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Young Ladies of the Society give Excellent Entertainment.

Steward's Hall, with its large additional seating capacity, was taxed almost to its utmost to accommodate the crowd that turned out on Thursday evening to enjoy the entertainment given by the young ladies of the Literary Society. The young ladies had redeemed the reputation of the fair sex regarding secrecy, and had succeeded in keeping every detail of the performance from leaking out. Nobody except themselves had but the faintest idea as to the character the entertainment would assume, but all were aware, that extensive preparations had been in progress for the past month or more, and were certain that a first-class entertainment would be given. In this the highest expectations of the audience were realized, for, to be modest in prace, it eclipsed anything previously presented by that important town institution, the Penticton Literary Society, and was quite equal, with the exception of the Dixie Jubilee Singers, to any entertainment ever presented in Penticton.

When the curtain rose the first item, "A Toast to Canada" was presented, the setting being very pretty. Miss McCully, in whose beautiful costume the Canadian flag was prominent, represented Canada. Miss Rowe, just behind, in Neptune attire, splendidly represented Britannia, the mistress of the seas. The remaining six or eight members of the group were attired in white, Miss Dexter to the left of Canada representing the Canadians across the international boundary line. Greetings were exchanged, and the toast was drunk, after which the group sang "Rule Britannia."

The next item was the rendering, in chorus, of the old, but ever popular, plantation song, "Nellie Gray," and this was followed by the most popular part of the program, a play in one act, entitled "Mrs. Plodding's Nieces." The play was well put on, and occasioned much merriment on the part of the audience. The quartette, "Flow Gently Sweet Afton" by Miss Rowe, Miss Ede, and the Misses Florence and Bessie Thompson; the recitatian, "Freckles" by Miss V. Sutherland; and the trio "Ding Dong Bell, by Miss Rowe and the Misses Thompson, were all well received.

A piano solo by Miss Lancaster was followed by "The Peakses," a sort of play representing a a family of girls reared upon Pike's Peak. They wore tall peaked hats, had long pointed fingers, and sang with very highly pitched voices. The whole act was wierd and quaint as well as exceedingly humorous.

"God Save the King" brought the gathering to a close.

Piano Recital by Miss Rowe and Her Pupils.

At the invitation of Miss Mabel Rowe, the parents and friends of her music pupils to the number of fifteen or sixteen gathered at her home on Winnipeg St. on Saturday evening to listen to a musical program which had, for some time, engaged their earnest attention. This is the first recital that has been given in Penticton, and if it is an augury of future events of a similar nature, the people have some real musical treats to look forward to. The pupils, from the youngest to the oldest, were eager to do their best; and, while some of them exhibited more or less nervousness, which, however, was quite excusable at their first appearance before even a small audience, their performance not only showed careful and thorough training on the part of their teacher, but that they themselves were possessed of musical ability of high order.

The program opened with a nicely rendered duet, "Bright as a Button," by Gertie Woodward and Mabel Rogers which was followed by a piano solo, "Dew Drops," by little Edith Mitchell. Both this solo and her duet with Miss Rowe are worthy of special mention, as they were exceedingly well rendered for so young a child. Mr. Miller then sang "Island of Dreams" in his usual pleasing style, and was followed by Gertie Woodward in a pretty piano solo, "Silver Spring." After a nicely rendered duet by Miss Rowe and Miss Bessie Thompson, Mr. Wallace gave Rubinstein's "Melody in F" on his violin with excellent effect, and he was followed by a pretty duet by Edith Mitchell and Miss Rowe. "The Forest Brook" by Mabel Rogers, and a Mazurka by Bessie Thompson were well performed, and were followed by a vocal solo, "By the Fountain," rendered in good style by Mr. Arthur Rowe. A duet by Bessie Thompson and Florence Latimer followed, then a piano solo, "Simple Devotion," by Janet Campbell, which was, perhaps, the most perfectly rendered item of the pupils' part of the program, not a mistake of any kind being noticed, while the interpretation and expression were excellent. "The Doll's Dream" was nicely performed by Florence Latimer, and was followed by Mrs. Mitchell who sang Tomerval's "Shepherd's Cradle Song" in a manner which compelled very hearty applause from her listeners. The last item was a trio, "Air de Chasse," very prettily rendered by Florence Latimer, Gertie Woodward and Mabel Rogers.

At the conclusion of the program, Miss Rowe presented a book of music as a prize to the pupil who had made the greatest progress in her studies during the year. This was awarded to Florence Latimer.

Light refreshments were then served, and after a few minutes passed in congratulating teacher and pupils, the guests departed, each one feeling highly pleased with the evening's entertainment.

