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## TALES OF THE TOWN.

THE near approach of Easter turns all eyes in the direction of the hen. This fowl has been discussed considerably of late years, but I believe I have some information concerning her that is not generally known. A few days ago I met a man who makes a business of poultry raising and eggs, and made the following inquiry: "How many eggs is a hen wound up to lay during her natural laying life, do you suppose?" His answer was: "You've no idea, eh?" and then he proceeded thus to enlighten me on the subject of hens generally. A good healthy hen—I'm not speaking of Wyandottes, Leg-horns, Plymouth Rocks, or any particular breed, but just a hen—a good healthy hen doesn't fulfil her destiny until she has turned out 600 eggs—50 dozen. That is what nature fitted up the hen to do in the way of eggs, and gives her eight years to do it in. The first year of her egg-producing life the hen lays only 20 eggs, but in the three succeeding years she rolls up a score of 370. That leaves her only 230 to get rid of in the four remaining years that she is to be on duty in that line, and she divides the task up among these four years so that in the eighth year she lays only 20 eggs again—the number she started in with. Then she has ended her career as an egg producer, and too often, if she is in the hands of a thrifty owner, begins another career, this time as a summer-boarder spring chicken.

There is a lot about hens' eggs, familiar as they are to every one, that people don't suspect. Now, here's an egg that would be a rooster if it should be hatched out. This one would develop into a hen. How do I know? I learned it by long observation of eggs and their habits. The small end of a hen's egg will be either as smooth as marble or wrinkled like a nutmeg. Some folks won't buy eggs that are wrinkled because wrinkles are a sure sign of age. A wrinkled egg indicates

that it holds a rooster in embryo. A protoplasmic hen is enveloped by the smooth-ended shell. But they both taste alike. Each has its proportion of phosphorus, olein, albumen, sulphur, caseine and margarine. There is water a-plenty in a fresh-laid egg, but no more air than there is in a hammer. As long as you can keep the air out of your egg it will remain sweet and fresh, but nobody has succeeded yet in keeping it out more than six days. The insidious oxygen is bound to find its way through the egg shell's pores, and the only way to save that egg then is to eat it. It sounds funny, but the moment you give an egg fresh air, that moment you ruin its health. People wonder why it is that a bad egg is so positive and obtrusive as to odor, but they shouldn't. What do they expect of a combination of putrified albumen, decayed cheese, sulphuric acid, carbonic acid gas, ammonia and ultra rancid margarine set free? Honeysuckles?

There is no accounting for the freaks hens often take in the laying of eggs. Now, what sort of consistency is there in a hen that is almost big enough to eat her corn from the top of a barrel laying an egg no bigger than a sugar plum? And why should a hen that you can cover with a quart bowl get it into her head that unless she lays an egg that weighs half a pound or so she is not doing her duty to herself and family? And who may account for the purpose that seems to actuate hens now and then to lay four or five eggs at one time, one inside of another, like a nest of Japanese jars? Yet such freaks are only a few that are common in the poultry yard.

It is an ill wind that blows no good. Just now the rude equinoctial is rustling through our editorial whiskers in a way that is at once grievous and irreverent. Neither has it, as I have often noticed, any regard for the tall, pensive maiden that minces her way on Government street, and here's where the good comes in, it revealeth

the statuesque beauty of shapely nether limbs. Notwithstanding the discomforts that you bring, abide with us a while, say I, O equinoctial.

Speaking of the equinoctial, it is fitting that just now there should be a tempest in the teapot over James Bay over the trans Georgian journalists of New Westminster. The fourth estate, as represented by the Messrs. Kennedy, have flung back a defi in answer to Mr. Speaker's awful summons to grovel at the Legislature's Bar. Whereupon the Government arose in its wrath and after a deal of fuss and fume—committed the recalcitrants? No—commit-teeed the matter—a truly transparent way of confessing their defeat. Indeed, the lawyers say that the Legislature bit off more than it could chew, and wisely enough have resolved not to run any risk of straining its digestive organs.

Turning to the legal columns of the day, we notice that it is the workman's innings just now in the courts. The other day, a jury salted a saw mill corporation for the full amount claimed, which medicine the Appellate Court thought rightly administered. Talking of verdicts against corporations reminds me of the story of the thief who was so moved by a worthy pastor's appeal to give something to charity that, addressing himself to his neighbor's pocket, he turned out the contents and deposited them on the plate. I have often thought that our judges might occasionally hint to the jury that it is not always proper to be charitable to a plaintiff with a defendant corporation's shekels.

