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TALES OF THE TOWN.


DROPPED across a copy of Blackwood's Magazinefin one of our libraries the other day, and $m y$ attention was directed to an article, the title of which was "The Egyptians and the Occupation." The writer closes his view of the situation with a severe arraignment of Mr . Gladstone. Referring to Mr. Gladstone's speech in which he "ex terds his patronage to Lord Salisbury's policy," he says : "A statesman who can compress so many malicious statements into the compass of a single sentence shows no decline of - these peculiar arts that have raised him to eminence. 'Age cannot wither him, nor custom stale his infinite variety.'"

In the whole range of history, says the writer, there is probably no greater contrast than that between ancient and modern Egypt: To the traveller in the Nile Valley, to the student of history, and to the reader of the ancient Bible Egypt is a synonym for majesty and grandeur. Pharaoh, in Dean Stanley's words, was uot, like Saul, greater than his fellows from his shoulders and upward, but from his ankles and upward. "Say unto Pharaoh, whom art thuu like in thy greatness?" "I am Pharaoh." "By the life of Pharaoh."

Homer knew of Thebes as the City of the Hundred Gates. It is still called "Il Luxor," or "The Palaces." The Sphinx, the Pyramids, the wonders of Memphis, the tombs of Beni Hasan, the paintings of Abydos, the giant wrecks of Thebes, the courts of Dendera, Esna and Edfu, the graceful columns of Phile, the sulptures of Bet-el-Wali, the majestic Colossi at Ipsam-
boul, and the countless other imperishable works in the valley of the Nile, surpass all the other antiquities of a corresponding age in the rest of the whole world. The mind is bewildered by trying to understand that long past or greatness, glory and conquest. One never wearies of seeing and re-seeing those mighty ruins.

The monuments and hieroglyphics picture the ancient Egytians in a very favorable light. You may survey scores of monuments and myriads or figures, and yet see no indelicacy till. you come to Greek and Roman times. There is a dignity about the people which is very impressive. Their architecture may be called heavy as compared with the Greek, but they had to use a soft-sandstone or a stubborn granite, while the Greeks had marble. SJ excellent is the work that an eminent American engineer offered a very considerable sum of money to any engineer of modern days who would quarry granite blocks of the size of those of the temple of the Sphinx-a temple of the very greatest antiquity-and place the columns as truly vertical, the lintels as truly horizonal, and in as truly a straight line, without the aid of any mortar, so that a knife-edge could not be inserted into any joint and a large transit theodolite could not detect any deflection from the true north.

The ancient Egyptian has undoubtedly been seen in the most unfavorable light. The religion of ancient Egypt was idolatrous, but their idea of God, of judgment, of justice, and indeed of a future life was almost Christian. The religion of ancient Egypt can no more be held responsible for the acts of a tyrant like Rameses than can the religion of Christ be held responsible for the acts of a tyrant like the Czar of Russia. The high position beld by women in ancient Egypt and the sacredness of home-life remind one of our own modern civilization. The early Greek travellers speak with astonish ment of the respect paid to women in Egypt, and of the freedom they en-joyed-a respect and freedom unknown to the Grecian women of those days. The Egyptians were then, as they still are to-day, one of the most religious peoples in the world. Employing that boundless wealth which their victorious armies poured into their country

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almost entirely for the glcrification of their gods, they have left an imperishable record of their own greatness and of the height of their civilization. Owing to a six months residence among the palaces and temples of Egypt, $\mathbf{1}$ acquired an undying love for the history of the land of the Pbaraohs.

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Government, I confess, have every claim to compassion that can arise from misery and distress. The condition to which they have been reduced, they believe should disarm resentment, and I trankly inform them that it is not my desire to preserve the perishable infamy of their party and make it immortal.

My remarks concerning the Mock Parliament have not been conceived or written in a malicious spirit, and if perchance I have inflicted a wound, I can without equivocation say that it was not intentional. I do not wish it to be understood that the desire to take offence at my remarks is general with Government members. There are really some liberal young minds amongst them, and I believe they would scorn a dishonorable action.

If you would know one's real character, his inner life and all his little meannesses, watch him on a street car. Nine times out of ten he will give himself away there as he would nowhere else. And he won't know it either. It is in the street car that women should seek their future husbands and men their wives, where merchants should look for their confidential clerks and where the honest office holders should be sought. For they all ride on the cars and are to be seen as in a looking glass, their foibles all exposed.

