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Tenth Year

EXPECT NEWS SOON FROM SOUTH AFRICA

Increased Activity All Along
the Line.

MARCH ON LADYSMITH

It Is Said That General Warren, with Ten
Thousand Men, Has Crossed the
Little Tugela River.

Capetown, Saturday, Jan. 13.—There is good reason to believe that the report that Sir Charles Warren, with 10,000 men, has gone towards Weenen, is correct and we may expect important news shortly.

Reports have been received here that dysentery is rife in Ladysmith.

London, Jan. 16.—(4 a.m.)—General Buller's latest authentic word, as to what he and his 30,000 men are doing, was wired from Springfield after his step forward. Striving to think out the unknown is confused by the surmise and rumor, and disquieted by suspense. Mr. Spencer Wilkinson, the lucid military expert of the Morning Post, asserts that the Boer force in Northern Natal is larger than General Buller's and Sir George White's together, so that the Boers are able to leave a force around Ladysmith larger than that within the town and yet to oppose Buller with a force superior to his own. Reports from the Boers' camps affirm the circle of investment has been drawn closely by the occupation of some hills near the town, thus liberating re-inforcements to oppose General Buller. The Daily News suggests that a multitude of the rumors that originate in South Africa and London are given currency by the English military authorities in order to mislead the Boers.

The war pages of the great dailies this morning are almost barren. Nevertheless the instruments on the loops connecting the War Office with the cables continue to click.

Among the minor perplexities of the War Office is a strike among the military tailors, which causes delay in uniforming the recruits.

The Birmingham Mail, the organ of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, says: "We understand on the highest authority that if the Government is defeated in Parliament on the question of the war, the Cabinet will immediately appeal to the country, all the Ministers having decided to stand the ground and not permit any individual Minister to be made a scapegoat."

London, Jan. 15.—Up to the present the reported crossing of the Tugela River by General Warren's division remains but rumors, nevertheless the whole tenor of such news as has dribbled in from South Africa during the last forty-eight hours, indicates that a combined forward movement of a comprehensive character is proceeding. It is not necessary to believe the unfounded stories of the Boers being in full retreat from Colenso, because it has been learned that a column is proceeding via Weenen, to help Makara to cut off their retreat. At the same time creditable information from many different sources indisputably points to momentous changes in the disposition of the Republican forces. Advices from Pietermaritzburg, dated Saturday January 13, say that since their defeat on January 6, the Boers have been removing their guns from the position south of Ladysmith. The same dispatch confirms the report that the 13th Hussars reached Groblerskrook without meeting the Boers. As the trenches at Groblerskrook were perhaps the strongest position held by the Burgers their vacation has considerably astonished the British. Merchants of Pietermaritzburg have received messages from Ladysmith saying: Bring up jam, etc., indicating that Ladysmith agents anticipated an immediate opening of communication while Ladysmith also telegraphed the belief prevalent there on January 13 that the Boers were moving and consolidating their forces elsewhere. As corroborative of the British activity in the direction of the relief of Ladysmith, the Associated Press is able to say a dispatch has been received in London from General

Buller to the effect that he expected that all the dispositions for a synchronous movement of the various columns against the besiegers would be completed this morning. Under these circumstances, it is considered quite probable that the advance on the beleaguered town has commenced and that fighting is progressing. Optimists go so far as to say it is expected Ladysmith will be relieved tonight if all goes well. The officials are inclined to credit the report that the British have crossed the Tugela River in that direction, although there is no confirmation of the report. Altogether there is a more hopeful feeling in official circles. There is little news of importance from elsewhere.

London, Jan. 16.—The Standard gives prominence to the following dispatch dated Sunday, January 14, from Durban: A man who has just arrived here from Springfield, says that a British column, proceeding to the relief of Ladysmith, has crossed the little Tugela. When he left it was facing the Boer position on the big Tugela and a Howitzer was shelling the Boer trenches.

He also says that 270 wagons loaded with commissariat stores for Ladysmith had left Frere and it was expected that the column would be in the hands of General White Monday evening. The traction engines have been doing excellent work in hauling heavy wagons out of holes and swamps. This they accomplished with the greatest of ease. The British patrols have discovered parties of Boers in the direction of Ennersdale, between Frere and Estcourt.

London, Jan. 15.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail, dated Saturday, Jan. 15, from Lorenzo Marquez, says President Kruger has issued a proclamation ordering all Burgers to the front. The Volksraad, the Transvaal official organ, suggests that the moment the British cross the border, the gold industry should be irrevocably destroyed.

