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AN EXTENDED TRIP.

From Golden to the Boundary, Via Fort Steele, and Out by Crow's Nest Pass.

By Basil G. Hamilton.

[Continued.]

Not much further along a branch trail leading to the placer mines of the famous Wild Horse Creek is reached. Its fame rests principally upon the results of the past. Within the limited area of its narrow valley was once a great mining town named Fisherville, a place of several thousand inhabitants, from all parts of the earth. A few of them still remain, and some new miners have been added to their number. The creek flows into the Kootenay River, on the south side of Fort Steele; about four miles up is the place of the early placer diggings. Mining of this nature in all its different stages, from the rude cradle or rocker to the powerful hydraulic monitor, is still being prosecuted on the banks. Well up the creek is the stand of the Nip and Tuck Hydraulic Company, of Vancouver, who have met with success. Next to them is a Chinese company engaged in work; another organization of men of the same nationality is also operating here.

On the opposite side of the river from this work is the location of the Invicta Company, who are possibly engaged in more hydraulic operations than any of the others. Still one more is working, called the International, with a claim on Brewery Creek—a tributary of Wild Horse. Work first commenced in their vicinity in 1863, and the rush to the diggings was a wild one. Up to the present time the almost fabulous sum of $18,000,000 has been removed from the gravel bed of the creek, not more than two miles in length.

When the excitement commenced and the race for wealth started, there was no railway to the north nor any in the south, save through the United States. It being necessary for supplies being brought in, it was natural that the easiest way of accomplishing this and entering oneself should be chosen; in addition to this, the men who first made the discoveries, or those following closely after them, were "Forty-Niners" from California who had prospected their way from there up; for this reason all travel came from the south for a time. One obstacle in the way was the crossing of the Kootenay River, for the trails led up on its opposite bank. In the year 1864, in order to overcome the difficulty, Mr. John Galbraith, together with two partners, started a ferry here, established a trading post and took up land. By degrees a small settlement formed about them, and the place became known as Galbraith's Ferry. This continued until 1887, when, a disturbance occurring amongst the Indians, it was deemed expedient to send in a detachment of North West Mounted Police. Accordingly a post was established under the command of Major Steele. Mail communication was opened up, and with the changes the village commenced to thrive. In honor of the commander its name was changed to Fort Steele. Fort Steele is pleasantly situated on a piece of elevated table land, at the junction of the Wild Horse Creek with the Kootenay River. At its back lie the Rocky Mountains; before it is comparatively open ground, with the St. Mary's River running through. As the district opened up Fort Steele grew in importance. It now has a population verging close on to 800 persons, with accompanying stores, a club, churches and other public buildings. Unfortunately for it, the new line of railway does not as yet touch it; many towns are springing up around it and dividing the trade which was once its own.

By far the greatest competitor for the trade of Fort Steele is Cranbrook ("Beautiful Cranbrook"), from which it is twelve miles distant northeast. Cranbrook is thirty miles north of the International boundary line, near to the Dewdney Trail (the great line of traffic to Southern British Columbia in early days), and not far distant from the one which leads to Walla Walla. When travelers were few and the population of the country scanty, Cranbrook first became a place of importance; this it derived from the fact that the Customs house and necessary buildings were established there. Around the town are situated some very fine farming lands, adapted either for pastoral or agricultural uses; near by is a supply of timber that will last for years. The principal mines of this part, including the North Star, St. Eugene and Sullivan groups, all making large outputs, will be in close communication with the town, and will have a down hall for their ores all the way. Coal fields, from the product of which coke will be made, are sixty miles distant, at Fernie. In the treatment of ores by smelter it requires on an average twelve tons of coke to treat 88 tons of ore. These two substances must be brought together at a point where smelters may be located; here is the place required: plenty of room and central, with easy grades for the hauling. In addition to this, there is the further and greater advantage that in and near Cranbrook there is not only limestone, but a variety of good ores suitable for fluxing; if it were not for this, the good ores could not be treated without bringing fluxes a considerable distance. The townsite has three creeks running through it, which yield 700 gallons per minute; two springs of water which never freeze. They are so situated that there will be no difficulty and little expense in forming from them a supply for an admirable system of waterworks.

[To be Continued.]

Farewell "Stag" to Mr. Mitchell.

Mr. George H. Mitchell, who for the past year has been a salesman in the employ of Mr. H. G. Parson, Golden, left for Calgary on Tuesday afternoon. On Monday night several of Mr. Mitchell's friends tendered him a complimentary "stag" party at the "Solid Comfort Cottage," among those present being Messrs. J. C. Tom, Harry Munson, F. W. Grant, H. P. Howden, G. C. Knowlton, R. H. Wilson, Joe Lamontagne, Alex. Smith and Harry Gale. After an address had been presented to the guest, expressing sorrow at his departure from Golden and hopes for his success in his future home, the evening was very pleasantly spent by everyone present contributing his share of music, song or speech for the entertainment of the party. Supper was served at 12.30, and a couple of hours later the gathering dispersed with the appropriate toast and song, "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow," followed by "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save the Queen."

C. P. R.'s New Time Table.

The change in the C.P.R.'s time table, as a result of the resumption of traffic over the short line from Toronto to North Bay, came into effect on Monday last; and so far as Golden is concerned, puts matters in practically the same shape they were in previous to the C.P.R. and G.T.R. rate war. No. 1 from the East arrives at 11.15 a.m., half an hour earlier than previously; and No. 2 from the West at 4.15 p.m., one hour later than the former time. The trains will cross at Calgary at 1.30 a.m. Trains arrive at Vancouver at 12.30 p.m., and leave at 2 p.m. The running time between Toronto and Winnipeg has been reduced from 54 hours to 47 hours. Further reductions in the running time will be made in the spring.