There's the contemptible seven-bynine man, who won't pay his fareunless the "con" gets after bim. He holds that the man should seek the nickel and not the nickel the man, and so, if the car is crowded and the "con" out of sight, the seven-by-nine gets off, rejoicing in the possession of his nickel. He is a twin brother to the man who disputes about change, where to stop, where to get off, transfers and kindred topics. This type takes two seats whenever he can get them, always has suggestions about how to do this, that and the other thing about the street railway, and is ever a bore. Of course you know the woman who would cheat the "con" as quick as wink if she had the chance. She is a cousin to the twins. Everybody knows the fat man, the long-whiskered man, the alpaca-coated man (in summer), and the legions of big-hearted men and women who do make room for a
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Wickels, who do treat the conductor as if he were a man, who don't squelch him if he (with a press of business on his mind) runs past their street. Those good-natuied passengers are the oases in the "con's" desert life, and each * will get an extra diamond to his crown some day. That is, if the cunductor has anything to say about it.

Wending my way toward the legislative halls on Thursday to attend the opening ceremonies and take a look at the "permanent land force," "C" battery, I was thunderstruck on reaching Government street to see the battery riding in the tram cars. What can we expect from the local volunteers when we witness such conduct on the part of "regulars?" What would the public say if an order for a church parade was issued and the B. C. B of G. A. were to board the tram cars at the corner of Menzies and Superior streets and ride to St. John's or any other church, on the tran line? The cars are a great convenience for the public, and could not very well be dispensed with, now that we have had a short experience ; but when they are used for such purposes as they were on Thursday, viz., to convey the guard of honor to the Government buildings, it is simply making a laughing stock of the almy regular or volunteer. Conversing with an old officer of the volurteer force on the subject, he said: "We have always had the greatest difficulty imaginable
to induce men to turn ont in inclement weather, owing to the fact that they would be laughed at if they attempted to avoid the mtd or rain ; but now that we have had an example shown us, we are at liberty to parade on roller skates if we are inclined."

Much blood and treasure would be poured out, if the United States should come to blows with Chili. Many bomes would be left destitute, and lifelong sorrow world take up its abode in them. If arbitration cannot be resorted to, why would it not be worth while to settle the dispute in the good old way of trial by champion. Let each nation choose its defender, and let the issue of war settle it. John L. Sullivan has already expressed his "patriotism" and his belief that Chili ought to be "put to sleep." Let the Chilians choose a champion and Mr. Sullivan, actor, poet and patriot, will meet him in the squared, circle and do valiant battle for the land of his adoption. Mr. Sullivan is a past master in the gentle, hypnotic art, but he is not invincibe. There may be a Chilian biuiser of less brawn but more science. The DavidGoliah "go" will be remembered in this connection; but the Philistines always claimed that David toos an unfair advantage of their champion by heaving rocks at him. The battle is not always to the stroig. It would be pretty satisfactory to the United States even if Mr. Sullivan should get well

## threshed by his opponent.

I am told that the dinner given last Monday night by the barristers of that part of Her Majesty's dominions commonly known as British Columbia was just a real sociable affair. While ginger ale, cider and other soft drinks were provided in abundance, it must not be inferred that "anything sironger" was excluded. As illustrating the fact that our legal luminaries are by no means temperance fanatics, I might say that all the bottles containing the soft drinks were returned without as much as a seal broken. The speeches were of a high order of merit, particularly the oratorial effort of one Vancouver barrister, which is said to have surpassed ali understanding, or as another speaker put it, "beyond comprehension." These little affairs go a long way towards drawing into closer fr'endship the members of the legal fraternity, and should be repeated as often as circumstances will permit.


Pere Grinator.

"There are Moments when One Wants to be Alone."
"This is One of Them! This is One of Them !"

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

The Military Drill and Toy Symphony, to be given in aid of the Benev olent Society and Royal Jubilee Hospital, will take place in The Victoria on Tuesday Feb. 3rd. Those taking part have been practising for the past two months at the Roccabella and held their last rehearsal at the Victoria Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Marvin and Miss Beeton bave requested the ladies and gentlemen to appear in evening dress as a complement to the ladies taking part. The "C" Battery band will be in attendance.

The Batchelors' Ball, which takes place on the 4th proximo, in Assembly Hall, promises to be one of the events of the season. No expense or care will be spared to make the affair a complete success.

