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The Story of The Week.

The report from Copenhagen that His Majesty King Edward is making progress towards the intervention between Japan and Russia must be taken with many grains of salt. Doubtless the Czar wishes that he was well out of the difficulty into which the grasping policy of his entourage has got him; but think of what the cessation of hostilities just now would mean to Russia. Japan has had very much the best of it on both sea and land, although no very decisive battle has been fought. For Russia to make peace under such circumstances would be to destroy utterly her influence all over the Orient. It is very doubtful, even if the Czar could count upon keeping his vast empire together, if he made peace on any terms whatever without first inflicting a defeat upon the Japanese. Then the probability that Japan would consent to the cessation of hostilities until some substantial advantage has been gained, is very slim indeed. She would insist upon dictating terms that Russia would not be able to accept except under duress. The King is an able statesman with a knowledge of men and things far greater than most of his contemporaries, and he is not likely to undertake anything which seems so nearly impossible as the discovery of a plan of settlement whereby both Japan and Russia can come out of the war just now with honor.

The Dominion government has decided to remain for another year in order-in-council, permitting United States steamers to carry Canadian goods to Yukon points. This is a disappointment, but the government seems to think that there are certain reciprocal advantages which make the existing arrangement less onerous than most of us think.

It is stated in St. Paul that a battle royal is on between J. Hill and John D. Rockefeller for the control of the Northern Pacific railway.

U. S. Senator Burton of Texas has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment and to pay a fine of \$2,000 for receiving fees illegally from a railway company. He has been released on bail and the case will be appealed. This is the first case on record in which a senator of the United States has been sentenced for a crime of us.

The Japanese government has purchased sufficient salmon on the Pacific Coast during the last few weeks to feed 250,000 men six months.

The Department of Commerce of the United States, in view of the "Challenger" disaster, has resolved to adopt more stringent regulations in regard to the inspection of steamships. A bill amending the present law is being prepared under the direction of the Secretary of Commerce, and will be introduced into Congress at an early day.

White Horse people estimate that the new diggings at Alsek will have a population of between 2,000 and 3,000 people before the close of the summer.

The Duke of Sutherland is en route to the Pacific Coast. He is mentioned as a possible successor of Lord Minto.

ABOUT TOWN.

Mr. Bridgeman's real estate office on Government street is in the hands of the painters.

Mr. Mallandaine has had his snug little house on Simcoe street thoroughly renovated throughout. The painters have finished their work and the new shingling is almost finished.

Dr. Steiner is making a tennis court at the rear of his office on Bellevue street. The ground is being levelled and as soon as it has had time to settle it will be sown to white clover or grass.

Lots on Bellevue street are being bought up for both business and residential purposes. Mr. Atkinson, who has a number of drug stores in the upper country, has secured one on which he will erect an up-to-date drug store and dental parlors.

An official has resigned. True, he was the Poundkeeper, and the lot of a poundkeeper, who is also dog-catcher, is not an enviable one; but resignation is a virtue that is foreign to the official mind, as a rule.

A two-story house is being built for F. Napier Dennison near the east end of Superior street, Douglas Estate. The stone foundation is already completed and R. Tate has just started the woodwork. The house will contain ten rooms and will be shingled outside.

When the Rock Bay filling has been completed, it is understood that the Tramway company will run large cars from Esquimalt to Oak Bay without change, charging 5 cents for the whole distance. This will be an up-to-date service.

The telephone wires across the former James Bay are to go underground at once. It may be taken for granted that the poles, which the Tramway people have erected, are only temporary and that when the permanent roadway has been made, they will be replaced by neat iron posts.

It is intended to take some steps to recognize the services of Mr. John Fannin in connection with the Provincial Museum, by having his portrait hung in the Museum, which he really created, and to establish a series of Fannin competitions in the schools.

It is not an uncommon thing nowadays to hear men talking of the value of certain vacant lots of land in this city as business properties. You did not hear this sort of thing a year ago. There is no longer any doubt that every one feels more hopeful of the future of Victoria.

There is a story in circulation that the C.P.R. is going to buy the land between Humboldt street and the flats, and place the new hotel in the middle of the flats instead of at one side as was proposed. It is to be hoped that rumor is right in this instance.

A suggestion has been made that the city should lay out a band of fore-wood gardens around the water front of James Bay, where band concerts could be held during the summer months. In all Oriental European sports the band is a feature of the city, obtaining for it prestige and favorable encomiums from both travellers abroad and residents.

Walter Michaelis is putting in a stone foundation for a house on Elliott street. It will be a story and a half building with six rooms. Mr. Michaelis has lately arrived from Regina, where he has several friends of his are coming to this city to reside. The equable climate combined with the beauty of the country is the lodestone which draws them.

Police Magistrate Hall sprang a mild type of a sensation on Wednesday when he cast some reflections upon ex-Mayor McCandless for his action in regard to the sale of liquor in Chinatown. What Mr. McCandless appears to have done was to make an effort to bring the sale of liquor in Chinatown under some kind of restraint and compel the vendors to contribute to the revenue of the city. As to the wisdom of his promise not to interfere with the retailing of liquor during his term of office, there may be some doubt, but that he was making an honest effort in the interests of the city to correct an abuse of long standing must be admitted.

