. Knott & Reid made several sales during the week. They included a house and lot on Menzies street, James Bay, near the corner of the street, and a large lot on Niagara street near Beacon Hill park; 12 lots in the Pearce estate, Cadboro Bay road, and two lots in the Finlayson estate.

The Royal Guarantee and Trust company has only been in business in Victoria for a week. It has attracted a large amount of business. This management ascribes to the unique system of advertising originated in that department. The company is a subsidiary of the Royal Guarantee and Trust company, which is expected to develop into an important item of its business in the near future. Among the prominent shareholders are experts in public affairs and their efforts are proving of great service to the real estate branch. During the past week several sales were made in the Fairview estate, as well as two houses in the James Bay districts. The Royal is devoting considerable attention to the vicinity of the canal. Several sales were carried through in the past two or three days, indicating that the rumored construction of a railway to some point on the Alberni canal is having a stimulating effect on realty in the West coast.

The same company has acquired, on behalf of a local syndicate, an extensive tract of timber on Nootka sound, that will be exploited at once. It also expects to carry through the trans-shipment of a large area in Spanish municipality, comprising about 100 acres near the city limits, within the next day or two.

ADDITIONS TO LIST OF LARCHMONT DEAD

Two of Rescued Succumb - Question of Captain's Conduct Discussed

President, R. L. Feb. 15.-James Edward of the Larchmont, died tonight of pneumonia at the outside hospital, where he was taken with several other survivors of the wrecked steamer whose lives were saved from the sea by H. H. died last night. The identification of the 76 bodies that have been recovered has so far progressed that at 10:15 o'clock today the morgue in this city. A few more will be allowed for identification, and then the unknown will be buried by the city.

ASK GOVERNMENT TO IMPROVE PLANT

Inner Harbor Association Requests Deepening to Twenty Feet at Low Water

TO RECLAIM RESERVE FORESHORE

Excavations by Dredge to Be Used for This Purpose - Breakwater Suggested

The Dominion government is to be asked to improve Victoria harbor at a cost of approximately a million dollars, to be expended in annual instalments of \$200,000 for five years, and a suggestion is made that a harbor board vested with the functions of an advisory committee to the government be appointed to assist in the general direction of the work. The following have been put forward as members of the board: Capt. J. W. Troup, superintendent of the C. P. R. S. S. Co.; G. A. Kirk, of Turner Beeton & Co.; a representative of the Hudson Bay company; J. A. Seward, of the Sayward mills; A. J. Bechtel, of the Victoria Machinery Depot; and Capt. J. G. Cox, Lloyd's agent. These gentlemen, it is pointed out, represent the actual commercial interests of the port and are acquainted in a practical manner with all its needs. Suitable power and the control of such funds as are necessary for the discharge of their duties is asked for them.

The government is being requested to dredge the harbor from the outer channel to Point Ellice ensuring a general depth of twenty feet, to maintain a depth of 25 feet at low water; to cut away Songhees point and the outlying Tuzze and Pinhook rocks, to build a retaining wall reaching six feet above high water mark at the face of the cut, Songhees point, along a line to the vicinity of Point Ellice bridge and along the low lying areas of the Indian reserve. A proposal is on foot that the low lands of this section should be reclaimed with the material taken from the harbor, both by the dredgers engaged in the task.

CANADIAN ROUTE CUTS DOWN TIME OF MAILS

Empress of Britain Beats Cunard Liner in Voyage Across Atlantic

Liverpool, Feb. 16.-The importance of the Canadian route between America and Europe is again emphasized by the voyage of last week of the C. P. R. steamship Empress of Britain, and the Lucania, of the Cunard line. The Lucania left New York last Saturday at noon, and arrived at noon today in Liverpool, or in exactly seven days. The Empress of Britain left Halifax last Sunday morning at 9 o'clock and arrived at Liverpool at 9 o'clock today, in exactly six days and five hours, taking 19 hours less time in crossing than the Lucania did.

FIFTH REGIMENT BAND INCREASES STRENGTH

Distinguished Cornetist Among the Latest Accessions to the Organization

The Fifth Regiment band has received some important accessions to its membership within the past few days. Among those who have joined recently are an English military cornet, and first class performers on the clarinet and double bass from Vancouver. W. W. Dart, the newly arrived cornet player has every equipment for the leading band instrument. He was formerly a member of the Royal Manchester regiment, serving as band sergeant during the Boer war. With a contingent of his regiment he was in Ladysmith during the whole of its four months' siege, and tells many interesting stories of his experience. He received a full musical education at Exeter hall, the training school of the musicians of the British army, and afterwards filled a band appointment at the Duke of York's school, London, the institution that provides a home and education for hundreds of the sons of soldiers who have died or fallen in the service of their country. Such an appointment is sufficient evidence of Mr. Dart's standing as a musician, and as the boys from the school mentioned form the most efficient recruits for the military bands, Mr. Dart is more acquainted by profession and wishes to locate in Victoria.

Since the appointment of Albert Runnys as bandmaster renewed interest has been taken by the members in the work of the band. Large numbers turn out to the practices regularly and a marked improvement will be noticed when the band makes its next public appearance. Runnys, being in love in good music and, among other notable selections, is preparing the pieces for public performance of a concert of Rossini overtures, a long selection from "Lucia di Lammermoor," and a transcription of the principal movements in Bizet's "Carmen." Some of the best and latest music of a lighter character is also being rehearsed.

Hazleton Votes

The Wasting Process of Disease Disease is a wearing down, wasting away and destroying of the tissues of the body and a shrivelling up of the nerve cells and blood corpuscles. Nature's remedy is to overcome this dreadful wasting process and the needed help is best supplied by Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, the great blood builder and nerve restorative.

RAILROAD MAN'S BUSY DAY

7:30 a.m. - Reads morning newspaper and learns that he is to be investigated by the interstate commerce commission; that he is likely to be indicted by a grand jury in Kansas; that he is to be investigated by the Missouri legislature; that he is robbing the farmer, plundering the merchant and crippling the commerce of a continent.

7:45 a.m. - Receives telegram from leading chamber of commerce stating that business of the nation is being ruined by the commission; he is informed, and asking him to resign from all his presidencies and directorships and retire for good.

8 a.m. - Receives word that business in the states through which his railroads run, is being ruined by the interstate commerce commission. He is informed that the existing transportation facilities are utterly inadequate, and asking if he would have any objection to the paralleling of his tracks with canals.

8:30 a.m. - Receives a message to the effect that the commission is on its main lines and branches is killing one branch of trade, while it is booming another. Asked what he is going to do about it.

REAL ESTATE DEALERS WILL FORM EXCHANGE

New Organization Promises to Put Business on Most Satisfactory Basis

The proposal to form a real estate exchange in Victoria, that has been mentioned for some time, will probably be acted upon next week. The chief promoters of the exchange are at first by some of the extremely conservative firms, there is every prospect that a meeting will be called early this week to make preliminary arrangements. The number of members that has indicated movement is about 20. The exchange will be a voluntary association of real estate men who are engaged in the business of buying and selling real estate. It is expected that the exchange will be organized by the first of next month.

