LOS ANGELES' STRIDE.

An Average of Nine New Buildings Daily for the Year.

SUBURBS TO BE ANNEXED

Will Give the City a Population of Over a Hundred Thousand.

BRANCHING OUT IN ALL LINES.

Some of the Immense Structures That Are Famous for Architectural Beauty.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Sept. 4.—If there is a city on the coast that can compare with Los Angeles in solid and substantial growth it has yet to be heard from. At no time in the history of this city, not excepting the period of the marvelous "boom," has there been so much building going on as at present. The building permits issued last month exceeded those of San Francisco by over $100,000, and this month promises to eclipse the previous month's record. The average increase during the past year has been nine houses a day, showing a net gain in population of at least 10,000, and there are now fewer houses to let than ever before. This is a remarkable showing for the middle of summer, when the exodus to the seaside is supposed to take place, and the problem that confronts property-owners now is how to provide buildings fast enough to accommodate the large influx of winter visitors.

Los Angeles is reaching out in every direction, and districts which a year ago were barren now contain many beautiful homes, streets sewered and piped and flanked with cement walks.

On October 3 and 4 elections will be held for the purpose of annexing outlying territory which is now practically a portion of Los Angeles, being well built up and within easy access by electric cars. The districts to be annexed are Pico Heights, Rosedale, Vernon and University on the south and Highland Park on the north. Estimating the present population at 70,000 the annexing of these districts will place the number of souls contained in Los Angeles at considerably over 100,000.

The building permits issued for Monday and Tuesday of last week aggregate $36,400, and no one exceeds $4000 in value. While it is conceded that Los Angeles has some of the most beautiful and substantial buildings on the coast, all of which contain in every particular the latest improvements known to the building art, the city is not content to rest on her laurels, but is adding almost daily other handsome structures to the already large list. The Courthouse, City Hall, Stimson block, Bryson block, Phillips block, Wilson block, Baker block and Bradbury building have had their full quota of justice given them as landmarks of the city's growth and prosperity. No business building on the coast excels the Bradbury block in point of architectural beauty and interior arrangement and finish, and since its completion photographs have by request been sent to all parts of the United States, showing the structure of the court.

The greatest improvement in commercial building has taken place on Broadway, formerly Fort street, and it is now conceded to be the future shopping street of the city. A successful effort has been made to keep saloons and cigar-stands off the street, so as to enable ladies to examine shop-windows at their leisure, unhampered by the crowd of men who usually congregate in front of saloons, and no drinking-place has found a lodgment on that thoroughfare from Second to Sixth street.

One of the most beautiful structures that adorn the city has just been completed at the corner of Third street and Broadway, diagonally across from the Bradbury block. It is known as the Fred J. Byrne building and was erected by Mrs. Margaret Irvine and named in memory of her youngest son, who died in May, 1889. The design of the building is the joint product of Messrs. J. W. and Cal Byrne, brothers of the deceased. The architectural character of the building may be termed a modification of the Italian renaissance. The structure has a frontage on Broadway of 120 feet and 105 on Third. It is five stories in height and has an interior court affording light and ventilation 34x28 feet, extending from the second floor to the roof. One feature of the building is that each floor in the arrangement of offices is an exact counterpart of the other, and that every office has a connecting door with the adjoining one.

The first floor contains five storerooms, 21x105 feet in dimensions, the fronts of which are composed entirely of plate glass and iron columns. The entrance on Broadway is of Yakima sandstone, the design being Corinthian. The floor of the vestibule is of white marble, the wainscoting of pink Tennessee marble, and the walls and ceiling finished in plaster and handsomely frescoed. Two rapid elevators, run by electricity, afford access to the upper floors. The outer walls of the superstructure are of lemon-colored Roman pressed brick, the facades being ornamented by fluted pilasters topped at the fourth story by elaborate Corinthian capitals. The interior finish of the building is everything that could be desired for an office building, and the rooms are rapidly being filled by the most desirable class of tenants.

