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## GENERAL METHUEN'S COLUMN IS PUSHING ON.

Boers Reported to Be Abandoning the Siege of Kimberly and Moving Southward to Meet Him—Sharp Fighting Expected. Boer Forces to Unite.

ORANGE RIVER, Dec. 1.—The British arms have achieved a brilliant victory. The enemy, strongly entrenched, held a range of hills commanding both sides of the railway at Rooi laagte, near Gras Pan. The Lancashires, under Lewis, reconnoitered in an armored train on Friday. The Boers shelled the train, killing Lewis and a private.

At dawn Methuen's advance began, the guards forming the reserve. The column debouched on the plain eastward of the Boer kopjes.

The Boer guns opened fire. The batteries of the British artillery, posted on each side, shelled the Boers, practice being good on both sides.

The Boers struck tenaciously to their positions, firing steadily and accurately. The duel, which constantly became hotter, lasted three hours. The Boer shells wounded several men of the naval brigade.

Finding it impossible to displace the Boers by artillery, Gen. Methuen resolved upon an infantry attack. A brigade of infantry, including the Yorkshires, the Northampton, the Northumberland and the Lancashires, with the naval brigade on the right, gallantly stormed the Boer positions in the face of a withering fire, and carried hill after hill, the brigade under Col. Money capturing the main position against a terrific fire, suffering terribly.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—A dispatch has been received here from Gen. Buller, giving a list of casualties among the troops engaged in the battle of Gras Pan, but which is now officially designated as the battle of Instan. It proves, as anticipated, that the British success was heavily bought. The loss announced today, added to the naval brigade casualties previously notified, make a grand total of 198 as the cost of Gen. Methuen's second battle. The Yorkshires apparently bore with the naval brigade the brunt of the fighting, as there were, in addition to three officers, forty-eight of the rank and file killed, wounded and missing.

Sharp fighting may be expected at any time on the southern frontier. Possibly, Gen. Gatacre's first battle will be in the rough passes of the Stormberg mountains.

It is said the French cabinet instructed the minister of war to refuse all officers leave to go abroad, and that officers absenting themselves in order to go to the Transvaal will do so at the risk of dismissal.

BERLIN, Dec. 1.—The Deutsche Zeitung publishes the following dispatch, dated Pretoria, Nov. 27, received through Boer diplomatic channels: "President Kruger and President Steyn have instructed Gen. Joubert and Gen. Cronje not to split their forces into small detachments, but to strike vigorous blows. Gen. Joubert has three corps, one holding Ladysmith, the second commanding the Eugela, and the third east of Estcourt, in order to cut off the British retreat. Gen. Cronje's forces are divided into three contingents, one at Kimberley, another at Modder river, and the third in the rear of Gen. Methuen."

LONDON, Dec. 1.—Beyond the report from Estcourt that firing was heard in the direction of Ladysmith on Monday, there is not a shred of news of any kind from the seat of war. A semi-official statement has been issued that Lord Methuen's wound is not serious, and that he is expected to be all right in a few days. It is certain, however, that the wound will prevent his being in the saddle, and there is great anxiety to know whether he will be compelled temporarily to abandon the personal direction of affairs.

The war office today makes the following dispatch public from the commanding general at Cape Town, under date of Nov. 29:

"Kimberley all well to November 23. Railway communication to Modder river. Reports following from Buller, dated Pietermaritzburg, Wednesday, November 29."

ESTCOURT, Nov. 30.—The Twelfth lancers are reported to have attacked Pitterief's force at Weenen and have inflicted great loss on the Boers. Hillyard's troop bivouacked last night at Freere. Two

Boers captured, one of them a doctor, entered the British camp under the belief that it was a Boer bivouac.

Joubert is reported to have retreated to Colenso yesterday. He traveled in an omnibus drawn by six horses. It is rumored he is hurrying back to oppose Col. Baden-Powell. Two Estcourt trains arrived at Freere last evening. There is rejoicing at the reopening of the line.

Boer prisoners report Hillyard's night attack with cold steel paralyzed the burghers, whose loss was thirty killed and over one hundred wounded.