CELEBRATE SILVER WEDDING

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RAILWAY FERRIES

Through the courtesy of an esteemed correspondent we are enabled to present Colonist readers with some data as to the progress of the project to be made to establish something of the same kind on Vancouver Island and there is a letter from the northern part of the province, which by and by may be set off for that purpose. The best feature of game preserves is that they do not encroach at all upon agricultural regions, and only to a limited extent upon useful forests. We are unable to say at present how far they would affect the development of mining. Under proper restrictions game preserves would be an exceedingly valuable asset to the province. The year number of people who wish to go to the big game is increasing, and no people in all the world spend money more freely.

GAME PRESERVES

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THE LABOR QUESTION

The Board of Trade discussed the shortage of labor yesterday afternoon, and a committee was appointed to investigate the subject. The discussion was somewhat informal, but there were no set speeches made, although the question is one upon which some competent person might prepare himself to speak exhaustively, with great advantage to the community. There is no doubt that the British Columbia has suffered, and will continue to suffer, from a paucity of unskilled labor. In the meantime, the Chinese have expressed themselves in quite a pronounced way upon the desirability of reducing the head tax on Chinese immigrants to a sum as they would pay; but the general opinion seemed to be that such a course ought to be only a last resort. Several of the speakers brought up the proposal that Chinese labor should be admitted, but that it should be restricted to the number of Chinese who entered the country, should be in excess of the number who could find employment in the lines of work to which they would be restricted? Would that be to some half dozen lines of work were named as those in which they might engage, how long would it be before the employers of labor in other lines would demand that they be restricted? It is not possible to answer these questions until we have had a more complete statement of the situation. We fear that any plan that could be proposed would prove unworkable in the present state of affairs as was adopted in the Transvaal were resorted to, and the men were brought into the country and kept in a condition not very greatly removed from temporary slavery. It will hardly be claimed that the people of the British Columbia are prepared for that. As we look at the matter, if Chinese are to be admitted at all, they should be accorded the same opportunities of making a living as are available to white men, and as we would expect them to have. It is undesirable, we see no other course than to continue the present head tax and look for the needed labor elsewhere.

There is no dispute about the seriousness of the situation, but at the same time no one can claim that a serious attempt has been made to meet the shortage, which we would argue would arise when we started for a prohibitive head tax. Within the last few months the local government has negotiated with the Dominion with the view of obtaining laborers and servants, but there has not yet been time for their efforts to bear fruit. This is not the only line of action open, and while we fully appreciate the efforts of the Dominion government in the premises, we do not acquit the Dominion of all responsibility. The labor shortage is a serious one, and the general government ought to endeavor to meet the demand in some way. If it does so, its effort ought not to be confined to any particular part of the Dominion, but ought to embrace the whole country. We are very strongly of the opinion that the advantages offered by British Columbia to workmen were better known in Europe, where a greater number of fact they are probably hardly known at all, there would be no greater difficulty in getting the labor of immigrants here than there is to induce them to go to other parts of the Dominion.

FARMING ON VANCOUVER ISLAND

Mr. J. Theo. Wilson, of the Colonist staff, contributes an article to today's paper in which the agricultural possibilities of Vancouver Island are dealt with. This is a very wide subject and its importance cannot be overestimated. The Dominion government has a very clear duty devolving upon them, that is to secure action at once by the Dominion government along the lines indicated in the report of the Royal Commission of Transportation.

A ROAD TO COWICHAN

We have an interesting letter this morning from a correspondent upon the very important proposal for the construction of a railway from Mill Bay, by way of the west shore of Saanich Inlet. Our correspondent thinks that the E. & N. Railway company would favor this project, and such a conclusion seems very reasonable, for railways without high-way roads are never fully successful. Instead of the railway business by the construction of such a high-way, it would be greatly the gainer thereby. This time is rapidly coming when suburban homes, hotels and pleasure resorts will be much more numerous than they are at present in the vicinity of Victoria, and there is no better place for them than along the shores of Saanich Inlet. That is

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A beautiful sheet of water. It is impossible to imagine one more so. It is true that on the west shore there is not much level land, but for the purposes referred to the conformation of the surface is not very material, provided there is space for buildings and a moderate, large ornamental grounds. The inlet is sheltered from the prevailing summer winds, and we should suppose that during the season of the year, when people would resort to it, boating upon its waters would be about as safe as upon Victoria Arm.

Victoria possesses an almost priceless asset in Saanich Inlet, in view of the fact that we regard as one of the factors in the future prosperity of the city its suitability for a great pleasure resort. Beautiful as are the immediate surroundings of the city, they are not equalled anywhere else in the world, and he had been almost everywhere that people go to see natural beauty, he never saw anything more lovely than this sheet of water. Some few Victorians have taken the advantage of the occasional steamship trips that have been made as far as Tod Inlet, and they are of one mind in their admiration of its attractiveness. The time is not far away, when a few weeks or months spent on those shores, or at least a brief visit, will be regarded as forming a part of the summer outing of thousands of people.

But perhaps we are wandering rather far afield from the matter of the highway. As requested by our correspondent, we are having a sketch map prepared to show the location of the proposed road, and when ready it will be printed with some information about it and its usefulness for more prosaic purposes. While speaking of the subject in connection with summer travel, we would say that the fact that over on Puget Sound there is a population that has already reached the half million mark, and that there are no places in the State of Washington, or in the vicinity of the State of Victoria, and from the rapidly increasing population, among which this locality will draw a great number of people, there is no doubt that the highway will be a very valuable asset to the community.

RETHRESHING OLD STRAW

The New Westminster News appears to be under the delusion that the election is still pending, and it is writing furiously against the government. According to our own newspapers, Mr. McBride has all manner of terrible things in store for the province. Among those disastrous things he says, are the heavy taxation of industry, the reckless exploitation of the resources of the province, the free entry of Chinese, the suspension of sock-fishing and the prohibition of all fishing north of Fraser river bridge, for all of which Mr. McBride is planning. Our contemporary does not say how these things are going to be brought about, but in the course of an article of a column length, it sets forth the means by which these afflictions and others too numerous to specify are prepared and in readiness to be applied to the head of any protesting public just as soon as Mr. McBride gets ready. How very sad all this is! What sleepless nights the News must spend in contemplation of the wreck and ruin which the Premier's policy will bring about! It is difficult for people who think that way to refrain from marching upon the streets from all directions, with their hands and drive-osts the dreadful folk, whom a short-sighted electorate have elected to govern the province.

A USEFUL EXAMPLE

Among the visitors to Victoria at the present time is Mr. H. A. Mullins, of Winnipeg. Mr. Mullins is one of the largest Canadian exporters of cattle, and he was formerly the general manager of the great Cochrane ranch. Mr. Mullins was at one time a member of the Manitoba legislature. It has been his custom to take his wife and daughter every year either to Toronto or England to spend the winter, but one day a pamphlet came to his home from the Tourist Association of this city, in which Victoria was referred to as "a little bit of England." Mr. Mullins being an ardent Canadian resolved to see if things were as attractive here as he had been portrayed by the Association, and so he had already bought for Toronto, for tickets to Victoria and came here. He has been here about a month and so greatly pleased has he been with what he has seen that he has invested quite largely in city property and contemplates a large expenditure in the building way. He says that he will probably ultimately make his permanent home here, and at any rate may be counted upon to spend his winters with his family in this city. Mr. Mullins was good enough to volunteer this information, because he said he thought the work of the Tourist Association might perhaps not be as much appreciated here as it ought to be.