Miss Rowe is to be congratulated on the success of her first recital here; and many will be pleased to hear that it is her intention to give another about June which will be held in Steward's Hall in order to permit a larger number to be present than was possible on this occasion.

Canning Company Organized.

A representative meeting of those interested in the establishment of a cannery at Penticton was held in J. R. Mitchell's office last Saturday afternoon. The report of the committee appointed at a previous meeting was received and several resolutions relative to organization were passed. It was decided to go ahead with the scheme, and to place the shares at one hundred dollars each, the company to be capitalized at twenty-five thousand dollars. A committee comprising J. R. Mitchell, G. F. Guernsey, S. W. Hatch, S. J. Heales, and J. W. Macfie, was appointed to complete organization, and secure a charter as a limited company. It is probable that the company will not erect a building during the coming summer, but will rent until such times as the wharf, or station site is finally settled.

Since the question of organizing a canning company was first mooted a few weeks ago, it has met with every encouragement. Although money is rather close at this season of the year, it has been surprising the manner in which people have responded to the call for funds to carry through the enterprise. All have realized what the establishment of a cannery at Penticton means for the coming summer — the opening of a market for thousands of dollars' worth of farm produce—and have taken the matter up with a will which assures its success in the establishment of a canning plant on the largest scale of any yet existing in the Okanagan Valley.

The Ganthony Humbug.

"The distinguished British humorist and entertainer, Robert Ganthony," purveyor of humoristic hash to His Majesty King Edward VII., accompanied by his company of "London Artists," gave his "triumphal" fizzle in Steward's Hall on Monday evening. "The most famous humorist and entertainer that has ever visited western Canada," the travelling companion of the late venerable W. E. Gladstone, the guest of the King and Queen of Denmark, surely the good folk of Penticton could not be blamed for thinking that they were about to see and hear something out of the ordinary.

Alas! our estimation of royalty has sunk to dangerously near the zero mark, while the great Gladstone has dropped from the lofty pedestal to which popular opinion had consigned him. To say that the performance was dull would not convey the full meaning. In many instances it might be termed vulgar. Some of the parts taken by Ganthony himself were fairly good, such as one would see in a fourth-rate theatre, but in no instance was talent displayed either on the part of himself or the other members of his company. Perhaps Ganthony is one of the "has beens," and, if so, the sooner he gives up acting the better it will be for his reputation. The only redeeming feature of the show was in its length, it being very short. Miss Stanmore, entertainer, of the Court Theatre, London(?), Miss Fairfax, pianiste of the Paris Conservatory of Music(?), and Miss Manners, one of London's favorite vocalists(?), were decidedly inferior to local Penticton talent. Fred Hewitt, the famous banjo player(?), for a cause that might be explained, did not appear at all.

We feel that we owe our readers an apology for publishing press clippings complimentary to the Ganthony company, but we did so in the belief that no self-respecting journal would compliment a thing that was so totally devoid of merit.

The people of Penticton have always patronized entertainments well, and upon this occasion turned out in full force. They are to be complimented upon the fact that there was very little applause during the proceedings. If a company of this description should ever again appear before a Penticton audience, we suggest that they be promptly hissed from the stage. The Cosgrove theatrical agents, who are responsible for the tour of this company, must be given to understand that no such shows will be tolerated in Penticton in future.

A few persons who occupied seats in the rear of the hall expressed the opinion that the entertainment was a good one. This we take as an indication that the effect improved as the distance increased. It would probably be at its best about ten miles away.

Local and Personal

Dr. R. B. White returned from Vernon on Wednesday.

J. P. McCuddy, of Fairview, was in Penticton on Thursday.

C. A. Jackson, dentist, will return from Vancouver in a few days.

Dr. Robertson, of Peachland, visited Penticton on Wednesday evening.

W. D. Lancaster is building an addition to his house on Fairview Ave. East.

Constable J. Tooth left on Tuesday for a couple of weeks' holidays at the coast cities.

Henry Main and family have moved from Ellis Street to H.W. Tapley's house on the meadow.

Over sixty names have already been obtained as members of the Penticton Civilian Rifle Association.

Mr. and Mrs. (Rev.) Jas. Hood spent the past week in Penticton, guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Stuart.

Mrs. J. D. McDonald, accompanied by her husband, left on Thursday for the Vancouver hospital.

Miss Hancock, guest of Miss Ley, returned on Wednesday evening after a short absence at Kelowna.

Rev. R. J. McIntyre, of Summerland, will preach in the Methodist Church, Penticton, on Sunday evening.