The new Wilcox building, now in process of construction at the corner of Second and Spring streets, opposite the Hollenbeck Hotel, is already rented from basement to roof. It will be, when finished, one of the handsomest structures in Southern California. The style will be renaissance, the decorative features closely following that classical order. The ground dimensions are 120x157 feet, the height of the building four stories, with a basement of the most substantial nature. This building will be unique from the fact of its being the first one in the history of Los Angeles whose outer walls will be built entirely of dressed stone. The Yakima quarries will supply the material. The ground story will be of iron and plate glass, with the exception of the Spring-street entrance, which will be of massive cut-stone blocks, topped with balcony and balustrade. No expense will be spared to place the building on a par with the other fine commercial buildings of Los Angeles, and in interior finish and appointments, elevator service, ventilation, light and heat, it will be surpassed by none.

The building is being erected by Mrs. M. A. Wilcox and her four children—Mrs. M. A. Longstreet; Mrs. J. C. Drake, wife of Lieutenant Drake, U. S. N.; Mrs. R. H. Miner, wife of Lieutenant Miner, U. S. N., and Alfred H. Wilcox, of San Francisco. Mitchell & Mitchell are the architects and supervisors of construction of the building.

THE WILCOX BUILDING, LOS ANGELES.
[Reproduced from a photograph.]

INTERIOR OF THE BRADBURY BLOCK, LOS ANGELES.
[Reproduced from a photograph.]

THE FRED J. BYRNE BUILDING, LOS ANGELES.
[Reproduced from a photograph.]

WOMEN LAWYERS' EVENING

The Portia Law Club Gives Its Second Monthly Entertainment.

A. P. Van Duzer Discusses a New Trial—A Dramatic and Musical Programme.

The second of the Portia Club's public evenings was observed last night by a well-rendered literary and musical entertainment in Beethoven Hall on Post street.

A. P. Van Duzer opened the exercises with a lecture on the law, which he discussed from the particular stand of a motion for a new trial.

Other numbers on the programme were: Soprano solo, "The Holy City," by Mrs. H. Lewis of the club; a dramatic recitation entitled "The Window Curtain," by Miss Lavaun Hallett; a bass solo by J. A. Fogarty; a piano solo by Henry Bettman: a contralto solo, "Stella Confidente," by Senorita A. Mojica, with violin obligato by Senor Luciano Mojica, and the tent scene from "Julius Cæsar," by Dr. William P. Sprague.

In addressing the women lawyers of San Francisco, Mr. Van Duzer said he believed that the law was the best thing that a woman could turn her attention to at the present time; that there is nothing so abstruse or difficult about the science of law but what an ordinarily intelligent woman can master.

After tracing briefly the history of trials before the institution of the jury system or the appellate court, he addressed the audience a typical appeal for a new trial, assuming that they were the Supreme Court.

He took Eve's case and asked for a new trial for four different reasons: The insufficiency of the testimony on which she was convicted; the fact that, contrary to law, she was made to testify against herself; the admission of the testimony of Adam against her, an accomplice's testimony not being allowed; and last of all, that the records show that the proper penalty was not imposed.

The penalty should have been death for touching the forbidden fruit, whereas the sentence was: "Thou shalt be subject to thy husband and he shall rule over thee."

Mr. Van Duzer showed by the last year's police reports that 26,397 men were arrested in San Francisco in 1894, and that of that number over 13,000 were arrested for drunkenness, and from this he wished to prove that man was not competent to take care of himself much less his wife.

He said the Supreme Court was too technical and that the Justices handed down decisions every year that were unnecessarily verbose and voluminous.

THE BAY CITY WHEELMEN.

Directors and Road Officers Nominated for the Ensuing Year.

The nominating committee recently elected by the Bay City Wheelmen have selected the following gentlemen to serve as directors for the ensuing year: F. H. Kerrigan, Sanford Plummer, W. D. Sheldon, A. J. Menne, W. H. Toepke, Harry Larkin, F. H. Watters, C. A. Elliot, H. P. Howard, Byron D. Bent, George P. Wetmore.