Mr. Mullins is an enthusiast over the future of Victoria. Our climate he regards as an asset of incalculable advantage, and enough of it, self to draw a very large population from Central Canada. But he is not

one of those who think that all we have to look for is a residential city and a popular tourist resort, for he believes the development of the country generally and Vancouver Island in particular, combined with the immense possibilities of Orientals, will be instrumental in building up here an important commercial and industrial centre. Not only he but scores of other visitors, who have been in Victoria during this winter, have expressed these ideas. They all say that we are now just where Winnipeg stood a few years ago, when its townspeople were uncertain as to what the future held in store. Developments have far exceeded all anticipations, and just so will it be with Victoria. We have entered upon a period of steady and rapid expansion. One of the most valuable features of the movement now going on consists in the fact that it is bringing here many energetic men in the very prime of life, with abundant means and plenty of business sagacity and energy. Such men cannot fail to make their city good ones. They have not come here to sit down and live on the interest on their investments, but they have come here to do things, and they will continue to do them. Men who have made their way in the world rarely rest. They may change their occupations, but they always want to be engaged in some active pursuit. It is the securing the class of residents who are now coming to Victoria, our city is a very great gain. Mr. Mullins for the opportunity he has given us to present the above ideas to them.

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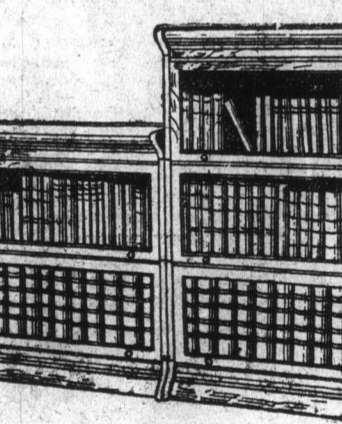
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A great deal of learning has been expended over the Ten Commandments without leaving wiser for it. It is presumed that in their pre-arranged order, they are not very old, but to be no doubt that the people in the idea of the subject care, and that it was worship Him to the exclusion of all other gods. up, and all through the Bible, the only tradition that in its present form remained true to its original meaning and purpose seems to us to be the Old Testament. The Bible enables us to see that it is not a book that seems too absurd and yet prominent in the history of the world. We have then this in the Bible, the only tradition that in its present form remained true to its original meaning and purpose seems to us to be the Old Testament. The Bible enables us to see that it is not a book that seems too absurd and yet prominent in the history of the world.

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THE FIRST COMMANDMENT

It is not by any means clear from
the Bible narrative which religion the
Chaldeans, while it is altogether prob-
ably the Jewish tradition, which was
the guide of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob
was preserved, there seems to be no
reason to believe that it had anything
to do in determining the lives of
the people. Indeed the Deuteronome,
and the "judgments" which follow it, seem
to show that the Israelites had sunk
into a condition of heathenism and
gross immorality, by no means a mat-
ter of surprise in view of the circum-
stances under which they lived in
Egypt. At this period in history, the
various nations, with whose records
we are most familiar, seem to have
worshipped gods, who were supposed
to be hostile to each other. The God
of Israel was Jehovah, but there is
nothing in the story of the exodus and
the giving of the law, which requires
us to think that the Israelites did not
fully believe that there were other
gods, and that Jehovah, instead of be-
ing the true and only Deity, was but
one of several with varying degrees
of power. Their conception of the
Deity seems to have been purely phys-
ical. He was a being who conversed
with men, who became angry, whose
wrath could be appeased, who made
mistakes and repented of them. They
would undoubtedly have claimed su-
premaccy for Jehovah, but neither om-
nipotence, omnipresence nor omni-
science. When they attained to the
conception of pure monotheism an
epoch was reached.

A great deal of learning has been
expended over the Ten Command-
ments without leaving us much the
wiser for it. It seems to be estab-
lished that in their present form they
are not very old, that Moses instructed
his people in the idea that they were
specially the subject of Jehovah's
care, and that it was their duty to
worship Him to the exclusion of every
other divinity. This was the corner-
stone of the system, which he built
up, and all through the history of the
nation one fact stands out prominently,
namely, that in proportion as they
remained true to this worship they
were prosperous and powerful. This
seems to us to be a very great value
of the historical books of the
Old Testament. There is much in
them that only traditional respect for
the Bible enables us to tolerate, much
that seems too absurd for credence,
and yet throughout it all there stands
out prominently the great fact that
when the Hebrew nation was true
to the worship of one God it was
mighty, and when it departed from
this it was an easy prey to its ene-
mies. Let us once more mention that
the commandments which bear upon
elementary things, which are tangi-
ble, there is a vast domain which may
be called supernatural, in the sense
that it controls the natural. The com-
monest illustration of this is the force
of attraction, which we call gravitation.
This is invisible, and intangible; yet
its laws can be ascertained, and we are
just as sure that it exists as if we
could cut off a piece of it with a
knife and examine it under a micro-
scope. Even if we admit the con-
tention of a new school of investigators,
who claim that Newton did not push
his theory far enough, and that what
we call by the above name would be
better described as the law of vortexes,
the existence of the force is indisput-
able, and because apparently it
controls the whole visible universe, it
is in the limited sense above men-
tioned called supernatural. The
laws of crystallization is another in-
stance of the supernatural; so also is
the law of chemical affinities. These
things control tangible nature, and
therefore may not improperly be called
supernatural. In like manner the
laws of gravitation, which takes out
of the soil and air certain substances
and combines them to form wheat,
apples or dahlias, and which renders
seeds reproductive and always true
to their kind, may be called supernatural,
because all vegetable nature is sub-
ject to it. Thus far all will go. Many
will probably be willing to go even
further and agree with the statement
that the supernatural is far greater
than the natural and perhaps even
adopt the language of Paul when he
said that the things which are seen
are temporal, but the things which are
unseen are eternal. Certain philoso-
phers claim that the visible universe
is only a manifestation of the invis-
ible; others suggest that the forces
of nature are inherent in matter and
cannot exist without it. There is no
necessity for the purpose of this arti-
cle to inquire which of these seems
the more reasonable contention.