The Hebrew Ladies Benevolent Association, of Temple Emanuel, will give a Leap Year social in Harmony Hall, on the evening of Feb. 3. Good music, dancing and a supper will be some of the features of the evening. The following ladies constitute the committee of management : Misses Philo, Frank, Levy, Davis and the Misses Philips.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Alex. Kenning, of South Turner Street, have been giving very pleasant entertainments to their friends on Friday evenings, in the shape of musical soiries, which are much enjoyed and appreciated.

A grand concert will be given by the Victoria Junior Football Club in the Y.M.C.A. Hall, on Friday evening, February 12.

A number of well-known young men are making preparations for an amateur minstrel show to be given in the Victoria Theatre some night in the last week in February. Several popular singe.s have promised to take part and the topics of the day will be immortal$z \mathrm{ed}$ in song and story. The object
being a most praiseworthy one-the benefit of discharged prisoners-and is sure to call forth the hearty support the undertaking deserves.

The Far West Lodge Knights of Pythias will give a ball in Assembly $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ Il on Friday evening, Feb. 19. The Sir Knights will be in full dress uniform, which will add to the Brilliancy of the affair.

Mr. S. L. Redgrave has been eiscted captain for the next year of Uniform Rank, Victor'a Division, No. 2., K. of P., in place of W. Benhsen, who retires with the jewel of honors. It is a tribute of the good will entertained for him by his brethren which Mr. Redgrave gratefully appreciates.

The order of the Sons of St. George gave a concert in Harmony Hall last evening

The members of the Y. L. I. and of Segher's Council Y. M. I. gave a very successful performance at The Victoria last Thursday night to a good audience. My Wife's Second Floor and Presump tive Evidence were produced in a manner that was highly creditable for amateurs. During the wait between the two pieces Manager Collins recited "The Blind Piper and His Dog" in a thorough artistic manner.

The regular fortnightly meeting of the St. Andrews' Young People's Association will be held Tuesday evening in the school-room. A business meeting will be held, but a good musical programme is promised.

Mr. George Courtney has returned to is old place in the C. P. R. offices. Miny friends are ple: sed to welcome him back to this city.

Miss Beiton furnished a pleasant musical evening last Wednesday in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. She was assisted by Miss Shaw and Messrs. Des Brisbay and Newling. The feature of the evening was the reading by Miss Beeton of a story entitled "The Golden Wedding" which was a treat to all who were present.

Mrs. $/$ Boggs was a passenger by Thursday evening's Islander.

Invitations are out for a reception to be given Friday, 12th February, at the
residence of Mrs. G. F. Mathews, Dallas Road.

Fernhill, the home of the Hon. J. E. Pooley, was the scene of a pleasant gathering last Wednesday evening. Mrs. Pooley's guests spent a very enjoyable evening.

Preparations are being made to hold a grand sacred concert in the new St. Andrew's Cathedral before the dedication services which will formally open the new structure for religious worship, early in March.

Mrs. McLellan was a passenger inwards on the North Pacific on Friday morning.

## LOCAL AND CTHERWISE.

Messrs. Henry M. and Thomas N. Cunningham, of New Westminster, well known in this city, are retiring from taking an active part in their business and will shortly enter the Toronto Universty. The thriner will study medicine and the latter theology.

Not wishing to carry surplus stock over till next seas sn, B. Williams \& Co., the popular clothiers, 97 Johnson Street, are selling boys' and men's mackintoshes and overcoats at cost price for the next thirty days.

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## E. J. O'SU'LLIVAN,C.E

To write legibly is an art which up till late years has not been easily acquired, and now perfection itself seems to have beer almost attained. Perhaps the greatest exponent of the art of penmanship on the coast is now to be
way," Mr. O'Sullivan came west, and for two years taught in business colleges in the states of Michigan and Wiscon$\sin$. But the study of civil engineering retained some charm for him, and for two years he burnt the midnight oil in

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perfecting himself in this profession and finally graduated at Montreal last September.
It might be mentioned incidentally that Mr. O'Sullivan, in a competition against all Canada at the Montreal exhibition in 1891, won first prize, awarded by the Cercle de la Salle. Last September Mr. O'Sullivan made up his mind to visit Victoria, and so pleased was he with the city and surroundings that he determined without much hesitation upon opening a business college here. That he was admirably qualified to undertake the work, his experience and the hundreds of testimonials from the leading men of the United States and Canada he has in his possession, afford conclusive proof. That he has been successful in what might seem to others a great undertaking, the number of pupils who are now under his tuition and who are very enthusiastic as to the methods adopted by him and the profciency they are attaining, is the best evidence. Although the Victoria Business College is only three months in operation, over forty pup.ls have taken advantage of the opportunity presented of securing a thorough business training.