R. W. Clark and A. R. Tufts have been appointed agents for the cereal food which is to be manufactured in Victoria in the near future. Sales will be made through offices to be established in the Orient and by means of their Oriental Advertising Bureau, an aggressive campaign will be undertaken, Canada being thus continually kept in the forefront. Messrs. Clark and Tufts are organizing a company to conduct the commission business on a big scale. A large part of the capital has already been subscribed and it remains now for the Victoria capitalists to see that this business does not go elsewhere.

Transportation Problems.

While the Liberals and Conservatives in Parliament are not in harmony as to details, it is satisfactory to know that they are of the same mind as to the transportation question being the paramount one in Canada today. Mr. Borden's proposed amendment to the G.T.P. resolutions does not question the necessity of providing additional transportation facilities. There may be a difference of opinion as to the political expediency displayed by the Conservative leader in proposing an alternative plan in detail, but there can be none as to the significance of it. He felt unable to agree to the government plan, and he was not willing to allow his party to go on record even inferentially as opposing the provision of additional transportation facilities on a large scale. As there is not the slightest reason to suppose that Mr. Borden's amendment will be carried, it is not worth while to discuss it. Such a discussion must be left to the party press. If it were an open question whether the plan proposed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier or that advocated by the Leader of the Opposition would be adopted, we would feel called upon to discuss both in extenso. At present it is only necessary to say that of the two plans, that of the government seems very much the better so far as the West is concerned, and we are very glad that a definite proposal for immediate construction of a National Transcontinental Railway is, in all human probability, certain to be positively determined upon in the course of the next few weeks.

The importance of Mr. Borden's amendment lies in the fact that it commits his party to the support of reasonable transportation projects. Mr. Borden's party are in the ascendancy in British Columbia politics, and will doubtless feel called upon to show that they are in harmony with their chief in this respect. Mr. McBride seems very much in earnest in his desire to evolve a feasible railway policy, and it is very little reason to doubt that if he can devise a plan whereby the construction of roads in this province can be secured, provided the usual Dominion subsidy is forthcoming, the latter will not be withheld.

Naturally the railway which this paper desires to see built before any other new line, is one that will give Victoria an all-rail line to the North End of the Island. The building of such a line is only a question of terms. If a reasonable amount of government aid is given, men stand ready to put up the money to construct it. As to what aid the province can afford to give, and as to whether the House will be disposed to vote aid to one line only, we do not care at this time to express any opinion; but we submit for the consideration of Mr. McBride if there is not a rule that can be safely applied to all cases. That rule is the following: If any company can produce satisfactory evidence of its financial ability to construct a line of railway that will open any undeveloped part of the province, it should be granted such aid as the province can afford to give. If it transpires that a company is ready to build on the Island and nowhere else, let that company be subsidized, but at the same time let it be understood that other companies will be similarly subsidized as soon as they can demonstrate their financial ability to carry out their undertaking. In other words, let Mr. McBride adopt the principle of asking the House to vote subsidies only to such lines as are certain to be built provided the usual amount of federal aid is forthcoming. The voting of subsidies on an off chance that some charter-monger can sell out to capitalists, we hope, has its day. Time has come when applications from bona fide companies only ought to be entertained. The ability to put up a few thousand dollars as a guarantee is not sufficient. The government ought to make itself sure that the people to whom it promises aid, can carry out their projects.

Pity is akin to love; but it is a poor relation.

THE DOG SHOW.

The Victoria City Kennel Club can certainly congratulate themselves on the unqualified success of their third annual Dog Show, now in progress at the Philharmonic Hall, for never in the history of dogdom in Victoria have there been banded so many high quality specimens of the various breeds. One feature which makes this show particularly pleasant for Victorians is the very apparent fact that the home bred compares favorably with imported and visiting stock, and the classes which have been judged at the time of writing this report show Victoria to be in the ascendancy.

The judge, Mr. John Davidson, of Munro, Mich. is a veteran to whose decisions there is rarely ever and demur. In this case Mr. Davidson handles his classes in a cool, masterful manner and so far has given complete satisfaction. The weather has been of the best of Victoria's best, which, with the good attendance of spectators, helps to make this show so successful.

Of the various breeds, as usual, the cocker spaniels, English setters and fox terriers are the largest classes, with Gordon setters, Irish setters, Scottish and Irish terriers running close. Collies this year are a beautiful entry and make an imposing spectacle for the admirer of this intelligent and useful variety.

Of the classes judged so far, the bulk of the prizes have come to Victoria dogs and against the home city has shown her superiority in the English setter classes, two beautiful sons of ch. Roy Monte taking first and second in puppy class and Zola Montez, the dam of the puppies, taking everything in her classes and finally defeating all competitors for the best English setter in the show. In this she defeated the Eastern and Seattle champions Stylish Sergeant Ellor and Pera. Mr. T. P. McConnell's Count Rego also defeated the first named in the open and winners' classes.