Church Services.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The services at St. Paul's Church, Golden, on Sunday next will be as follows:

At 11 a.m.—Morning Prayer, Litany and Sermon.

At 7.30 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.

The services on Christmas Day will be as follows:

At St. Peter's Church, Donald:

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Celebration of Holy Communion.

At St. Paul's Church, Golden:

7.30 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Service will be held in connection with the Methodist church on Sunday next as follows: Donald, at 11 a.m.; Golden, at 7.30 p.m. Everybody is welcome at these services.

Prayer meeting on Tuesday at 8 p.m

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Services will be held the first, third and fourth Sundays of each month during the winter at 7.30 p.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class at 2.30 p.m.

Christmas Parcels.

The public is given timely warning, in view of the early approach of the Christmas season, that no parcel can be sent from Canada to any other country by parcel post, unless accompanied by a Customs declaration setting forth the nature and value of the contents, as the acceptance of a parcel without such a Customs declaration will mean its consignment to the Dead Letter Office. The advice is given to postmasters to accept no such parcels, and the public should govern themselves accordingly.

ITEMS FROM DONALD

Word Received From C. P. R., Re Settlement of Claims—A Presentation to Mr. Hobbs—Christmas Tree—Ball—Notes.

(From our own Correspondent.)

Mr. Thomas Forrest, chairman of the Citizens' Committee, has been in communication with the C.P.R. management endeavoring to ascertain if anything had been done yet with regard to the compensation to householders, which Sir William Van Horne led the citizens to understand would be done when the final change came. A reply has been received from Mr. Whyte, informing the committee that the executive had not yet decided to what extent they would help those who have lots and built houses at Donald, outside the employees of the company; but the matter could not be acceded to until the meeting of the executive in the second week in January, when the prepared statement showing the value of all buildings in Donald, how used, etc., would be laid before the management in order that they might intelligently decide the matter, and he had no doubt that fair consideration will be given to all those who have invested.

Mr. Whitney and family left for Revelstoke on Thursday's train, and will take up their residence there.

Mrs. Jordan, who has been down at Ranff for some time, returned to Donald on Friday last.

W. Caldwell has been reflooring and fixing up his saloon and getting things in good shape for next summer's business.

Miss Millard and Mr. Barron are very busy arranging the Christmas tree entertainment, which promises to be more attractive than ever. Sword drills, fancy dances, tambourine dances, club swinging, recitations, posing, songs and character sketches are among the attractions.

Work in the shops is still progressing, and moving looks about as far away as ever, although report says that the shops will be moved on January 1st—but we have heard that before.

The Old-Timers' Ball is actually materializing, and we expect shortly to report that matters are in good shape for one of those times for which Donald is noted.

The examination of wipers, etc., etc., took place on Wednesday last, with the result that two men were let out on account of shortsightedness, both having served for over six months. It seems a pity that the company would not examine these men in the first place, and decide if they are fit. The job is no summer picnic at the best of times, and it seems too bad that men should go all through the worst of it, and when getting on "easy street" to be fired; but these corporations have no soul anyway.

Our merchants report Christmas trade good, and almost all have their stocks in. The stores are fixed up to tempt the most niggardly.

We have noticed in several of your local contemporaries articles on that apparently popular (?) firm, Eaton & Co. We have been wondering if Eaton really pays Union wages. If he does, it is a practical impossibility to sell goods at the prices he quotes. We have railroad men in our town who are always quoting "Union, Union," but these same men will send to sweat shops and monopolies for their goods, although they keep their Brotherhood fees fully paid up. But such is human nature—strain at a gnat and swallow a camel. If these men could only manage to look a little further than their own individual self, up-to-date socialism would be a successful venture and the world generally would have a far brighter aspect.

Tim. Dunne, a Donald old-timer, well known in theatricals, is now in the Clara Mathes Company, Vancouver, having temporarily disconnected with the Harry Lindley Company.

J. N. Trickey, one of Donald's well known old-timers, left for Kingston, Ont., last week.

A presentation is being prepared for Locomotive Foreman Hobbs, late of the Donald shops, now of Vancouver, which is expected to take place next week, when Mr. Hobbs is expected to be "wid us agin." T. E. has been in this country for a long time and has earned the respect and friendship of the men and outsiders, being a man always ready for the public good, doing the best he could to assist in things generally.

SPORTS OF WINTER.

President and Vice-President Curling Matches To-Night—Hockey Club Meeting—Six-Day Bicycle Race—Notes.

The Vancouver Football Club is to give a minstrel show at an early date.

Efforts are being made to form a Hockey League in West Kootenay, composed of teams from Rossland, Nelson, Kaslo and Sandon.

The Ladies' Hockey Club, of Vancouver, will play the Victoria Ladies' Club at the latter place on Monday, December 19th, for the championship of British Columbia.

There will be a meeting of the Hockey Club at the Columbia House at 7.30 to-night, sharp, to discuss matters in connection with the change in arrangements of playing hockey in the rink.

From private letters received in Golden from Revelstoke it is learned that there will be quite a party of enthusiasts accompany the Hockey Club on its visit here on Monday, December 26th.

The Quebec Hockey Union recommends the adoption of nets for goals, as in lacrosse, which would prevent questionable games scored and would do away with goal umpires. The Manitoba League will probably adopt it.

The skating rink opened for the season on Monday evening, and during the week has been well patronized. The sale of tickets up to the present time has been quite satisfactory to the management, 25 curling 36 and skating season tickets having been disposed of already.