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The subject of this sketch was born in Germany, May 26, 1858 . He was educated at the Gymnasium, and at an early age commenced the study of dentistry under the preceptorship of one of the most expert practitioners in Prussia. He also studied medicine for two years under a prominent physician of hisnative city, and in the year 1877 came to the United States, beginuing the practice of dentistry in San. Francisco. He remained in the latter city for one year, when he-removed to Victoria, and has been in active practice here ever since.

Dr. Hartman is one of the most progressive dentists on the American continent. He is continually studying and investigating the latest developments of his profession, and utilizes all those which he considers practical. He recently spent several months in Europe and the United States, and during this trip took advantage of every opportunity of exchanging views with the best practitioners of the world
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Dr. Hartman has ever faken an active part in the progress and well fare of Victoria, and is, altogether, one of our most prominent and respected citizens. He is the oldest dentist in British Columbia, and possesses a very large and remunerative practice. He is a gentleman of deep learning and the personification of affability and good nature.

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RANDOM REFLEOTIONS.


THE desire to look iuto the future is natural. In the earlier history " the human family Hebrew and heathen alike have their seers. The nineteenth century Christian who harnesses the lightnings to his purposes smilingly pities the foolish divinings of paganism, and carefully notes the circumstances attending his first glimpses of the new muon. The mental darkness of the heathen Chinee, which conceals a diminutive predestinator in the inner recesses of his ample coat, excites the scorn or contempt of the educated Caucasian who secretly treasures a luckpenny in his pocket, unconscious of how "one touch of nature makes the whole world kin." Cultivation, progress, discovery, the acquisition of knowledge which brings power, instead ot eradicating this tendency of human thought, only turns it in another direction and gives it coherence and purpose.

Where ignorance led and credulity followed to fall into the ditch of error, reason and intelligent investigation marshal the evidences of past experiences and of acquired knowledge to the unveiling of future developments, and Campbell's poetic allusion, "Coming events cast their shadows before," becomes a realization in every-day life. While this is true to all men, it is pecu-

Liarly so to those whose lot is cast in a new country, who have ventured forth in obedience to the strongest influence of any to which our race is susceptible, that ever urges us to occupy the waste places of the earth-what is to be the future of our province, of our city. To us, even in comparison with people in other countries, the problem is of more than ordinary interest. Situated on the confines of a great and as yet only partially occupied continent, far removed from the great centres of activity in the progress and development of our race, we may be led to think that ours must wait on that of nearer and already more advanced peoples.

Contending for supremacy with cities which less than a decade since had not an existence even in men's anticipa tions, practical-minded men are led to examine the groundiugs of their faith in the future of the city of Victoria. The home seeker; after ling d:bate in his mind, having come to a decision, and left behind him all that was, in search of that that is to be, is wary of the glowing representations of boomers, by which so many of the too credulous have been brought to loss in other places. He is met by the chronic croaker with doleful tales of past disappointment and predictions of future stagnation. The business man, looking back to the days of small transactions and great profits, may be discouraged by competition that increases as trade increases. But despite all the hobgoblins that may be conjured up to cloud the future, the evidences that point to solid development and commercial greatness in store for our province and city are such as to justify the most confident predictions.
" Westward the star of empire takes its way" is wrought into truth by the advancing tide of emigration in the same direction, that ever mounts higher and higher, and which temporary checks seem only to increase in tts succeeding volume. Each succeeding spring sees it set in from the older countries of Europe on the eastern shores of the American continent to out-do the marvels of past incomings, and to spread itself ever nearer the Pacific coast line, where it must eventually stop. And the incomings from the old world is as nothing to the shifting of the resident and native popula-
tions of the Atlantic and central states and provinces of this continent toward this western shore. The observing, thinking resident of any of the central continental cities is astonished at the increasing annual outpour, not of Europeans, but of Americans, who pass westward, and to stay.