Vancouver has given liberal support to the show, also Seattle and Portland, the latter places benching beautiful exhibits of cockers, which have not been judged at this time, but Dr. Scharples, of Seattle, is particularly strong with a lovely quartette of perfect specimens for the best English setter in the show. In this she defeated the Eastern and Seattle champions Stylish Sergeant Ellor and Pera. Mr. T. P. McConnell's Count Rego also defeated the first named in the open and winners' classes.

The Gordon setters come out well this year. Mr. Winsly of Victoria takes special with his good dog Don. Most of the Gordons are locally owned.

There is a handsome entry of the beautiful red Irish setter and this time a son of old ch. Hector takes the winners and draws a typical defeat in the hands of Mr. McEnery, of Hatter Park, winning one in the bitch classes. Vancouver has also banded its winner, and he is truly a grand specimen, making a strong bid for winners' honors.

In Scottish terriers Mrs. Bradley Dyne has exhibited a strong kennel of very undoubtedly account for most of the prizes. Irish terriers are also good, while the fox terriers of Mr. Morgan, of Seattle and Mr. and Mrs. Bostock, of Mr. Geo. Florence, of Victoria, make keen competition, many high class dogs belonging to each kennel.

The St. Bernard, Rex, handled by Mr. Challoner, has taken the measure of ch. His Highness. He is truly a grand dog and is owned in Victoria.

The classes being large this year, judging will probably occupy the best part of the three days and the only way to arrive at the total awards will be a careful study of the marked catalogue, which will be issued early on Saturday, and will mark the close of one of the best dog shows ever held on the Pacific Coast.

A highway robbery in Victoria is a novelty. James O'Brien was assaulted and robbed of \$75 and other valuables on the new Point Ellice bridge early Thursday morning. If his assailants are actually caught they will find out that Canadian laws are different from those over on the Sound, at least in the manner in which they are enforced. There will be no new trial basis, while the felons are out on bail.

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PROGRESS.

With the next issue of this paper, the name will be changed to "Progress," the paper will be enlarged and issued in eight pages. New and interesting features will be introduced. There is undoubtedly work in Victoria for such a paper. We do not think enough about ourselves here. Our attention is usually directed to things far away, except spasmodically, when we take up questions, grow enthusiastic over them, and drop them. The people need a paper that will talk to them about themselves, their own doings and their own prospects. This "Progress" will do, and it will endeavor to do it in a manner that will keep up the interest. It is time to begin to "boom" Victoria. This word has an unpleasant sound to some people, and the thing itself may be done in an unjustifiable way. But legitimate booming is just as proper on behalf of a city as it is in a mercantile advertisement. Suppose some business men should open a store and either not advertise at all, or when they did, should speak disparagingly about his goods, what would people think of him, and what would his business future be? We expect business men to act differently. We expect them to endeavor to convince the public that their establishments are the best places to buy goods. Every individual merchant "booms" his business as best he can, and as long as he does not deary other people or print falsehoods about his stock, every one approves of his doing so. There is no difference between an individual and a community in this respect. It is legitimate that a community should strive to make the world think that it is the best place to live in, and if enough people can be convinced of it, and come to the community in consequence, the importance of the place advances and the representation of its advantages are fully justified.

Take the case of Seattle. Twenty years ago, when the Northern Pacific had been completed to Tacoma, and the company was advertising that terminus all over the world, there was no apparent reason why Seattle should become a great city. It had no advantages which Tacoma could not claim, and it was under the disadvantage of not being a railway terminus. The people went to work to overcome the disadvantage and to convince the world that their town possessed exceptional advantages. We see the result to-day. The people may have "boomed" the town, but events have justified the booming. Let Victoria take a leaf out of Seattle's book in this respect. The watchword of Victoria should be "Progress."

Progress in municipal improvements.

Progress in improving the facilities for doing business; Progress in making the attractions and advantages of the city known to all the world; but above all things Progress in the cultivation of a live, united and aggressive public spirit.

It will be the aim of "Progress" to stimulate public sentiment along these lines. We have a good city, with plenty of good people in it. Let us resolve to have a period of growth and prosperity. We can have it if we try.

Help this paper in its work. Help it with advertisements. Help it with subscriptions. If you cannot do either, help it with suggestions. Let us unite to make 1904 the beginning of a year of progress, such as Victoria has never experienced.

A telegraph despatch says that the Kaiser can talk just as well as ever, notwithstanding the report of throat trouble. What would happen if he would not talk? Fanny Wilhelm II. reduced to the condition of a William the Silent.

By the way a name is needed for the James Bay causeway and the former tide flats. The field is open for competitors in suggestion. How would "King Edward Square" do for the whole area? We are quite confident that if any loyal citizen wishes to donate a statue of the King to adorn the place, the city will donate the site and agree to keep the surroundings in proper condition.

Subscribe for "Truth."

While conceding the excellent intentions of Mr. McCandless in regard to liquor selling by the Chinese, elsewhere referred to, it seems timely to say:

First, that no special treatment should be extended to the Chinese in connection with the liquor traffic. If the police force is not able to cope with infractions of the law in Chinatown, it should be made able to do so.

Second, that no person in authority ought under any circumstances whatever to assent to violations of the law. It may be that at times it may be expedient not to insist upon the very letter of a law being observed, but there is a distinction between this and an agreement not to prosecute offenders.