President Kruger also issued a circular, dated January 8, to Boer commanders and Burgers, urging them to show more energy in the Transvaal cause. He quotes Psalm XXXIII, verse VII, as God had given instructions to the Burgers and says that the British have fixed the faith in Psalm LXXXIII. He also quotes Psalm LXXXIX, verses XIII and XIV, and asserts that he has searched the Bible without being able to find other mode which can be followed by the Boers, who must fight in the name of the Lord.

Commanding is proceeding busily at Pretoria, where the town guard is exchanging Mausers for Martinis as the former are badly needed at the front. It is said that there are nearly three thousand British prisoners in Pretoria.

Boer Headquarters, Outside Ladysmith, Tuesday, Jan. 9.—The Boers, occupying the southern edges of Bester's Cop, were driven out by the British Saturday. Commandant Nel, on the west of the town, and the Pretoria command on the north, have taken the kopjes commanding Caesar's camp from which they maintain a continuous sniping of the British.

The Pretoria command lost six men killed, and six wounded in attempting to storm the fort.

London, Jan. 16.—Mr. J. B. Robinson, the South African millionaire, in a signed article in the Daily News this morning, relates conversations he has held with Kruger and describes several interviews in which the Johannesburg raid was talked of. On one of these occasions President Kruger said: "Do you mean to tell me that you don't know the men who organized and engineered the raid, organized also for their own benefit? They had decided how they would divide the Transvaal, how each of the parties was to have certain interests in this country. 'Many reformers who were put in jail were perfectly innocent. They were ignorant of the schemes of the men in the inner circles. There were only twelve in the inner circles and they were to divide the Transvaal among themselves.

"They, or their companies, found the money for the raid. Do you think we are so innocent as not to know that Rhodes, metaphorically speaking, held a pistol at the heads of certain men in England and said to them: 'If you do not support me, I shall denounce you and your complicity in the raid.' At this state, according to Mr. Robinson, President Kruger became more excited and shouted so loud that people in the street stopped to listen to the conversation. President Kruger then said: 'And now you are remonstrating with me about arm-

ing. It is true I am arming and it is because I see clearly that I must defend my country."

To this Mr. Robinson replied: "The British public is aroused. If any attempt were made again to enter this country, there would be a great outcry in England; and the Imperial authorities could take steps to punish the organizers and to prevent such free booting expeditions."

President Kruger approached Mr. Robinson, placed a hand on his shoulder, made a violent effort to suppress his excitement, and said: "You mean well, but I have lost confidence. What has happened would take place again and I am determined to guard against it."

Later Mr. Kruger said: "What is to prevent Rhodes and co-adjutors again engineering some diabolical attempt against the independence of my country?"

London, Jan. 16.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Pietermaritzburg, telegraphing Thursday, Jan. 11, says: "The gallantry of the Ladysmith garrison last Saturday appears to have depressed if not actually demoralized the Boers generally. It is said that they lost at least two, if not three, killed as against our one."

London, Jan. 16.—The correspondent of the Times at Lorenzo Marquez, telegraphing last Saturday, says: "The Free State has now called out every available man, including the leading merchants, who have expected to enjoy immunity."

The Volks-Stem, in the course of an article, obviously inspired, vindicates the gold-tax as a political move, holding that the assumption be correct that the bulk of the Rand shares is held on the condition that Germany, France and other countries must recognize the desirability of bringing the war to a speedy close. It adds that every day the war continues costs the shareholders £17,000.

A threat of confiscation was used to force the tax. With the invaluable assistance of a considerable number of British subjects, the Boers are steadily increasing the yield of the mines, thus securing funds to pay foreigners employed in the manufacture of explosives, shells and other agents for the prosecution of the war. The time must come when the Imperial Government will proclaim that such British subjects will be prosecuted for treason or deprived of British citizenship.

Berlin, Jan. 15.—Emperor William still takes the deepest interest in the Bundesrath incident and holds frequent conferences on the subject with the Foreign Secretary, Count Von Buelow. The German Ambassador, Von Hatzfeldt, has informed the German Government that the seizures were upon the order of the British Admiralty, and not of the Foreign Office. At the Foreign Office today, it was asserted, in reply to inquiry, that the reported discovery of a quantity of rifles in the cargo of the Bundesrath was unimportant, since it was already known through the manifest that there were several cases of hunting rifles on board.

London, Jan. 16.—The War Office has published the following dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated Capetown, January 15, 6:30 p. m.: "French reports that a reconnaissance yesterday (Sunday) showed the Colenso road bridge; no casualties; returned today. Methuen and Gatacre report no change."