The action of the Victoria Trades Assembly in adopting resolutions discountenancing speculation in townsite property, commends itself to the best class of the people of the city. There is no room for doubt that these townsites have been a great injury, and the sooner they are wiped out of existence, the better it will be for all. By this move, the Assembly has enlarged its

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sphere of usefulness, and will do much in helping along the work of stamping out the iniquitous attempts to take money out of the poor man's pocket without giving him any return therefor. The Kootenay country and the four leading cities of the Province are the only places in which money can be invested with any certainty of favorable results. However, there should be no attempt on the part of any organization to down any particular townsite. The fight should be general and directed at every place but the points indicated above.

Said Farmer Jones in a whining tone,  
To his good old neighbor Gray;  
"I've worn my knees thro' to the bone,  
But it ain't no use to pray.

"Your corn looks twice as good as mine,  
Though you don't pretend to be  
A shinin' light in the church to shine,  
An' tell salvation's free.

"I've prayed the Lord a thousand times  
For to make that 'ere corn grow,  
And why your'n beats it so and climbs  
I'd gin a deal to know."

Said Farmer Gray to his neighbor Jones,  
In his easy, quiet way,  
"When prayers get mixed with lazy bones,  
They don't make farmin' pay.

"Your weeds, I notice, are good and tall,  
In spite of all your prayers;  
You may pray for corn till the heavens fall  
If you don't dig up the tares.

"I mix my prayers with a little toil  
Along in every row,  
An' I work this mixture into the soil  
Quite vig'rous with a hoe.

"An' I've discovered, though still in sin,  
As sure as you are born,  
This kind of compost, well worked in,  
Makes pretty decent corn.

"So while I'm praying I use my hoe,  
And do my level best  
To keep down the weeds along each row,  
An' the Lord He does the rest.

"It's well for to pray both night and morn,  
As every farmer knows;  
But the place to pray for thrifty corn  
Is right between the rows.

"You must use your hands while praying,  
If an answer you would get; (though,  
For prayer-worn knees and a rusty hoe  
Never raised a big crop yet.

"An' so, I believe, my good old friend,  
If you mean to win the day,  
From ploughing clean to the harvest's end,  
You must hoe as well as pray."

The following paragraph is not of a local event, but I believe that it will be read with interest by many, especially those who believe in dreams. It is concerning what is known as the McDonald will case, in Indiana. When the fact became public, a few days ago, that Senator McDonald had left his entire estate to his wife, there followed rumors, soon verified, that the will was to be contested on the ground that the

instrument probated was not the will which Senator McDonald had made. Additional interest was aroused by recalling the romance which surrounded and connected the lives of the deceased ex-senator and his beautiful and accomplished second wife. Then came further developments of a nature which skirts close upon the borderland of the supernatural. A lady in Washington had a dream, in which she thought she could see Mrs. McDonald engaged in a mysterious business transaction with a young man, to the dreamer unknown, but so distinct was the impression that, waking, she was certain she could identify him in any part of the world should she meet him. She wrote of her dream to an Indianapolis friend, and then herself went to that city. She was taken to the insane hospital and confronted with a young man violently insane, whom she instantly and impressively declared to be the man of her dreams. Following this comes the undisputed statement that the young man at the insane hospital is the person who transcribed the will of Senator McDonald. After the senator's death he had become insane, imagining that his face was turning black.

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A marriage is arranged and will shortly take place between Colonel Herbert Eaton and Miss Trench.

It will be remembered that Colonel Eaton went out in command of the banished battalion of the Grenadier Guards, and now brings back an American bride, for it was whilst in the Bermudas that he first met Miss Trench. At present the prospective bride and bridegroom are at Beaulieu, but the marriage will take place shortly after Easter in London.

There is also a report that Lord Sheffield is bringing back an Australian wife, but this as yet is only report.

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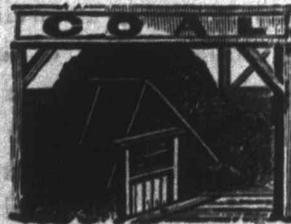
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Moved, we repeat, by these considerations, THE HOME JOURNAL has platted and sub-divided its property on Gall River into lots, 6x2ft, which will be sold at prices low enough to place a permanent home within the reach of every man, woman and child, native or otherwise, in the Province of British Columbia. After long and prayerful consideration, the spon-

sors of this infant townsite, in order to bespeak for it an auspicious career among its fellows, have decided to bestow on it the name of Bogusburg.