It may also be added that such an agreement is of no value whatever and binds no one, not even the person making it.

A FINE OPPORTUNITY.

The proposed municipality, which is to include the Districts of Victoria, Lake and South Saanich, has the opportunity of signalling its creation by a very wise act of policy. Elsewhere the plans of the capitalists represented by Mr. R. P. Butchart are outlined. It is a foregone conclusion that, sooner or later, a plant for the manufacture of Portland cement will be established somewhere on the Coast of British Columbia. The field for the sale of cement is limited at present, but will certainly expand. A year or two ago there was a better chance, looking to immediate returns, than there is now, because at that time the market of Puget Sound was open to the product of a British Columbia factory, as the supply was brought from Europe. Recently plants have been established in California, which with the advantage of a duty of 32 cents a barrel can shut out the British Columbia article. Cement produced in this province must be sold in Canada, if not exclusively, at least practically so. Mr. Butchart and his associates believe that British Columbia and the Northwest Territories will afford a sufficient market to warrant the installation of a plant, and they look ahead and see that this market is certain to increase very greatly.

Deposits of limestone suitable for the manufacture of Portland cement are found in several places on Vancouver Island. Right in this city cement has been made from the country rock and been pronounced by the naval authorities of high quality. Other deposits are known; but perhaps the best and most convenient is that of the Spanish Arm, and it is here that Mr. Butchart proposes to set up his plant, if he can make satisfactory arrangements. One of the conditions, which he wishes to have met, is exemption from taxation for a period of ten years. He does not ask that the land on which the plant is put shall be exempt, but is willing that the present assessment shall remain on the property during the period of exemption. All he asks is that the improvements shall not be taxed for ten years, and that the valuation of the real estate upon which the improvements are placed shall not be changed for the same period. If this request is complied with, or rather if the residents of the proposed municipality agree that, when the municipality has been inaugurated, such an arrangement will be made, Mr. Butchart's people will at once begin the erection of their plant.

A proposal of this kind has everything to recommend it, and it is difficult to imagine anything that can be said against it. In the first place it will not deprive the municipality of any taxation which it would receive, because if the works are not erected, because it is not asked that the land on which they are to be set up shall be relieved from taxation. Secondly, it will lead to an immediate addition to the taxable property of the municipality, because if the company erects buildings to be rented to its employees, or if the employees themselves erect buildings, and such buildings must be erected, because the employees must have some place to live in, those buildings will not be exempted from taxation. In the third place, it will lead to the establishment of such a plant will at the expiration of ten years add a very valuable property to the taxable assets of the municipality. In the fourth place, the establishment of the plant will not add a dollar to the cost of running the municipality. These are the considerations involved in the point of view. From the standpoint of the individual property owners, it will certainly be a great advantage to have a large manufacturing plant established in the community. It will furnish a market for produce, not

perhaps large at first, but one that will grow, and the experience of other localities is that when one manufacturing plant has been established in a locality others are apt to follow. There will undoubtedly be a village of several hundred people at the site of the works within a very few years. No argument is needed to prove that the value of property lying between such a village and this city will appreciate, or that all the surrounding real estate will increase in value.

This matter has engaged the attention of the provincial government, and it is thought that the measure will be introduced into the Legislature at its next session authorizing the government to exempt new industries from taxation for a term of years. Mr. Butchart would act upon the prospect of this and go ahead if it were not that the movement to establish the new municipality is likely to be a success.

For the reasons above given, it is clear that the people of the proposed municipality have an exceptional opportunity at hand to give their community an impetus that will be of lasting effect. So far as has been learned, every person interested is heartily in favor of the proposed exemption, and it will be excellent news

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Night Gowns from.....	60c up
Ladies Drawers from.....	15c up

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Huck Towels.....	35c dozen
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Roller Towelling, Good Quality.....	10c yard

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Hooks and Eyes.....	1c pkg
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Pins.....	2c paper
Needles.....	2c package
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Saxony Wool.....	15c package

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Black Lustre.....	35c 15c yd
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Black & Blue Serges.....	75c 45c yd
Pink & Blue Cashmere.....	75c 40c yd
Black Cashmere.....	75c 40c yd
Prints, 10 yards for.....	\$1.00
Apron Gingham from.....	10c
Heavy Grey Selvia.....	7c yd
Heavy Grey Selvia.....	9c yd
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Lace Curtains.....	\$ 75 \$ 45
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Fancy Striped Shirts and Drawers, worth \$2.00, sale \$1.00 suit	
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Cotton Half Hose 15c, 3 pr 25c	
Wool Half Hose 20c, 2 pr 25c	
Wool Half Hose.....	25c, 15c
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to hear in the course of a few days that Mr. Butchart has received such assurances as will enable him to begin work and expend the very large sum proposed in the erection of the plant.

Nanaimo.

Nanaimo is feeling quite hopeful for its business success. There is a marked improvement in the tone of expectancy of great doings in the near future.

An electric car line is the very latest project. It is likely that either the Western Fuel Co. or the City will build a line from the new works at Departure Bay through the city to the end of Haliburton street with connections to the E. & N. station and other points. If carried out it will be a boon to the city and should prove a profitable undertaking.