Denniston Bros. have erected a hothouse and will grow tomato, cabbage and other plants to supply the local market.

Const. E. C. Simmons and family, and Mrs. Baker arrived on Wednesday evening from Vernon for a short visit in Penticton.

The Young Peoples' Christian Union will give an At Home in the Methodist Church on Tuesday evening. All, especially the young people, are invited to attend.

We understand that the Quadrille Club dance last Friday had such an attraction for some people at the Falls, that they put the hind wheels of their buggy in front so as to make time getting to it.

F. H. Latimer, C. E., inspected the work at the Ellis Creek reservoir this week. He reports work progressing favorably. About twenty men are engaged, and the reservoir should be completed in about a month.

Mrs. Anna L. Gillespie, National Superintendent of Lyceums for the United States, will deliver her popular lecture, "A Modern Miracle," in Empire Hall, Summerland, on Tuesday evening, March 10. All are cordially invited. Admission free.

The Amateur Dramatic Club will give a play in Steward's Hall on the evening of the 17th inst., St. Patrick's Day. The play, entitled "Our Boys," by H. J. Byron, is in three acts, and when first put on in London, Eng., ran for 1,500 consecutive nights.

The Penticton Quadrille Club gave another dance on Friday evening of last week. About thirty-five couples were present, a number being from the Falls and Fairview. Music was furnished by local talent and an enjoyable time was spent. The committee wish to thank the ladies who so kindly provided the refreshments.

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The Cost of Living.

A detailed investigation conducted by the Civil Service Association at Ottawa, into the local cost of necessities for the past ten years showed the cost of living to have advanced 34 per cent dur. g that period. In British Columbia prices have steadily increased for a number of years. Wages have risen, but the worker has found himself little better off, owing to the simultaneous advance in living expenses. Development work throughout the province has, in consequence, been seriously retarded.

Some are of opinion that the introduction of cheap labor is the solution of the question, but such a view is purely superficial; for, while cheap labor would undoubtedly result in the masters of enterprises making more money, it would not get at the root of the question. Last year British Columbia imported four million dollars worth of foodstuffs, most of which the province is capable of producing within its own borders. Not only does the province lose the sum sent out, but the distance the goods have to be hauled and the high freight rates brings their cost to the consumer very high. British Columbia requires more railways and reduced freight rates, but most of all more home production of the necessities of life. No less attention should be paid to the production of the forests, mines and fisheries of the province, but much more attention should be paid to the settlement and cultivation of our fertile valleys, for only by this means can the cost of living be reduced to anything like a normal condition.

In the year 1906 the imports of the Dominion exceeded the exports by nearly thirty-four million dollars. The imports have exceeded the exports for the past forty years, with the exception of the years from 1894 to 1902 inclusive, and yet we call Canada a producing country. This preponderance of imports over the exports has increased at an alarming rate since 1902; so, as far as trade is concerned, the country is becoming at least commercially poorer.

Of course Canada, from its climatic conditions, must always continue a large importer of tropical fruits and other articles produced only in southern countries, but as to such articles as butter, cheese, fruits, fresh and preserved, which can be produced at home, hides, poultry, ham, bacon, and beef, the case is very different. A duty should be levied upon those, and hundreds of similar goods, that would make their importation impossible. By this means home industry would be fostered and Canada would become an exporting rather than an importing country. As long as a dollar remains in the country its purchasing power is unlimited. Once it has gone, and the article it purchased consumed, it might as well have passed out of existence as far as this country is concerned.

We are convinced, therefore, that, if more of our necessities were produced at home, it would have a material influence upon the cost of living. Even if for a time higher prices were paid for certain articles, the country would indirectly benefit by the money remaining at home.

Treating and Elections.

The Toronto Mail and Empire says: " 'Treating' of any kind is made a corrupt practice under the new Election Act which is now before the Legislature. Several years ago, when an attempt was made to unseat Dr. Rutledge, the member-elect for East Middlesex, the Court held that on account of Dr. Rutledge having been in the habit of treating, his continuation of the habit after he became a candidate did not constitute an offence. Sub-section 3 of section 169 of the new act is as follows: 'It shall not be a sufficient answer to a charge of a corrupt practice under this section that the person charged has been in the habit of treating.' "

Treating during election campaigns has, heretofore, rendered it next to impossible for candidates who did not follow the custom to get elected; and this fact holds good to probably a greater extent in British Columbia than in any of the other provinces of the Dominion. No doubt many an M. P. P. or prospective M. P. P. of Ontario will welcome a law that makes it a corrupt practice to treat during campaigns, for many a man seeking election is averse to the habit, and only acquiesces in it from force of circumstances. The new law will be welcomed by the electorate, for, hereafter, the merits of the candidate, or the merits of the party he represents will alone determine the election.