T. A. Howard, captain of the Victoria Hockey Club, of Winnipeg, reputed to be the best goal shot in the world, will play with the New York Athletic Club's team this year. This club holds the championship of the United States, and every member of the team is a Canadian.

Golden has a hockey club, and is anxious to play Kamloops. There ought to be enthusiasts enough in town to get up a club. Perhaps our ladies' club will prove equal to the occasion.—Kamloops Standard. If the ladies promise not to play rough the local crowd would be pleased to meet them.

The six-day bicycle race in New York last week was won by Miller, of Chicago, who pedalled 2,007 miles, or 24 miles better than the previous world's record, which he had made a year ago at the same place. His winnings for the week's work amount to about $2,500. Waller, of Boston, was second, with 1,985 miles, and Pierce, the only Canadian entered, was third, with 1,906 miles. Of the 32 original starters only 12 finished.

Rossland's Winter Carnival will be held on January 24th to 28th, and promises to be the biggest affair of its kind ever held in the West. The leading features will be ski and snowshoe races, speed and fancy skating, coasting, tobogganing, hockey matches and a grand curling bonspiel. Most of the events will carry with them the championship of the Province, and $2,500 are to be offered in the shape of medals, trophies, etc. It is hardly likely Golden will be represented.

Curling has started in earnest, although the draw has not yet been made for any of the prize competitions. The draw in the President vs. Vice-President games, however, took place last night, and the following is the result: To-night—Warren vs. Ullock; McNeish vs. Rae. Saturday—Neilson vs. Parson; Henderson vs. Greene. These games will be interesting to all our curlers, for every one of them is keen to get at it. The ice is in excellent condition, and the skips are all on the alert, each confident of his own rinks' ability.

A meeting of the Hockey Club was held at the Columbia House on Monday evening. An agreement with the rink management was reached, whereby the club is to have exclusive use of the rink each Wednesday afternoon, Thursday evening, and Tuesday and Saturday evenings after 10 p.m. Revelstoke team asked for a game here at 9.30 on Monday morning, December 26th, in order that they may return home the same day. It was decided to play the game at the time requested. The secretary was instructed to send a challenge to Ranff for a game here on Monday, January 2d. As there is a possibility of Donald placing a team in the field, efforts were made to arrange a game with that team. The uniform of the local club will be black and white.

[Since the above was in type, matters between the rink management and the Hockey Club have become changed, with the result that the game will not be played in the rink this season. The club, therefore, have decided to clear a rink on the river for themselves. Stakes have been driven, and a space 150x60 feet already laid out and cleared, where it is expected the local team will meet the Revelstoke team on December 26th, and Banff team on January 2d. Other games will be arranged for later in the season.]

The New Imperial Postage Stamp.

Postmaster Warren has received a supply of the new Imperial two-cent stamps. These are now on sale, and may be used at their face value for domestic or foreign purposes, but of course will not become available for their particular and original use until Christmas Day, the time prescribed by law. The stamp is in two colors, and of unique design. The various divisions of the British Empire appear in red on an outline map of the world in black, a crown surmounting the picture, with maple and oak leaves, symbolizing the unity of Canada and the mother country. Underneath the map are the words, "Xmas, 1898," and along the bottom appears, "We Hold a Vaster Empire Than Has Been," a quotation from one of our patriotic poets. At each lower corner is the figure "2c."

Rossland Mining Market.

The transfer of the LeRoi to the B.A.C. and settlement of the litigation must eventually have a good effect on the London market. Investors will do well to watch B.A.C. shares, London & B.C. Goldfields and New Goldfields. The last is operating the velvet, which is now a good productive mine. The market remains dull. A bear raid on Deer Park has been the feature of the week. It has been founded on baseless rumors and some operators are likely to be caught short and the stock to advance sharply. Coxey, Gertrude and Novelty are all in demand. The southwest slope of Red Mountain is becoming justly popular.

A deal is rumored which will send Giant booming again. Victory-Triumph has been dull, but reports from Sophie Mountain are most encouraging.

There has been a very large turnover in Golden Gate stock. The market is active, and investors who buy now are likely to make money. Dealings in Boundary stocks have been more restricted, but prices are well maintained.

Lower prices all round are the characteristics of the Republic market.

Full information given as to all stocks upon application to Thomas McNaught, Mining Broker, Golden, B. C.

I. O. F. Election of Officers.

At the regular meeting of Court Kicking Horse No. 3713, I. O. F., held last night in the Odd Fellows Hall, the following officers were elected for the coming year:

C.R.—Bro. W. Rutherford.
V.C.R.—Bro. A. F. Smith.
R.S.—Bro. J. A. Bates.
F. S.—Bro. J. H. Semple.
Treas.—Bro. C. W. Field.
Chap.—Bro. J. H. Woods.
S.J.C.—Bro. J. Henderson.
S.W.—Bro. J. Lamontagne.
J.W.—Bro. A. H. McMillan.
S.B.—Bro. A. Wixon.
J.B.—Bro. W. Smith.
Trustees—Bros. G. B. McDermot and R. Hughes.
Finance Committee—Bros. W. Rutherford and A. F. Smith.

British Columbia Press Association

The Rossland Record makes a good suggestion that the editors and publishers of British Columbia form a Press Association, and this winter would be a good time to do it. The Legislature will convene on January 5th, and most of the newspapers of the Province will have a representative at Victoria. That will be an excellent time for forming such an organization. There are many things that could be discussed and arranged for the mutual benefit of the craft. The transportation companies would doubtlessly be glad to escort the editors about the Province, which would result in all becoming better acquainted with each other and the different sections of the country. Then they could make a long, strong pull for the good of British Columbia.