As before indicated, the new city of Bogusburg is situated at the mouth of Gall River, a stream, by the way, wide and deep enough to float any vessel of modern size and construction—Uncle Sam's wheries of hoop-iron not excepted. It has been a tradition among the Indians to the north and south of Gall River that the richest placer mines in the world existed on this stream, and that these may prove a source of untold wealth, indeed, seems now beyond doubt. The advantage of being able to go down to the banks of the stream in the morning and wash out enough gold to last during the day, or the week, as the case may be, will be apparent to many, especially to those who have been victimized into buying paper lots elsewhere, through the Maunhausen persuasiveness of the dross-despising vendors of dirt. Just picture to yourself, reader, a majestic ship riding on the proud crest of Gall River, with her white wings spread to the morning breeze, into the land-locked harbor of Bogusburg, taking on her cargo of gold-dust and nuggets. Then she steams for foreign ports and returns laden with their Oriental luxuries. Of course, it is quite possible that this particular craft may belong to the same class as "The Ship that NEVER Returned." Does the picture enthrall you? Yet it is only one of the many advantages possessed by Bogusburg over other townsites now on the market.

Lying to the east of the new city are mines of silver, rich enough in fact to make independent every inhabitant of the earth; but on account of the easy accessibility of the gold, it is believed that these mines will not be worked during the present century at least. We believe enough has been said to

convince the most sceptical that Bogusburg has a bright and prosperous future before it.

Of course it cannot be expected that the syndicate are donating lots with no object in view. It is not a characteristic, we may say, of operators in townsites to do things this way. The system whereby lots will be sold is something like this:

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30 per cent to go for advertising.

20 per cent to go for litigation expenses.

30 per cent for free lunch counters.

Already the new city has a paper established, which will publish editions every hour. The name of this enterprising publication is the Bogusburg Bugler. We take the following items from a late issue:

Intending settlers in Bogusburg should bring their dinner pails with them. This is offered by way of suggestion.

The Bogusburg band is putting in some good practice now, and hopes to be able to play, "When I Can Read My Title Clear," by the time of the arrival of the first boat.

The management of the Bogusburg Tramway Company announce that they will extend their line to 14,025th street, and that nickels will be used for ballast on the extension.

The Bogusburg Townsite people are advertising for 25,000 men to clear off the underbrush now on the land on which the city is built. The company expect to hire half a

dozen and will pay them in Bogusburg lots.

Next Sunday, in the Metropolitan Church, the Rev. Orthodox Whitechoker will preach on the sin of dancing. The rev. gentleman has a cork leg. American dimes will be taken at par in the collection.

Yah Hoo is a late arrival in Bogusburg. He will establish a saw-mill here. The machinery, consisting of a buck-saw, saw-horse and a small Chinese prayer-wheel, is now on the way, and will arrive in a few days.

The Bogusburg Dramatic Society will open the new opera house next Saturday evening with a play written by a local man, entitled, "The Bogusburg Boom." Synopsis of the play:—"Farewell, my own; I will secure a townsite,"—"Let's boom it,"—"These lots are already sold—Mark 'em off,"—"The world is mine,"—Bursting of the Boom, with elaborate mechanical and stage effects,—"All's well that ends well." Extended notice of the performance and performers will be given next week.

#### SOUNDS AND ECHOES.

AN American exchange says: "The President and his family know their pew, and walk in and occupy it just the same as any other pew-holder." Did the editor expect to see the President turning handsprings up the aisle?

WE see by the daily papers that Miss Esther Lyons proposes to give a production of Damon and Pythias, with local talent, at an early date. It is suggested that the talented actress should not overlook the claims of Mr. William Harrington Ellis and Hon. Theodore Davie to appear in the title roles.

PHILIP CHALK authorizes us to deny the insinuation contained in last Sunday morning's Colonist, that his antediluvian duster and spring generally make their appearance at the same time. In fact, the Colonist went so far as to say

that much of the bad weather this season could be traced directly to Mr. Chalk's seasonable coat. This is denied, and the Colonist is hereby notified to retract said statement, or cut Philip off its visiting list.

