

## QUEEN OF THE NORTH PACIFIC.

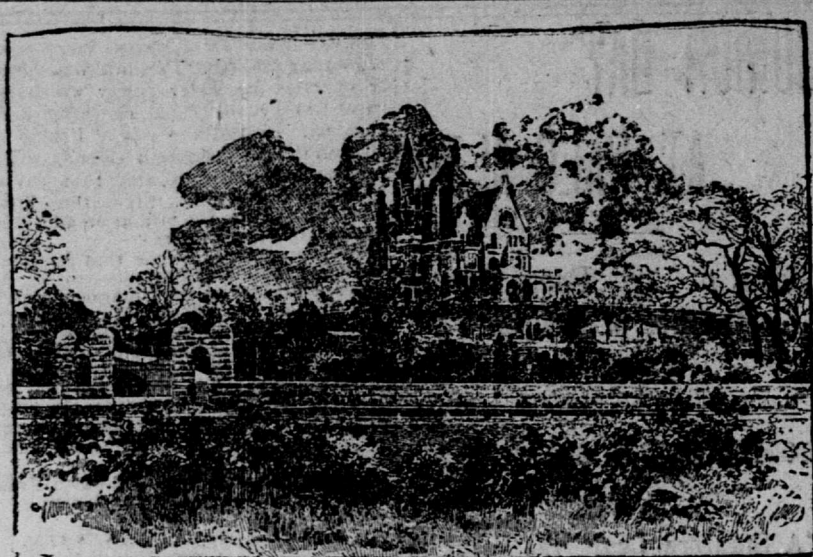
Victoria, the Capital and Pride of British Columbia.

WEALTH AND BEAUTY.

A Trade Center Second to None but San Francisco on the Coast.

THE PARADISE OF TOURISTS.

Salubrious Climate Makes the Place a Natural Health and Pleasure Resort.



DUNSMUIR CASTLE.

[The Dunsmuir residence is one of the most striking and picturesque objects that attract attention in Victoria. Standing upon an eminence, it is plainly visible to the visitor upon arrival in the city. From a photograph by Maynard.]

royal navy which paid frequent visits to the shores of Vancouver Island, more gradually became a noticeable feature of its society.

Then came the news of gold discoveries in various parts of the country tributary to the struggling settlement, and then the influx of the army of the argonauts. From California, where they had tasted the bitter and the sweet of the gold fever, the treasure-seekers with pick and shovel poured into Victoria, equipped themselves and passed on in hundreds and thousands to the Fraser or to Cariboo. The history of Victoria's life during the sixties is the history of many places in the West which gold finds have made famous in a day.

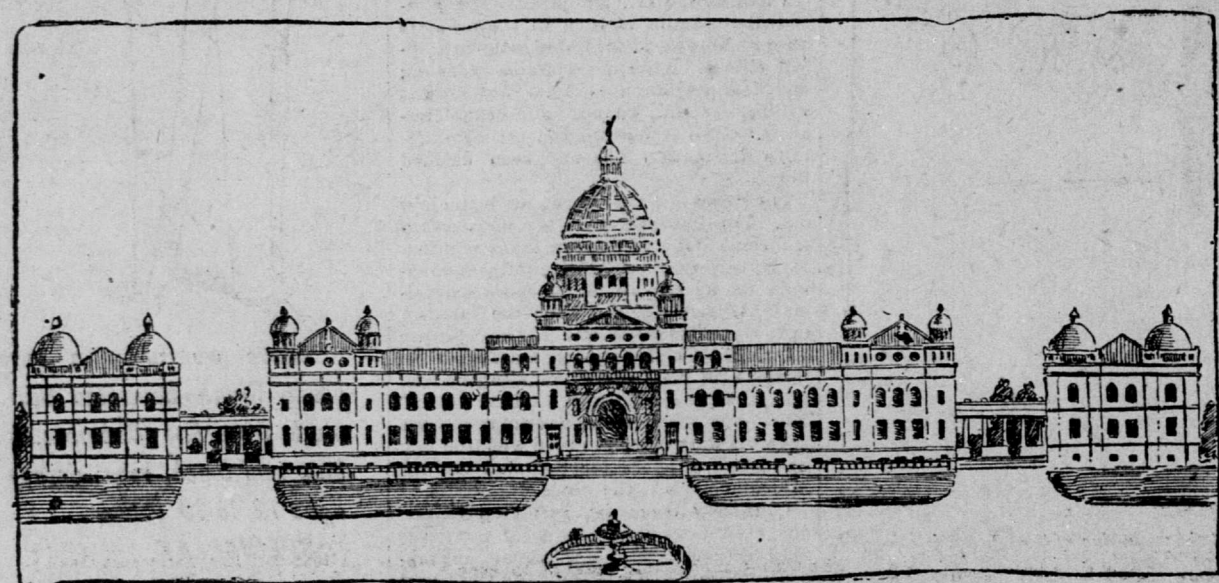
The mad search for riches made the village a city, and one while the excitement was at its height of considerable population and constantly changing character. After the fever came the reaction which even more tried the young and struggling city. Many of its citizens, however, knew its worth, and Victoria passed the crisis safely, and commenced the steady, substantial growth which has led to its recognition to-day as the wealthiest city, for its size, upon the continent.