That British Columbia has natural advantages to attract and support her full share of this coming tide is plainly evident to the tully informed and unprejudiced mind. We are not credited wittu having, uor do we boast of, great agricultural resources; yet even in this respect our province will compare favorably with Scotland, Vermont, Nova Scotia, Quebec, or the western portions of Ontario. Our fisheries challenge the world for a comparison; our iron and coal alone are sufficient to insure an aggregation of population and a future era of prosperity, while the revenues yet to accrue from our wealth in timber are simply beyond calculation.

With such a combination of adrantages and our splendid climate, to forecast otherwise than phenomenal progress for this country is to close oureyes to facts and to forsake the conclusions of reason and common sense. That Victuria will benefit to her full share from these progressive advances, the evidence is equally conclusive. With a perfectly land-locked harbori that is certainly capable of being made equal in accommodatic $n$ to the Clyde, situated at the north end of a coast line of seven hundred miles without a hatbor, by her island situation removed from the hurtful competition of rival cities in her near vicinity; having the advantage of competing railway systems without the blighting curse of railway domination, with a charm of situation and of climate such as is not possessed by any other city in Canada, if in America, what has she to fear ?

Men like to live where it is pleasant to live. They congregate to do business in locations where the natural facilities for doing business exist. Victoria's climate fills the first condition even better than the most favored spot in our own province. The advantages of her position in respect of the second were sufficient to establish and maintain themselves without the assistance of the fostering hand of giant mono-
poly to call them into existence or to keep them from falling into neglect. Let the sceptic olimb any of the craggy eminences that overlook our city, as 1 love to do on' $a$ Sunday atternoon, and gaze on the scene of picturesque beauty spread out below the cosy cottages in their sheltered nooks among the trees, the stately homcs surrounded by neatly trimmed green lawns, by hedges, by wide spreading oaks, or thicker clustering orchard of plum, pear, apple, or cherries on her streets, that wind in and out around her hillsides; her resting cttizens strolling about enjoying the fresh air and glimpses of the glistening sunlit waters of bay or strait; her : daughters, the picture of robust health, shielding the freshness of their complexions from the warmth of the January sun in the shelter of a parasol -and he can appreciate the advantages of our glorious climate, even if the picture is occasionally marred by a little rain.

Let him think of the kneedeep miseries of a long winter of piercing winds, blinding snows, or biting frosts ; of the discomforts and dangers of outdoor exercise, or indoor confinement, to which these things would subject him anywhere east of the Rockies and north of Chicago; of the many expenses they incur-and he must concede the effect our climatic advantages are likely to have on our future.

Cresset.

## GALENA.

That British Coiumbia is on the verge of an era of unprecedented activity no one will deny and all concede that the Kootenay country will be the point at which this unusual activity will most manifest itself. Much has been said and written about this country, but nothing, no matter how flattering, that is not justtified by the facts of the case. Galena, which is situated most desirably in the richest mineral district in the world, is the place which is at present attracting the most attention. At Pilot Bay, $75^{\circ}$ acres have been secured by interested parties, 450 acres of which will be available for a townsite, and something over 100 acres will be held by the Kootenay Mining and Smelting Company and the DaviesSayward Milling Oompany. The Smeltet Company has located its works
upon the narrow peninsula known as Cape Horn, good bays being conven fent to this point.
The Milling Company is on the east side of the bay and has the largest and most complete mill machinery in the Kootenay country. They intend doubling their output this year. The water in Pilot Bay is frem 15 to 45 feet deep. The Smelter Company is building a wharf 700 feet long, 350 feet of which is now completed and the remainder will be finished in April
The Great Northern Railway has completed their grade into Bonner's Ferry, and will iron the road as soon as possible in the spring. From reliable information received, it appears that the Northern Pacific Railway will bunld from. Sand "Point to Bonner's Ferry. These two railways will, until the C. P. R. connects therr main line with the Columbia and Kootenay Railway, have the best facilities for handling merchan. dise for West Koorenay, While Nelson must always command the trade of the Toad Mountain mines, and will probably have a share in the frade of the Slocan and Kaslo districts. The new town to be located at Pilot Bay will bave a relative position to all the Kootenay Lake country. Kootenay

Lake is open to navigation the whole year, but Kontenay River from Bonner's Ferry to the Foot of the Lake, and the Kootenay outlet from Balfour to Nelson, are not navigable for about three months of the year, from about the rst of January until about the ist of April. A line of railway from Balfour to Nelson will give Nelson an allyear trade with the Kootenay Lake.

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A LEAP YEAR MOTTO-"TIME FLIES."