It is manifestly impossible to fit any
theory to the supernatural, as applied
to the ordinary processes of nature.
New variations of it are being discov-
ered constantly, and probably will
continue to be discovered. The de-
batable ground, and the one which
most people think the word
is used, is that which relates to hu-
manity. Even here we freely concede
the existence of the supernatural in
the sense it has been used herein. We
no longer dispute, for example, the
power of some people to be clairvoy-
ant as the term is. We admit that
there is something unexplainable
as mind-reading. We are unable to
account for some things which are
done over and over again under cir-
cumstances which seem to render de-

ception impossible. It is proper to ob-
serve in this connection that human
insensibility is capable of doing many
wonderful things by methods which
call for only remarkable skill, and
which do not require the exercise of
anything, which in the remotest sense
can be called supernatural. Whether
or not the astounding exhibition given
by the Zanzibar in London came
under this class, no one but them-
selves knows, but although they are
absolutely inexplicable by any one
who has seen them, it does not fol-
low that the explanation may not be
a very simple one or that they call
for the exercise of any but the ordi-
nary powers which we use in every-
day life. Some of the feats of Indian
factis appear to be unmovable with-
out resort to the supernatural, that is
to the employment of agencies, the
existence of which is not generally
admitted and the nature of which is
practically unknown. But all these
things must be accepted as un-
explained. There are men, who
can come into your house blindfolded,
ask you to open a book at any page
and look at a word, to close the book
and give them your hand, whereupon
they will find the word which was
pointed out to you yourself could.
Some explain this by saying that it
is muscle-reading, whatever that may
be. We suppose that you unconsciously
guide the operator to the word which
you selected, but any one who has
ever participated in such an experi-
ment knows that such an explanation
is an absurdity. One writer suggests
that such feats are due to the opera-
tor putting himself in touch with the
bottom of the ocean, that is where
the water exceeds 100 fathoms, or 600
feet in depth. For that distance the
water is affected by the heat of the
atmosphere above it, but below it is
uniformly cold, the temperature be-
ing about the same as that of the
Sunlight has an appreciable effect
for 1,000 feet from the surface, but a
little greater depth all is absolute
darkness, except for such illumina-
tion as is caused by phosphorescence
which some writers think is so
abundant at great depths that the
ocean floor is far from being in a con-
dition of dense obscurity. Deep sea
fish are brilliantly colored, although
there is a conspicuous absence of
red in any great degree, red being
the predominant color. It
seems very certain, that at great
depths the water is always quiescent.
The general belief is that sea water
does not freeze, but this is a mistake.
It is true that people are always
about four degrees lower than that of
fresh water. The reason that the sea
does not freeze anywhere except in the
Arctic is that the great bulk of the
water prevents the temperature
from falling to zero. The water in
the part played by the ocean in the
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THE SEA.

As one stands on the Dallas Road
on one of these fine Spring days and
looks out over the strait, he sees be-
yond the Race Light the dim path-
way to the Ocean. To most of us
there is something appalling in the
vast expanse of water, which encircles
the globe, and over whose surface so
many tempests rage, dashing vast
waves against rocky shores, where
many a good-ship meets its fate. If
business or pleasure takes us upon an
ocean voyage, no matter how good
feeling we may be, there is always a
sailing that we are facing the un-
known and the unknowable. To some
of us the most interesting feature of a
possible new heaven and a new earth

THE STORY TELLER

Chicago Daily News.
The aristocratic young lady was look-
ing at some dress patterns, and
her mother, who stood by her side,
said she had bought a lot of these for it now,
signs and hung on around the office.
"How many?" she asked.
"Almost," she answered.
The mother asked the young lady to
look at the patterns with her, and she
said she would do so.
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THE ORIOLE NEST

The nestlings are fledged and down,
And round the emerald tree's dome
Where were they all this morning,
Round the oriole's nest.

THE ORIOLE NEST

To some there's naught of grief
In one's house when a bird is dead,
They see the pathos and pain
In the oriole's nest.

THE ORIOLE NEST

Autumn in Cactus Land,
Have you seen a whistler
Who has left a trail of
He's a little bird of song,
He's a little bird of song,
He's a little bird of song,
He's a little bird of song.

THE ORIOLE NEST

"I'm tired," he says, "of pinching
So each one a red devil
Don't give me one forty-one
But let me take the wheel
I'll may that game long
So just watch me make the deal."

THE ORIOLE NEST

The little sister of the Prophet
(Marjorie L. C. Pickett)
"If that arise among you
I have left a basket of dates
In the corner of your room,
Some care and out in two little crim-
son plates,
And a dish with the amber wine,
And cakes most cunningly beaten
Of savory herbs and spice and the deli-
cious flour that is best,
And a little of my spirit and sweet-
ness in his."

THE ORIOLE NEST

The Simple Way
(By Anna Leavitt Waring)
Anna Leavitt Waring was born at
Glimmergham, Wis., where she
still lives the quiet life of a Quakeress.
She has written many beautiful hymns,
and is well known in the Quaker
Love Abiding. But in the last few years
she has written many of the
quicker ways of life has become
the quiet life of a Quakeress,
she has become more or less the path-
side of the still waters.

THE ORIOLE NEST

Father, I know that all my life
Is a portion of the Father's
The changes that will surely come
I do not fear in death,
I ask thee for a present mind,
Intent on pleasing Thee.

THE ORIOLE NEST

I ask Thee for a thoughtful love,
Through constant watching wait,
To meet the glad with joyful smiles
And with the weeping eye,
I would not have the restless will
That hurries too and fro,
Seeking for some great thing to do,
Or excited by the things of earth,
I would be treated as a child,
And guided where I go.

THE ORIOLE NEST

I ask Thee for the daily strength,
To none that asked denied,
A mind that will not be
When I am dead, I will be
Content to fill a little space,
In the great world of life,
In service which Thy will appoints
There are no bonds for me,
My latest heart is true,
That makes Thy children "free";
I am of self-renouncing love,
I am of liberty.

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Unfathomable,
"I can't but be proud," she replied,
and added, "That's what I mean."
He paced swiftly to and fro, several
times, then halted abruptly in front
of her.
"May be candid with me," he said,
without the note of masculine impetu-
sity.
"About how tall?"
"This was too much," she burst into
tears. "How do I know?" she jibbed.

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Matters of Interest to Women

IN THE BOUDOIR



The standing figure in the first group shows a modified kimono of striped goods in black and white, with bands of green and white braid on the edges, and the undersleeves are of green wash silk. The other is a morning gown of red cashmere. The waist, sleeves and front breadth of the skirt are in one piece. The other breadth of the skirt are gathered to the belt under the hand of heading and velvet. The fastened opening at the side gives the needed space when the garment is slipped over the head.

The Japanese garment in the centre of the picture is to take the place of the shoulder cape, when some added warmth is needed over a thin house gown. It is of rich yellow satin, hand embroidered in brown, green and rose, and lined on the shoulder with a brown crocheted cord and tassel.

The aque in the oval frame is made of blue and white striped chalice trimmed with pleatings of blue chin silk and loops of blue ribbon. The clusters of tucks at each side are arranged to show the blue stripes.

The negligee of white chin silk is made to appear elaborate by the small bolero of ecru cloth and pink panne velvet, embroidered with gold thread. The long ends are of the velvet with a net-work of gold thread holding a band of the ecru cloth. The baby's pajamas are of candy-colored and white wash silk with red ribbon frogs.

Adjudged Winners His Excellency the Governor-General's Dramatic and Musical Trophies

WINNIPEG DRAMATIC CLUB AND QUEBEC ORCHESTRA

Winnipeg Presented "Release of Allan Danvers." Close of Great Amateur Theatrical Series

The judges in the Earl Grey Dramatic competition have announced their awards. The dramatic trophy is awarded the Winnipeg Dramatic Company which produced "The Release of Allan Danvers" Saturday night.