London, Jan. 15.—It is announced that the British steamer Milwaukee will replace the Montezuma, which is to carry the Canadian troops to South Africa.

Capetown, Jan. 15.—Mr. Webster Davis, the United States Assistant Secretary of the Interior, visited the Boer prisoners today and subsequently dined with the Admiral. He then visited and bid farewell to the Governor, Sir Alfred Milner, previous to starting for the Transvaal.

London, Jan. 15.—The Duke of Marlborough, who volunteered for service in South Africa, will sail for Capetown Saturday night.

London, Jan. 15.—Major General, Sir Fred Carrington, the well known South African officer, until now commander of the Belfast district, has been ordered to South Africa.

Durban, Natal, Jan. 14.—(Sunday).—Foreign military attaches arrived here this morning and will proceed Monday to Capetown to join Lord Roberts.

WAR OFFICE ACCEPTS STRATHCONA'S OFFER

Four Hundred Plainmen
Will Go to South Africa.

THE DEPARTING TROOPS

Intense Enthusiasm Displayed in Ottawa
Yesterday—Western Men Arrive
at Halifax.

(Special Dispatches to The Miner.)

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 15.—The Government has been officially notified of the War Office's acceptance of Lord Strathcona's offer of 400 mounted men from the North West. It is understood that the Elder-Dempster liner Montrose will convey these troops, along with those from British Columbia, to South Africa.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—Hon. Messrs. Fielding, Blair, Borden, Mulock and Sutherland will go to Halifax to see the troops embark. Other Ministers may go also.

There must have been from 25,000 to 30,000 people who turned out this forenoon to cheer the Ottawa battery as it took its departure here today for South Africa. The crowd at the railway depot was packed like sardines in a box. All classes were represented, Ministers of the Crown, military men, civic representatives and plain citizens. Cars were decorated with the British colors and the band played and crowd sang "Auld Lang Syne" as the train pulled out of the depot. At head of deep cut the train stopped and the Governor-General addressed the soldiers. The enthusiasm was intense.

It was decided today that the vessel to replace the Montezuma, as a transport for the second contingent to South Africa, will be Milwaukee, sister ship of the Montezuma and owned by the same concern, the Elder-Dempster Co. She is now on her way from Liverpool to New Orleans for mules but will be in all probability sent north to Halifax, where she will be, according to calculations of the owners, on Thursday of next week. She is slightly larger than the Montezuma. The fittings in the latter, however, which are now almost complete, will do for the Milwaukee with very little change.

The Government has been officially notified of the acceptance by the War Office of Lord Strathcona's offer to bear the expense of raising and outfitting four hundred mounted men from the North West. The consent of the authorities here to the scheme has already been given, and it is taken that the force will be raised under the superintendence of the Minister of Militia, as was done with the first two contingents, although Lord Strathcona, will personally be consulted on all points and will probably see fit to nominate some of the officers.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 15.—The steamer Laurentian, the first transport leaving Halifax, will sail Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. The reception, tendered by the citizens of Halifax, will take place Friday evening.

Toronto, Jan. 15.—Captain Barker, who commanded the Toronto company in the recent fight, writes his parents from Belmont, December 9, telling of scenes in a previous battle. He says: "Our chaps now all look dirty, sunburnt, but fine, and there is no sickness. The khaki clothing is the color of the African sand and nearly all the men have beards. They are getting over anxious to go forward and fight."

Montreal, Jan. 15.—On December 28, while fighting with Natal caribou at Ladysmith, Robert Milne-Miller, of Innesfall, Alberta, was killed. He was a son of Surgeon Major Milne-Miller, formerly of Rossinre, Scotland.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 15.—The Mail's London special says Colonel Pilcher with Canadians and Queenslanders, moved on January 7, from Belmont, south to General Babington's line of march.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 15.—The de-training of Manitoba troops was witnessed by thousands, while hundreds

visited the camp today. Major Williams inspected his eastern troops, and expressed satisfaction. He drilled his troops for an hour. The drill was admired by a large crowd. The general opinion is that "B" squadron will be hard to beat.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—A general militia order today says:

"Officers before being appointed to command or seconds in command of corps of active militia, other than permanent units, will require to pass an examination in tactical fitness for command. This examination will be conducted by a board of officers at camps of instruction and will consist of, ability to read a map with facility, to handle in the field a mixed force of not less than one battery and three battalions in the practical solution of some simple tactics. All orders to be written by the candidate, to command a unit of the candidate's own arm in some similar operation, written solution of a set of tactical problem, (only one), marking on a map the position of troops required, each member of board to record his opinion individually of the work done by candidate and to state clearly whether in his opinion candidate possess necessary qualifications to make an efficient officer, possessing the required power to command and handle men. Officers of permanent units will hereafter be required to pass 'Tactical fitness test for commands' before a board of officers of the Imperial service in the same manner as officers of the Imperial service, and after same facilities for instruction have been given as to officers of the same service."