### NOTES.

The London Daily Chronicle says: "We learn that the cabinet has decided that the basis of settlement in South Africa will be a United South Africa modelled upon the Canadian plan. The details have not yet been settled, but it is practically certain that no terms of peace will be accepted by the British government short of the British occupation of Pretoria and Bloemfontein."

PARIS, Nov. 30.—The anti-English caricatures in connection with the Transvaal war have culminated in a grossly obscene drawing, insulting Queen Victoria, in La Caricature, entitled "English Correction." The police seized it today, probably as the outcome of representations by the British embassy.

One of the Boer prisoners wounded in the Orange River engagement, on being asked what he thought of the British bayonet charge, answered: "Almighty do you think I waited for that?"

The military authorities have given permission to the Canadian contingent on its arrival to march through the city, which will be beautifully decorated, and the day will be observed as a holiday.

More troops will probably be sent to Africa, bringing the army there up to 230,000. This means an expenditure of from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000.

The losses of the naval brigade in the battle at Gras Pan were enormous. Out of 500 seamen and marines 105 fell, being more than 20 per cent.

The Australian contingent has arrived at Capetown.

The New Zealand contingent has arrived at Capetown.

James Pattinson, formerly a railroad employee, was taken to a Skagway hospital on Wednesday. He is threatened with typhoid fever.

## L. D. KINNEY IN BENNETT

Promoter of the Dyea Railway Talks  
to the People of Our  
Little City.

On Thursday evening St. Andrew's church was filled with people to hear Mr. L. D. Kinney, the promoter of the Dyea railway and Chilkoot tunnel projects.

The meeting was called to order by Major John Wilson, who proposed that Dr. A. E. Porter be selected as chairman; the major's suggestion was decided to be a good one, and Dr. Porter was elected unanimously. Mr. J. H. Falconer acted as secretary. Chairman Porter thanked those present for the honor, and after brief remarks introduced Mr. Kinney.

Mr. Kinney opened his address by paying many neat compliments to the White Pass railway and its energetic promoters—Messrs. Hawkins, Hislop and Heney—and stated positively that he was not engaging in a fight against that corporation or those gentlemen, but to his way of reasoning the Chilkoot railway and tunnel schemes were good business propositions and first-class investments for capital. He dwelt at length on the cheapness of transportation by water from Bennett to the lower river; explaining that his company would construct scows of large timbers, and after arriving at their destination could be taken apart and sawed into smaller lumber; hence the price of the bottoms would be practically nothing. He assured his hearers that unless something unforeseen happens, electric cars will be running from the headwaters of Lynn canal to the headwaters of the mighty Yukon by the 15th of next July; and, furthermore, that there would be a car arriving and departing every hour.

Much of the speaker's time was devoted to personal vindication, explaining at length the causes of his "falling down" (as he expressed it) in his different enterprises, and gave a very interesting sketch of his business career from the time he was a lad of 14 years in Prince Edward Island to the present time.

Mr. Kinney's address was well received by our citizens, and the attention accorded him was indeed gratifying to that gentleman.

The promoter leaves for the South shortly to confer with the capitalists of the enterprise.

### Fast Boat for Nome.

A fine steel hull steamer, expected to run 13½ knots an hour, is being built on the beach at the foot of Main street, by J. and G. Lawrence, brothers, who expect to go down the Yukon in her in

the spring to Nome, says the Daily Alaskan. The craft will probably be ready for launching in a week. A trial will be made in the waters of Lynn canal and she may remain in these waters for some time. It is the plan of the owners to ship the craft to Bennett by rail, and there to put it on sleds and and run it over the ice to Lower Lebarge before the Yukon opens in the spring. The vessel is 53 feet long, 12½ feet beam, 4 feet depth of hold, and is expected to draw 3 feet of water. She will be fitted with fore and aft compound engines. Although there is no sleeping accommodations for passengers, the craft will have ample cabins. It is the intention of the owners to follow close after the ice in the day time and to lie up along the shore at night. They say they can easily tie up every night and catch up with the ice each day, and thus reach the mouth of the river just as soon as the ice passes out. The new craft has not been named.