The musical trophy is awarded the Quebec Symphony orchestra, which was heard last Tuesday evening. The Winnipeg winners presented a play written by amateurs rehearsed by amateurs and performed by amateurs, so that the win is a complete triumph for the west. The authors of "The Release of Allan Danvers" are Messrs. Beaufort, Devine and Blue. Messrs. Beaufort and Devine took part in the production on Saturday night, while Mr. Blue acted as stage manager. It was moreover the first time in the history of Canada that a play written by Canadians was given copyright performance in this country.

The Quebec Symphony orchestra was founded three years ago by the present conductor, Joseph Vezina. The best non-professional talent of Quebec was drawn upon, with the result that three years of training has made a musical organization hard to beat. The Quebec musicians presented a classical programme on their appearance here, but they, too, can claim to have given a unique performance, as one of the best numbers played was the Valse de Concert, a musical gem from the pen of their conductor, Mons. Jos. Vezina, a strictly amateur artist.

The Closing Performances. The largest and most fashionable audience that has occupied the Russell in years saw the final presentations in the Earl Grey trophy competitions Saturday night. The house was crowded with the representatives of Ottawa's social and musical circles, every box and available seat being utilized.

The splendid audience by its brilliancy and its appreciation of the work of the actors seemed to stimulate the latter to greater efforts, and the result was apparent early in the evening in the magnificent work of the Winnipeg amateurs and later in the clever presentation of the Montreal contingent. It would have been a pity indeed had not the two groups of competitors arisen to the occasion as they did in such a satisfactory manner. The net result was that the big week of music and drama was brought to a most gratifying close by two productions that were handed and staged in a style that drew forth the continuous approval of the audi-

ence. Without exaggeration it may be well said that the reception accorded this case was in every way deserved, for seldom has Ottawa witnessed amateur acting of the style that characterized Saturday evening's plays.

An interesting announcement was made between presentations by Col. Hanbury-Williams, who stated that in view of the success of this week His Excellency Earl Grey would be pleased to make the competitions an annual event. This evoked much enthusiasm, and it is evident that the development of amateur talent throughout Canada will henceforth be an object of particular attention.

The quality of the performances, both musical and dramatic, which have been seen and heard during the week has made apparent the fact that Canadians are individually or locally cultivating a study of music and acting that deserves to be no longer confined by parish boundaries. A yearly competition in which the best in each centre will be pitted against each other will prove of inestimable value, and cannot help but be the cause of increasing the interest in art in every cultivated Canadian locality.

The conditions that have thus far governed the competitions have in a great measure been responsible for the success of the week. The fact that amateurs only were allowed to compete was in itself an excellent provision, and that the contests were not designed only for large centres was made clear by the variety of eligible plays. It was not specified that a certain number of performers, for example, were necessary in order to qualify a production. Any community capable of producing even a three-quarter drama could have competed. Merit alone has been adopted as the standard by which the presentations are judged and urban or provincial considerations have no place in a truly national and educational movement. It must be remembered that the scheme is as yet only in its infancy. The week, as Col. Hanbury-Williams remarked, was somewhat in the nature of a trial one, but the results have been such as to cause the brightest hopes for the future of the movement. The competitors came from a sufficiently wide area of Canadian territory to give a national aspect to the contest, and the manner in which the performances were conducted throughout indicated that each company felt in a way representative of its section rather than amateurs seeking outside approval.

The Release of Allan Danvers, a drama in three acts written especially for the Governor-General's competition, was the winning offering submitted by the Winnipeg Dramatic club and the production proved a remarkable success.

The plot is woven around the affliction of Allan Danvers, an actor, who is suffering from progressive loss of motor ataxia. He is in love with Margaret Boulton, his leading lady, and his affection is returned, but he, knowing that his disease is fatal, refrains from declaring his true feelings. The secret both of his affliction and his love is discovered by Dr. Acland who warns him of his impending fate and implores him not to encourage Miss Boulton's love. Danvers decides to leave England and thus escape the temptations daily before him. This decision is come to only after Sir William Barbert, eminent physician, has declared Danvers' case hopeless. The love of Miss Boulton, however, is too strong to be turned aside and she leaves her. Her affection finally wins and in a splendid final scene the excitement proves too much for the actor who falls dead at the feet of his sweetheart. From this incident the plot receives his name, death coming as a release from an existence made horrible by its uncertainty.

The play was splendidly handled and not a weak character marred the presentation. In Ernest Beaufort the Winnipeg amateurs have an actor of more than average merit and his work throughout was above criticism. He of course, was the central figure of the occasion, and the part called for a display of varied emotions that would have taxed the resources of many of the leading professionals. Mr. Beaufort, however, was equal to the occasion, and the part he played was particularly good while the final scene brought forth continuous applause. In the quartet scene he was particularly good while the final scene brought forth continuous applause.

Miss Daisy Crowley as Margaret Boulton made one of the impressions of the week and as the play progressed and the audience realized the excellent way in which she was playing to Danvers without exaggeration and in the most natural manner a storm of approval, frequently afterwards repeated, greeted her many excellent situations. Miss Crowley was the recipient of several beautiful bouquets which she gratefully acknowledged. Miss Gladys Lochy, the character

taken by Miss Shirley Keller was a triumph for that young lady and her meritorious performance materially assisted in the big success scored by the Winnipeggers. As Lady Lochy, Miss Naomi Farrell displayed exceptional talent and ably sustained a difficult role in nice fashion. Miss Lochy fell to the lot of Miss Marie Crowley, while Miss Edith Wade and Miss Gladys Alder as Miss D'Arcy and Miss Esmond respectively completed a group of lady amateurs whose work would have been difficult to surpass.

Mr. Shilling who took the role of Sir William Barbert, the eminent neurologist, was certainly fully conversant with his lines and his scientific conduct of Danvers' case and his demeanor throughout was an excellent characterization of the professional attitude of a great medical authority.

Major Devine, D.S.O., was the Dr. Acland of the production and carried out his role most acceptably. His explanation of his suspicions concerning Danvers' affliction and his solicitude for the welfare of what he regarded as a hopeless case made him a strong favorite with the audience, and he fully deserved the applause so lavishly bestowed. At the conclusion of the performance Major Devine expressed his deep appreciation of the reception tendered himself and his fellow players in a neat speech.

Mr. Skuse as Capt. Pigott, A.D.C. to Sir George Lochy, provided the humorous touch to the presentation and acted the part of a comical individual most naturally. Mr. Edwardes-Martin took the character of Sir George in excellent style, while Mr. Fuller as Raikes, private secretary to Sir George, also in love with Margaret Boulton, was remarkably good. A word of praise is also due Mr. Wilson Blue, the stage manager of the Winnipeg representatives. The stage was ably drilled and an accurate knowledge of the requirements of the drama, so successfully of three authors of "The Release of Allan Danvers," he was amply demonstrated in the position, and the splendid staging of the production with its ultimate triumph was in a great degree due to his unflinching energy and application.

The cast was as follows: Sir George Lochy, Mr. Edwardes-Martin. Langdon Mitchell, who with Mrs. Riggs acted as the judge of the dramatic competition at the Russell theatre, has a singularly concise and charming way of explaining just what he is in his apartment at Rideau hall on Saturday afternoon he chatted with the author of the play.

Mr. Mitchell had just come in from the skating rink. His face was radiant with the exhilarating air and exercise, and he rubbed his chilled hands together, smiled and blessed the Canadian winter.