Ottawa, Ont. Jan. 15.—The Ottawa and district quota to the second contingent received a royal send off this morning, the streets being crowded with enthusiastic citizens, bands, etc.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 15.—The special conveying the Northwest Mounted Police contingent for South Africa, numbering nearly 400, will reach Winnipeg between 10:30 and 1 o'clock tomorrow and those on board will at once be taken to the Drill Hall and entertained to luncheon by the city. A stay of about two hours will be made here.

Greenwood, B. C., Jan. 15.—Mayor Hardy has received six applications of citizens to join the B. C. contingent for the Transvaal and telegraphed to the Provincial Secretary offering their services. Since then a seventh, who served in the Texas Rangers, has been added to the list. They are all select men and anxious to go to the front.

Montreal, Jan. 15.—The Bank of B. N. A. has subscribed £1000 to the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

London, Jan. 15.—It is announced, in a dispatch from Capetown, that advices have been received there from Colenso, dated Friday, Jan. 12, saying that Colonel Porter, with the mounted New Zealanders and the New South Wales Lancers, was worrying the Boers from kopje to kopje by plucky hazardous moves. The Colonials, it was added, were completely non-plussing the Burgers. A party of Remingtons scouts eluded the Boer pickets, entered Norval's Pont and secured valuable information.

Capetown, Jan. 15.—A dispatch to the Argus, dated Friday, says: "The authorities have received news that General Warren has occupied a strong position north of the Tugela River. The report is discredited in official circles."

New York, Jan. 15.—A circular, appealing for peace and pleading for the Boers, signed by 400 clergymen of all denominations in the Netherlands, has just been delivered to the ministers of Christian churches in Great Britain.

Orange River, Jan. 12.—General Wood, for the first time in this campaign, has established a post in the enemy's country. With a force of all arms, he took up a position, January 6, at Zoutspan Drift, on the north side of the Orange River, in the Free State.

Toronto, Ont. Jan. 15.—Protests have been filed against the return of Conservative members for East and West Elgin. One had been already filed against the return of Hon. John Dryden for South Ontario.

The National Patriotic Fund started by the Globe amounts tonight to \$8,300. This does not include \$5,000 contributed today by the Bank of B. N. A., which is sent from headquarters in London, Eng., to the Central Committee Fund at Ottawa.

POST ELECTION FUN IS ON IN MANITOBA

Both Parties are Now Busy
Filing Protests.

FRESH CANADIAN NEWS

Funeral of the Late Mr. Ogilvie in Montreal—Death of Prominent People.
Bail for Baxter.

(Special Dispatches to The Miner.)

Winnipeg, Jan. 15.—A meeting of those in opposition to the Government of Hon. H. J. Macdonald, was held at Dominion City today for the purpose of selecting a candidate to oppose Hon. D. H. McFadden, in the approaching bye-election for Emerson. Mr. Gavin Ross was selected to oppose the new Minister. The first batch of protests arising out of the recent Manitoba election were filed today. The Liberals enter protests against six Conservative members elect, Morris, Rosenfeldt, Portage la Prairie, Morden, Manitou and Rockwood. The Conservatives protest the Liberals elect for Lakeside, Birtle, Deloraine and Carleton.

Andrew B. Clarke, of Clarke Bros. & Co., stationers, formerly of Montreal, died suddenly today.

Montreal, Jan. 15.—Judge Hall gave judgment today on the application of James Baxter and Walter Ernest Felowes, prisoners in connection with the Ville Marie Bank case. Baxter will have to give bail to the extent of \$30,000, half of which is to be personal.

Toronto, Jan. 15.—Fifteen thousand dollars damage was caused this morning in a fire which gutted Lang & Co.'s drygoods establishment. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss on the building, owned by H. T. McCarthy, is estimated at \$2,000.

London, Ont., Jan. 15.—William Giddens, a prominent real estate broker, while on his way to lunch this morning, dropped dead in front of the Tecumseh House.

Father Point, Que., Jan. 15.—Mr. Pitre D. Rouleaux, first mayor of this parish and postmaster since 1865, died this morning after a long illness.