Located at the southern extremity of Vancouver Island, the situation of Victoria is remarkable for its beauty and its

naul glory and delight. It is on the line of travel for all visitors to this part of the world. Splendid daily mail steamers bring the Canadian transcontinental travelers from the city of Vancouver, the mainline railway terminus, eighty miles through the picturesque scenery of the island-studded Gulf and Straits of Georgia.

At Victoria—all the ocean lines focus. From here to San Francisco one has the choice of two routes—via steamer to Seattle or Tacoma on Puget Sound and thence by rail, and by direct ocean-going vessel from Victoria direct to the California metropolis. The Australian liners spend several hours at the wharf here on both inward and outward trips, and it is at Victoria that they take on the numerous passengers who come by the great railway line of the North-Western Pacific. On their way to enjoy the tropical delights of Honolulu or the more extended trip to the Australian colonies. The magnificent vessels plying to China and Japan—the one line run by the Northern Pacific Railway Company, starting at Vancouver, and others by the Northern Pacific and Great Northern, from Tacoma and Portland—likewise make Victoria their first port of call inward and last of departure for the Orient.

Regular boats ply at short intervals between this port and the island and mainland settlements in the far north of the province, and in the summer season the salubrious climate makes special excursion trips to the northern ports and Alaska, the scenic wonderland of the North Pacific.



THE NEW PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS AT VICTORIA, B. C.

men. To its own natural advantages, apparent to intelligent observers even before the ax had been felled to the first tree on its site, Victoria owes not only its birth, but its growth in population, wealth and commercial importance. It has had no artificial advantages; no railway crossing a continent to give it life and commerce; no brilliant picturing of the beauty of its location or the salubrity of its climate; no world-wide advertising of the untold values of the virgin mines and forests in the tributary country, or the wealth of its adjacent waters are to be thanked by Victorians for the importance that their city has thus far attained in commerce or the attractions it offers to people of wealth and refinement, in search of a delightful place of residence or resort.

Fifty years ago, before immigration to the shores of the Pacific was attracted by the discovery of gold in California, Fort Victoria had an existence. The gold-seekers were preceded by the fur-dealers, and the first house in what is now the queenly capital of British Columbia was that of one of the adventurous traders of the Hudson Bay Company. As years rolled on the importance of the post on the southern extremity of Vancouver Island became more and more recognized; population increased (the city now numbers some 30,000 souls); the Hudson Bay Company with its storekeepers, trappers and traders forming one important class, while another, drawn from the ships of the

adaptability to the purposes of commerce. The city rises gradually from the Straits of San Juan de Fuca, and from the land-locked harbor in which its extensive shipping lies in safety. The grades from the waterside through the business section to the suburbs are all gentle, and no high bluffs, alike dangerous and inconvenient, mar any of the wide and well-kept streets. The harbor and shipping facilities cannot be surpassed.

By the expenditure of hundreds of thousands of dollars private enterprise has constructed at the entrance to the harbor proper docks, capable of accommodating and sheltering, in the roughest gale that blows, the largest steamships and sailing vessels to be found upon the waters of the Pacific. Their course from the ocean is a clear one, there being no dangerous and tortuous channels and no shoals or rocks.