News has reached the city that the lieutenant in command at St. Michael has taken charge of the Nome district and deposed from office the municipal officers of Nome. It is said that Eddy, the chief of police at Nome, is a "graf-

ter" of the Soapy Smith variety. He is charged with whiskey smuggling and doing any other illegal act that would bring him a dollar. In fact, it is said that some of the Nome police officers have all the vices of Soapy Smith and none of his virtues.—Juneau Truth.

Mr. J. T. Bethune, the mining promoter and real estate man, left on the last trip of the Danube for Victoria, and will remain about two months, if he can arrange his many business affairs within that time. Before he returns he will visit Montreal, Ottawa, Boston, New York and other Eastern cities.

Mr. Neilson, of the Bennett Bakery, left Thursday for Seattle, where he will spend the holidays with his family.

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**Fatal Accident.**

Mr. O. H. Partridge, manager of the B. L. & K. N. Co.'s sawmill on the West Arm of Lake Bennett, arrived in the city last Monday with the remains of Mr. James Gray, the head sawyer of the mill, who was killed last Saturday by being struck by a heavy slab of timber. Mr. Partridge accompanied the remains to Skagway, from which point they will be shipped to his sorrowing family at Victoria.

Mr. Gray was formerly the junior member of the Victoria firm of Gray & Son, manufacturers of sash, doors, etc., and was about 45 years of age. He leaves a wife children to mourn his sudden death.

**Not Entirely Reformed Yet.**

Charles O Summers, well known to Juneau people under the alias of James W. Morrison, has been pardoned from the state prison of Mississippi by the governor. He was serving a term for express robbery. He it was who built the Comet saloon and Louvre theater in Juneau. In the spring of 1897 he joined the stampede to Dawson where, it is said, he made a good fortune in mining. He afterward voluntarily gave himself up to the authorities of Mississippi. He is now at work on a book giving a history of his criminal life—Skagway News.

**At the Treadwell Mine.**

The September report of the Alaska Treadwell company shows 540 stamps crushed 58,407 tons of a value of \$57,646, with a saving of 1,083 tons of sulphurets of a value of \$30,173. The ore averaged \$1.83 per ton. Gross receipts for the month were \$107,087, and expenses \$36,500. The dividends are 37¢ per share quarterly.

Since the first of last July, when the new Alaska revenue law went in effect, the people of that territory have paid into the national treasury the modest sum of \$153,276.40 for licenses of various kinds. That entire amount is clean pick-up for Uncle Sam, and is "dead horse" for the people who are developing the country.

M. Sundeen is in possession of a town lot on Thirteenth street, Skagway, and to retain such possession he has armed

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himself a Winchester. Its "cheerful laughter" can be heard at any time one has the courage to remove a board from the fence thereon.

Monday and Tuesday's passenger trains were an hour late owing to a snow blockade about three miles this side of the Summit. The new rotary snow plow cut the way through an eight-foot drift.

**Patronize the Advertiser.**

The man who advertises builds up the town. If you are interested in your city patronize only the advertising merchants.—Juneau Miner.

A. B. Badges \$3, Pioneer Jeweller, Skag

**N**OTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next Session for an Act to incorporate a Company with power to construct, build and operate a line or lines of tramway from the City of Atlin to the Town of Discovery in the District of Cassiar and from either or both the said City and Town to any and all other cities, towns, villages or settlements in the said District of Cassiar; to run and operate such line or lines of tramway by electricity, steam or any other power; to erect and operate telegraph and telephone lines or either of them between the said City of Atlin and said Town of Discovery and elsewhere in said District as above mentioned with power to connect with other tramway, telegraph and telephone lines that may be constructed and erected outside the said District or Province; to generate and supply electricity, steam, air, water, or other power for the purpose of supplying light and heat or for any other purposes whatsoever to the said City of Atlin and Town of Discovery and to any and all the other cities and towns and to villages, to corporations and individuals within the said District; to acquire and hold water rights for the purpose of generating power whether for their own use or for the use of other corporations and individuals; to acquire and hold land, timber rights, rights of way and other easements for the purposes of the Company; and to carry on the business of merchants, traders and hotel-keepers for the purpose of supplying their employees and others in the said District; and all other usual necessary or incidental powers, rights and privileges as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

Dated at the City of Victoria, B. C., this 25th day of November, 1899.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1899.