Road officers—Captain, S. Plummer; first lieutenant, George P. Caldwell; second lieutenant, Gustav Rosburg.

The Liberty Cycling Club will hold a five-mile road race from San Leandro to Haywards on Sunday, September 15. The entries and handicaps are: O. St. Denis, F. Nansen and W. Schneutenhaus, 2½ min.; D. A. Easton, H. W. Bassett, 1¾ min.; W. Irelan, H. Wahnig, H. Smith, N. A. Robinson, 1½ min.; F. Haley, 1 min.; A. E. Nelson, B. C. Hatch, ½ min.; F. Struven, scratch.

The Outing Road Club elected a new set of road officers last Monday night. They are: E. Meussdorffer, captain; David Solomon, first lieutenant; Sol Peiser, second lieutenant. The club will hold a five-mile road race at San Leandro on the 15th. Valuable medals and prizes will be given for time and place.

A Capsized Party.

Yesterday "King" McManus and a party of friends took an airing along Powell-street wharf, and several of the young men boarded a Whitehall boat for a sail. They fastened down the main sheet to the boat thwart and scudded away to beat the official time of the interclub yachts over the channel course. As the wind was blowing strongly and the bay was quite rough, the usual event took place, and the unskillful sailors were soon struggling in the water alongside of the capsized boat. They clung desperately to the overturned craft, and the accident would have ended fatally had not Boatmen Sennet and Kane hurried to their rescue and succeeded in pulling them out of the bay. Dr. W. J. Quinlan lost his silk hat, which went bobbing away merrily with the tide to sea.

The Order of St. Constantine claims to be one of the oldest in existance, dating back its history to A. D. 313. For hundreds of years it was extinct, but was revived by Russia in the last century.

OLYMPIC CLUB FINANCES.

Its Officers Declare It Was Never Better Off Than at Present.

DEBTS FAST DISAPPEARING.

The Ladies' Night and Wrestling Tournament to Be Held This Month.

Before the expiration of another week the Olympic Club will pass under a new administration. Last night the closing meeting of the old board was held, and next Tuesday the club members will convene to install the men they have just elected.

With the new administration there come but few new plans. The club is not in a condition for experiments, and while the new officers are confident in the assertion that the club has not been in better condition since it entered the building on Post street reports to the contrary have been persistently circulated, but the officers of the club, both new and old, declare there is no foundation for any statement which says the club is financially embarrassed.

Said F. W. Eaton, the newly elected president, yesterday:

The club has now outstanding unsecured debts to the amount of about $35,000. Of this amount $29,500 is owing to the First National Bank, and the greater part of the remainder is made up of current expenses. This debt is being paid off at the rate of several thousand dollars a year. Last year nearly $9000 was paid upon it, and this year there will be more.

The bonds of the club are all held by a few men who will not see the club in danger. Outside a few scattered bonds, the entire issue is in the hands of John Mackay, the estate of James G. Fair, the estate of James Flood, John D. Spreckels and A. P. Hotaling. With these people in control of the bonds the club cannot become seriously embarrassed, and all that is needed is economy in the administration of its affairs.

F. W. Eaton, the New President.
[From a photograph.]

So far those who will govern the club for the coming year have not met together, and we have no concerted plans as to creating enthusiasm among the members and developing athletics among the members. It naturally falls within the province of the leader and the captain to make suggestions in this regard, and what they say in the matter will be carried out if possible.

What we need most of all is members. Every man in the club ought to bring in a new member, for it is only upon the income obtained from dues that the club can pay off its debts and meet its current expenses at the same time. We have, in the past boards, reduced all expense possible, and we shall continue to do so in the future within reason.