At this outer dock—for which R. P. Rithet deserves the gratitude of Victorians—abundant water and excellent wharfage is afforded for shipping of any draught. The shore line of Victoria harbor, which is entirely protected by the natural conformation of the land, is about seven miles in length, good anchorage being found in many places, while well-appointed wharves extend for nearly a mile or more in almost unbroken succession. Here it is that dozens of steamers and sailing craft of all sizes are to be found at all seasons of the year, receiving or discharging freight.

Besides being a prosperous business center, Victoria is the health and pleasure resort of the Pacific Coast north of California, its salubrious climate being its perpet-

A railway line connects with Nanaimo and Wellington, the center of the coal industry, and another penetrates the fertile Saanich district, having its terminus also in this city. While all routes thus lead to Victoria, no traveler past this western gateway of the Dominion should fail to arrange for a stay here.

Holiday makers from the eastern parts of Canada and the United States are year by year more numerous in this city at the gate of the straits, but were the charms of this North Pacific resort fully understood these visitors could be numbered by thousands instead of by hundreds as at present. No Atlantic watering place presents equal advantages with respect to the climate, which in Victoria in the midsummer season is absolutely unsurpassable, and if the distance from the Eastern centers of population is great, compensation is found in the interest and fascination of the journey across the continent, and especially of the trip through the mountains.

There need be no dull day in a stay of several weeks in Victoria. Sea-bathing may be indulged in with perfect comfort and safety from the splendid beaches adjoining the luxurious summer hotels. Yachting in the straits or canoeing or rowing in the ideally beautiful arm of the sea, stretching three or four miles inland from the inner harbor and known locally as "the gorge," are favorite pastimes. The aquatic sports at Victoria on the 24th of May—Queen's Birthday—and other special occasions are famed throughout the West and attract annually thousands of visitors from the adjoining States. The fishing enthusiasts not only may but commonly does catch kingly salmon within a stone's throw of the wharves at the entrance to the harbor, and in the rivers and fresh-water

WEST GOVERNMENT STREET, LOOKING SOUTH FROM THE POSTOFFICE, VICTORIA, B. C.

[From a photograph by Jones.]



lakes adjoining the city a great variety of sport is afforded.

Within easy distance, too, at the proper season, the hunter can indulge at will in the pleasures of the chase, finding besides smaller game the panther, the bear and the deer, the last named being astonishingly plentiful and lordly in proportions. Close to the city game-birds abound, these including beautiful English pheasants, the golden and the silver ducks, geese, grouse and quail, and others that fall easy victims. The term "a sportsman's paradise" has a literal meaning when applied to this island of Vancouver.

Casual visitors who come to spend only a few days of course cannot indulge in the variety of pastimes above indicated, but for them a very enticing short programme can be mapped out, and some of the most notable sights may here be mentioned.

There is Esquimalt, the harbor adjoining that of Victoria, separated by a peninsula and distant overland about four miles, which distance a swift electric-tram service reduces to a minimum. That harbor is the headquarters of the Pacific fleet of the British navy, and as her Majesty's officers come great numbers and afford every possible opportunity for satisfying to visitors. It is a most enjoyable as well as an instructive experience to go aboard one of the great men-of-war. The armament recently placed for the protection of this station at heavy expense, borne jointly by the Imperial and Dominion Governments, also lends additional interest to the locality. Every visitor to Esquimalt inspects the immense graving-dock maintaining on the two Governments and capable of taking in the largest vessel plying on the Pacific.

The Provincial Government buildings and grounds occupying a delightful situation overlooking Victoria harbor are objects of great general interest. There are now nearing completion three massive stone blocks of the most modern description, to replace the modest brick structures erected in the early days of the colony and made to serve the purpose up to the present. For the stranger particularly the most interesting of the provincial institutions is the Geological and Natural History Museum, which can be seen at a glance the splendid types of wild animals peculiar to the province and the variety of birds and specimens of ferns and other plant life. The mineral section, showing samples of gold and silver ore from the famous mines of British Columbia, is well worth examination. A department of special interest is that devoted to Indian curiosities, which is well stocked with quaintly carved totem poles, images of birds, beasts and men held sacred by the mythology of Pacific Coast tribes; their implements of warfare, of domestic use and of ornamentation, and the strange stories associated with these relics and illustrating the Indian beliefs would fill many interesting volumes.