A similar law on the British Columbia statute books would be a boon to this province for in past elections the throwing of money over the bar has cut altogether too large a figure in the choosing of our law-makers.

Additional Locals

Horace Lister, son of Jos. Lister, was taken to Vernon hospital by his father last Saturday. The boy had fallen on the ice while skating a couple of weeks ago and had injured his leg. Blood poison had set in and the case became very critical. He is, fortunately, now recovering.

A citizens' ball was held in Steward's hall on Wednesday evening. The attendance was scarcely as large as at the ball of two weeks ago, but was quite equal to it from any other view point. Messrs. Huycke, Weeks and Wallace provided the music, which was even better than that which they gave at the previous dance. Another dance will be held in about two weeks from Friday.

Weather Report

Compiled by the Dominion Government Meterological Observer at Penticton for February, 1908:

Date	Max. Temp.	Min. Temp.
1	23	-½
2	25	6
3	26½	19½
4	28½	25
5	38	31
6	46½	18½
7	39	22
8	37	24½
9	38	26
10	43½	27
11	36	25
12	45	19½
13	46	27
14	41	27
15	42	29
16	39	30½
17	46	20
18	40	28
19	45	18
20	41	18
21	43	19
22	45	23
23	44	28
24	38	29½
25	43	32
26	46	26½
27	44	28
28	41	32
29	43	32

February	Rain	Snow
3		½
5		1
10		½
18		1
25	.15	
26	.07	
27		2
28	.06	

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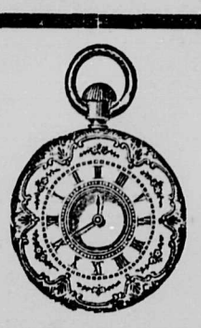

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"Ha, you see it now. My eyes have been trained to examine faces and not their trimmings. It is the first quality of a criminal investigator that he should see through a disguise."

"But this is marvellous. It might be his portrait."

"Yes, it is an interesting instance of a throwback, which appears to be both physical and spiritual. A study of family portraits is enough to convert a man to the doctrine of reincarnation. The fellow is a Baskerville—that is evident."

"With designs upon the succession."

"Exactly. This chance of the picture has supplied us with one of our most obvious missing links. We have him, Watson, we have him, and I dare swear that before to-morrow night he will be fluttering in our net as helpless as one of his own butterflies. A pin, a cork, and a card, and we add him to the Baker Street collection!" He burst into one of his rare fits of laughter as he turned away from the picture. I have not heard him laugh often, and it has always boded ill to somebody.

I was up betimes in the morning, but Holmes was afoot earlier still, for I saw him as I dressed coming up the drive.

"Yes, we should have a full day to-day," he remarked, and he rubbed his hands with the joy of action. "The nets are all in place, and the drag is about to begin. We'll know before the day is out whether we have caught our big, lean-jawed pike, or whether he has got through the meshes."

"Have you been on the moor already?"

"I have sent a report from Grimpen to Princetown as to the death of Selden. I think I can promise that none of you will be troubled in the matter. And I have also communicated with my faithful Cartwright, who would certainly have pined away at the door of my hut, as a dog does at his master's grave, if I had not set his mind at rest about my safety."

"What is the next move?"

"To see Sir Henry. Ah, here he is!"

"Good morning, Holmes," said the baronet. "You look like a general who is planning a battle with his chief of the staff."

"That is the exact situation. Watson was asking for orders."

"And so do I."

"Very good. You are engaged, as I understand, to dine with our friends the Stapletons to-night."

"I hope that you will come also. They are very hospitable people, and I am sure that they would be very glad to see you."

"I fear that Watson and I must go to London."

"To London?"

"Yes, I think that we should be more useful there at the present juncture."

The baronet's face perceptibly lengthened.

"I hoped that you were going to see me through this business. The Hall and the moor are not very pleasant places when one is alone."

"My dear fellow, you must trust me implicitly and do exactly what I tell you. You can tell your friends that we should have been happy to have come with you, but that urgent business required us to be in town. We hope very soon to return to Devonshire. Will you remember to give them that message?"

"If you insist upon it."

"There is no alternative, I assure you."

I saw by the baronet's clouded brow that he was deeply hurt by what he regarded as our desertion.

"When do you desire to go?" he asked, coldly.

"Immediately after breakfast. We will drive in to Coombe Tracey, but Watson will leave his things as a pledge that he will come back to you. Watson, you will send a note to Stapleton to tell him that you regret that you cannot come."