It costs about $5500 a month to run the Olympic Club. Of this nearly $1000 is interest on bonds and debts, $1900 is salaries and the remainder includes current expenses and repairs. The income is sufficient to meet this, but it will not do much more, and for that reason the strictest economy has been necessary. One of the measures of economy adopted was the introduction of an electric light plant, which has reduced the gas bill of some hundreds of dollars every month down to an insignificant coal bill and a small repair account. This plant, put in a year and a half ago, has just been paid for. The difference in the expense was put in each month toward paying for the dynamos and the engines—the wires were laid when the building was erected—and the saving can now be diverted to other channels and to reduce other accounts.

The principal item of expense just now is the outside grounds. The athletic park kept up by the club out on the road to the Cliff House costs from $400 to $500 a month to run, and since the street along the side was graded the grounds are practically useless, except for the field athletes and the tennis players. The track has long since been covered with sand, and a lawsuit is now pending to determine who shall remove it and build a bulkhead to keep more from sifting in. The case now before the courts is to be submitted upon briefs, both sides to agree to the points involved, and upon the decision in the action will depend whether or not the club will maintain the grounds for the four years of the lease still remaining, or if the grounds shall revert at once to the owner of the property, John T. Doyle.

C. P. Bosworth, the New Secretary.
[From a photograph.]

Should the court release the club from the remaining portion of the lease another athletic park will be established as soon as the necessary site can be found. If possible a three-lap track will be built in place of the one of six laps now being buried under the sand, and in the middle of the big track will be ample room for any of the games of the field.

The tennis annex, a portion of the club which has been allowed to lag during the past year, can then be revived, and with it will spring the wheelmen and the outdoor men.

The wheelmen are now forming the most active as well as the largest annex to the club. There are over 200 members, and all are banded together in an organization of their own while being governed by the parent club. H. H. White, one of the new directors, is the president and A. C. Thornton captain.

White is also chairman of the Olympic Gun Club, a shooting annex including over sixty members. Besides these are a swimming annex and a boating annex, the latter a very young organization, but showing considerable strength for its age. There are under investigation now several sites for the boathouse of this annex, and as soon as the right place is found boats to keep it running will be provided.

Just now upon the club's programme is a "ladies' night," at which the principal feature will be a wrestling tournament. Already the matches have been made, and within the next few days the notifications will be sent out. Among those who will be on the mat on September 12, the night selected, will be Harry Graham, the club's old time wrestler. He will meet John N. Bird of the Acme Club, both at 155 pounds, and a great match is expected. Graham was at one time considered the best wrestler in the club, and no wrestling tournament ever took place without him among the entries.

Other matches will be between L. H. Fenties of the Olympic Club and F. W. Kohler of the Acme, each 145 pounds; M. Mariche of the San Francisco Athletic Club and F. E. Kington of the Olympic Club, each 120 pounds; E. P. Armbruster of the Olympic Club and Gus La Rue of Acme Club, each 122 pounds; T. K. Code and H. T. Butler, both of the Olympic Club, at catchweights.

There is also a swimming tournament in course of preparation, and a series of boxing matches is being talked of for the end of this month. Under these circumstances the club will have entertainment enough to keep the new administration busy.

These entertainments cost a good deal, however, and another of the big items among the list of expenditures is that of entertainment expenses. The boxing matches are the most expensive, frequently costing as much as $600 and $800, but it is estimated that they bring in nearly that much in the initiation fees of those attracted to the club by the entertainment, for it is a well-understood rule that practically no one but outside contestants and their seconds and attendants can attend the tournaments unless they be members, and no one can come or bring ladies to the ladies' nights unless he can show his membership card.

The meeting held last evening was not long nor was the business of special importance. The reading of a few bills, the official finding of the result of the last election and the reading of reports took up an hour and a half, and then the old board adjourned sine die.

The club itself will meet next Tuesday evening and the new officers will be installed at that time.

The reports submitted will also be read and published, and from that on the new men will direct the club.