Beacon Hill Park is for land pastimes and recreation what the Gorge is for aquatic pleasures, and for its natural beauty is admired by everybody. In the park proper part has been employed successfully in adding to the charm and providing for the comfort of the frequenters, who seemingly never tire of this lovely resort. In the miniature lakes, swans, sail, and taught by experience that no harm will happen when they come fearlessly out to feed from the hand of the visitors. Deer roaming in a snug inclosure, bears, coons and other fun-bearing animals in pits or behind bars, and peacocks, ducks, pheasants, grouse, magpies, owls and other birds in cages, give an idea of the animal and bird life of the province and add greatly to the general interest. Adjoining the park proper and overlooking the outer harbor is Beacon Hill, from the summit of which a comprehensive view of the beautifully varied surrounding scenery is obtained, and on whose gently sloping sides lacrosse, football, cricket, baseball and other games are often carried on simultaneously, each with its own assemblage of spectators, without the least interference one with the other, so well adapted and spacious are the grounds.

On a Saturday afternoon especially the scene is one of remarkable activity. Excellent driveways have been constructed winding about the hill up to the summit and skirting the shore above the Straits of Fuca. Another park splendidly situated is at Cedar Hill, from which there is obtained a fine birdseye view of the city and surrounding country—a veritable scene of fairyland. From this eminence a view from Beacon Hill one can look out at all seasons upon the snow-capped peaks of the Canadian and United States mainland, with Mount Baker, nearly 11,000 feet high, majestic and sternly seated, as if waiting on a bright midsummer day is a most refreshing one.

The sunset effects and the constantly changing panorama visible through the twilight hours of the summer months are remarkably brilliant and worthy the skill of the cleverest artist to attempt to reproduce. But no brush could make a faithful copy of the entrancing picture which the sight of the straits and the spreads each fine evening over Victoria harbor.

## KILLED AT A CROSSING.

An Unprotected Cut Proves Fatal to Angus McDonald.

No Flag, No Gates, No Lights to Warn Passers on Randall Street.

A man respected by his neighbors brought to death without an instant's warning, two small children left orphans, and a family distracted with grief are the gruesome record of the Southern Pacific train that left Fourth and Townsend streets last evening at 6:30 o'clock.

This man was Angus McDonald, a laborer, who resided at 837 Arlington street.

It was at a point most propitious for such fatalities that the frightful accident occurred, and it was just such an accident as occurred there yesterday evening that would at once suggest itself to one observing the locality.

As the train was emerging from a cut in the hills that end at Randall street the engineer observed a man crossing the track in front of the locomotive.

He hurriedly put on the brakes, but already the man had been struck by the cow-catcher. Slowly the speed of the locomotive was reduced, but all the time the body of the man was being battered along the ties and crushed on the rails. By the time the engine had been brought to a standstill the man was dead.

Michael J. Cooney, who resides near the scene of the accident, is the only eye witness to the entire affair. He was standing near by and saw the doomed man approach the track. Night was falling and he paid little attention to the man until he saw the locomotive coming from the cut. It was then too late. From the point where the engine comes into plain view to the roadway is a space too short to allow any material action, and the next time he looked the man was being pounded to death on the ties.

The deceased had been living with his sister-in-law, Mrs. Maloy, at 837 Arlington street. Recently he buried his wife, and placed that time in his pocket when he met his death a copy of a Catholic prayerbook. He was a stentorian laborer, generally acting as boss.

At the point where the accident took place there are no gates, no flag, no lights and positively nothing to warn the approaching passer-by of danger.

It is HARDLY WORTH ASKING ONE'S WHILE to take the risk of waiting for a Cough, Cold, or any Lung Trouble "to go as it came," when a remedy, so sure and thorough as Dr. D. Jayne's Expecto-rant, is so easily procurable.