## THE ONLY ROUTE.

The action of the Skagway Chamber of Commerce in deciding to publish the result of investigation of the Skagway-Bennett Route to Nome is very commendable, and should receive the unanimous approval and endorsement of the citizens of this portion of the North.

After careful deliberation of and a searching examination of all facts and data pertaining to the matter, it has decided to assist in the advertising of the route mentioned.

A pleasing characteristic of the manner in which they have presented the case is the extreme conservative tone of the statements and arguments given, and a total absence of catch-penny falsehoods, so often introduced into matters of this kind.

The Skagwayites have adopted the motto "Honesty is the best policy." They realize that any lies officially promulgated by the chamber in its home circular would at once furnish to the all-ocean transportation companies a strong leverage on the public.

The great strength of the arguments in favor of the Skagway-Bennett route lies in the fact that the more thorough the investigation made of the question by the travelling public, proportionately more will they be convinced of the truth contained therein and must arrive at but one conclusion—to start early by the all-Yukon route and beat the direct ocean travellers by 30 days. It is an undisputable fact that for practically a month after the Yukon is clear of ice, the entrance to Behring Sea is barred by the ice pack, made by the Yukon and northern sound ice jamming in that neighborhood.

## Rant Banquetted.

The Palace hotel was the scene of great festivity on Tuesday evening last, the occasion being a complimentary dinner given to Capt. Rant on his retirement from Government service at Bennett. Some thirty in number welcomed the guest of the evening around the festive board, on which was served a menu

worthy the efforts of a Windsor chef. A jolly good time, spend in feasting and toasting was indulged in till 2 o'clock a. m. The host and hostess, Mr. McNeil and Mrs. Simpson, were the recipients of many thanks for their valuable assistance

in making the event so great a success.

The captain left on Wednesday's train en route to Victoria, his departure regretted by the community in general.

McKay Bros. loaded a scow last Sunday with quartered beef and started with it through the ice to open water in order to sail to Caribou. During Monday and Tuesday they made progress at the rate of about 200 yards a day. On Wednesday the ice encountered was too thick to cut easily, so they attached a long rope to the capstan of the steamer Gleaner and endeavored to pull the scow on the ice in order to mount it on sleds, and by that means get it to the water, but the ice was not strong enough to bear it. This morning it looks as though the proposition would have to be abandoned.

## Church Services.

Rev. J. A. Sinclair will hold services tomorrow at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. All are cordially invited.

The church is open on week days from 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. as a public reading room. It is a good place to spend a pleasant hour. Writing material free.

At the Big Outfitters—Whitney & Pedlar—one can find so many suitable articles for this season of the year. They have just received a fine line of candies, nuts, dried and fresh fruits, etc., which is simply delicious. Watch their announcement in next week's paper.

## We Want to Know

If anyone did not enjoy himself at the banquet.

The town that has a more popular railroad staff than Bennett.

Whether ——— isn't a real big darling.

Where you can find a better display of goods than at Whitney & Pedlar's or the B. A. C.

How that "goose" made a mistake in hissing during the debate.

If "that sleigh" has returned home yet.

The district that has a better climate than Bennett.

If Tuesday is a banquet, what's the matter with the next day?

Government Agent J. D. Graham was in town a short time this week, having come over the Tan Tail from Atlin, on his way to the capital.

Miss Lilly, the popular and efficient resident member of the firm of Lilly Bros., left on Thursday last for Seattle.

Mr. Seigley, paymaster and general agent for M. J. Heney, left on a business trip to Sound points yesterday. He will return at New Year's. Mr. Johnson is in charge at headquarters during his absence.

Mrs. A. F. Cross returned from her vacation last Monday.

Mr. Mellot has been added to the W. P. & Y. office staff at Bennett.