The old board retires, conscious of the fact that it has done its duty to the fullest extent. There have been many members expelled, but the membership is still nearly as large as formerly. There are some delinquents, but the amount of unpaid dues is well within control; there have been no big debts contracted during the year, and the floating debt has been reduced by nearly $10,000. There have been entertainments equaling any that the club has ever given, and there are improvements in the clubrooms and apparatus which have kept the organization up to date in everything pertaining to an institution of its kind.

"In spite of reports to the contrary," said John A. Hammersmith, after the meeting last evening, "the club is as strong and in as good condition as it ever was," and this sentiment was heartily echoed by the board.

PAINTERS' WORKING-CARD

Advantages of the System Pointed Out at Last Night's Meeting.

Municipal Ownership Petition Is Indorsed—Building Trades to Combine.

The Painters' Union, which recently organized, held a very enthusiastic mass-meeting at the Turk-street Temple last night, at which the proposition to have a working-card system adopted was strongly advocated.

Its name is the Progressive Brotherhood of Painters and Decorators of California, and according to the views of last night's speakers it does not intend to confine itself simply to securing and maintaining a good rate of wages and an eight-hour day, but contemplates going into politics, too.

President E. H. Windser outlined the prospective scope of its work in his opening remarks, and was followed in a similar vein by James W. Rose, to whose efforts is largely due the reorganization of this craft. Mr. Rose thought the old-time trades union had outlived its usefulness in a measure. It had served the purpose of an educator, but did not go far enough.

The new union of the painters proposed to be progressive in fact as well as in name and would make its influence felt in politics, for unlike other labor organizations it would discuss political and social economics in its meetings, he said. Mr. Rose then showed the advantages of the working-card.

James Andrew of Berkeley, Eugene Hough of Oakland, secretary of Federal Union No. 5761 in that city, and President P. H. McCarthy of Local Brotherhood of Carpenters No. 22, one of the biggest unions in this City, all took the platform in turn.

Mr. Hough was sanguine enough to predict that a great crisis was surely approaching, and ventured the opinion that if the forces of labor would hold together it might come within their power to establish a provisional government.

The advantages, both business and political, of a labor organization were very eloquently pointed out by Mr. McCarty. It was only by organizing, he said, that mechanics could ever expect to have power to obtain the remuneration due them for their services, and he failed to see why the labor of the country should be dominated by "cringing capital." He therefore counseled unity and fraternity.

Before adjoining the union indorsed the municipal ownership petition of the Union for Practical Progress.

A meeting of the National Labor Bureau was held downstairs, and it also indorsed the municipal ownership petition.

The working-card system of the carpenters will go into effect on the 15th inst. Mr. McCarthy says the organized carpenters of this City are at least 1500 strong. Another movement will now be started for a consolidation of all the building trades, with a representative council. For this purpose a mass-meeting may be called in the near future.

Y. M. I. Excursion.

The board of grand directors of the Young Men's Institute, in connection with the board of presidents, met last evening at the headquarters of the organizations and decided to hold a grand excursion to Vallejo on Wednesday, September 18, during the week of the convening of the Grand Council at that place. The following committees are actively engaged in making the excursion and parade one of the best that has ever taken place in the history of the organization:

Transportation—J. R. O'Keefe, J. T. Ryan, W. T. Kelly, J. C. O'Donnell. Printing—J. F. Callighan, N. J. Hoey, R. E. Fazackerly. Music—J. C. O'Donnell and J. F. Coakley. Publicity—J. W. Sheehan, G. H. Sanley, J. K. Hankins, John Lynch, John O'Donnell, J. J. O'Brien, J. E. Richards, R. Lanxen, S. Haskins and A. R. Denike.

An Organ Recital.

William C. Carl, the noted New York organist, will give a recital at the First Congregational Church to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock. The concert will consist of compositions, ancient and modern, including works by J. S. Bach, Handel, Weber, Wagner, Guilmant, etc.

SOUGHT RELIEF IN DEATH.

Otto Von Plonnies Ends His Life in Buena Vista Park.

"LAST NEWS FROM SEPTIMUS."