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN. YIOLET PROTESTS
$T$ the Editor of the Victoria Home Journal:
Sir-I read with much pleasure 4in The Home Journal of last week the report of the lecture given in Toronto by Mrs. Jeanness Miller, the eminent dress reform advocate. -I have no hesitation whatever in stating that nearly every word uttered by this lady will at once appeal to the reason of women who have been fettered with a style of dress which should never have been adopted, as it is not beautiful, and, from a hygienic view, decidedly hurtful. That the words of Mrs. Miller are taking deep ruot in the minds of her sex, I might say that already three bundred dauntless girls in schools at Baltimore have resolved in their might that they won't wear corsets any more, and also that they wont wear garters

Gorsets 效, every man knows from observition, are bad for the figure, and garters, as his youthful experience tells him, leave a red mark above the knee. The only possible objection to leaving off corsete'might be thatmodesty woula dictate the abandonment of the round dance. But there is no doubt that the average man would rather see a woman as beautiful as nature made her than tied up like a chicken or a roast ready for the fire. Most men are tired of round dances anyhow. There is not much fun in grasping a collection of whalebones and piloting it at a respectable distance through the mazy.
It is pleasing to consider that the day of the garter is nearly over. Honi soit qui mal y pense
is all very well from the moral point of view. From the physical point of view, from the point of view of common sense,

Honi soit qui mal ydosen't penise. is the motto for to-day.
The years when women had their legs bound blood-tight at the knee and eequired the habit of running with a more absurd action than $i$. hacknoy mare have gone. We have improved. The Knight of the Garter will soon have to sport as a symbol a piece of elastic long enough to reach from the shoulder to the knee.
I observe in the New York World an interview on this subject with a prominent actress, Here are her own words on the important subject:
"If garters were thrown, physic-
like, to the dogs, and corsets were used for coal scuttles or something women would be 50 per cent. more comfortable and 50 per cent, happier. Of course I wear gartersthe long ones, you know, that go over the shoulders-but I never wear corsets if I can help it.
"In the play of Uncle Celestin, I do ntt wear anything at all, that is nothing in the way of carsets or garters. Have you seen the play? Yes? Well you could see the difference, couldn't you? Why in the character of Gustave, I am almost as full as a man, that is to say as easy in the ligure. You see it is unnatural for a woman to cave in in the middle of her body as corsets make her do. You can see that by looking at any good statue. You can fell what an absurd thing a corset is as sonn as you find out how pretty a woman is then free
from it. Of course there are times when I am otliged either to wear corsets or to have my waist well boned. For instance, when I wear low necked costumes, But that is no excuse for putting a little child into corsets and teaching her almost from infaucy to beliere that a backbone in a woman is a luxury and not a necessity.". ,
From numerous interview with women, I have antived at the conclusion that the corsets bid fair to be done a way with and that people may soon hope to see a quaptity of Venuses of Milo prancing along our streets. In the present stage of humanity, the garter as draped over the shoulder must probably endure. Woman cannot take to socks because her gowns admit the cold air, and without a garter no self-respecting stocking wil keep a stiff upper lip.

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THE Belmour-Gray Company concluded their engagement at the Imperial last Wednesday night. The success which has attended this popular company at this house is too well known to require turther remarks. The play presented was May Blossom and is well calculated to leave behind the company the most pleasant recollections of the artistic merits of

- their work. Mr. Frank Armstrong, as Steve Hyland, acted his part to perfection, in fact, it might be mentioned that this is Mr. Armstrong's favorite role. Charles M. Gray, as Uncle Bartlett the honest old preacher, kept the house in continuai roars of laughter. Louis Belmón's Tom Blossom was really good; in fact, equal to anything that gentleman has yet been seen in, in this city. Fred Summerfield gave a well conceived representation of Owen Hathaway and received much applause Of course intense interest was manifested in the sweet May Blossom, the fisherman's daughter. Miss Dalgleish in this role, from the moment she made her appearance on the stage till the curtain was rung down on the last act, had complete control of her audience. Those present laughed and grew sad just as Miss Dalgleish willed it. Many will regret that it will be some time before they can again have the pleasure of seeing this lady on the stage. She is one of the hardest and most conscientions workers in the profession. This young lady fully realizer that there is no royal road to learning and if we are not greatly misiaken she will yet win her way to the proud position of a national favorite. Her friends in Victoria will watch her career with great interest. Miss Ada Wheeler appeared to great advantage as Aunt Deborah, as did also Miss Ella Damaris as Milly. Little Carrie Franks, who belongs to this city, as Young Eph, was the recipient of much applaüse. Little Miss Myrtle Ward, the cute and charming little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Ward, surprised mapy by
the perfect way in which she spoke her lines.

