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NEWS IN A NUTSHELL

Items of Interest Round the World.

LATEST TELEGRAPH BULLETINS

The Doings of Conspicuous Persons Affecting Canadian Interests.

Trout Lake power is now furnishing Vancouver with lights.

The new provincial assessment act has been made retroactive.

There is said to be still hope for peace between Japan and Russia.

War is still declared to be likely between Bulgaria and Turkey.

The officer commanding of the stranded H. M. S. Flora, has been severely reprimanded.

United States Senator Heyburn has moved for the annexation of San Domingo.

The municipal elections in Boston, Mass., have gone overwhelmingly Democratic.

English Free Importers are disheartened at the result of the recent bye elections.

Colombia wants the Panama incident to be referred to the Hague tribunal under penalty of war.

A band of Bulgarian gypsies, banished from Vancouver, have pitched their tents in Nanaimo.

Intending immigrants to Canada are already booking their passages from England for next spring.

The result of the first 13 days run on the Eva mill, Camborne, has been a gold brick worth \$5000.

William Sloan seems likely to be the new Liberal member for the Comox-Atlin district of this province.

A group of the Russian Socialists have adopted "terrorizing tactics," (murder?) against the Tsar's government.

Despite the weather the rush is still continuing into the Edmonton district, especially around Quill Lake and Yorkston.

D. Monet, Liberal member for La Prairie is reported to have come out in favor of reciprocity with the United States.

Applications have been made to the Japanese consul in Montreal from 22 young Canadians who desire to enter the Japanese army in case of war.

Sandon mineowners are angry with the Slocan member Davidson for stating on the floor of the provincial house that the lead bounty has produced no improvement in the situation.

Ghriysanthemum. Carnations' at the Palace Candy Store.

The Arlington

J. Frank Collom, managing director of the Arlington mine in the Slocan, is expected to arrive in Nelson from Alameda, Cal., within the next month. It is stated that he will come for the purpose of putting into use on the Arlington ore a modification or improvement of the Park reduction process.

HIS SAFE CRACKED

Toronto Burglars Get Away the Money

Toronto, Dec. 21.—When James Harris, proprietor of the Harris Abattoir company went to his office at the city cattle market today he found his safe blown to pieces and the contents of the office wrecked. The pipes had been broken and the office was full of steam.

On investigation he found that the burglars had got about \$800 in cash and a draft for \$700, from the American Hide & Leather company, of New York, in favor of Harris & company. The detectives have no clue.

There will be a band concert Tuesday night. A splendid programme. Do not miss it, at the Skating Rink.

COKE OVEN BUILDING

Large Contract to Be Finished Under Penalty Next July.

Nelson, Dec. 21.—R. L. Wrigglesworth & Co company, who have the contract for the construction of 250 coke ovens for the Crow's Nest Coal company at Michel, state that owing to the delay in the delivery of the brick they were unable to complete their contract within the specific time. They have already completed 116 ovens and have entered into a bond to complete the remainder by July 1, 1904. The contract price for the 250 ovens will exceed \$250,000. In a contract of this kind 300,000 silica brick and 155,000 fire brick are used. The latter are very expensive, and cost delivered at Michel from 8 to 14 cents apiece.

The fire bricks are imported from Pittsburg. Experience has proven in the coal fields of Pennsylvania, where coke is made at Connesville and elsewhere, the silica brick for crowns is the best. These are also imported from Pittsburg. The duty and the cost of transportation are large items, and cut quite a figure in the cost of construction of the ovens.

Sage Brush

The despised sage brush, so plentiful in the dry belt of the province, has been found to contain a large percentage of commercial rubber. A company is now being formed at Denver to manufacture the sage brush rubber.

The discovery of rubber in the sage plant was made by a prospector, lost in the hills, who chewed the root which he found to contain a rubberlike substance. On returning to civilization he made his experiences known to others, and so led to the formation of a new industry.

The band concert on Tuesday night the 22nd, is all that is talked of just now. Excellent ice at the Skating Rink.

DIAMOND DRILLING

To Be Started at the Rossland Kootenay.