"I have a good mind to go to London with you," said the baronet. "Why should I stay here alone?"

"Because it is your post of duty. Because you gave me your word that you would do as you were told, and I tell you to stay."

"All right, then, I'll stay."

"One more direction! I wish you to drive to Merripit House. Send back your trap, however, and let them know that you intend to walk home."

"To walk across the moor?"

"Yes."

"But that is the very thing which you have so often cautioned me not to do."

"This time you may do it with safety. If I had not every confidence in your nerve and courage I would not suggest it, but it is essential that you should do it."

"Then I will do it."

"And as you value your life do not go across the moor in any direction save along the straight path which leads from Merripit House to the Grimpen Road, and is your natural way home."

"I will do just what you say."

"Very good. I should be glad to get away as soon after breakfast as possible, so as to reach London in the afternoon."

I was much astounded by this program, though I remembered that Holmes had said to Stapleton on the night before that his visit would terminate next day. It had not crossed my mind, however, that he would wish me to go with him, nor could I understand how we could both be absent at a moment which he himself declared to be critical. There was nothing for it, however, but implicit obedience; so we bade good-bye to our rueful friend, and a couple of hours afterwards we were at the station of Coombe Tracey and had dispatched the trap upon its return journey. A small boy was waiting upon the platform.

"Any orders, sir?"

"You will take this train to town, Cartwright. The moment you arrive you will send a wire to Sir Henry Baskerville, in my name, to say that if he finds the pocket-book which I have dropped he is to send it by registered post to Baker Street."

"Yes, sir."

"And ask at the station office if there is a message for me."

The boy returned with a telegram, which Holmes handed to me. It ran: "Wire received. Coming down with unsigned warrant. Arrive five-forty.—Lestrade."

"That is in answer to mine of this morning. He is the best of the professionals, I think, and we may need his assistance. Now, Watson, I think that we cannot employ our time better than by calling upon your acquaintance, Mrs. Laura Lyons."

His plan of campaign was beginning to be evident. He would use the baronet in order to convince the Stapletons that we were really gone while we should actually return at the instant when we were likely to be needed. That telegram from London, if mentioned by Sir Henry to the Stapletons, must remove the last suspicions from their minds. Already I seemed to see our nets drawing closer round that lean-jawed pike.

Mrs. Laura Lyons was in her office and Sherlock Holmes opened his interview with a frankness and directness which considerably amazed her.

"I am investigating the circumstances which attended the death of the late Sir Charles Baskerville," said he. "My friend here, Dr. Watson, has informed me of what you have communicated, and also of what you have withheld in connection with that matter."

"What have I withheld?" she asked, defiantly.

"You have confessed that you asked Sir Charles to be at the gate at ten o'clock. We know that that was the place and hour of his death. You have withheld what the connection is between these events."

"There is no connection."

"In that case the coincidence must indeed be an extraordinary one. But I think that we shall succeed in establishing a connection after all. I wish to be perfectly frank with you, Mrs. Lyons. We regard this case as one of murder, and the evidence may implicate not only your friend Mr. Stapleton, but his wife as well."

The lady sprang from her chair.

"His wife!" she cried.

"The fact is no longer a secret. The person who has passed for his sister is really his wife."

Mrs. Lyons had resumed her seat. Her hands were grasping the arms of her chair, and I saw that the pink nails had turned white with the pressure of her grip.

"His wife!" she said, again. "His wife! He is not a married man."

Sherlock Holmes shrugged his shoulders.

"Prove it to me! Prove it to me! And if you can do so——!" The fierce flash of her eyes said more than any words.

"I have come prepared to do so," said Holmes, drawing several papers from his pocket. "Here is a photograph of the couple taken in York four years ago. It is indorsed 'Mr. and Mrs. Vandeleur,' but you will have no difficulty in recognizing him and her also, if you know her by sight. Here are three written descriptions by trustworthy witnesses of Mr. and Mrs. Vandeleur, who at that time kept St. Oliver's private school. Read them, and see if you can doubt the identity of these people."

She glanced at them, and then looked up at us with the set, rigid face of a desperate woman.

"Mr. Holmes," she said, "this man had offered me marriage on condition that I could get a divorce from my husband. He has lied to me, the villain, in every conceivable way. Not one word of truth has he ever told me. And why—why? I imagined that all was for my own sake. But now I see that I was never anything but a tool in his hands. Why should I preserve faith with him who never kept any with me? Why should I try to shield him from the consequences of his own wicked acts? Ask me what you like, and there is nothing which I shall hold back. One thing I swear to you, and that is, that when I wrote the letter I never dreamed of any harm to the old gentleman, who had been my kindest friend."