Quite a number of Nanaimo people availed themselves of the Vancouver and the E. & N. railway excursions for the Easter holidays.

Notwithstanding the fact that there were counter attractions the Choral Society held its regular practice on Monday evening, and is making headway with Tenyson's "The Revenge" a ballad of the Fleet, set to music by C. V. Stanford. The leader, Mr.

Dyke, is working hard but not without results.

The Boys' Brigade in connection with the Baptist Church have secured a small building at the rear of the church and received assistance from Mr. S. Robins, who is always to the front with his practical sympathy in movements of this kind.

The Easter Monday concert at the Baptist Church was quite a success, there being a large attendance to greet the long list of entertainers. This church is rapidly coming to the front under the able and energetic guidance of the pastor and his devoted wife. Their Literary Club with Saturday night programmes are quite popular.

In all lines, social and business, there is a marked activity which promises well for the future of this fair city.

Ladysmith.

The Rathbone Sisters gave a very successful masquerade ball in the opera house on Monday evening.

About fifty masqueraders were present and a large number of spectators. The following were the prize winners:

Best national costume, lady, Mrs. Rossetti (Ireland); best national costume (gent, Mr. J. Confin (India);

best dressed gent, Mr. W. Ellis; best dressed ladies, Mesdames Shoulbide and Thornley; best comic lady, Mrs. Lively (Granny); best sustained character, gent, Mr. F. D. Pelkey (Dutchie). Special mention was made of Mrs. McKinley, Irish Apple Woman; W. Mills, coachman; A. Ward, hunter; and J. Muir, colored gent.

A very pleasant surprise party was given at Mrs. McKinley's on Thursday last. Music, cards, games, dancing was the order of the evening. All voted it one of the most enjoyable parties of the season.

The committee of the Wellington-Extension Accident and Burial Fund passed accounts for accidents amounting to \$205.05 for March.

How about that tramway around by way of the Gorge? Only those who are in a position to note the amount of travel up the Gorge Road summer and winter can form any idea of the amount of business such a line would do.

The Societies.

Independent Foresters.

Tuesday night Court Cariboo met in the A. O. U. W. Hall for the transaction of regular business. One new member was admitted by card and another application received. The application was not being quite regular a committee of one was appointed to straighten it out. Considerable discussion was caused on a motion to adopt the extended ritual, the Court being about equally divided as to the benefit to be derived from the use of further ceremonies. The question of Court attendance was discussed at some length and a committee appointed to devise ways and means for increasing the same.

Sons of England.

Alexandra Lodge 116, S. O. E., held their regular meeting Wednesday evening. The benevolent committee reported the concert a success financially, the sum of \$212.70 having been handed over to the Peatt family. Votes of thanks were passed to the committee and those who took part in the concert. Special mention was made of the work done by Bro. J. T. Crook. A series of interesting entertainments were mapped out for the summer months. The quarterly receipts reported at this meeting were the largest on record for the lodge. Several new propositions for membership were read, showing that the lodge is still prospering and that the suggestion of the President that each member endeavor to secure a new member is being acted upon.

Juvenile Foresters.

The J. O. F. held their regular meeting last Tuesday. After the usual routine of business was conducted the new regalia for the officers and members, which recently arrived from England, was distributed to the Court. Bro. S. H. Redgrave and D. W. Webster were presented with a Past Chief Ranger's jewel.

I. O. O. F.

A delegation from Duncan's lodge is coming down Saturday night in order to have two or three of their members given degrees and a candidate initiated.

Cloverdale A. A.

A concert in aid of the building fund has been arranged for the 21st inst. The best local talent obtainable will take part. Hon. R. McBride will preside and the committee is now working with the view of making this an event to be remembered. Tickets may be obtained at Mr. Crook's tailor shop on Douglas street.

Y. M. C. A.

Mr. J. A. Seward and the Shawinigan Lake Lumber Co. have kindly donated the necessary lumber for repairs to the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium. Mr. A. Flumerfelt has also made glad the hearts of the managers by giving a check for \$100 towards the general funds. Expenses will be curtailed during the summer months and preparations made for the winter work on a larger scale.

Wednesday afternoon and evening saw the rooms of the Association crowded. The apron sale in the afternoon attracted a number of lady friends and a handsome sum was realized. In the evening the auditorium a splendid entertainment was given, when a very fine programme was carried out.

Natural History Society.

At the annual meeting of this society on Wednesday last Dr. Hassell, the president, gave an interesting resume of the work of the society since its formation.

The following officers were elected: President, Capt. J. Walbran; first vice-president, E. F. Robinson; second vice-president, J. R. Anderson; secretary, R. E. Gosnell; treasurer, A. A. Crease; curator and librarian, F. Sylvester; executive committee, Dr. E. S. Hassell, Dr. Newcombe, A. A. Crease, R. E. Gosnell, F. N. Denison, E. F. Robinson, F. Sylvester, Canon Beauland, Capt. Walbran, J. R. Anderson; trustees, Capt. Walbran, E. F. Robinson and R. E. Gosnell.

Lifboat Association.