WINDERMERE MINES.

A Silver-Lead Region That Will Eventually Rival Any in British Columbia—Marvelously Rich Ores.

Little has ever been known of a district that promises to equal, and perhaps exceed, the most sanguine expectations of any silver-lead mining camp in British Columbia, both in quantity and quality of its ores, says a writer in the Spokane Spokesman-Review last week. This vast territory lies about midway between Golden on the north and Fort Steele on the south, and is known as the Windermere Mining District. Its resources have been known to a few old time prospectors for a number of years, but its real merits did not become apparent until the summer of this year.

The mineral of the country consists of gold, silver, copper and lead, and so far shows an excess of galena. The leads are generally large and promise to be strong, and, like the Slocan, the ore is clean and rich at the grass roots, many assays running $400 to the ton.

Considerable development has been done on properties during the past two months, both by companies and original owners, and great activity is expected next season.

An English syndicate has bonded and is working the Pretty Girl group of eight claims, and besides sinking a testing shaft have driven a crosscut tunnel to tap the lead at a depth of about 200 feet.

The Hot Punch group has been bonded by a Montana syndicate and a shaft sunk 65 feet, opening up a fine body of solid galena carrying a good percentage of gray copper. The values run from 40 to 800 ounces silver and $2 to $18 in gold. The company will ship next spring.

Messrs. Starke and Kimpton own the Delphine group. This is an excellent property, the values ranging from 100 to 600 ounces in silver, with a large per cent. of lead and copper. They have been working with a good force of men and are now packing ore with 40 horses to the Columbia River.

A Nelson company has bonded the Bathose group and is pushing development work.

The De Los property shows a fine body of mineral, and 20 horses are packing ore to the river.

The Sitting Bull group, consisting of four claims, has been bonded to a Nelson corporation, and they are now working. This is a valuable property of high grade copper carbonates. The lead is three feet wide and runs 742 ounces silver, besides a big percentage of copper.

On the west of the Sitting Bull group lies the Alps group, one of the most promising discoveries in the country. There are four claims with two rich and well defined ledges running through them. One of the leads is solid galena from three to four and a half feet wide, carrying 75 to 800 ounces in silver and 50 to 75 per cent. lead. The other is carbonates and galena seven feet wide. The holders of this property will commence vigorous operations in the spring.

Seven feet of solid galena ore has been uncovered on the Dividend group, the values ranging from 46 to 180 ounces in silver and 75 per cent. lead. It is rumored that a Montana syndicate has secured a bond on this property.

A Rossland company has secured a bond on the Swansea group and has been working a large force of men all last summer.

Besides the above-mentioned properties there are quite a number that the writer did not investigate, for want of time, but was told that they contained good values and great promise.

One of the best features of this country is the easy means of shipping. The nearest railway is 75 miles north, at Golden, but the ore can be hauled by wagon from the mines to the river, a distance of 20 miles, there loaded on steamboats and barges, and floated to the railroad. As yet there are no wagon roads excepting the stage road from Golden to Fort Steele, but good ones can be built to the mines for $1,000, not exceeding $2,500.

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THE TIMBER TO REMAIN.

Poor Mr. Semlin, after weakly leading the Opposition for a number of years, is allowed no reward when his party gets into power, says the Kamloops Standard. The domineering personality of Mr. Joe Martin completely absorbs the meek presence of the Premier. Even in his own department he has no say. An inquiry was sent to him asking what were the special conditions under which timber licenses were to be obtained, and instead of answering "the favorable consideration by Mr. Joe Martin," he says:

"In consequence of the decision of the Government not to sell or dispose of any lands or timber, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette, I regret to say I am unable to favorably consider your application."

In other words, having no discretion, he is unable to use his discretionary powers. The mills of the Kootenay may be closed down, timber may be exported and men thrown out of work, but so long as our natural resources are still in their natural state, the country must be all right. It would have been better, though, if the Gazette had not said anything about "special conditions," but had announced that one of the industries of the country was to be closed down.

CANADIAN AND U. S. TRADE.

The following article from the Minneapolis Times treats the subject of reciprocity between Canada and the United States in a rather fair and straightforward manner, and, unlike most blatant American newspapers, has the honesty to say there are many Canadian commodities which are superior to corresponding commodities of American origin:

There does not appear to be much prospect of the United States and Canada getting together upon any tariff schedule that will be mutually satisfactory. The statements made by the farmers, traders and manufacturers upon one side of the line neutralize those made upon the other side. Upon the Canadian side it is claimed that the customs taxes at the present time in force are, as a rule, as low as they should be, and, indeed, too low to give Canadian industries the measure of protection to which they are rightfully entitled. It is claimed that the Canadian producer, whether in the fields or in the workshops, finds opposed to him and at all times encroaching upon his market, the active, persistent American. If it were not for the protection tax, the Canadians say, they would be wearing American-made clothing, boots and shoes, would eat from American crockery, eat bread made from American flour, would use American-made furniture, eat canned meats and fruits put up in America, would read American books, and employ in their trades American-made tools of all kinds.

The American farmer protests that a removal of the tariff upon agricultural products would lead to the inundation of the Canadian market by the products of American agriculture. The same complaint comes from the manufacturers in practically all lines of business, from tinware to tombstones. Thus the American producer is the bogey of the Canadian producer, just as the English manufacturer and his alleged "pauper labor," "pauper-paid" employees, are converted into a popular bogey by the American manufacturer.