"This has been a week of rare interest and enjoyment to me," he said, settling comfortably into a big armchair, "and every evening that I have passed in the theatre has increased my admiration for the idea lying behind the competition. I cannot remember a similar event in my career as a dramatist that has appealed to me in just such a unique way. The common sense of it strikes me forcibly. I have attended every evening and must say that what I saw was a very great surprise and a delight to me. I had no idea that dramatic clubs would have sought to attain such results, nor introduced into their work the sincerity that has been evident this week. I saw in those performances weeks of grinding and self-sacrifice, I saw in them a solid foundation for a higher and better Canadian stage."

Competition Will Do Good. "You think then that the effect of the competition will be both beneficial and far-reaching?" "Unquestionably," replied Mr. Mitchell; "those results cannot be exaggerated. They are sure to follow. Now, taking only a casual glance at the dramatic competitions, think of some of the benefits that we are to reap. First of all it will bring people together, from the four corners of the Dominion. They meet each other, learn what genial neighbors they have and exchange views which may break down barriers of narrowness. What matters it that they have come here to fight with each other for a trophy? All competition is good; it stimulates. We find it in every game. Then why should not these dramatic societies be allowed to play their game. Some one is sure to lose, in the sense that they do. By having a scientific judgment on their reasons for failure they can return home with some definite truth regarding themselves, which, if assimilated, will only act for the progress of the club. The loser in the present competition may by diligent attention to the judges' criticism, march to victory in the next competition. I hope that all the clubs will receive the criticism in a proper spirit. If they do, then one of the aims of the week's work will have been realized."

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Official Incompetence, Disobedience and Disorganization in the Army

St. Petersburg, Feb. 19. Kuroptakin's history of Japanese war, which was published by the Russian government, has become accessible to the public. The gist of these bulky volumes is devoted to the crucial battle of the Shan River, the battle of Mukden. The general orders and other documentary material collected by Col. Bolshakov, which have been constituted most amazing disorganization and even of disobedience of urgent orders on the part of the Japanese, are also included in the field, no Kaubara, against whom indictments are practical responsibility for the or at Mukden.

Kuroptakin's reasons for the war are based on a comparison of the warlike Japanese and the peaceful Russian, which he says has been in any previous war. He says that the Japanese are the only nation that has been offensive, with the disorganization of the Manchurian single track railroad from feeding her fighting army, and the Japanese in a hopeless state of gross purposes, with a month's confidence troops, and continuous home of internal trouble. The General closes his causes of the defeat of Russia had been united make sacrifices necessary her dignity and integrity. Russia's army would have the foe was subdued."

The Mukden volume shows that these early counsel from the Japanese of February 1904, Kuroptakin's memoranda to the Emperor, the plan of operations first he wrote: "Duties of the campaign are to be beaten in detail, strengthen them and begin it with sufficient force until we have all the means of an uninterrupted and comparatively long time. On the margin of this the Emperor wrote the word, 'Just so.'"

Kuroptakin goes on to his efforts to raise the troops were checked in part by the deficiencies of the transport, dwelling upon the in order to show the quality of the Manchurian troops with the situation, tracing the events down to Gen. Kuroki's resignation on the Russian side. He could have been a very early as the beginning of a disorganized and a prospect of unpreparedness, which he says was shown by its and there was "insufficiently among the reservists, who, under various pretexts, were not sent to the front. Gen. Biderling's tactics are severely criticized, as are the tactics of the Japanese, who were met with constant and simple force, twice as much as the Japanese, who were lacking through the first Yang, Kuroptakin says, and more capable hands part of the leaders. The retreat from Liao Yang and the retreat from Liao Yang are pointed out. Who had not inspired their retreat, and gave way to previous experience of the Shan River was the first lack of skill displayed of the eastern army in large forces entrusted to Grippenberg's Blarupakin describes his great turning movement blame for its failure is Guv. Grippenberg. "I am sure," said Mr. Mitchell, "that a fortnight before the commencement of our campaign the enemy had certain orders of Grippenberg's troops. Concerning the reverse Kuroptakin says 'the enemy had been studied, and no attack troops were prepared. Instead of Sandepul, the division, attacked the village, the west of Sandepul, thought he was occupying the village, and reported to me. Continuing the operations

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REAL ESTATE MARKET SHOWS GREATER ACTIVITY

Many Parcels of Property Have Changed Hands Within the Past Few Days

NEW FIRMS OPEN IN CITY

Particulars of Recent Deals in Realty in Victoria and the Surrounding District

COMING TO THE FIGHTING BEFORE MUKDEN

Kuropatkin says that quick measures were necessary to secure the capture of Mukden, and that the Russian army was not prepared for the fighting before Mukden.

SUPPORTS CHARGES AGAINST THE OFFICERS

Surviving Passenger of Lermont Says They Drove Her Back From Boats

Block Island, R. I., Feb. 14.

One more grim harvest of twenty-three victims of the disaster to the ill-fated steamer Lermont, which the intrepid Block Island fishermen gathered yesterday in the harbor.

IMMIGRANTS WILL BE OF GOOD CHARACTER

Arrangement Entered Into by Provincial Government and Salvation Army

TRUSTEES' CONVENTION

Nelson, Feb. 14.—The third annual convention of the trustees of the B. C. Electric Railway Co. was held here tonight.

COAL MINER HURT

Coal Creek, B. C., Feb. 14.—John O'Reilly, a miner in No. 27 mine here, was badly injured by a fall of rock last night.

TELEPHONE GIRLS' HOURS

Toronto, Feb. 14.—Medical experts at the telephone commission testified that eight hours per day for operators would be sufficient.

DROWNED IN ARROW LAKE

Nelson, Feb. 14.—Word reached here tonight of the drowning on Wednesday night of the Lovell, a young man living at Brokenby.

LABORATION ELECTION

Montreal, Feb. 14.—Dr. P. C. Laurier, a young Montreal politician, has been chosen by the Liberals of Lasomption as a candidate for the constituency of Lasomption.

G. T. P. CONTRACTS

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—The time for re-levelling tenders for the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific has been closed today.

ALBERTA TELEPHONES

Edmonton, Feb. 14.—The minister of public works, on behalf of the government of Alberta, announced today that a complete telephone system, owned and operated by the government, will be installed at once.

A MEXICAN MERGER

New York, Feb. 14.—The directors of the Greene Consolidated Copper Company and of the Canadian Coal Company today notified an agreement to merge the two companies.

GAMBLERS AND DETECTIVE

Honolulu, Feb. 14.—Chief of Detectives Taylor has been offered \$1400 a week by an association of Chinese gamblers for their protection.

CORNWALL CITIZEN DEAD

Cornwall, Feb. 14.—James H. Vanarsdale, a resident of Cornwall, died here last night.

NANAIMO BARREL FACTORY

Nanaimo, Feb. 14.—The Pacific Whaling Company, which operated the whaling station on one of the islands in the Sound, has been closed.

ANTI-STRIKE MEASURE

READ A SECOND TIME

Criticism in House—Mr. Molnes and the Yukon—Mexican Wheat Duty

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—After seven hours' debate the House gave the second reading to the anti-strike bill.