Ward's Imperial Theatre will remain dark until the 8th of February, when it will be opened by an almost entire new company. Mr. Ward has. given a great deal of time in order to select a company thàt would be creditable to the house and from all accounts he has succeeded. The names of the new people have not yet been made known, but it is said that, among them will be found several wellknow eastern favorites.

The arrangements for the Victoria. Stock Company have not been completed but Manager Collins expects to have it thor oughly under way in the course of a few. weeks. He intends eo spare neither pains nor expense to make it an organization entitled to the support of the people of Victoria.

Last night (Friday) Katie Putnam opened a short engagement at Thu Victcria in the beautiful comedy drama, Love Finds a Way. Miss Putnam has been for a long time before the public and is growin popularity. She has this year surrcunded herself with a superior company, and as a consequence the box receipts are commensurate with her outlay in securing firstclass people. This afternoon the Putnam Company produces, The Old Curiosity Shop, a dramatization of Charles Dickens' novel of the same name. In the character of Little Nell, Katie Putnam has long been acknowledged without a superior. To-night, Lrma the Elf. The part of the lively, true-hearted girl is admirably taken by the versatile Miss Putnam. The house should be crowded.

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Marie Wainwright-May 9 and 10.
Frod Daniels-11 and 14.
Cora Tanner-27 and 28.
Lilian Lewis-June 1 and 2.
Thatcher's Minstrels-10 and 11.
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Two Johns-22 and 23.
Natural Gas-July 20 and 21.
PEN PICTURES OF PROMINENT MEN.
ERNEST CROMPTON, M. R. C. S., L. R. C. P., LONDON.

Among the prominent professional men of Victoria, none are better or more favorakly known than the sulject of this sketch.

Dr. Ernest Crompton was born in Englaud, October 1, 1862. He was educated at a private boarn' ing school in Devonshire and qualified when twenty years of age. He then entered St. Bartholomew's Hospital in London and after five years close application and study he graduated, receiving the degrees M. R. C.S. and L. R. C. P.

After spending another year in one of the great hospitals of London he moved to Nova Scotia, and shortly afterwards came to Victoria. His success in this city is well known; he has a very large practice among the better class of people and is recognized as one of the most skillful practitioners in the province.

Dr. Crompton is a member of the Ancient Order of Forresters, and is the physician of "Court Vancouver" of that order. He makes no specialty in his profes sion, but is thoroughly versed in all branches of medicine and surgery. He is a deep student and a widly read man of more than ordinary mental ebility.
encourage a pupil in practice, are about like the act of the child who dug the bean up the day after planting, to see how much it had sprouted. Then, again, the wretched mistake is too often made by these highly practical (?) par. ents, of concluding that the girl "ought to be able to sing by this time. We've spent $\$ 40$ for your lesyons and now you wont sing for anyone. Before you took lessons at all, you used to sing whenever you were asked. I dun't see the good of putting out money to educate you and you don't show it." Many a struggling pupil will read the above lines with a pang. They are all too familiar in hundreds of cases. But, my wise friend, the well-meaning parent, do you think a singer is made by a few lessons any more than a preacher, a doctor or a painter? And how would you like to entrust your soul, your body or your portrait to one of these tryos who had spent " $\$ 40$ in lessons?" Not a good comparison? No, perhaps not to you, but it means just as much to your daughter when asked to sing as it does to your doctor when asked to diagnose and prescribe, or jour artist to lortray. She has not the reputation of the great professional, but she has the feelings and they are her own-all she has, and when you try to push her forward against her instinct, you don't know how those feelings are hurt. And it doesn't do them any good either to say by implication, "They know you cannot do much oná will not expect nuch."

Many a pupil says, or thinks when taking a lessor: "Oh, if I could sing this way when at home, when practicing! I say it without seeing the remedy-the pupil can seldom feel that abandon and "lift" at home that characterizes the lesson. There are so many things that are felt by the pupil that are not felt by others in the house-thoughts and feelings that can never become common ground between the musical and unmusical of the same circle, that any attempt to describe them would fail. And it is these very thinge so undefined, but so real, that, freely indulged, would make the pupil's home practice glorious, but stifled or fearfully hidden in that practical atmosphere, rob the hour of all its charm.