On this side of the line we have a large number of American farmers and manufacturers insisting that they must be protected against the Canadian producers; that if American flour undersells Canadian flour, Canadian potatoes are apt to undersell American potatoes, and so on through a long list of commodities. It ought to be evident, though it is not so, that what those people on both sides are endeavoring to bring about is the physical and economic unattainable, that is, a country—be it Canada or the United States—where everything will be produced under conditions that do not admit of foreign competition.

In all reason, why should there be any trade barrier between Canada and the United States more than there is between New York and Vermont, or between Wisconsin and Minnesota? Each community complements and supplements the other. Certain commodities can be obtained in Canada that are better and cheaper than the corresponding commodities that are the products of the United States. On the other hand, certain commodities obtained in the United States are so far superior, both in price and quality, to similar commodities produced in Canada, that if the customs barriers did not stand in the way, those who have them for sale would have practical possession of the Canadian market.

On the logic of the argument usually used, there is no reason why a barrier should not be raised between Minnesota and the State of Wisconsin or the Dakotas for the purpose of having a duty imposed upon, say, every bushel of wheat which comes into Minnesota, and every pound of flour sent across the line into those States from Minnesota. If the border line was the Canadian boundary line, such a fair and equitable exchange of products would be denounced as wrong, and as causing an immense loss to one side or the other, whichever happened to do the denouncing.

The Times leaves it to the reason and the good common sense of the people of the United States to say whether or not it will be better for all the people on the American continent for the Governments on both sides of the harbor to effect some arrangement which will make it possible for the trade between the Dominion and the States to flow back and forth as freely as it does between the States.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

During the thirteen years from 1885 to 1898 there were 108 persons condemned to death for murder in Canada. Of these 60 were executed, and 48 sentences were commuted.

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The Christmas greeting that the Imperial Government will give to her widely spread colonies will take the form of an invitation to write home oftener, and the charge for the letter postage will be one penny.

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Mr. William T. Stead, the eccentric editor of the London Review of Reviews, says he finds no sympathy with the United States in Europe outside of England. Well, England is a pretty husky old friend to have.

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The Chicago Tribune keeps a careful record of the lynchings that take place in the Republic, and finds that during the eleven months of 1898 there have been 113, of which 7 occurred in the North, and 106 in the South. It would be interesting to know how many innocent persons were among the victims. Lynching is the crying disgrace of American civilization.

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The increased attention that is being given to British Columbia by the Eastern newspapers is a source of much gratification to the people of this Province. At one time it was the exception rather than the rule to find anything in an Eastern newspaper about British Columbia. All the big Eastern dailies print columns about the wonderful resources of the Pacific Province and its people.

Some Christmas Postal Don'ts.

Don't mail jewelry to foreign countries.

Don't use tags or labels, as they become separated from packages.

Don't seal or wrap parcels that they may not be easily examined.

Don't fail to see that the postage stamps are firmly fixed to your packages.

Don't mail a parcel without previously ascertaining the amount of postage.

Don't place handkerchiefs or other merchandise in parcels of printed matter.

Don't wrap a parcel in such a way that the wrapper becomes torn and the contents separated.

Don't fail to give the full address, and street and number, town, city and country of destination.

Don't fail to put your own name and address on every piece of mail, preceded by the word "From."

Don't mail parcels to foreign countries without special inquiry concerning regulations of such country.

Don't seal up packages containing pictures, photographs or Christmas cards, and mark them "Photo only," etc.

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At lodge night lateness scolds no more—
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Your youthful heir has grown polite,
He hails your coming with delight,
And cons his lessons half the night—
Christmas gift!

Your daughter plays the tunes you like,
Refrains from bloomers on her bike,
For opera tickets doesn't strike—
Christmas gift!

But father knows their little game,
This time each year 'tis just the same;
It makes him mutter low, "Gosh blame
Christmas gifts!"

GOT AN EXPERIENCE.

[Concluded From Last Week.]

THE day before, being sent to the stockroom with an order, the manager had followed her, and, turning in a narrow passage, met her where she could not retreat. With a leer on his unhandsome, sensual face, he had caught her in his arms and held her close while he kissed her full upon the lips. She shivered as she recalled the vile contact. Without a thought or a care for the consequences, acting on her maidenly instinct of self-protection, she had promptly and vigorously slapped his face. He had released her with a muttered "D—n you! You shall pay for this, my lady!" and his black looks had followed her all day.

"Seems as if it is hotter than ever this morning!" gasped Annie, as the girls hurried to catch a down-town car. Then she added, half to herself, "Oh, if I had money enough to take me home, I'd cut the whole thing this minute."

"Oh, brace up. 'Twon't be like this always. But you're in luck to have a home you can go to. I wonder why on earth you left it."

"I wanted to see something besides home."

The girl laughed mirthfully. "Do you see so much at the store? What chance do we get to see anything else? We've neither time nor money, and Sunday's we're so dead tired we're glad to sleep half the day and mend our clothes the rest. I don't call it a very exciting existence. If I had a home, you bet I'd leave it quick enough."

For a moment a vision of a moonlit May night flashed before Annie's eyes.

At the store everything went wrong that morning. The car was caught at a jam and they were late, which meant a fine and so much less in the weekly envelope, although it was no fault of theirs. The heat and foul air in the store made Annie sick and dizzy, and twice she sent in an incorrect statement. There was trouble about an approval check which had been mislaid. Her change came back wrong and had to be sent in again while an impatient customer complained audibly, and after pulling down the whole stock in the endeavor to satisfy a woman who was shopping to kill time and hadn't the least intention of buying anything, she saw her prospective customer rise and walk off saying: "Well, if it's too much trouble to show goods here I can go where it isn't!" and received a stinging reprimand from the watchful manager, in the terms of a threat.