IN connection with a wedding which took place in Victoria the other day, it is related that the couple became engaged over 20 years ago. At that time the male member of the contract was struggling hard for a living, but was anxious to marry the woman of his choice. She declined on the ground of poverty, and told the young man that she could not wed him until he was at least worth \$40,000. He left her, and remained away for 20 years. He returned a couple of weeks ago, when the following conversation is reported as having taken place:—

"Did you get the \$40,000?" she asked him.

"No," was the reply, "I have not got \$40."

"Oh, well," she said (and here's where she proved herself a woman), "that's close enough; I'll marry you now."

THE great international sporting event in which Robert Foster, a professor of the manly art of self-defence, engaged to spar George Reed, of Portland, for points, is over, and, contrary to the expectations of the professor, the result has been declared in favor of Reed. We do not propose to go into the details of the exhibition. All we desire to do, and we believe it is our prerogative, is to explain why it was that Prof. Foster did not win the contest. "England's pride," as the Professor is known in London prize ring circles, was over-trained. His first trainer was not giving satisfaction, and was changed at the suggestion of a friend. This necessitated a new-trainer, with the result that his treatment was not at all what the doctor ordered. Prof. Foster, who is inspired with deep reverence for prize ring ethics, considered that it would be unprofes-

sional to complain, and thus sacrificed his name and reputation. Notwithstanding that his more intimate friends were aware of this fact, they were confident that he would win the fight, and in the fifth round, when he "winked the other eye" at the request of Reed, people thought it meant something; but it transpired later on it was only a signal for a black eye. All things considered, Reed should not gloat over his victory; in other words, he should not "mock the lion thus laid low."

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**MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.**

THAT charming play, *Rosedale*, was the bill at the Imperial for the first three nights of the week, and drew fairly good houses. The piece was well staged, the mechanical and scenic effects being the best yet seen at this house. Particular mention should be made of the really excellent chorus in the "Gypsy scene." George Berry played the part of Elliott Gray in a manner calculated to enhance the popularity of the company. Miss Belle Inman is well suited to the part of Rosa Leigh, and her winning manner added several more to her already long list of friends in this city. James Morton gave a very clever presentation of Myles McKenna, and as Bunberry Kobb, J. R. Bronson provoked much laughter. Fred Summerfield portrayed the scheming Sir Cavendish May very creditably, while William Bennett surprised his friends at his clever interpretation of Dr. Leigh. A remarkable thing in connection with this character is that Mr. Bennett was given his part only a few hours previous to the first performance, and in this short space of time he studied the lines, and, everything considered, he played it well. Miss Berry made a dignified Lady Florence May, and as Tabitha Stark, Miss Annie Inman was at her best. Miss Raynetta Lewis added much to the pleasure of the play in her rendition of Sarah

Sykes, and her singing brought down the house. She was the life of the Gypsy chorus. It is hard to conceive how a child of the age of Baby Inman could be taught and trained to represent so well a part like Little Arthur May. This little girl is without doubt a prodigy, and surprised every person who witnessed the performance. H. W. Kierski was well made up for Mother Mix, and Edwin Lloyd was a typical man servant. *Rosedale* will stand repetition.

For the last three nights of the week, and Saturday matinee, *The Shaughraun* is the bill. The performance is up to the usual standard of excellence of the productions given by Mr. Berry's company, and is drawing well.

For the week commencing April 4 the bills are as follows:—Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, *My Partner*; Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and Saturday matinee, *Under the Gaslight*, with the railroad scene, as a special feature. A present will be given away at the matinee to the child holding the lucky number.

The Emma Juch Opera Company and Frohman's Junior Partner Company have written for dates at the Imperial.

Hanlon's Superba has cancelled dates at The Victoria.

Richard Mansfield has been booked for an engagement at the Vancouver Opera-house.

The Manitoba Free Press, always critical, has the following to say concerning the Belmour-Gray Company:—"The Belmour-Gray Company completed their Winnipeg engagement on Saturday night with Kathleen Mavourneen. They go to Crookston for this week. Should Mr. Gray return here with his company in the near future he can count upon good support from our citizens."

Monday and Tuesday evenings next The Victoria will be occupied with Prof. Baldwin's Butterfly Company. This organization has travelled around the world, and in every city and town in which they have appeared they have been well spoken of by the press. The entertainment is made up of specialties and hand reading.

Mr. Wallace Langley was married, last Thursday evening, to Miss Lizzie M. Brinn, by the Rev. Coverdale Watson. Mr. and Mrs. Langley left the same evening for the Sound on a wedding trip.