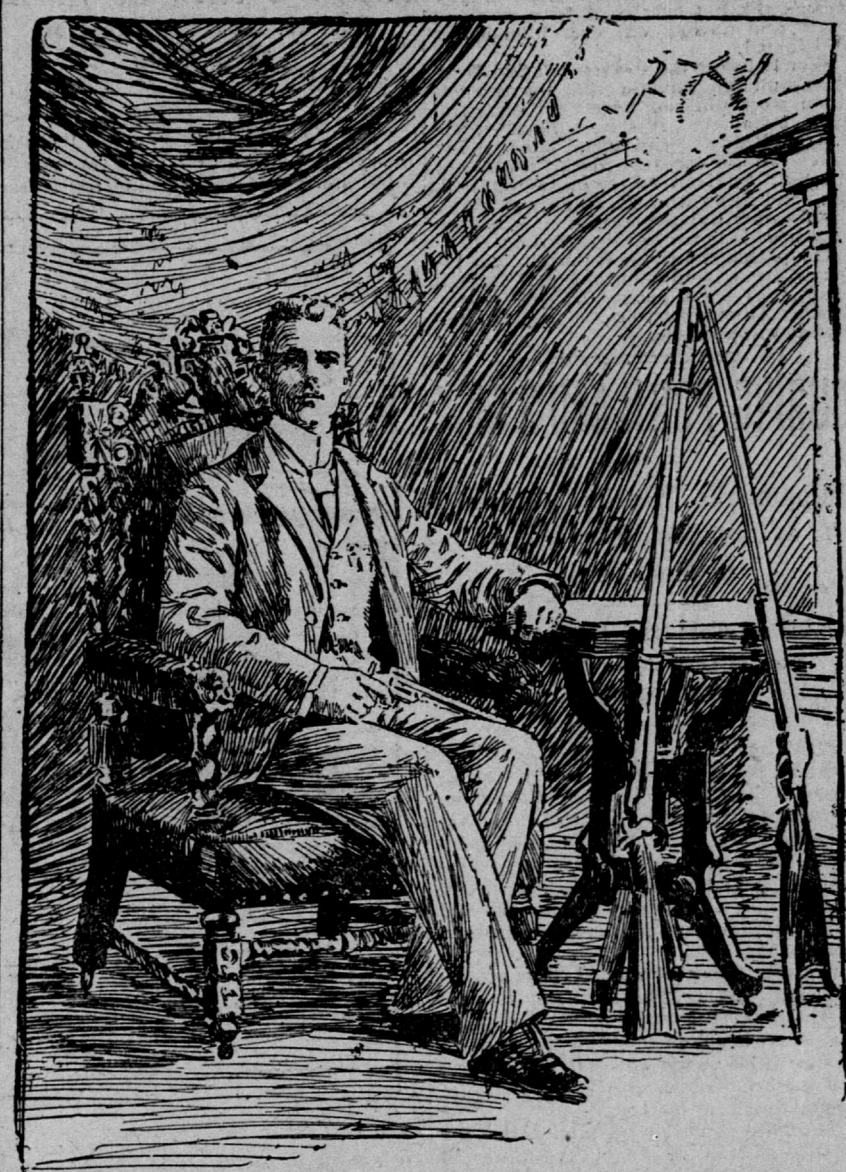
## SHOOTING FOR PRIZES.

A Very Large Attendance at the Shell Mound Rifle Range.

LIZZIE UTSCHIG A CHAMPION.

F. O. Young Carries Off the Sharpshooters' Cash Prize at Schuetzen Park.

The rifle shooters were out in full force yesterday at the Shell Mound range. The most important event was the prize shoot of the Germania Schuetzen, in which nearly all on the range participated. This club controlled several shooting-stands for honorary bulletsees and public shooting. The prizes offered were numerous and valuable and included everything from \$20 to a box of cigars. F. O. Young of the Columbias



A. H. Pape, One of the Best All-Round Marksmen of the Columbia Pistol and Rifle Club. [From a photograph.]

won the first prize of \$20 on a score of 22, 25, 24, 21. Dr. L. O. Rodgers and A. Strecker of the same club carried off the second and other prizes on even scores of 23, 24, 20. Their prizes will be a valuable clock and a shotgun. The other prize winners will be announced on Tuesday evening, when the distribution takes place at 620 Bush street. The best three-shot scores on the honorary target were as follows:

G. Alpers 69, D. R. Faktor 68, L. Bendel 68, F. Attinger 67, D. W. McLaughlin 68, H. H. Burfield 68, W. G. Hermann 67, N. Ahrens 69, F. O. Young 71, Dr. L. Rodgers 70, F. P. Schuster 68, H. Hellberg 68, A. Strecker 70, L. Klotz 67, R. Hinkley 67.