At half-past six, when the tired and hungry girls were filing out of the back door of the store, the department manager, reviewing them as a commanding general surveyed the rank and file, called, sulkily:

"Number 428!"

Annie stopped. The man stepped up to her, turned her round, picked from her black skirt a brilliant silken raveling and following it slipped his hand into her pocket and brought out several yards of Roman striped ribbon.

"So our little prude is a thief too, is she?" he said sneeringly, raising his voice that the girls might hear the conclusion of the sentence. "We've had a little too much of this lately and we'll have to make you an example, I guess. Just send in a call for a patrol wagon, will you!" turning to the watchman. "Really it seems more necessary to keep an eye on these Sunday school girls than on the others!"

Poor Annie, thunder-stricken at the accusation, could hardly realize what it meant.

"I did not take it. I never saw it before. I don't know how it came in my pocket, but I didn't put it there."

The manager sneered. "You can tell that to the court," he said.

The long hot day, the fatigue, and now this overwhelming charge was too much for Annie, and she fainted. An indignant murmur from the crowd of girls was silenced by the eye of the accuser. He held their positions and their salaries in the hollow of his hand.

Annie had hardly revived before the patrol wagon came dashing up, and despite her entreaties and protestations she was sent to the station and spent the night in a cell.

Her room-mate, herself in tears, betook herself to their boarding-house and made a confidant of a middle-aged woman who had been kind to the two forlorn girls.

"It's all a put up job. Miss Macey is as honest as a minister. She's real, true honest. The manager hates her because she wouldn't go with him, and he never meant her any good by inviting her. He knows a good deal more about how that ribbon came there than she does. But I don't know what to do. Think of his sending her to the station in the police wagon! The mean, cowardly puppy!"

Out of the consultations of Annie's two friends was born action toward her relief. A telegram was dispatched to Maurice Gordon, whose name and address were found in a lately received letter in Annie's trunk.

"Better the man than her mother," said the elder woman. "A man can do something; women generally cry when things go wrong."

So, when Annie appeared to answer her she found friends in court. Mr. Manager was there, smooth as oil. He explained how the firm had been missing various articles, and that he had personally taken the incriminating ribbon from Number 428's pocket. The judge interrupted.

"What is the prisoner's name? The court does not recognize numbers."

Mr. Manager recoiled a little at the judge's tone.

"Were any of the missing articles, except the ribbon, found in the prisoner's possession?"

"No, your honor," answered the policeman addressed.

The judge looked at the pale, trembling girl and his practiced eye read her innocence. This was no guilty wretch, dreading punishment. "Tell me," he said kindly, "how did that ribbon come in your possession?"

"Indeed sir, I do not know. I only know I never took it. Never! Indeed, I am not a thief."

"Please sir," piped up a childish treble. "I know how it came in 428's pocket. I seed who put it there!"

His honor raised his spectacles and beamed benignly on a little girl in a long blue gingham apron that seemed to eclipse her.

"Ah, really! Well, what do you know about it?"

"Please sir, 428 was a-waiting on a customer an' Mr. Manager then came along behind her an' I seen him slip sumphin in her clothes, an' pull out that there red ravelin' so's 'twould show. I seen him do it. Yes I did," continued little "Cash," pointing a lean forefinger at the manager, who was turning several colors alternately in his rage and chagrin.

The judge transfixed the man with his eagle eye.

"The prisoner is honorably discharged. There is no case. If the prisoner's friends wish to institute suit for defamation of character, I think they have sufficient evidence."

Annie, triumphantly exonerated, shuddered at the mention of the store. She never went back, but Maurice had an interview with the proprietors which resulted in the discharge of the manager, and a public statement by Mr. Sellem before the girls in the department where Annie had worked as to her innocence of the charge and the malice of the manager in it.

"I am not mistaken in thinking you have a—ah—something more than a friendly interest in the young lady, am I, Mr. Gordon?" asked Mr. Sellem, as Maurice was about leaving him.

The young man blushed furiously, but responded promptly.

"It is the dearest hope I have that I may some day persuade Miss Macey to become my wife."

"The firm would like to do something for the injustice she has suffered through our representative." Seating himself at the desk he filled out a check for one hundred dollars. "Ask her to accept this toward her trousseau."

Just a year from that May evening on which they parted, Annie and Maurice stood together under the lilacs, looking upon the twinkling lake. Annie's city experience had resulted in a long illness from which she had made a tardy recovery. Not until spring was well established had she been able to be about. No one had been so kind and untiring as Maurice, but he had held himself so sternly in check that he had seemed merely a friend; kind and good as a brother, only a friend. Rumor had coupled his name with that of a young lady visiting at his father's house, and the rumor had reached Annie. She had smiled and hoped so, she was sure; Maurice deserved a good wife, and Miss Rising was certainly a lovely girl. But her heart was sad and sore. As they lingered under the lilacs memories of the past came back to both, and a significant silence fell upon them. It was broken by a shrill young voice calling from the porch:

"Annie, Annie, Mam' Ruth says come right in, 'cause it's too damp and dewy an' you'll catch cold. Come right away quick." "Yes, 'Cash' dear, I'm coming." called Annie and she turned towards the house.

"Just a minute, Annie," said Maurice, laying a detaining hand on her arm. "You've never answered the question I asked a year ago to-night." Through the silence trembled the note of the whippoorwill.

"I love you, Annie. I want you for my wife. Have you seen enough of the city and its life to make you content to be a poor man's wife on a farm in the country?"

Oh, Maurice! Don't!"

But her face was buried in his breast and little "Cash" had to call again before two pairs of lips met in the betrothal kiss.

[The End.]

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TOWN AND PROVINCE

The fire losses at Victoria were only $225 during November.