The provisional committee whose report was adopted at the meeting on Wednesday night was reappointed to proceed with the incorporation of the society. As soon as the incorporation is completed the society will be in a position to receive subscriptions toward the purchase and operation of a lifeboat.

It was suggested at the meeting that perhaps the Victoria Pilots may be willing to operate a steam lifeboat, using her in their work. In

this way the running expenses would be almost nothing.

Woodmen of the World.

Mr. A. Lindsay of the Bennett Fuse Co., has just returned from a trip to the East, where he attended the head camp meeting of the Woodmen of the World as delegate from Victoria Camp. Reports read at that meeting showed the order to be in a prosperous condition. A few minor amendments were made to the constitution, one of which allows a Ladies' Circle to organize with a charter membership of fifteen. Columbia Circle will be interested in this, as their circle has not yet the twenty-five insured members required under the old law.

Mr. Lindsay reports a vast field of snow stretching from the Rocky Mountains to Toronto. He says immigrants are flocking into the Northwest. There were two hundred cars of settlers' effects coming from the United States just the other side of Moosejaw. The Royal Templars of Temperance were in convention at Hamilton and the A.O.U.W. at Toronto during the same week that the Woodmen were meeting.

About Eagles.

At a rousing meeting of the Eagles on Wednesday night last the Aerie endorsed the publication of an Eagle monthly to be published in the interests of Eaglesdom in Canada. It was stated that the first issue of this publication would make its appearance for May under the name of the "Canadian Eagle." A new letter was received from Brother Geo. Denny, once permanently identified with the daily press of Victoria, but of late in the service of the Associated Press. George being a good Eagle can always be relied upon for a budget of oracles. Such a letter was received from him during his stay at the Philippine islands before the commencement of hostilities in the Far East, when he received orders to go to the front. His last letter was written from Chefoo, and contained besides much information a year's dues.

The sad circumstances in connection with the loss from his schooner of Brother Anton Birtz were detailed in a letter and affidavits sworn to before the British vice-consul at Hakodate, Japan. Brother Birtz and two Japanese boat-pullers, after having lost their schooner, drifted for four days in an open boat upon the ocean without food before being picked up. Consequently to the exposure Brother Birtz contracted an illness for which the Eagles of Victoria at the last meeting forwarded him 16 weeks' sick payments. Three candidates became members of the Aerie and several new applications were received. A noteworthy circumstance was the fact that the meeting was attended by Eagles from five different cities, for besides the Victoria members there were in attendance visiting brothers from Seattle, Aerie, No. 1; Tacoma, No. 3; Portland, No. 4, and Nanaimo, No. 15.

VICTORIA CREAMERY.

The Victoria Creamery has just been completed. It is the same size as formerly but is now built of brick with double walls in the main part of the building in order to keep the place cool. Even the partitions are of brick. In order to minimize the danger of fire the roof has been covered with galvanised iron instead of shingles as formerly. The plans were prepared and the work superintended by Mr. Keith. The creamery is now in operation again turning out the delicious butter for which this institution has been noted for several years past.

HERE AND THERE.

Superintendent Robinson, of the Education Department, gave a very interesting paper on "Vancouver's Attempt to Find a Northwest Passage."

Mr. Blair commended the work of Victoria pupils in drawing, clay modelling and woodwork. The teachers of this city are keeping up to date.

F. Carne, proprietor of the Angel Hotel, died Thursday.

P. J. Knight has been appointed superintendent and collector of the People's Loan and Deposit Company for this city.

Schooner Charles Hansen is just starting on a three years' Arctic whaling expedition.

The telephone line to Ganges Harbor has just been completed.

The Dawson beef market is to be supplied from Calgary by Pat Burns with the co-operation of the Pacific Cold Storage Co. of this city.

The liner Agamemnon landed 1,000 tons of general cargo at the outer wharf this week.

The Victoria Cricket Club will

play on their new grounds near the Jubilee Hospital this year.

The V. B. A. A. Tennis Courts are being prepared. They will be ready in about a week.

Four teams have entered the Intermediate Baseball League, Y. M. C. A., Victoria West, Fernwoods, and Hillside.

LadySmith is anxious to capture the Intermediate District Association Football cup from Cumberland who won it last season.

Jas. McNeil, of this city, was knocked down by the E. N. train near Koenig's, fracturing his skull. The Charles B. Hanford Company will play the "Merchant of Venice" on the 19th.

Rev. W. H. Carr is leaving Duncan for his home in Ontario. He will be succeeded by Mr. Whitman, of Toronto.

The cemetery grounds and fences are to be improved.

There will soon be prairie dogs at the park.

Fire Chief Watson a few days ago very cleverly averted an accident to the chemical apparatus and himself. He crept out on the pole and pulled up the horses after the reins had parted.

The Mining Record accuses the B. C. Mining Exchange of unfairness in its attack upon Mr. E. Jacobs, the new secretary of the Provincial Mining Association.

The C. P. R. is opening up an anthracite coal mine at Banff.

The Sound packers anticipate a light pack of salmon this season.

Messrs. Mowat & Wallace have dissolved partnership. Mr. Mowat will continue the business alone and will no doubt keep up the reputation for high class groceries which this firm has so well earned in the past.