WORK BEGINS IN THE MORNING

Lower Levels to Be Thoroughly Explored—Two Crews Have Been Contracted.

The Rossland Kootenay, encouraged by the ore showing on the upper levels of the Kootenay mine, has determined to explore the lower levels more exhaustively. This is to be done by diamond drilling. It will be remembered that from a point about 1000 feet from the portal of No. 6 tunnel, itself 600 feet below the butcrop on the summit of Kootenay mountain, a shaft was sunk some years since 400 feet. Drifting was then started and carried east and west for between 300 and 400 feet on either side. Some of this work, however, has been done recently. The results obtained, while fair, were not altogether satisfactory, and the presence of better ore bodies than those hitherto encountered, is suspected to the north and south. Hence the diamond drilling. A contract has been made with the Diamond Drilling company of Spokane, which has been operating for some time past in other mines of the camp, and two crews are to be set to work in the morning. If the same character of ores which has been located above is found below, the Kootenay mine will be doubled in value, and probably a larger plant than that first intended will have to be erected.

DREYFUS AGAIN.

This Time the Officer to Be Rehabilitated.

Paris, Dec. 21.—The Dreyfus commission reassembles next Wednesday to receive the report of Victor Mercier, the senior member of the commission and one of the ministry of justice, on his examination of the new papers in the case. It is expected that a decision will be reached at the end of next week.

Meantime the sensational newspaper claims to foreshadow the decision and subsequent reinstatement of Dreyfus.

The Patrie says he will be made a colonel of artillery and appointed a chevalier of the Legion of Honor. These reports are not taken seriously and are considered to be merely expressions of the general belief that the chances favor Dreyfus.

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JAMES H. FLETCHER,
GENERAL MANAGER

P. O. Box 302 Rossland, B. C.



THE MUNICIPAL ISSUE.

The Miner says that the first of the municipal issues during the coming campaign will be the conservation of revenues. There has been far too much extravagance in the past, much of which we are paying for now. Misplaced economy, however, is simply another name for extravagance. An inefficient police force meant the employment of Thiel's Agency, and the consequent heavy loss to the city. Economy over the city solicitor meant the employment of outside counsel in the Blue arbitration case, involving another heavy loss. Bullheaded persistency in self-styled reform measures has cost the city a pretty penny, and if the present incumbent of the mayoral chair be continued, it is likely to cost it another. But though economy is in a sense a making of revenue, yet it is only so partially, the revenue must first be there. If we have the revenue we can afford, without hurting the city, to pay aldermen or any number of useless officials. If we have not, we cannot afford to pay even for the services of good men. The citizens have declared that there is no money to be derived from gambling licences; there are also others who also wish to restrict the number of saloon licences, and yet the revenue in this direction has amounted in the past to large sums of money, from which we are now cut off. The ordinary ratepayer is getting tired of having rates piled upon him to the limit possible. There is a certain amount of revenue derived from the water, amounting at present to some six thousand dollars per annum clear, which could be largely increased, could the city serve the mines with water. There is also a large amount of revenue derivable from the electric lighting, possibly quite as much as from the water service as pointed out. Herein then are the main issues of the campaign. Economies must begin at home, and not in the methods advocated by the present mayor, who has made everybody doubt his good faith by his act of cutting everybody's salary but his own. But to say that economy is the first issue of the campaign, is to put the cart before the horse.

THE SOCIALISTS.

The Miner has returned to the charge about the illdoing of the Socialists and their confederate, the Labor member for the Slokan. It declares that these men will be turned down by their constituents on going up again for election. The offence would seem to be the supporting of McBride in the acts of the autumn session. The real offence probably is that as the Miner was not personally represented in the McBride ministry, the McBride ministry is therefore not fit to live. Bethis as it may it

is certain that no voice has been heard in any of the Socialist or Labor organs of the province, especially those affecting the districts for which the Socialist and Labor member are sitting—no voice has been upraised calling for the extermination of these friends of the enemy of the Miner. The World does not profess to know what bargain, if any, has been made between the Socialists and the Conservatives, but in saying that the Conservatives will surely have to pay a price for their support, it is simply quoting the testimony of similar alliances in the past in other countries. As long as the Socialists can deliver the goods, their constituents have little fault to find. And, we suppose, that as long as McBride can remain the head of his ministry and keep the Liberals out, by help of the Socialists, or by the help of any one else, the Conservatives of the province will be satisfied. It is really a case of 'you scratch my back and I'll scratch yours.'