"I entirely believe you, madam," said Sherlock Holmes. "The recital of these events must be very painful to you, and perhaps it will make it easier if I tell you what occurred, and you can check me if I make any material mistake. The sending of this letter was suggested to you by Stapleton?"

"He dictated it."

"I presume that the reason he gave was that you would receive help from Sir Charles for the legal expenses connected with your divorce?"

"Exactly."

"And then after you had sent the letter he dissuaded you from keeping the appointment?"

"He told me that it would hurt his self-respect that any other man should find the money for such an object, and that though he was a poor man himself he would devote his last penny to removing the obstacles which divided us."

"He appears to be a very consistent character. And then you heard nothing until you read the reports of the death in the paper?"

"No."

"And he made you swear to say nothing about your appointment with Sir Charles?"

"He did. He said that the death was a very mysterious one, and that I should certainly be suspected if the facts came out. He frightened me into remaining silent."

"Quite so. But you had your suspicions?"

She hesitated and looked down.

"I knew him," she said. "But if he had kept faith with me I should always have done so with him."

"I think that on the whole you have had a fortunate escape," said Sherlock Holmes. "You have had him in your power and he knew it, and yet you are alive. You have been walking for some months very near to the edge of a precipice. We must wish you good morning now, Mrs. Lyons, and it is probable that you will very shortly hear from us again."

"Our case becomes rounded off, and difficulty after difficulty thins away in front of us," said Holmes, as we stood waiting for the arrival of the express from town. "I shall soon be in the position of being able to put into a single connected narrative one of the most singular and sensational crimes of modern times. Students of criminology will remember the analogous incidents in Codno, in Little Russia, in the year '66, and of course there are the Anderson murders in North Carolina, but this case possesses some features which are entirely its own. Even now we have no clear case against this very wily man. But I shall be very much surprised if it is not clear enough before we go to bed this night."

The London express came roaring into the station, and a small, wiry bulldog of a man had sprung from a first-class carriage. We all three shook hands, and I saw at once from the reverential way in which Lestrade gazed at my companion that he had learned a good deal since the days when they had first worked together. I could well remember the scorn which the theories of the reasoner used then to excite in the practical man.

"Anything good?" he asked.

(To be continued.)

Canadian Forestry Association.

The Canadian Forestry Association is a national body having for its general object the promotion of Forestry in Canada. It now numbers about 1200 members, all the provinces and districts of the Dominion, as well as Newfoundland, the United States, Great Britain and several European countries being represented.

The association holds meetings annually in March, when topics bearing on the application of forestry under Canadian conditions are discussed. The most ambitious effort of the association so far has been the holding in January, 1906, of a large and representative Forestry Convention at Ottawa.

Annual meetings of the society have also been held in Toronto and Quebec, and on the 12th and 13th of next month (March, 1908) the annual meeting will convene in Montreal.

Provincial forestry conventions held within the past couple of years in Vancouver, B. C., Fredericton, N. B., and Yarmouth, N. S., have also owed much to the example and encouragement of the parent association.

The association is but eight years old, having been organized in March, 1900, but has been remarkably successful, especially in securing the co-operation of Canadian lumbermen, several of whom have held the presidency of the association. Mr. E. Stewart, late Superintendent of Forestry for the Dominion, is the founder of the association. The objects of the Association, as set forth in its constitution, include the advocating of judicious methods of dealing with Canada's forests and woodlands, the awakening of public interest in the consequences of reckless deforestation, the exploration of the public domain and its division into agricultural and non-agricultural land with the view of having the latter set aside for permanent forest reserves, the encouragement of tree-planting and the spread of information on forests and forestry.

To aid the last-named object, the association has established the "Canadian Forestry Journal," which is issued quarterly and sent to all members of the association.

The president of the association for the current year is Mr. H. M. Price, Quebec, P. Q. Among the ex-presidents are such well-known public and business men as Sir Henry Joly de Lotbiniere, late Lieut.-Governor of British Columbia; Messrs. Wm. Little, of Montreal; Hiram Robinson, of Ottawa; Aubrey White, Deputy-Minister of Forests, Toronto; E. G. Joly de Lotbiniere, of Quebec; and E. Stewart, late Superintendent of Forestry for the Dominion, now of Montreal. The secretary is Mr. R. H. Campbell, Superintendent of Forestry, Ottawa.

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TAKE NOTICE that Lydia Droutskoy Fraser, of Kew Gardens, England, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:—

Commencing at a post planted about 2 miles in an easterly direction from A. Ford's P. R. No. 3260, thence south 40 chains; thence east 20 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence west 20 chains to point of commencement, and containing 80 acres, more or less.