A Pathetic Though Deliberate Letter to His Noble Kinsfolk in Germany.

The body of Otto von Plonnies, who was formerly a journalist of this City, was found yesterday afternoon in Buena Vista Park by Policeman E. W. Eskew.

Two bottles were found on the dead man, one containing laudanum, bearing the label of George W. Minor, pharmacist, corner Turk and Taylor streets, the other, empty, labeled "poison." The following letter was also found in one of the suicide's pockets.

Saturday, 11:30 o'clock.

To the Coroner of San Francisco: This is a clear case of suicide. Being of sound mind and having pondered over the matter considerably I cannot refrain from saying that I die by my own hand, in consequence of the brutality and inconceivably extreme cruelty of my wife. I take it in good grace, and wish that neither ridicule nor compassion accompany my act.

W. V. P.—Thank you. Continue!
A. V. P.—Be brave and steady.
M. V. P.—Be virtuous and kind.
A. V. P.—Be good; never forward.
L. V. P.—Remember my stories.
A. V. P.—Chicago, 17 Lincoln place. My prediction came true.
W. V. P.—Oberforst Master Amorbach, Bavaria, Germany. I won't do it again.
H. V. P., general, Salzburg, Austria—The last news from Septimus.
A. V. Ploennies, colonel Thirty-sixth Infantry Regiment, Vienna, Austria—I had my own will.
Dr. Karl Scharfenberg, Michaelstadt, Hesse Darmstadt, Germany—

Ges war so schon gesvesen,
Es hat nicht sollen sein.

OTTO VON PLONNIES, San Francisco.

The German couplet meant, "It would have been so beautiful, but it was not to be."

The letter bore no date, and among the papers found on his person that bearing the most recent date was a letter from the city passenger agent of the Northwestern Railway at Chicago of July 16, 1895, requesting Ploennies to call at that office and confer further regarding his proposed trip to this coast.

A recommendation from Morloch & Glauch of the Sud California Post was also found on him. His cards showed that he at one time was connected with the California Demokrat of this City.

Other papers recommended him as a first-class teacher of the German language, and still others told the story of his having been a lieutenant in the German army. His residence was given as 1941A McAllister street, this City.

Von Plonnies' story was that of a brilliant mind ruined by intemperance. Six years ago he was a reporter on the German Demokrat, but was discharged because of his proclivity for strong drink. He wandered up and down the coast doing journalistic work, but was unable to keep his positions any considerable time. He was a writer on the Volksfreund, a prominent German paper, and also held an editorial position on an Oakland journal.

Four years ago he went to Chicago, leaving his wife here with five children. Since that time he had not contributed anything for their support.

Nothing was heard of him until a few weeks ago, when he went to his wife's home, on McAllister street, evidently with the purpose of seeking support. He had not discontinued his old habits, and the relations between him and his family were not friendly.

Three weeks ago he asked his eldest daughter for 5 cents for car fare. He said he was going away and would write and tell them when he had reached the destination he had in mind.

From the appearance of the body that was probably the day of his suicide.

Von Plonnies came of a noble old German family. His Aunt Louisa Von Plonnies is a well-known writer.

Von Plonnies was 49 years of age and a native of Hessen, Germany.

Assaulted by Hosemen.

William Riley, 1708 Fillmore street, went into a saloon on the corner of Post and Fillmore streets last night, and while there three men belonging to Hose Company 2 entered. One of them said, pointing to Riley, "There he is," and the three, according to Riley, attacked him. He escaped and went to another saloon on Webster street. He had not been long there when the three hosemen entered, and one of them hit him over the head with a club. He was taken to the Receiving Hospital, where it was found that there was a lacerated wound in his scalp, and he had sustained a possible fracture of the skull.

THE COOKS AT DINNER.

Nineteenth Anniversary of the Societe Culinaire Cosmopolite, Composed of the City's Leading Chefs.

The Societe Culinaire Cosmopolite, composed of the leading chefs of the City, held its nineteenth annual banquet last evening at Frank's rotisserie on Pine street.