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The Tourist Association is receiving many enquiries respecting the desirability of this city as a residential location. No doubt they are told that this is the most desirable spot on the continent. If they are the association tells the truth.

It is said on good authority that there are \$5,000,000 lying to the credit of Victoria depositors in the various savings banks. This is a lot of money. It draws three per cent. interest, and it is sent out of town for people elsewhere to do business on.



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On Divers Themes

The Proposed Erection of Portland Cement Works on Saanich Arm.

A few years ago the people of this city were most interested in a proposal to establish Portland cement works on Saanich Arm, where it was understood, a very excellent article of limestone was found. For a time things looked very encouraging, but something, of which the public has never been informed, occurred to prevent the carrying out of the plan then formed. One or two other efforts have since been made in the same direction, but for one cause or another nothing has come of them. There has also been talk of setting up such a plant at other points on the Island, but there always arose some difficulty which prevented the plan from being carried out. Now there is a very excellent prospect that something will be done. Mr. R. P. Butcher, who is interested in similar plants in Ontario, has been in the city for some days, and has his plans well matured for the establishment of the industry on quite an extensive scale. In an interview with a representative of this paper yesterday, he said:

"I have looked the ground over pretty thoroughly and feel satisfied that I will get to work in a very short time. The material on Saanich Arm, or rather the little strait on the east side of the Arm, is of excellent quality; the location is good, and if I can report to my associates that we will receive the slight encouragement we ask for, I will be placed in a position to begin work at once, and our plans will involve the expenditure of a quarter of a million dollars."

"What encouragement do you ask for?"

"Simply exemption from taxation for ten years. This is a very common form of encouragement in the East. In one of the towns in Ontario, where a cement plant, they gave us in addition a bonus of \$10,000 and thirteen acres of land on which to erect our building."

"Is there not an almost unlimited market for cement on this coast?"

"That is a common error. At one time the market of the coast to the south of us was open to cement produced in British Columbia, but the establishment of cement works in California has occupied all that field."

"How about the Orient?"

"Japan has its own cement works and so has China and Australia. The market for the output of a factory here must be in Canada; that is in British Columbia and as far East as the cement can be profitably sent in competition with that produced in Eastern Canada. This is not a very large market at present. We think it will not take 300 barrels daily, but our plant will have that capacity. The demand will certainly increase, especially after the Grand Trunk Pacific have selected their terminus and begun construction. We are, of course, looking to the future. It would be worth while to invest the large sum necessary to establish the plant, if we did not expect the business to grow."

"Will you be able to reduce the price of cement?"

"We will make a material reduction, and for that reason we expect to build up a larger trade than is at present done. We will certainly place the cement on the market for 50 cents less per barrel than it is now sold for here, and we expect that the effect of this will be the same as the effect of a similar reduction was in Ontario, that is, it will increase the demand. Cement is coming into much greater use all the time: one of the new uses for it is in the manufacture of a building material, in the form of hollow blocks, which make a warm and fireproof structure. Quite a large sum of money, very much more than most people think, is sent out of this province every year for cement, and this will be kept at home when our works are once going."

"Did you find things as favorable here as you expected?"

"Yes, except in respect to the market in the Coast States, and the cost of coal. The former is given to us, for the reasons I have cited, and coal is a good deal higher than we thought it would be. Nevertheless, we have determined to go on at Saanich Arm, provided we get the little encouragement I have spoken of. I took the matter up with Premier McBride. He was much impressed with the importance of having such a plant here, and said that the government would gladly relieve us in taxation if they had the power. I

also spoke to several members on both sides of the House, and they all were willing that we should have some assistance in this way. We do not ask exemption from taxation on the land we use, but only that its valuation shall not be increased for ten years, and we ask that our improvements, so far as the manufacturing plant is concerned, shall not be taxed for that period. Any dwellings or other buildings that we erect, not strictly part of our plant, we shall expect to be taxed. There will certainly be some of these, so that we will really add to the taxable property immediately, and after ten years will become heavy taxpayers. I am trying to get a promise from the people of the three districts, that the talking of becoming a municipality, to agree to the exemption asked for, and when they do, we will go to work at once. I feel very well satisfied that the assent will be given, for everybody I have talked with is most heartily in favor of it."

WHAT WOMEN ARE DOING.

The "Made in Canada Fair"—Easter at the Jubilee Hospital.

The members of the order of The King's Daughters, of which there are many circles in Victoria, all doing regular, quiet, consistent work, have now undertaken a large and united effort in the hope of being able to establish a convalescent home in the neighborhood of Victoria. The great need for such a home has come under the immediate notice of the King's Daughters during recent years, the scope embraced by their work bringing them into contact with many cases where the rest and repose offered by a home would thoroughly establish a recent hospital cure and renew lost strength and vitality to amply a sufferer unable to remain indefinitely in hospital and unfit as yet to take up "the full burden of days."