Local thermometers registered 17 degrees below zero on Monday morning.

The Silverton Silvertonian is making a strong fight against the Chinese in that district.

The rush of goldseekers to the Atlin Lake fields commenced from Vancouver last week.

Skagway has a complete fire-fighting apparatus and a well organized volunteer department.

Mr. J. A. Bates, Golden's popular schoolmaster, will spend his Christmas at the Coast.

The Texada miners are now on strike for a working day of eight hours, instead of ten as at present.

Mr. W. B. Robertson returned to Calgary on Sunday, after spending a week with friends in Golden.

Mr. J. Fallis, of Revelstoke, has just taken a position as salesman in the store of H. G. Parson, Golden.

Thomas McNaught, manager of the Halcyon Hot Springs, was in town this week.—Revelstoke Herald.

Next year in East Kootenay is expected to be the most prosperous in its history.—Calgary Herald.

Extensive improvements are to be made at the Halcyon Hot Springs, Arrow Lake, early next summer.

Nurse Fogarty, who has been attending Mr. H. G. Parson during his severe attack of typhoid fever, left for Vancouver on Wednesday.

The election in Alberni took place on Wednesday with every possible chance of Mr. Ward, the Opposition candidate being returned.

It is stated that the C.P.R. Company will build four large smelters in British Columbia during the coming year at a cost of $1,000,000.

Crow's Nest coal shares, which were quoted recently at $16 per share, have now reached $19, and none are offered for sale at that price.

The land forces at Esquimalt and Halifax are to be increased, and 500 additional men left Portsmouth on Saturday for these two stations.

The public schools throughout the Province close to-day for the Christmas holidays. The Golden school will be closed for three weeks.

A proclamation will appear in the next issue of the Canada Gazette declaaing Monday, December 26th, a holiday, as Christmas comes on Sunday.

Mr. H. G. Parson has fully recovered from his attack of typhoid fever, and was able to come outdoors on Wednesday for the first time since his sickness.

Tapping's new Opera House at Revelstoke was formally opened last week by the Harry Lindley Company. The house will cost $10,000 when completed.

The announcement is now made that the British America Corporation has been successful in floating the Le Roi mine in London, on a basis of £1,000,000 sterling.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company's traffic earnings for the week ending December 7th were $591,000; for the same week of last year they were $534,000.

A by-law has been introduced in Nelson with the idea of keeping children off the streets at night. A No. 6 slipper, energetically applied, would cover the ground more effectively.

Canners are not making big purchases for next season, says the Vancouver Province. This season having been an utter failure, they have big stocks of material on hand.

It is understood that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will visit the West next summer and will go as far as the Pacific Coast. En route the Premier will deliver addresses at principal points.

We have received from Hull Brothers, cattle dealers, of Calgary, through their Golden branch, a handsome calendar, with a flock of sheep grazing on the hillside as the central figure.

If you have any gifts to buy, begin to purchase them now. Don't put off your Christmas shopping till the 24th, and then want to kick yourself into next year for the fool things you bought.

In the recent municipal elections in New Westminster Mayor Ovens was re-elected, with a majority of 37, over W. H. Geary. In Calgary James Reilly was chosen as mayor, with a majority of 18.

According to the Times, there are 300 fallen women in Victoria. This is really nothing to boast of, as Rossland, which is not half as old as Victoria, claims to have nearly that number already.

The Gold Commissioners of the Province have been instructed to prepare reports on the general mining conditions in their respective districts for the Minister of Mines, which reports were to be in on the 15th inst.

The Canmore mail robbery turns out to be a fizzle. The investigation shows that, owing to a hole in the bottom of the mail bag, the letters fell through from the Canmore bag into the Vancouver bag, wyich hung below, and where. They were ultimately found at the. Terminal. City.

The licensed victuallers of Rossland have decided to advance the price of beer from 5 to 10 cents per class. The Miner is under the belief that in consequence of this, many will drop their libations of this liquid.

It is reported that the Province of British Columbia will shortly be divided into two postal divisions, and that Revelstoke will be the end of the mail clerks' run from Calgrry and Vancouver. This is a step in the right direction.

The annual convention of the Mainland Teachers' Institute will be held in New Westminster on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 3rd and 4th, 1899. The Hon. Joseph Martin and Sir Hibbert Tupper will deliver addresses.

As was stated in these columns three weeks ago, Golden is to have a photographer. It will be seen by advertisement in another column that Mr. H. P. Howden has opened up a business two doors west of the Columbia House, and is now prepared to receive sitters.

The shipments from the mines of the Rossland camp for the week ending December 10 were as follows: Le Roi 1,320, War Eagle 1,000, Iron Mask 40; total 2,460. Shipments for the same week last year, 637 tons; total shipments since January 1st, 1898, 121,431 tons.

A new freight tariff went into effect with both the G. T. R. and C. P. R. on Monday last, by which the rate on nearly all classes of goods from points in Ontario to Kootenay points have decreased from three to ten cents per 100 pounds. The Canadian Pacific is quoting through rates to Manila, Philippine Islands.

Poker playing is a favorite pastime in Rossland. A couple of sharpers arrived there the early part of this week, and in one of the gambling dens in that city, on Tuesday night, made a cleanup of $2,800. They were driven to the boundary line at daylight the following morning, managing to escape with their ill-gotten gains.

W. P. Robinson, who for several years past has acted as deputy to Sheriff Redfern, of Donald, has had notice of his appointment as sheriff for the electoral divisions of Nelson, Slocan, Rossland and South East Kootenay. Heretofore Sheriff Robinson, as deputy, has covered the work in Nelson territory and divided the fees with the sheriff at Donald.—Vancouver World.