The most important and interesting event at the semi-monthly shoot of the Columbia Pistol and Rifle Club yesterday was a 100-shot match between Smith Carr and C. M. Dais. For a small trophy. The shooting was on the new Columbia target, with the one center. These men are the best pistol shots on the coast, and the following scores of 10-shot strings show that they bunched their shots within the 4 1/2-inch circle:

C. M. Dais—49, 60, 51, 61, 41, 56, 37, 38, 52, 54, 461.  
Smith Carr—48, 57, 58, 35, 53, 46, 46, 38, 38, 42—496.

The other scores made on the pistol range stood:

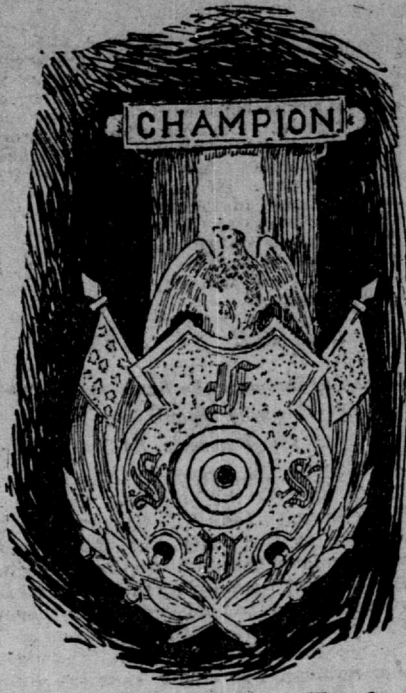
Open to all comers (Blanding medal)—F. O. Young 11, C. M. Dais 12, E. Hanlon 23, Eisenbach 51, J. E. Gorman 11.  
Revolver (Carr medal)—J. E. Gorman 28—33—36—72, A. H. Pape—48, M. J. White 58, A. H. Kennedy 64—98, H. Carr 37—49—68—72.

Twenty-two-caliber rifle, for all comers, fifty yards—Jacobson 10—11, M. J. White 39.  
Rifle, 200 yards, United Diamond medal—F. O. Young 19, Dr. Rodgers 14, L. Smith 51.

Military Rifle, Glindermann medal—J. Staudé 36, L. Barre 44.  
Ten-shot Rifle Record medal—F. O. Young 63, F. E. Mason 92.

Most Flage—Dr. Rodgers 4, A. Fetz 2, A. Strecker 1, F. O. Young 2, D. W. McLaughlin 1.

A. H. Pape, one of the best all-round shots in the club, devoted all of his time to shooting for prizes with the German sharpshooters. He is the youngest of the champion class shots in the State. He won the all-round Siebe medal in 1894. He has been shooting only a little over two years, and went East with the California team 1895. His latest performance with a rifle was to make scores of forty-four and forty-seven in a match on the Columbia target.



The Huber Bullseye Medal Won by A. Mocker. [Sketch by a "Call" artist.]



Lizzie Utschig, a champion shooter, sitting on a bench and holding a rifle.

Park yesterday was for Captain Fred S. Schuemann's gold medal for the best yearly score. It was won by Miss Lizzie Utschig. This prize is open to all comers, and can be shot for on the fourth Sunday of each month, the lucky shooter to be the absolute owner of the \$100 gold medal at the end of the year.

The score made yesterday was: Miss Lizzie Utschig, 234 rings out of a possible 250. Mrs. John Utschig, the mother of the champion young lady, came next to her daughter, with 228.

This mark was afterward tied by O.

Burmeister, who also scored 228. The following scores were made in the order of their rotation: L. C. Babin 226, John Utschig 223, F. S. Archer 230, Philo Jacoby 213, Miss A. Langer 213, James Stanton 213, M. Rudolt 211, C. Eging 210, W. Nolden 209, R. Langer 207 and A. Utschig 206.