NOTE AND COMMENT.

Liberals are supposed to be Liberals and Conservatives Conservatives, whether in provincial, Canadian or British issues. Coming down to earth and dispensing with vague generalities and enunciation of windy principles, which never seemed to be acted upon, but are only kept, closet wise, to be gazed on, will anyone try to find a basis of similarity in any one of the three platforms of either party on which an election is fought.

Now that Lord Dundonald, commander in chief of His Majesty's Forces in the Dominion of Canada, has pronounced an expert opinion that the islands at the mouth of the Portland Canal, whether under the Union Jack or under Old Glory are useless as dominating the terminus of a transcontinental railway perhaps the laymen on both sides of the lines, who are not supposed to be military experts will cease yelling. For if Dundonald don't know, why in thunder is he wearing his uniform?

ELOPED WITH COACHY

Some Sensational Divorce Proceedings of a German Princess.

Berlin, Dec. 21.—Several relatives of Prince Frederick, of Schoenberg-Waldenberg, have been examined in camera by the court at Dresden in the divorce proceedings brought against him by the Princess Alice, his wife. The princess says she will come from Italy in the latter part of January to testify under a guarantee that the hearing will be private.

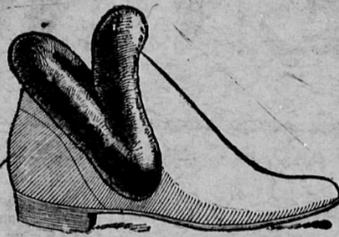
The prince will not attend the proceedings in any case. The Princess Alice, of Schoenberg-Waldenberg, was reported about a month ago to have eloped with her coachman.

The story was subsequently denied from several sources. She is a daughter of, Don Carlos, the pretender to the Spanish throne.

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Tom—Is it possible? Where?

Jack—At the People's Store.

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Leave.....Nelson.....7:20 p.m.
Arrive.....Grand Forks.....4:00 p.m.
Arrive.....Republic.....6:15 p.m.

SOUTHBOUND.
Leave.....Republic.....8:30 a.m.
Leave.....Grand Forks 10:35 a.m.
Leave.....Nelson.....7:20 a.m.
Leave.....Rossland.....10:40 a.m.
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MINING SUPPLIES.

Axes, per doz \$7.50-10.00
Candles, per case \$5.50-6.50
Caps, Bennett, per box 75c
Coal, blacksmith per ton \$22.50
Dynamite, 60 per ct, per lb 19¢
Dynamite, 50 per ct, per lb 18¢
Dynamite, 40 per ct, per lb 16¢
Fuse, Bennett per 100 ft 75c
Hammers, per lb 15c
Iron, per lb 3¢-5¢
Nails, base, per keg \$4
Shovels, per doz \$7.50-10
Steel, Canton per lb 8¢

MEAT AND POULTRY.

Bacon, per lb 18-20c
Beef, per lb (side) 9-10c
Chickens, each 50-90c
Fish, per lb 12¢-15¢
Ham, per lb 18-20c

Mutton per lb (side) 13-15
Turkey, per lb 23c
Veal, per lb (side) 18c

PROVISIONS

Almonds, per lb 25c
Apples, per 50lb box \$1.25-\$1.50
Bananas, per doz 40c
Beans, per lb 6c
Butter, per lb 25-35c
Cheese, per lb 20c
Chocolate, per lb 40-50c
Cocoa, per lb 40c-\$1.00
Coffee, per lb 25-50c
Condensed Milk per can 15c
Dried Peas, per lb 8c
Eggs, per doz 30-40¢
Flour, per 50lb \$1.50-1.65
Grapes, per lb 15c
Honey, per lb 25c
Jams and Jellies per lb 12-13c
Lard, per lb 17¢
Onions, per lb 5c
Oranges, per doz 40-50c
Peaches, per 20lb box \$1.25
Pears, per 40lb box \$1.60
Pickles, per qt 20c-25c
Plums, per 20lb box 50c
Potatoes, per 100lb sack \$1.00
Rice, per lb 8c
Rolled Oats per lb 5c
Sugar, per lb 6¢
Vinegar, per gal 50c-75c
Walnuts, per lb 25c
Watermelons, each 50-60c