IRISH COUNCIL BILL

TO BE INTRODUCED

NEW GOVERNING BODY TO BE PARTLY NOMINATIVE AND PARTLY ELECTIVE

London, Feb. 14.—Following closely upon his announcement yesterday of the intention of the government to introduce a measure to improve the government of Ireland, Augustine Birrell, chief secretary, gave notice today that a bill will be introduced to reform the Irish council.

ELECTRIC RAILWAY CO.

SEEKING MORE POWER

Wynn Meredith and Others Start Today to Look for Possible Sources

Wynn Meredith, the celebrated electrical engineer, arrived in the city last evening, on business connected with the B. C. Electric Railway company.

GRIM DEATH INTERRUPTS

Wife of Juror in Thaw Trial Died Yesterday

New York, Feb. 14.—Another tragic chapter in the history of the Thaw-White case was written today, when the wife of Juror No. 11, Mrs. Joseph B. Bolton, died.

HOMESTEADERS' DUTIES

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—The Interior department states that while it is quite true that the homesteaders have been permitted to absent themselves for two months from their lands, it is erroneous to say that the two month vacation is to be counted as actual residence on a homestead.

CIVIC SALARIES MOVE SEVERAL NOTCHES UPWARD

Council Agrees to Nearly All Requests for Increase in Pay

WAGES OF DAY LABORERS RAISED

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The man who knows the most about the proposed new railway... The man who knows the most about the proposed new railway...

WILL EXPLOIT COAL LANDS IN THE NORTH

Many Companies Incorporated During Past Week—Notices in Current Gazette

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When she leaves this morning for the West coast with supplies for lighthouses... When she leaves this morning for the West coast with supplies for lighthouses...

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At Harriet Bay, Skinkuita Inlet, about 84 miles south of Skidegate, the Japanese Copper Company, which is working a rich copper property, has ore ready for shipment which is valued at \$40,000 as it lies on the dump.

The Japanese mining company which is developing a rich mine on the same lead, at Ikeda Bay, named after the owner of the concern, proposes to purchase a steamer to carry its ore from the Queen Charlotte Island mine to the Tacoma smelter.

The mine on the rise behind Ikeda Bay worked by the Ikeda Company was located by a Japanese diver, who was engaged in prospecting for copper ore under water, and prospecting followed, with the result that the contact was traced to the hill and the Ikeda mine thus discovered.

The copper lead, which extends south and is being worked by the Japanese, with the result that some prospecting claims are being staked. South of Ikeda Bay, about 10 miles, the Tees called at Collinson Bay, where another mining camp is being established, and there several prospects were reported.

A number of timber cruisers were among the passengers on the boat, some from Skidegate, some from Hardy Bay, where they had arrived over the trail from Quatsino, a few from Namu and several from Bella Coola.

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Engineer Cartwright Speaks of Canadian Pacific's Intentions

POSSIBLE ROUTES ARE MENTIONED

Final Decision Will Be Delayed Until Survey Parties Have Secured Information

The extension of the E. & N. railway to some point on the West Coast of Vancouver Island will be considered as soon as full information is received in regard to the different available routes.

Mr. Cartwright is here for the purpose of making a preliminary survey of the proposed route, which will be undertaken by the E. & N. railway, which will be held this morning.

There were still two survey parties in the field, Mr. Cartwright said. One was engaged between Wellington and the east coast. The latter, until recently, had been doing some prospecting in the vicinity of Cumberland but had to abandon work for the present owing to the fall weather.

There was no question, Mr. Cartwright said, about the location of a new railway building a line to some place on the West coast in the near future.

News was also brought by the Tees that Charles Harrison, a settler and S. R. Clinton of the Graham Steamship, Coal and Lumber Company, which has acquired the interests on Graham Island, had chartered the tug Euris at Ketchikan and loaded the vessel with supplies for the island.

STOMACH TROUBLES

To wrong action of the stomach and impaired digestion a host of diseases owe their origin.

BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS

Miss Lizzie Fariote, Jacques River, N.B., writes: "I was very much troubled with my stomach and did not know what to do. I consulted several doctors, but none of them, but all to no purpose, and was constantly growing worse."

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ENORMOUS FRUIT POSSIBILITIES. From the standpoint of timber transportation alone the proposed railway to Esquimalt and Victoria, via Butte Inlet and Nodas channel, should pay from the start.

Valuable Opinions. The closest attention is called to the statement given below by Charles E. E. Somley, manager for F. R. Stewart & Co. the firm which is to transport the greater part of fruit shipped from Vancouver Island.

A WOMAN'S BACK WAS NOT MADE TO ACHE. Thousands of Women Suffer Utterly Miserable Every Day With Aching Backs That Really Have No Business to Ache.

An Absolute Cure for Rheumatism

If the skin or bowels are unhealthy, they won't throw off enough urea. This urea is changed into uric acid, which is carried by the blood to the nerves and causes Rheumatism.

Fruit-a-tives surely cure Rheumatism and Sciatica

because they act directly on bowels, kidneys and skin—and so strengthen and invigorate these organs that there is no urea and uric acid retained in the system to irritate the nerves and bring Rheumatism, Sciatica and Neuralgia.

Government Assistance

"One thing, however, is rather unfortunate, and that is that the Government has not yet made any provision for the transportation of fruit to the coast. It is the Seymour Narrows bridge cannot be built for the present, and the railway to the coast cannot be built until the Seymour Narrows bridge is built.

SAFE FROM PULAJANES

Manila, Feb. 15.—W. K. Becher and W. J. Ise, two American teachers who it was feared had been killed in an attack by Pulajanes in Occidental Negros, have been found unhurt.

CONGO ABUSES

U. S. Senate Willing to Strengthen President's Hands. Washington, Feb. 15.—The senate in executive session today adopted a resolution extending cordial support to the President in any steps he may deem wise to take relative to Congo affairs, so long as his action is not inconsistent with the obligations of international law.

ARMY OF WORKERS MAY SOON ARRIVE

Provincial Government Negotiates With C. P. R. on Labor Immigration. Finance Minister Tatlow Believes that Problem Will Soon Be Solved.

THEORY AS TO MINERALIZATION

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MONTREAL SUBURB BURNED

Montreal, Feb. 15.—The village of Port Vian, six miles back of the city, Quebec, was burned out by a fire which broke out in the carriage factory of J. Labelle, and spread quickly to the houses on the hillside.

A NARROW ESCAPE

Vancouver Tug Almost Run Down by the Seattle Steamer Jeanie. The tug Erin, owned by J. S. Emerson, was nearly run down in Seymour Narrows a few days ago by the steamer Jeanie of Seattle, according to a report made to Mr. Emerson by the master of the tug.

Dr. Shoop's Catarrh Cure

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NEWEST REPORT ON WEST COAST MINES

Story of Development in Bulletin Just Issued by Mines Department. The color of the marble on the east side is somewhat variable, but it is generally a blue grey, becoming darker towards the northern end of inlet.

CHARTERED FOR CHEMINAUS

Everett G. Briggs Will Be Towed to Vancouver Island Mill to Load. The British barkentine Everett G. Briggs, a six-masted vessel, has been chartered to transport ore from the west coast of South America, and will be towed to Vancouver Island mill today.