Edouard Benard, the president of the society, who was for five years Senator Stanford's chef, and was later at the Palace, acted as toastmaster. After the discussion of an excellent menu, which received praise even from the able critics present, a number of toasts were responded to. The president spoke of the work done by the society; Jules Fourquet, chef of the Occidental Hotel, responded for the "Ladies of the French Republic"; Frederic Blondeau, formerly of Marchand's, "The French Republic"; Leopold Ligon, "The Republic of the United States"; Emile Penez, "The Culinary Artists." Paul Debauge and others also made responses. Among those present were the following:

Edourd Benard, Camille Roy, Jules Fourquet, Fred Blondeau, E. Penez, L. Raynaud, P. Debauge, P. Montmayeur, S. Epinat, Leon Largente, Charles Bournique, Octave Nodet, Jules Salles, Charles Grell, L. Calero, G. Sportono, Leopold Ligon, E. Chiffiet, Auguste Faure, E. Canipon, G. Sonday, A. L. Brizzolera, A. C. Drayeur, C. P. J. Bulloti, L. Bonteiller, John Marchi, J. B. Bertrant, Jean Esta, Victor Couvin, Laurent Daly, Bernard P. Loustanan, Boudet Marius, Alfred Loulage, Tieulie Julien, Gustave Artaud, H. Mascotie, Pierre Loupy, A. Berta, John Bozzini, Jules Fabre, F. F. Lord, Louis Coutard.

A FRENCH JUBILEE.

Patriotic Gauls Celebrate Their Country's Adoption of a Republican Form of Government.

The silver jubilee of the French republic was celebrated by the Society La Jeune Fanfare Republicaine at California Hall, on Bush street, last night. An excellent programme, consisting of music, recitations and an address by Hon. W. H. Barnes, was presented.

The entertainment ended with a dance, which proved one of the most enjoyable features of the evening. The programme as rendered was as follows:

Marche-ouverture, La Jeune Fanfare Republicaine; chant patriotique, les eleves du French and English Institute; "La Marseillaise," La Jeune Fanfare Republicaine; allocution, Hon. W. H. Barnes; chant patriotique, M. Paul Girard; aubade—avec duo de baryton, La Jeune Fanfare Republicaine; varietes vocales et choregraphiques, Mlle. Victoire Orr; serenade, La Jeune Fanfare Republicaine; chansonnette comique, M. Paul Girard; marche finale, La Jeune Fanfare Republicaine.

HUDSON BAY REGION.

Canadian Wheat to Be Shipped Thence to England Hereafter.

The members of the Geographical Society of the Pacific listened to a lecture last evening upon "Hudson Bay and the Adjacent Regions." The lecturer was M. Waters Kirwan, who was formerly lieutenant of the Third Battalion of her British Majesty's Welsh regiment, and more recently major of staff of the Canadian Northwest field force. He has traveled all through the sections of country concerning which he spoke, and his address was most interesting.

The speaker divided his lecture into two periods, of which the first was devoted to a vivid description of the natural advantages of the Hudson Bay region and the Saskatchewan Basin. This he said contained over 6,000,000 acres of the most fertile country on the continent, a rolling prairie, admirably adapted by reason of its abundance of water to both grazing and agriculture. The second portion of the lecture was devoted to a highly scientific description of the geological formation of the region, which he said contained valuable deposits of hard sandstone, rich beds of mica, slate and a formation of shale and limestone, which is wonderfully rich in petroleum.

During the course of his remarks Mr. Kirwan stated that Churchill, the port of the Hudson Bay region, is several hundred miles nearer Liverpool than is New York, a fact which is considered of so much importance that the Dominion Government will next season send a ship to find out for what length of time the waters of Hudson Bay are free from ice and open to navigation. If this season is found to be of sufficient length a railroad to Churchill be built, draining all interior Canada, to the end that Canadian wheat and agricultural products may be shipped from that port to England instead of by way of New York.

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