FEED

Brass, per ton \$27
Hay, per ton \$27
Oats, per ton \$32
Shorts, per ton \$30

MISCELLANEOUS

Coal, per ton, Galt, \$8.50
Kerosine, per gal 50c
Soap, per bar 5c
Wood, per cord \$4.50-\$5.50

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PHRA

The Phoenician.

SYNOPSIS

Phra, who dies and lives again in Britain, begins to recount his early adventures—He buys a British slave girl and sails on a trading voyage to Cornwall and marries a British princess. Is attacked and captured by the Romans. Escapes and is murdered by the Druids. Is born again in later Roman Britain. Finds a tattooed record by his wife on his body. Rescues a Roman lady from a bull and is taken into favor. Lives and dies in her service. Wakes up in Saxon England just before the Battle of Hestings. Rescues a Saxon Maiden from the Conqueror. Marries her.

CHAPTER VI (Continued).

The good food and the warmth and a long day's work soon brought my fair mistress's head upon her hand, and presently she was lying upon the withered leaves in the corner, a fair white flower shut up for the night time. So I finished the steak and divided the remnants between the dogs, and lay back very well contented. But here only commences the strangest part of that evening!

I had warmed my cross gartered, buskined Saxon legs by the blaze for the best part of an hour, thinking over all the strange episodes of my coming to these ancient isles, and seeing again, on the blank hither wall, this very circle all aglow with the splendid color of its barbarous purpose, the mighty concourse of the Britons set in the greenery of their reverend oaks—the onset of the Romans, the flash and glitter of their close packed ranks, and the gallant Sempronius—alas! that so good a youth should be reduced to dust—and thus, I

suppose, I dozed.

And then it seemed all on a sudden a gust of wind swept down upon the flat roof overhead, shaking even that ponderous stone—those fierce and brawny hounds of mine howled most fearfully—crouching behind with bristling hair and shaking limbs—and, looking up, there—strange, incredible as you will pronounce it—seated beyond the fire on the stone the Saxon had so lately left, drawing her wild, rain wet British tresses through her supple fingers—calm, indifferent, happy—gazing upon me with the gentle wonder I had seen before, was Blodwen, once again herself!

Need it be said how wild and wonderful that winsome apparition seemed in that uncouth place, how the hot flush of wonder burnt upon my swart and weathered cheeks as I sat there and glared through the leaping flames at that pallid outline? Absently she went on with her rhythmical combing, bewitching me with her immaterial outline, and as I glowered with never a ready syllable upon my idle tongue, or any emotion but wonder in heart beating tumultuously under my hunter tunic, the dogs lay moaning behind me, and the wild fantastic uproar of the tempest outside forced through the clefts of our retreat the rain streaks that sparkled and hissed in the fireheap.

That time I did not fear, and presently the Princess looked up and said, in a faint, distant voice, that was like the sound of the breeze among seashore pine trees—'Well done, my Phoenician! Your courage gives me strength.' And as she spoke the words seemed gradually clearer and stronger,

until presently they came sweeter to me than the murmur of a sunny river—gentler than the whispers of the ripe corn and the south wind.

[To be continued.]

The Hoffman Bar has just received 300 gallons Bass Burton ale. Now on tap.