JAPANESE WANT LINES

Pacific Mail Company Refuses to Sell its Steamers. The Togo Kisen Kaisha, operating the steamer Nippon Maru, America Maru and others, has been in communication with the Pacific Mail S. S. Co., but President Harlan has refused to sell out to them.

WILL HAVE OPPOSITION

Mexico Said to Be Dealing for Pacific Mail Vessels for Tehuantepec. The steamer Georgia and Lonsdale, which have been placed in service by the Pacific Mail S. S. Co., are expected to be replaced by the Tehuantepec line of the Pacific Mail S. S. Co., but President Harlan has refused to sell out to them.

DAMAGES TO THE SPOKANE

Estimated That \$17,500 Will Be Cost of Repairing Days Wheel. Damage to the days wheel of the Spokane, a steamer of the Pacific Coast Steamship company, is estimated to cost \$17,500 to repair.

GREAT SILVER STRIKE

Port Arthur, Ont., Feb. 15.—Reports of a sensational strike in the Thunder Bay silver mine have received here from officials of the company.

CHIEF RESIGNS

New Westminster, Feb. 15.—J. W. McIntosh, chief of police, has resigned after two years in office. He plans a prospecting trip to the Bulkley valley.

STANDARD OIL DIVIDEND

New York, Feb. 15.—The directors of the Standard Oil company today declared a quarterly dividend of \$15 a share. This compares with a dividend of the same amount in the corresponding quarter last year and with \$10 per share three months ago.

QUEBEC JUDGE RESIGNS

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—Judge Hall of the court of appeals of Quebec has sent in his resignation on account of ill health.

ASK FOR AMHERST SOLID LEATHER FOOTWEAR

TOLSTOY'S SON PROSECUTED. St. Petersburg, Feb. 15.—A son of Count Tolstoy has been indicted for high treason on account of printing his father's latest political pamphlet.

DEADLY HAT-PIN

Binghamton, N. Y., Feb. 15.—As a result of being scratched by a hat-pin, Howard T. Miller, 20, yesterday died of a brain fever. He had been scratched on the forehead by a hat-pin while he was shaving.

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Take notice that 30 days after date of this notice, the following land is to be sold at public auction by the Receiver General for the Province of British Columbia.

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The uninitiated would be sorely perplexed to indicate upon what grounds Mr. Blades had so confidently announced that "there was something from without awaiting him. There was apparently nobody in the quarry through which he was passing, except the various gangs of prisoners, and the warders in charge of them. Nothing to least bystander suppose that an attempt to communicate with any one of the former was being made; that those who undertake to supply these grey-coated outfits with surreptitious luxuries. The "good people" who provide the convicts with antiseptic soap, and as sensitive about being seen as the "good people" for whom poor Nature makes a special provision.

Looking more closely, one perceives a small piece of paper, which is a small pebble; that is the sign—more properly, was a sheet of paper, upon which there are many such, all readily comprehended by the old hands within the prison. But although a parcel may be thus deposited—though the spot where it lies concealed may be known to the intended, yet he has still to await an opportunity. Mr. Blades, marching with his fellows to the blacksmith's shop, admits fully that he does not quite see how and under the keen gaze of a warder. Were he working in the quarry, he might be simple. There is a risk, too, in delay of some other prisoner recognizing the sign, and more favorable opportunities of finding and appropriating the parcel. Mr. Blades, however, has no reliance on that musty old adage of "Honesty is the best policy." It might come to one all right, if it's only a letter," he mused; "but it's the mighty poor." And though Mr. Blades has put Maurice Elliott in the way of receiving a letter, so far that he would infinitely prefer to find two or three blades of grass than one, he is not so much concerned for which Maurice so yearns. Such regard for one's own welfare is the mark of a man who has been confined to the confines of a prison.

Bill Blades, as he hammers and hammers, minutely upon how he is to find an opportunity of getting out of the quarry, but all to no purpose. "When warders are so pluggy officious," he mused, "it is a living hell. I don't like to see them to come undone just opposite that bit of crockery, one of our fellows is bound to stop and look at it up again." As he spoke, he was busy raking some clinders together, with which he replenished the fire. Suddenly something glittering caught his eye amongst the bricks.

"Hallo! you're a find!" he muttered. "It's a letter." He glanced hastily round for a moment, and saw that no notice was just then being taken of his proceedings; he stooped, and in a second bit of wrought steel, about four inches long was concealed in the garter-band of his knickerbockers. "That's the making of a knife, any way," thought Mr. Blades, with a grin. "These men look for letters some times carry some disappointment when they come to hand." Suddenly the numerous parties of prisoners tramp through the quarries and disappear within the prison gates. A living soul appears, and he welcomed the sound of the recall bell as eagerly as tonight. "These men look for letters some times carry some disappointment when they come to hand." Suddenly the numerous parties of prisoners tramp through the quarries and disappear within the prison gates. A living soul appears, and he welcomed the sound of the recall bell as eagerly as tonight.

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his astute friend, Mr. Blades, in mind to be patient and wait his opportunity. Three hours pass away, during which Maurice, wheezing incessant snore, lies in a hammock near some far away from that mysterious piece of delf. Once he found himself with an empty barrow within twenty yards of it. He lounged carelessly from his barrow; he was within six inches of it when he was startled by the warden called to him to keep by his work. Maurice began to despair, but he was not to be so easily discouraged. He would retreat if we may ignore, we may even deny it; but at the bottom he was not to be so easily discouraged. He would retreat if we may ignore, we may even deny it; but at the bottom he was not to be so easily discouraged.

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beneath the shade of the beach and the stream rippled, and the guarded overtones, in soft, loving, laughing accompaniment to their talk—as sweet as a melody as two lovers could wish to hear, in those pauses so incidental to such converse. They, perhaps, talked rather more about themselves than the topic which had nominally decided to discuss; but that is not much to be wondered at, for when it was clear, they agreed: Dainty must have an answer from Maurice before they could take any further steps. It was necessary to be quite sure that communication with him was thoroughly established.

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Vancouver Island An Agricultural Paradise

By J. THEO. WILSON

In the course of a most interesting speech at the provincial teachers' convention, held in Revelstoke in 1906...

Vancouver Island. Dressed chickens never retail for less than 20 cents per pound...

Actual experience shows that it is very profitable in recent years to raise sheep on Vancouver Island...

Expenses. 100 bushels wheat at \$1.05 \$105.00 50 bushels barley at .50 25.00...

Net profit. \$180.00 This works out an average profit of more than \$2.00 per hen, not counting labor and other expenses...

All authorities concur that the agricultural areas of Vancouver Island are particularly adapted for mixed farming...

Root crops and small fruits, planted between the trees for the first year or two, and red clover up to the fifth year, should more than pay for the cost...

WINNIPEG DRAMATIC CLUB AND QUEBEC SHAKESPEARIAN PLAYS

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"Should a club prefer to use a play that had already been favorably received by the public, would you advise them to undertake anything from that class?"

"Yes, I have grown quite enthused since coming here. It is the first time in the history of the club that a national competition has been instituted for amateur actors and musicians..."

Continuing his report, Mr. Mitchell spoke about his method of judging the present competition. "I have a number of questions that I ask the judges of the musical performances..."

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