The railway instruction car which has been in Winnipeg for the past two weeks left there on Friday evening for the West. The car will stop at all C.P.R. divisional points in the West, and instruction will be given principally in mechanical engineering and locomotive running. Donald will be reached on Christmas Day, and the car will reach Winnipeg on its return probably about January 20th.

Manager Whyte has issued a circular calling the attention of dispatchers, agents and operators to the necessity of giving accurate information to the public with regard to delayed trains. Of course, as Mr. Whyte says, the agents and operators are not always to blame, as they must of necessity rely on the information furnished them by the dispatchers. He says further that incivility will be regarded as an unpardonable offence and wherever detected will be followed by summary punishment.

Methodist S. S. Christmas Tree.

At the Christmas tree entertainment to be given in the Golden Methodist Sunday School on Friday evening, December 23d, the programme will include recitations, dialogues, vocal and instrumental music, etc. Prizes will also be awarded for the past year's work. Parents and friends wishing to put presents on the tree for particular children are welcome to do so, and are requested to send these presents as early as possible to any of the officers of the school.

Railways to be Built.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company intend making application at the forthcoming session of Parliament, says the Vancouver World, for a charter empowering them to build a line of railroad from a point at or near Cranbrook or Fort Steele, on the line of the Crow's Nest Pass Railway, northerly along the Kootenay and Columbia Rivers, to a point at or near Golden, on the company's main line; likewise with power to operate branch lines of railway extending from the proposed new line a distance of not more than 30 miles. It has been known for some time that the management of the C. P. R. realized the importance of what is known as the Upper Columbia and the Kootenay River valleys, passing through such important places as Grohman, Canal Flats, Fairmont Springs, Windermere, Galena and the Spillimacheen River, in which there are known to be very promising mines, as well as large areas of good agricultural land, all of which require but a line of railroad, of other transportation facilities, to make them of great value, not only to their owners, but to the whole Province. With this line in operation, East Kootenay will be thoroughly well served with railways. It will have the main line of the C. P. R. in the north, a road extending southward from Golden to Cranbrook, and the Crow's Nest Pass Railway extending from east to west. So that in the matter of transportation every facility will be afforded for the rapid development of that section of the country.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Lord Minto paid his first visit to Toronto Wednesday.

The Cuban General Garcia died last week of pneumonia.

Sir Charles Tupper will return to Ottawa about Jaunary 15th.

A movement is on foot for establishing a sanitarium for consumptives in Toronto.

Queen Victoria has given $1,000 to the Gordon Memorial College at Khartoum.

It is feared that the Paris Exposition, which has been arranged for 1900 will be postponed.

The British naval authorities have invited the Newfoundland fishermen to join the naval reserve.

Editorials in the London papers express great satisfaction over the signing of the Spanish-American treaty.

Sir William Vernon-Harcourt has resigned the leadership of the Liberals in the British House of Commons.

A gas tank containing 8,000,000 gallons of water collapsed in New York on Tuesday, killing and injuring many persons.

A ton of young Eastern oysters has been placed in Puget Sound, and efforts will be made to propagate them in these waters.

President McKinley is now on a visit to the Southern States, and was most enthusiastically received by 150,000 persons at Atlanta, Ga.

Lord Strathcona sailed from New York on Tuesday returning to the duties of his important post as the respresentive of the Canadian Government in London.

Toronto has had a cold snap, the thermometer registering 8 below zero, and the bay being frozen over to the depth of three inches, which is the earliest in many years.

In a poll of the U. S. Democratic Senators, the majority declared for Bryan and the free silver platform for the next Presidential election. British Columbia is also in favor of these things.

U. S. Senator Davis, in an interview with a Paris newspaper correspondent, advocates a triple alliance of Great Britain, United States and Japan, which could control the whole world.

It is expected that formal opening of the new Victoria Jubilee bridge will take place on May 24 next. The bridge is now rapidly approaching completion, nearly all of the old tubular spans having been demolished.

In the Dominion bye-elections on Wednesday the following were the successful candidates: McCarthy, Independent, in North Simcoe; Douglas, Liberal, East Northumberland; Johnson, Liberal, West Lambton; Martimear, Liberal, Montmangny; Marcil, Liberal, Bagot; Bell, Liberal, East Prince.

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NOTICE is hereby given that an 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 (standard or narrow guage) for the conveying of passengers and freight from some point at or near Cranbrook, thence to Golden, both in the Kootenay District of British Columbia, by the shortest and most practicable route, with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain Branch Lines and all necessary Roads, Bridges, Ways, Ferries, Wharves, Docks and Coal Bunkers; also Steam and other Vessels and Boats, and generally to carry on the business of transportation; with power to erect, operate and maintain Telegraph and Telephone Lines in connection with the said Railway and Branches for the transmission of messages for the public; and to acquire Water Rights, to supply water or water power; and to generate electricity for supplying light, heat and power, as well for their own use as to sell and supply to the public; and with power to carry on a business of a Mining, Smelting and Refining Company; and to construct, equip, operate or to turn to account, to sell or otherwise dispose of mines, smelters and refineries; to acquire, hold and dispose of mining lands, mining rights, coal lands, timber lands, timber claims, surface rights, water rights and privileges, or other real or personal property; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the proposed Railway; and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges or other aids from any Government or persons or bodies corporate; and to make trams or other arrangements with Railways, Steamboats or other Companies, with power to build wagon roads to be used in the construction of such Railways or any advance of the same; and to levy and collect tolls from all persons using, and of freight passing over, any of such roads; with all other rights, powers or privileges as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

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