POSTAL REFORM

New Zealand Again Successfully Shows the Way

New Zealand has not only gained the full advantage of the Imperial penny post, but secured so far as letters from its islands are concerned the same penny rate on correspondence sent to Italy, Portugal, Egypt, Chile, Costa Rica, Mexico, Switzerland, Siam, Paraguay and Peru, whilst Serbia concedes a return penny rate in equivalent money of that country. Serbia thus reciprocates whilst the other countries named above will deliver New Zealand letters sent to addresses within their territories if they bear the colony's penny stamp. They cannot, as they believe, well reciprocate in the matter as other states might demand like privileges and embarrass the postal authorities.

The very considerable success thus achieved by little New Zealand encourages Mr. Henniker Heaton, M. P., the great British postal reformer, in his hope that when the next Postal Unions Convention of the governments of the civilized world is held, as arranged, at Rome, in 1904, an all round further advance may be made and an almost world wide penny or two cent postage system adopted.

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Ladies if you want to make your husband or brother a nice present for Xmas, give him one of our fine boxes of cigars. Crow & Morris.

Chrysanthemum, Carnations, at the Palace Candy Store.

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Today's Local Quotations:

| Item | Asked | Bid |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|
| American Boy | 4 1/4 | 4 |
| Ben Hur | 4 | 3 1/2 |
| Black Tail | 3 1/2 | 3 |
| Canadian Gold Field | 3 1/2 | 3 |
| Cariboo (Camp McKinney) ex-div | 5 | 2 1/2 |
| Centre Star | 20 | 20 |
| Crows Nest Pass Coal | 8 | 8 |
| Fairview | 3 1/2 | 3 1/4 |
| Fisher Maiden | 2 1/2 | 2 1/4 |
| Giant | 2 1/2 | 2 1/4 |
| Granby Consolidated | \$5.00 | \$4.00 |
| Morning Glory | 2 | 1 1/2 |
| Mountain Lion | 19 | 17 1/2 |
| North Star (East Kootenay) | 11 1/4 | 10 |
| Payne | 17 | 17 |
| Phillip | 29 | 27 |
| Rambler-Cariboo | 2 1/2 | 2 1/4 |
| San Paul | 5 1/2 | 4 |
| Sullivan | 5 1/2 | 4 |
| Tom Thumb | 3 | 2 |
| War Eagle Consolidated | 13 | 12 |
| Waterloo (Assess. paid) | 7 1/2 | 6 |
| White Bear (Assess. paid) | 4 1/2 | 3 1/2 |

Today's Sales.

War Eagle, 1000, 11 1/2; Payne, 2000, 12; Giant 2600, 2c. Total 5600.

Train Wreck.

Kansas City Dec. 21.—Fast train wrecked on Fresno road near Port Scot. Several killed and injured.

Being the first day of the holiday week there was little doing upon the exchange. Business can hardly be expected to pick up again in the stock market until after the New Year.

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SOCIETY CARDS.

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(Assayer for Le Roi No. 2.)

WILL TAKE

Custom Assays

MINOR MENTION.

The Maccabees are to give a dance on New Years Eve.

The first hockey match is being arranged for election week.

There is almost sufficient snow for snowshowing

The Woodmen are to have a basket social on Tuesday evening.

The Madrigals meet this evening at the home of Judge Townsend.

R. E. and M. F. O'Hearn are opening up a business in Fernie.

The St. George's Christmas tree will be held tomorrow evening.

J. J. Warren has left for Toronto.

Miss Renwick has returned from the coast.

The sister of Mrs. Creelman, Miss F. Verge of Minneapolis is here on a visit.

O. A. Sutherland, relieving officer for Archie Paterson has arrived at Sheep Creek.

Scholemmer's orchestra are giving a grand ball at the Miner's Union Hall on Christmas Eve.

There were no cases in the Police court today. This is a double edged compliment to the administration.

The City Hall will be kept open in the evening for the registration of voters during the first three days of next week.

Today is the shortest in the year. The mornings will now lengthen out but the evenings will not until next week.

The Municipal Reform Party have opened up a registration office in the store room next to Taylor & McQuarries.

In a contest for the President's cup on Saturday night Dr. Campbell's rink beat that of J. H. Watson by a score of 13 to 12.

Nelson Liberals are calling for a nominating convention and endorsing the present member, W. A. Galliber, who is a Nelson man.