**PERSONAL GOSSIP.**

Sir Joseph Trutch and Mr. John Trutch will visit England, some time next month.

It is understood that there will be no naval ball upon the arrival of the *Warspite*, as Admiral Hotham does not favor festivities of this nature.

The family of Mr. H. C. Beeton will leave for England in May.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. MacGregor will celebrate the 15th anniversary of their wedding, on the evening of April 11th. The friends of Mr. and Mrs. MacGregor wish them many anniversaries of the event.

The Mum Social as it was conducted by the Ladies' Auxiliary at the Y. M. C. A. rooms last Wednesday evening was a great success. An interesting programme was rendered, Miss Campbell reciting a selection from Will Carlton's *First Settler's Story*; Miss Brown, violin selections; Miss Arrowsmith, solo; Miss Berridge, piano solo; and Mr. John Boyd, a mum solo, with mechanical accompaniment by Mr. Teague, which was quite an innovation to the regular concert entertainments. During refreshments the penalty of 10c was freely paid by the gentlemen for the privilege of conversation.

A pleasant party was given at Mrs. Erb's, Douglas street, last Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brock, of Winnipeg, arrived in the city, Wednesday evening, on a short visit.

Mr. P. McMillan, well known in musical circles as a clever guitar player, leaves, next week, for Griswold, Manitoba, to reside.

A masquerade surprise party was given Tuesday evening to Miss Louise, daughter of Rabbi Philo, at her parents' residence by Mr. Louis Waxtock. Twenty-five couples came in a body to the place appointed, attired in the most brilliant costumes. Miss Philo, who is very popular in Jewish society, was also the recipient of many valuable and handsome birthday gifts.

The Ball Family Jubilee Singers will give one of their popular concerts Monday evening in Temperance Hall, Pandora Avenue, under the auspices of the Royal Templars of Temperance.

The members of the Sir William Wallace Society have issued invitations to their friends for a reception Tuesday evening next, in their Hall on Broad

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street. The entertainment is to be of the nature of a conversazione, during which refreshments will be served and conclude with a dance.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Losee, Victoria West, was surprised, last Wednesday evening, by a merry company composed mostly of young people. The occasion celebrated the birthday of both host and hostess, affording a very enjoyable evening to all. The surprisers were Mr. and Mrs. Leitch, Mr. J. M. Kellie, M.P.P., Misses Muirhead, Cowie, Howell, Gilmore and Maynard, and Messrs. John and James Muirhead, Canard, Coffin and Lake.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church gave their monthly social on Tuesday evening. A short programme, refreshments, and conversation furnished a pleasant evening to the members of the society and their friends.

Men who make good lovers, women who make good sweethearts, are frequently disqualified in husbands or wives; just as clever students at college may cut no figure in the world. The field is radically different. Lovers need to be only graceful, agreeable, complimentary. When wedded they must have strong attributes and sterling interests to honor their station. They should discard nonsense and sentimentalism and enter into a serious, delicate, unselfish, consecrated intimacy for mutual aid, entertainment and advantage, and, so far as in them lies, for the improvement of the race. This may be ideal, but it is at least a noble aim and the reverse of what, in current import, is accounted as romantic.

An invention of considerable domestic interest, recently brought forward in England, consists in making any article of hosiery, for either outside or under wear, in such a manner as to render it self-fitting, without being narrowed or stitches reduced or widened, or the article increased in any way by transforming the fabrics at intervals, and in such a manner as to give the required shapes. In accomplishing this there are employed two descriptions of fabric, respectively termed one-and-one rib and two-and-two rib, these two kinds of fabric being made and joined in the knitting as one operation without changing, transferring, or in any way narrowing a single stitch during the process of manufacture.