LYDIA DROUTSKOY FRASER,
By her agent John Robert Fraser, Captain.
Dated March 7th, 1908. 34-8t

German Universities.

The whole of North Germany is full of universities some of which are among the most learned in Europe. In no country in Europe, not even in England, are there so many means of gaining an education and improving one's talents. How is it then, that the people are wanting in energy, and appear generally heavy and narrow-minded, though there are among them a small number of men the most intellectual in Europe? It is to the nature of the governments and not to education that this strange contrast must be ascribed. Intellectual education in Germany is perfect, but everything there is satisfied with theory; practical education is entirely dependent on business; it is by action alone that the character acquires firmness necessary to deport itself in the conduct of life. Governments are the real instructors of the people, and public education itself, however good it may be, may form men of letters, but not citizens, warriors or statesmen.

In Germany, philosophical genius is further advanced than anywhere else; nothing stops its flight, and the absence of a political career, so fatal to the masses of the people, gives greater liberty to thinkers. But there is an immense distance between minds of the first and second order, because there is no self-interest or any object of activity to spur on men not possessed of intelligence of the highest order. He who in Germany is not occupied with the universe has in reality nothing to do.

German universities have an ancient reputation which dates from several centuries before the Reformation. Since this period the Protestant colleges have been indisputably superior to the Catholic ones, and all the literary glory of Germany belongs to these institutions. The English Universities have in a marked degree contributed to diffuse among the English people that knowledge of languages and ancient literature which gives to orators and statesmen in England such a liberal and brilliant education. There it is good form to know something else besides business, when one knows it well. The German Universities, though founded on principles analagous to those of England, differ from them in many respects. The host of studehts who meet at Gottingen, Halle, Heidleberg, etc., form almost a free body in the state, and rich and poor are only distinguished by their personal merit. Foreigners who come from every corner of the globe readily submit to that equality which superiority alone can alter.

There is independence and even a military spirit among the students; and if, on leaving the university, they were able to devote themselves to public affairs, their education would be very favorable to promote an energetic character; but they again fall into those monotonous habits which prevail in Germany and gradually lose that impetus and resolution which their life in the university had inspired in them, and all they have left is an extensive knowledge.

In each branch of learning there is competition even among the professors themselves, and each one is constantly doing his utmost to attract to his lectures as many students as possible. Those who are destined for any particular career, as medicine, law, etc., are naturally prompted to become informed on other subjects; and hence it is that educated men in Germany have a very extensive knowledge on all kinds of subjects. The universities have property and a jurisdiction peculiarly their own; and it is a grand idea to have those seats of learning free. — From the French of Madame de Stael, A. D. 1812.

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Mr. Lapsley drove to Summer land on business, last Saturday.

Mr. Burgess, who has been suffering from an attack of grippe, has about recovered.

A farewell was given in the hall, Friday evening to Dr. and Mrs. Lipsett, who are going to make their home in Naramata. A social hour was spent before the formal part of the evening was reached. The programme was as follows:

Selection by the Orchestra.
Speech, Rev. Mr. Ritchie.
Sólo, Mrs. Pollard.
Speech, Rev. Mr. Whyte.
Instrumental Duet, Miss Keys. Chas. Robertson.
Speech, Mr. Vickary.
Speech, Mr. Garraway.
Vocal Duet, Mrs. McKechnie and Miss Candace McDougal.
Speech, W. A. Lang.

An address to Mrs. Lipsett was read by Mrs. Douglas, and signed on behalf of the Baptist Sunday School, Methodist Sunday School, W. C. T. U., and the Women's Weekly Prayer Meeting Union by Supt. Keyes, Supt. C. G. Elliott, Mrs. Ritchie, and Mrs. J. L. Elliott, sr., respectively.

Speech of appreciation by Mrs. Lipsett.

Recitation, Mrs. Thompson Elliott.

Sólo, Mrs. Jas. Elliott.

C. G. Elliott our ever efficient chairman then told the Dr. that it was his turn to speak for himself, which he did. Being one of Peachland's pioneers, he told of how there came to be a Peachland, of its early days and so on; then how much he and Mrs. L. appreciated the many kindnesses shown them always, and that at some future date they might make their home here again.

After luncheon Mrs. McKechnie sang a solo; then the programme was brought to a close by Auld Lang Syne, enthusiastically sung.

Peachlanders wish both Dr. and Mrs. Lipsett every success.

Mrs. (Rev.) Hood and children of Summerland spent last week with Mrs. Hood's mother, Mrs. Urquhart.