Division Superintendent J. P. Rogers was a Bennett visitor last Wednesday.

## ASSESSMENT ACT.

Atlin and Bennett Divisions of Cassiar District.

Notice is hereby given that a COURT OF REVISION AND APPEAL, under the ASSESSMENT ACT will be held at the following places and dates:

Court Room, Atlin, B. C., 24th November, 1899.

Government Office, Bennett, B. C., Wednesday, 6th December, 1899.

Dated at Atlin, B. C., this 14th day of November, A. D. 1899.

E. M. N. WOODS,  
Judge of Court of Revision and Appeal.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada, at the next session thereof, for an Act to incorporate a company to construct a railway or tramway for the carriage of passengers and freight, of a gauge not less than three feet, from a point on Fifty-Mile or Lewes River at or about 25 miles below the northerly end of Lake Marsh, Y. T., thence in a northerly direction, following approximately the course of the river on either side thereof, to a point at or near the mouth of the Takhina River, with power to construct and maintain branch lines not exceeding 10 miles in length to certain copper and other mining properties in the vicinity of a creek situated about 6 miles southerly from the mouth of the said Takhina River, and to operate the same by electricity, steam or other motive power as to the company may seem best; with power to construct, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines necessary for the purposes of the company; and for all other necessary and usual powers.

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### Tuesday's Social.

Counter attractions seemed to have no effect on the attendance at the Ladies' Aid social; the church was filled with people, and the musical numbers and debate were intensely interesting. Mr. Jack Allen, one of the N. W. M. P. boys, gave entire satisfaction of the capacity of chairman. Following is the programme:

Organ solo.....	Mr. Bindley
Vocal solo.....	Mr. Barry
Vocal solo.....	Mr. Holden
Orchestra.....	Miss Gilbert,
	Messrs. Cartmel and Jenner
Vocal solo.....	Mr. De Brisay
Vocal duet.....	Mrs. and Miss Francis
Vocal solo.....	Mr. Holden
Whistling solo.....	Mr. Cullin
Talk on Klondikers.....	Rev. Sinclair
Debate: War in the Transvaal.	
Affirmative.....	Mr. Dunn
Negative.....	Mr. Dolph

Messrs. Barry, Humphrey, Trump and Ewing also expressed good ideas on the subject under discussion.

Next week the social will "tackle" that old and time-tested subject: "Pursuit or Possession."

### The Checker Carnival.

The 327th inning of the Great Inland Checker Carnival at the Bennett Bakery closed last evening after one of the most exciting sessions of the series with Mr. James Ritchie (the house) a great favorite in the betting, but leading the next highest contestant (Mr. I. T. Mizony) by only two games, and the latter's first move. The score stands as follows:

	Won.	Lost.
Ritchie (the house).....	194	133
Mizony.....	192	135
Neilson (silent half of house).....	184	143
Jack Allen.....	106	221
John (bunkhouse landlord).....	93	234

There is a large field of indifferent and occasional players, too many for enumeration. This championship contest is one of the longest on record: lasting from the close of navigation to the opening of the same, and the interest, like the cold weather, is beginning to get intense.

Mr. P. D. Whitehead, of Skagway, the editor and proprietor of the new Alaska-British Columbia Magazine, was in Bennett several days this week looking up material for his publication, and reports that he received a great deal of information and much encouragement from our citizens. The field of this new illustrated magazine is an immense one; recognizing no boundary lines, and endeavors to promote the interests of British Columbia and Yukon territory with as much zeal as those of Alaska. The publication will appear monthly, illustrated with many full-page half-tone cuts, containing numerous original articles and an exhaustive review from the daily and weekly newspapers of the great Northwest.

P. c. Owens, has been confined to his bed since Monday with an attack of typhoid fever. On Wednesday his chief, Mr. De Brisay, had him removed to a Skagway hospital. Mr. Owens' many friends hope to see him return shortly in good health.

Mr. Joel P. Geer, whose announcement appears in this paper, has opened "The Home" roadhouse, situated three miles below Boundary island, and has warm and neat quarters for travellers. Mr. Geer is already meeting with great success.