At the pistol target, at 50 yards' distance for a \$50 gold medal, Captain F. A. Kuhls scored 200 rings out of a possible 250. Robert Sanger came next with 178 to his credit.

The settlement of a private bet as to which should pay for a lunch for all those assembled on the grounds was shot for between Captain F. A. Kuhls and Private F. C. Miller of Company B, First Regiment, N. G. C., for the best out of 50. Kuhls won by scoring 48, against Miller's 47.

## SOUTH END BOAT RACE.

Three Four-Oared Barges Row Over a Three-Mile Course Yesterday.

Three barge crews of the South End Rowing Club pulled a friendly race through the mist yesterday morning over a three-mile course up the boathouse and around the buoy off the sugar refinery. They were the Seniors, the Invincibles and the Defenders.

The Senior crew in the barge Charles N. Felton was composed of Henry Bode, bow; Bob McArthur, forward-wait; and captain; Gus Carson, afterwait; Frank Duplisse, stroke, and George McGill, coxswain. The Invincibles, in the barge "Fly Blister," were Tim Barry, bow; H. Smith, forward-wait; Dave Campbell, afterwait; George Bates, stroke, and Thomas Guilfeather, coxswain. The Defender crew, pulling in the South Ends new racing barge, were Charles Catter, stroke; James Paulus, afterwait; Edward Scully, forward-wait; Edward Tobin, bow, and Doc Flynn, coxswain.

The Seniors being the crack racing crew took the barge Felton, that being the slowest boat, to even up the contest. The Fly Blister, however, was a waggish rover christened her the "Fly Blister." At the start-away the Seniors pulled ahead, taking the lead by a boat length, the other boats pulling well together. They all kept inshore to avoid the ebb-tide and turned the stake, the new barge leading by almost two lengths, the new barge last.

The stretch home was a strong tug of war, the Blister trying her best to push her black nose past the lead craft. But the Fly Blister beat her about a length and a half, with the new barge several lengths behind.

The Fly Blister's crew think that with a little more practice they can overtake the crack crew shortly.

The referee was Albert J. Fritz and the judges William T. Humphrey, William Thomas and Young Mitchell.

The South End professional crew, which had itself taken out of the annual year ago, is now seeking to return, as they cannot find any racing competitors among the "professors."

The Ariel Club is making extensive preparations for their entertainment and dance on the 7th of April at Union-square Hall. Various members of the dramatic companies in the City, together with a host of the best amateur talent, have volunteered. An elegant brochure and programme, in the club's colors, is in the hands of the printer.

## Cut Off Baby's Fingers.

Mabel Aycoough, a child 18 months old, living with her parents at 371 Jessie street, had two of her fingers of the left hand accidentally amputated last evening. While playing near her mother who was chopping kindling she fell and put her hand on the chopping-block just as her mother brought the hatchet down on a stick. The little one's fingers were severed from the hand. The child was taken to the receiving hospital for treatment by her father, W. A. Aycoough.

## The English Royal Baby.

Queen Victoria's youngest great-grandson is less burdened with names than his brother, who was dubbed Edward Albert Christian George Andrew Patrick David. The latest royal baby has been burdened with only four names—Albert Frederick Arthur George. The English press calls attention to the fact that the hatchet name, "a flag," represent something he will never be, on account of his royal rank.

Tokio, the metropolis of Japan, has a registered population of 1,141,455, inhabiting 341,508 houses.

## NEW TO-DAY.

## DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP SALE

Boys made happy.



This is Hires' famous "Happy Boy."

There is only one thing that can make a boy, like the little fellow in the picture, happier than he is, and that is a new "Long Pants" Suit for Easter. We are going to wake lots of boys happy during the next two weeks if saving parents \$4 to \$6 on a suit will have any effect. Our Easter Confirmation Suits are here—ready for sale to-day—DISSOLUTION PRICES on them for a week, anyway.

All-Wool Clay Worsted or Tricot—three-piece Suits—single or double breasted sacks—long pants—sizes 12 to 19 years—We were going to sell them for \$12—Dissolution Sale price for short time \$8.50

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THE POT CALLED THE KETTLE BLACK BECAUSE THE HOUSEWIFE DIDN'T USE

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