The King's Daughters will, therefore, in the interests of this effort, hold a "Made in Canada" fair during the week of the 24th of May. In this exhibit all the local manufacturers have been invited to take part, and most of them have eagerly responded. The various sections on the right or left of the main hall will be devoted to these, while a section in the centre will show Eastern products. A Woman's Exchange, under the admirable management of Mrs. A. E. Webster, will be held in connection with the fair, and it is hoped will prove the nucleus of a permanent Woman's Exchange being established in the city. A coterie book, replete with tried recipes contributed by notable and experienced housewives will be sold in connection with this department. It is needless to say more than that this book is in the hands of Mrs. R. B. McKie as a warranty of its tested merit. There will be an excellent exhibit of Indian curios arranged by Mr. H. Stadthagen, and a number of these souvenirs also for sale. During each evening in the week an entertainment will be provided, and tea, coffee and light supper will be served between the hours of 4 and 10 each day. Every available inch of the Assembly Hall and adjoining rooms is already taken up, which speaks for itself as to the popularity of the idea—a new one to Victoria—though such exhibits have already taken place in London, in the United States, and in other Eastern towns, and also in Seattle and Portland. The committee of management include the following names: Mrs. G. C. Shaw, Mrs. E. G. Tilton, Mrs. F. B. Pemberton, Mrs. C. S. Baxter, Mrs. H. C. Morley, Mrs. A. T. Wall, Mrs. R. Jones, Mrs. G. Kent, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. R. Robertson, Mrs. E. Hamilton, Mrs. Henry Croft, Mrs. W. F. Burton, Mrs. H. W. R. Beaven, Mrs. E. S. Hassell, Miss M. Leitch, Miss Pitts and Mrs. Munn.

An interesting discussion took place recently at the Tuesday Club house with regard to the health of the body and the vitality of the mind, and other vital forces in connection with such collective bodies of women, and it was suggested that every club, though assembled primarily for mutual and intellectual benefit, should have some object in view, where it could reflect its own intelligent and sympathetic progress, and also by means of which its members could re-distribute the light which they were finding themselves. There is a law of nature which demands that nothing be hoarded, no gift be perfected until it has passed on to another. There is a law of life which forbids cessation, which urges on the living to live more, to try more widely, to give even as it has been given to them. And better than all there is a law of love, which counts not an appropriate address.

F. Parks shot two panthers last week. They were together and were cleverly shot, one after the other. The Fire Brigade went the siren whistle promised by the City Council.

The Royal Bank is considering the advisability of opening a branch. Dunsuir Avenue is to be permanently improved. J. B. Bennett was a member of the committee on resolutions at the convention.

whose "council of perfection" rings for ever in our ears "wherever there is a need, fill it." It is much easier to accomplish the filling of needs collectively, especially in a small and not over-healthy community, and it was stated that, upon examination, every such club in the East or in England had some undertaking for the benefit and growth of "opportunity" for others under its auspices. When it is considered how small the opportunities for our girls and boys in Victoria to develop individual talent, it was thought that a scheme might be evolved whereby under the benign and gracious influence of woman a school of arts and crafts might be inaugurated, the greatest benefit of the rising generation. Such schools are to be found now wherever there exists an intelligent appreciation of growing needs; and the fact that the old spirit which inspired earlier handicraft is being revived, and the rule that to achieve what is best we must put our best into whatever we do, that brain, hand and heart are necessary to get either beauty or individuality to work, and that all work that will endure must have more than a mere commercial value to commend and to endow it, is being very widely realized in its highest and most spiritual meaning.

While Victoria possesses at present no school of decorative art, no workshop where boys and girls may gauge their possibilities in, for instance, bookbinding, tooled leather work, illuminating M.S.S., wrought iron work, carving, and embroidery and needlework, there seems an opening for any and all who appreciate this need and who care to promote it. The results accomplished by individual effort prove that there is a growing demand for beautiful designs and skilled workmanship, and one who has started where there is no reason why such an undertaking should not ultimately become self-supporting and co-operative among its members. The honor and privilege of its inception and inauguration should surely be alone sufficient reward to those who, while enlarging their own life and outlook, were providing an impulse and opportunity by which they might share, and reverse, their privileges in the life of others!

Easter at the Hospital. The Easter Festival was lovingly marked by the women "as remember." Love plants and flowers were sent, and numerous bunches of those loveliest of all spring flowers, the violets and primroses of our English land and hedges, the patient picking of which is alone a labor of love, arrived in time to beautify all the sick wards. On Easter Day the daughters of Pitty arranged a sacred concert and several numbers were admirably rendered by those kind friends willing to consecrate their Sunday afternoon to this purpose.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Rev. Archibald Ewing is home. He has been looking after the Chinese missions at various island and other points and incidentally delivering his popular illustrated lectures on religion.

Mr. Weir, who has for some time been assisting in the boot department at Spencer's store, is gone to Cumberland to take charge of the grocery department of Simon Leiser's store.

Mrs. Cunningham, from Cumberland, is staying in town.

Mr. Henry H. Hollings and Miss M. Burnham were happily united in marriage at Cobble Hill Wednesday afternoon by Rev. Mr. Dunlop. B. A. Captain Stanley Fraser, of the Edna Grace, was married to Miss Altha B. Findlay on Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's father, Mr. John Findlay, 66 North Pembroke street. The ceremony was performed by Mr. Joseph McCoy, M. A.

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