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## White Horse

## IN THE LAND OF GOLD.

Lt. Gov. McInnes Talks of the Mineral Riches of British Columbia.

Ottawa Citizen, Nov. 1.

Lt.-Governor McInnes, of British Columbia, is in the city, and is a guest of the Hon. J. I. Tarte, at the latter's residence, Metcalfe street. This is the first time Mr. McInnes has been here in two years, and to a Citizen reporter yesterday afternoon he chatted pleasantly on the prospects of the great west, where he has been located now for nigh upon a quarter of a century. Mr. McInnes is an extremely agreeable man to meet, and converses fluently, though not volubly, upon every subject that is presented to him.

"It is a beautiful day," he commenced. "I understand that your weather here has been somewhat changeable all summer—quite peculiar at times. That was the way with us, too; I think the same conditions must have prevailed all over the Dominion. We had a great deal of wet weather in British Columbia, and this had a detrimental effect upon the crops in the Fraser valley. But then we have none of the excessive heat that you have here."

"Are the opportunities for the young man as great now in British Columbia as formerly?"

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Rubber Boots and Shoes, Etc., Etc.

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ings represented by clerks and commercial men are pretty well filed; perhaps somewhat overcrowded. But as for the main industries of the province—mining, fishing and lumbering—scarcely a limit may be placed upon the possibilities in these different lines."

"What are the prospects in mining?"

"Mines are being opened up and developed all over that mighty province which covers 400,000 square miles I claim that by all odds we are the richest province in the Dominion as far as mineral wealth is concerned. Our opulence in this particular is simply beyond the conception of the most daring thinker. Only last summer I went 1,300 miles north of the northern boundary of British Columbia, through the disputed territory to Bennett and Atlin. Notwithstanding that mines were practically tied up for the best two months in the year, they took out from between one and two millions in gold nuggets. These mines, too, are only just commencing to be developed."

"What is the future likely to hold in store for the Atlin district?"

"Atlin, in my opinion, will become the greatest hydraulic mining country in the world. You will find there gold-bearing gravel-deposits of from a few feet to 150 feet down to bed rock. The whole district seems to be more or less gold-bearing, from the grass down to bed rock. And within a few miles you can take water from lakes 200 to 600 feet above these gravel deposits. Hundreds of leases have been applied for within the past three months, and many of them granted. Each of these leases contains 80 acres. Generally about two dozen of the holders combine; they form a company, and put in hydraulic machinery. Very often where one man would starve in attempting to work a holding individually, a company, properly equipped, can make a fortune. There is any amount of English, American and Canadian capital already invested there. It is not the

ideal poor man's gold field. One nugget was taken out weighing within a few pennyweights of seven pounds; of course, it contained some quartz, but it was valued at \$750. While in the country I weighed a few nuggets. One contained 9½ ounces of pure gold; another was of 8½ ounces of gold, with considerable quartz; a third was 13¾ ounces; and a fourth was 16½ ounces of pure gold, with no trace of quartz."

Mr. McInnes has some rather interesting nugget specimens.

"What do you see in this one?" he asked the reporter, holding out one of circular form, flattened on either side.

"Nothing but gold and quartz," replied the scribe.

"Is that all?" pursued Mr. McInnes. "Where is that picture of Sir John?" And the reporter looked up on the wall to where a speaking likeness of the ex-chieftain looked down. "Look at this sideways. Doesn't that look like Sir John's profile?" And then indeed the reporter recognized a most correct semblance.

### NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain a railway from a point on or near the Dyea river on the International boundary between British Columbia and Alaska to a point at or near Lake Bennett, thence to the 60th parallel of latitude, with power to equip, construct and operate branch lines; to build, own and maintain docks and wharves; to equip, own and build boats and to operate the same; to equip, own and operate telegraph and telephone lines; to generate electric power for lighting and heating; to expropriate land necessary for the said railway; to levy and collect tolls and to make traffic arrangements incidental to said line of railway.

Dated at Vancouver this 12th day of October, 1899.

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