One reason why a pupil ad-
vances rapidly under a teacher abroad, is that the teacher's influence and the artistic uffect of study and musical affiliation are not counteracted by the associstions which so destroy all thisat home. Give the pupil as much helpful influence in her study with the local teacher as she gets abroad and yoü will find her progress nearly as great.

Manager Collins is corresponding with an opera company with the hope of securing them for a two-weeks engagement. If satisfactory arrangements can bs made Italian and English operas will be produced on alternate nights.

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## FIRE LOSSES FOR THREE YEARS.

The Commercial Bulletin of New York furnishes the following comparative statement of losses by fire in Canada and the United States during the last three years
 $\begin{array}{llll}\text { February. . } & 12,800,000 & 1,387,025 & 9,226,500\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}\text { March.... } & 10,912,000 & 8,466,300 & 12,540,750\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}\text { April } \ldots . . . & 15,987,000 & 8,285,520 & \mathbf{1 1 , 3 0 9 , 0 0 0}\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llrr}\text { May } \ldots \ldots . & 9,915,300 & 8,838,100 & 16,660,395\end{array}$
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$\begin{array}{lrrr}- \text { August } \ldots . & 11,153,850 & 9,009,100 & 9,055,100\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}\text { September. } & 9,735,900 & 6,943,700 & 10,658,200\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { October.... } & 8,366,600 & 7,279,500 & 13,248,300\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}\text { November. } & 20,081,600 & 8,351,300 & 14,736,100\end{array}$ December . 7,304,800 12,880,000 13,535,500

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The past six years' totals are as follows :
 $\begin{array}{rrr}1888 . . . . . . . . \\ 123,290,520 & 18901 . \ldots . . . . . \\ 137,716,150\end{array}$
The Insuraince and Finance Chronicle of Montreal comments at length on the above figures, and asks what does the increase of over $\$ 30,000,000$ in the fire loss of 1891 in the United States and Canada over the preceding year meani It answers that it means a great deal to the companies. It does not mean that the knowledge gained from extended experience is less than for merly. It does not mean that fire depart ments in the large cities and fire extinguishing appliances everywhere are less efficient than before. It does not mean that appliances for fire prevention or systematic inspection of the physical hazard are less operative or efficient than a year or two ago, for they are more so. Besides, the companies which transact the bulk of the business are not reckless plungers, but the contrary. Our contemporary concludes: "In our opinion we shall find it mainly in the increased moral hazard. Business, especially in the United States, his been and is being overdone, nourishing a large class of eager, s nall men with
small capital, aspiring to compete with large men with large capitai. Foreseeing failure, the former, many of them, cunningly prepare to sell out to the insurance companies, and manage to do it pretty effectually." Moral : Apply inspection and selection to the who as searchingly as to the what of insurance. The moral drawn from the above therufore is that inspection and selection should be as searchingly applied to those who insure as to the risks insured on their account.

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## THE DISHONEST TRADER.

 Tlimphons 425. Nieht benc.Speaking of a recent failure at Vancouver, a gentleman informs us that the cause was "trying to beat competitors by selling goods at and below cost, with the result that he was wiped out himself." THE Commercial Journat of last week contained an article bearing on the practice of certain wholesale men giving goods to men who depended solely upon these methods of doing business in order to secure trade. We pointed out the impossibility of any merchant doing business so as to treat his customers and creditors fairly and yet sell goods at and below cost. As an eastern exchange remarks, he must run his course sooner or later-length of time, of course, depending very largely upon his resources, and in less degree upon his methóds But during the whole course of his career he cannot be honest, and the sooner such men complete the process of self-strangulation the better it will be for the trade at large. Of course the better plan would be to never permit such men to get into business. In several wholesale eentrs in the east organizations are being formed whose aims and objects are to correct another form of abuse, that of giving indiscriminate credit. A wellknown eastern wholesaler puts the matter in this light:- "It is the class who are doing business on other people's money we are after. A few days ago I had considerable trouble in collecting from a certain party, and I noticed whenever he paid his account he would order as much more on credit. I became suspicious and worked him up. I found he carried about ten hundred dollars' worth of stock and was owing bills to the amount of about twelve hundred-dollars in this city. I then concluded his was not the kind of trade I wanted, so I instructed my collector to push him and make him pay what he owed, and then let him alone, as he was doing business on our capital."-The Commercial Journal.

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