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"    English Stilton.....	50
"    Limburg.....	50
"    Brick Cream.....	50
"    Mellors Cream, pots.....	1 25
"    Parmasam.....	1 00
"    Pineapple.....	50
"    Edom.....	50
Clams.....	3 for 50
Cocoanut.....	50
Coffee, Costa Rica, green.....	25
"    Java.....	40
"    Mocha.....	50
"    ground.....	40
Cream Tartar.....	50
Currants, Patras.....	12½
"    Vostizi.....	16
Corn, Ontario.....	3 for 50
Deville meat.....	40
Eggs, fresh.....	50
"    packed.....	25
Extracts, flavoring, 2 oz.....	25 to 35
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"    10 lbs.....	2 00
Fish, cod, Pacific.....	12½
"    "    Eastern.....	16
"    "    black.....	12½
"    "    mackerel bloater.....	35
"    "    tins.....	1 00
Flour, Hungarian.....	6 75
"    Snowflake.....	6 50
"    Enderby.....	6 25
Fruits, assorted table, 3-lb. tins.....	40
"    "    2-lb. tins.....	25
"    "    pie, gallon.....	75
"    "    in Brandy.....	1 50
"    "    crystalized.....	25 to 75
Gelatine, Nelson's.....	25
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"    "    1 lbs, comb, in jars.....	75
"    "    2 lbs, ".....	50
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Knife Polish.....	25
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Maccaroni.....	25
Milk, Reindeer, tins.....	25
"    Eagle, tins.....	35
"    Highland Cream.....	25

Mince meat, jars.....	1 50
"    condensed.....	25
Mustard, Colman's, ¼ lb.....	35
"    1 lb.....	65
Mushrooms.....	35
Nuts, assorted.....	25
Oil, Coal, tin.....	1 85
"    case.....	3 50
Olives, qt bottle.....	75
"    pt bottle.....	50
"    ¼ pt bottle.....	25
Oysters, fresh, tin.....	75
"    Blue Point, 2-lb. tins.....	35
"    "    1-lb. tins.....	25
Onions.....	4
Pate de fole gras.....	1 25 to 1 75
Peel, mixed.....	40
Pearline.....	25
Pepper, ground.....	50
"    whole.....	35
Pickles, C & B, qt.....	65
"    "    pt.....	35
Potatoes.....	1 25
Prunes.....	12½
Plum pudding.....	75
Raisins, Dehesa.....	50
"    layers.....	25
"    Valencias off stalk.....	12½
"    "    layers.....	16
"    Sultanas.....	20
Rice, Japan.....	8
"    Sandwich Island.....	10
"    China.....	5
Sauce, Lea & Perrins, large.....	65
"    "    small.....	35
"    Yorkshire Relish.....	25
Spices, tins.....	25
Sugar, granulated, Vancouver, 14lbs.....	1 00
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"    "    Hong Kong, 15, ".....	1 00
"    "    cube, San Francisco, 10 lbs.....	1 00
"    "    Vancouver, 12 lbs.....	1 00
"    "    Extra C, 15 lbs.....	1 00
Syrup, 1-gal. tin.....	1 00
"    2-lb tin.....	25
"    Maple, gal.....	1 50
Tapioca.....	10
Tongue, Lunch, 2.....	75
"    "    1.....	50
"    "    3.....	1 00
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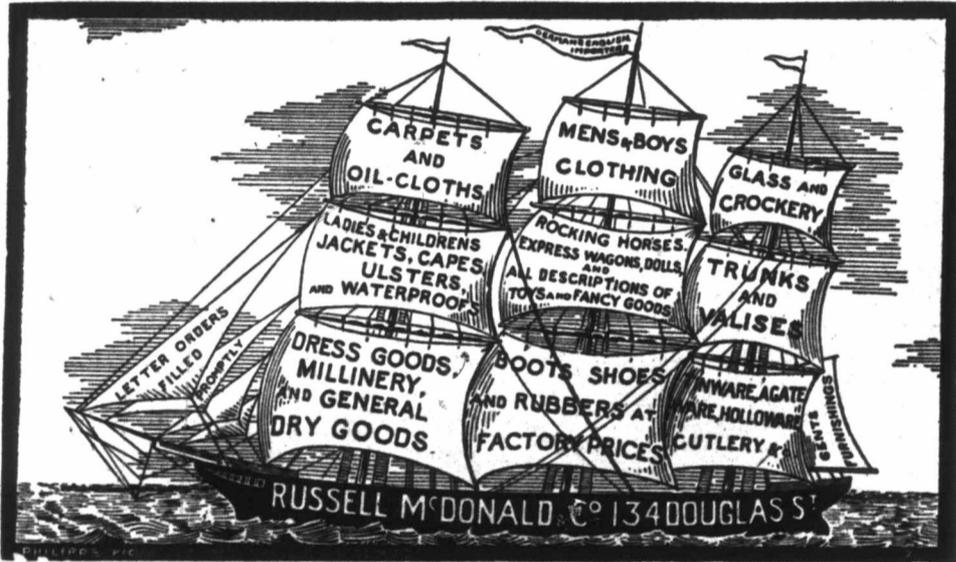
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