Mr. Wilson, of Winnipeg, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Burgess.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Robinson and a jolly group came up in the launch Maud Moore on Friday, and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Town for the day.

Mr. Needham sold his splendid ten acre orchard this week for the goodly sum of over $8,000 to Mr. Aitkens, who is at present in England. Mr. Needham and family are moving immediately into the house in town recently vacated by D. White.

KELOWNA

Geo. Rowcliffe is erecting a building on his lot on Bernard Ave. which he recently purchased from A. Eutin.

Mr. Bailey, postmaster, is having an office built on the north side of Bernard Ave.

D. Lloyd-Jones and Co. are having a cottage erected on the property north of the sawmill.

John Dilworth has rented his ranch and will soon move to Victoria.

After a short illness, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Blackwood died March 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Cox entertained the Methodist Church choir at their residence last Friday evening in honor of Miss Kerkwood who is returning to her home in Winnipeg.

Mr. and Mrs. Curts held a party at their home on Feb. 28, the event being Mr. Curts' birthday.

A company under Robt. Ganthony gave a concert, which was very largely attended, in Raymer's Hall on Feb. 29.

Mr. Trench has opened up a drug and stationery store.

Rev. A. Henderson came down from Vernon on Monday.

Mr. Erskin returned from Calgary last Friday.

E. Carruthers, manager of the Kelowna Land and Orchard Co., has returned from Scotland, where he has been for some months.

What will no doubt be the feature attraction in Vernon this season will be the appearance here of the Minstrel Maids, two nights, commencing Wednesday March 4. A bevy of pretty girls under the Juvenile Bostonian management. This Company has been playing to packed houses all over Canada this season and has had praise from both press and public. The Minstrel first part is a feature in the way of an entertainment where you will see Miss Jaque Casad, champion lady baton swinger of the world, swinging two batons at the same time. The second part is a musical comedy entitled Harrigan Holiday where some new songs and features are introduced that are new and novel. A half carload of scenery and electrical effects are carried, the company numbering 22 people. — Vernon News. This Company will appear in Penticton next Monday, the 9th inst. Tickets for sale at the Penticton Furniture Store.

PROCLAMATION

[L.S.] JAMES DUNSMUIR, Lieutenant-Governor.

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W. J. BOWSER, Attorney-General.

WHEREAS by Section 6 of the "Game Protection Act, 1893," as re-enacted by Section 19 of the "Game Protection Act, Amendment Act, 1905," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, by Proclamation to be published in two successive issues of the British Columbia Gazette, to declare a close season for geese in any part of the Province for any period of time; and

Whereas Our said Lieutenant-Governor, by and with the advice of his Executive Council, has been pleased to direct, by an Order in Council in that behalf, a close season for geese within the County of Kootenay, until and including the 31st day of August, one thousand nine hundred and eight.

NOW KNOW YE therefore, that in pursuance thereof, we do hereby proclaim a close season for Geese within the County of Kootenay, until, and including the 31st day of August, one thousand nine hundred and eight.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed:

WITNESS, His Honour JAMES DUNSMUIR, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 19th day of February, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eight, and in the eighth year of Our Reign.

By Command,
HENRY ESSON YOUNG,
Provincial Secretary.

NOTICE

Similkameen Land District. District of Yale.

TAKE NOTICE that Sydney W. Brown of Oroville, Wash., U. S. A., railway conductor, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at the north-east corner of lot 41 Gp I, thence north about 40 chains to Indian Reserve line; thence west to Osoyoos Lake; thence, following the Osoyoos Lake shore, to the N. W. corner of lot 41; thence along the north line of lot 41 to point of commencement.

SYDNEY W. BROWN.

Dated Feb'y 3rd, 1908.

NOTICE

Similkameen Land District. District of Yale.

TAKE NOTICE that Mrs. M. E. Brown, of Fairview, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of the Indian Reserve in TP 50, thence north 80 chains; thence west 60 chains; thence south 20 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 20 chains; thence east 60 chains to the point of commencement, and containing 320 acres, more or less.

M. E. BROWN
By her agent, C. de B. Green.
Dated 21st January, 1908.

NOTICE

Leamington Mineral Claim. Situate in the Osoyoos Mining Division of Yale District. Where located — Armstrong's, Similkameem.

TAKE NOTICE that I, R. H. Parkinson, agent for C. A. C. Steward, Free Miner's Certificate No. 5,806, and W. E. Welby, Free Miner's Certificate No. intend, sixty days from date, hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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Osoyoos Land District. District of Yale, B. C.

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