It is understood that the Le Roi No. 2 is contemplating the doing away with of all Sunday work next year if it is possible to make the necessary arrangements.

The Miner is saying nice things about Ex Alderman Hamilton for a mayoral candidate. The Miner is not usually so happy in its choice for blame or praise.

There will be a meeting of the Young Mens Liberal Conservative Club this evening at the Board of Trade rooms for the purpose of electing officers, at 8 o'clock sharp.

Sandy Bottom

"Sandy Bottom" is said to be a play combining both pathos and comedy in test way which has so often been spoke of as that "The laughter chases away the tears." A play to enjoy lasting popularity must possess these qualifications or else fail to long interest a fickle public. It is necessary to touch the strings of the human heart. "Sandy Bottom" will be the attraction at the Rossland Opera House, Dec. 24th.

Attention Voters!

The Municipal Reform Party have opened an office for the registration of voters in the store next to Taylor & McQuarries. Voters can be registered until 9 o'clock p. m.

BOUNDARY LIBERALS

Boundary Falls Endorses Hugh McCutcheon

Boundary Falls, Dec. 21.—A meeting of the Boundary Falls Association has passed a resolution unanimously asking Hugh McCutcheon, of Greenwood, to become a candidate for the Liberal nomination for Yale-Cariboo in the coming Dominion election.

MYSTERIOUS DROWNING

Timber Cruiser O. Drolet Found Dead in Arrow Lake.

Nelson, Dec. 21.—A mysterious drowning took place on Arrow lake last Wednesday afternoon, resulting in the death of O. Drolet, a timber cruiser for the Yale-Columbia Lumber Company. Between half past 3 and 4 o'clock in the afternoon Drolet started from Halcy on a small rowboat for St. Leon, a few miles away. That was the last seen of him. The next morning the boat was found on the beach, about midway between the two points, with the bow torn open and Drolet's coat hanging on the nails of the jagged edge. Searching parties were organized to look for the body, and the Yale-Columbia company sent out thire tug Irene, which is still in the vicinity, to assist in the search. So far however, no traces of the body has been found, or anything which would tend to clear up the mystery of the affair.

The most probable theory advanced by those who have inspected the boat is that it was upset accidentally while some distance from the shore and that Drolet righted it, and taking off his coat put it in the bow and tried to paddle the partially submerged craft ashore, and that finally overcome by the coldness of the water, he let go and was drowned. The boat may then have drifted in with the wind and waves and been wrecked on the boulders along the shore. This is merely surmise, however, and nothing definite is known as to what really did happen.

THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Mines Will Close Down for the End of the Present Week

The Le Roi, Le Roi No. 2 and War Eagle and Centre Star will close down on Thursday evening next and will not reopen until Monday morning. Sunday being shift Sunday and Christmas Day being a holiday the intervening day is hardly worth working and the men will in consequence be given a holiday so that they may enjoy their Christmas this year thoroughly. The Rossland Kootenay will close on Christmas Day but as there is only one shift work at this mine and as there has been difficult shipping for the past few weeks, owing to the lack of snow, this mine is in a different position to the others and probably, therefore, will not have so extended a holiday.

A full line of pipes and smokers articles for holiday presents at Crow & Morris's.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage, which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be offered for sale by Public Auction by W. J. Robinson, Esq., Auctioneer, on the premises below described, in the City of Rossland, at 12 o'clock noon, on Thursday, the 7th day of January, 1904, the following valuable property, being Lot No. 9 in Block 27, according to Map 579 in the City of Rossland, British Columbia.

The property is on the North side of Columbia Avenue, opposite Hunter Bros., and on the same is a three-story frame building used as a lodging house and stores.

Terms of Sale.

Ten per cent of the purchase money to be paid at the time of sale, and the balance within thirty days thereafter. The sale will be held subject to a reserve bid. For further particulars apply to MACDONELL, McMASTER & GEARY, Solicitors to the Mortgagees, 51 Yonge Street, Toronto, Ont. Dated this 17th day of December, A.D. 1903.

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