Edmonton, N. W. T., Jan. 15.—Fred R. Gibson, town clerk, former deputy sheriff at Regina, during the rebellion, and who officiated at the execution of Louis Riel, is dead, having been ill only a few hours.

Montreal, Jan. 15.—Dr. J. Baker-Edwards, well known chemist and analyst, is dead, aged 75.

Montreal, Que., Jan. 15.—The funeral of the late W. W. Ogilvie took place this afternoon. The funeral was one of the most largely attended ever seen in Montreal. The chief mourners included the Hon. Senator Ogilvie, brother of deceased, and the deceased's three sons. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. J. Edgar Hill, pastor of St. Andrew's church. At the conclusion of the service the remains were conveyed to Mount Royal cemetery for interment.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—Williams, the Toronto murderer, has been sentenced to be hanged on Good Friday. As question has been raised, the Minister of Justice was asked for an opinion. Hon. Mr. Mills said that there was nothing in the code to prevent the carrying out of the sentence that day. It is thought that English precedent would justify Justice Meredith in again bringing the man before him and renewing the sentence.

(Associated Press Despatches.)

Montreal, Que., Jan. 15.—A Detroit dispatch says Senator McMillan, accompanied by representative Michigan timber dealers, will urge Secretary Hay at Washington to take some action toward adjusting grievances now existing between the Ontario Government and Michigan lumber men, relative to pine timber. If no amicable settlement is likely, the Senator will

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THE C. & W. LAND GRANT.

Mr. Martin is opposed to substituting a money subsidy for the land grant made in aid of the Columbia & Western railway. That is Mr. Martin's privilege, whatever may be his motive; whether a conscientious regard for principle, which has never been known to weigh too heavily on that gentleman, or personal animosity, which long and assiduous cultivation has made a part of his nature. He opposes the change, and takes the ground that the Railway Company have now no right to either subsidy or grant.

There are legal points involved in the case as he presents it, and with these we do not propose to have anything to do; but there is one broad comprehensive point based on justice and common sense, and in respect to that we presume to have an opinion that is perhaps as valuable as Mr. Martin's.

The Columbia & Western began under a Provincial charter, and to aid in its construction the Legislature voted a land grant of two or three million acres. Every person in the Dominion capable of reading a page of English intelligently has known for years that it is within the right of the Federal authority to take control of any Provincial railway, by the simple declaration that it is for the general advantage of Canada. The land grant was voted subject to that authority, and with the knowledge that at any time it might be exercised. In the course of time it was exercised, in pursuance of a policy prevailing at Ottawa that all railways of any pretension or importance whatever should be brought within the jurisdiction of the Dominion and subject to the General Railway Act. Any other policy would be liable to provoke much inconvenience.

When the grant was made, therefore, it was within the knowledge of every member of the Legislature who knew his a, b, c of public affairs that the Columbia & Western would almost certainly, indeed, quite certainly, pass from under the control of the Province to that of the Dominion.

Mr. Martin contends that because this has been done the Company's right to the land lapses. There may be special provisions in the charter under which it would be possible to press this claim, but we were unable to detect any reference to them in the report of Mr. Martin's speech. With our present information we understand the Columbia & Western was incorporated in the usual way, was voted a land grant subject to the usual conditions, and that it finally passed to Dominion control in the usual inevitable way. To claim under these circumstances that the Company are no longer entitled to the land grant is merely a preliminary to repudiation; and we should think, if we may be permitted to have an opinion on the subject, that in the repudiation of last session this Province has had as much dishonor thrust upon it as the public reputation and the public credit will bear with safety.

In taking a survey of the work done by the old Council, in order to make plans for this year's operations, the new Council will observe with more than usual satisfaction the improvements that have been carried out at the initiative or under the direction of the City Engineer. In Mr. McCulloch the corporation is fortunate in having an official who is capable, conscientious, industrious, and painstaking, one who possesses in rare degree the disposition to mind his own business and hammer away at it until duty was fully performed. That is the kind of public servant the people want, and it will be only gracious on the part of the new Aldermen if they show their appreciation of his services by strengthening his hands whenever or wherever it may be necessary.

Mr. Houston's paper says The Miner has been contending that the City cannot afford to lose the revenue that was derived from the slot machines. We do not attribute this to an intentional and deliberate desire to misrepresent the attitude of The Miner; it is due entirely to an ignorance that is incapable under certain circumstances of

comprehending the simplest statement that is expressed in rational English. That paper has been so long accustomed to the language of the bar-room, the race track, and the gambling den that any other appears strange to it. It is needless to say that The Miner has not made any such contention, nor has it said anything that a person of ordinary school or college education could so distort as to read such a meaning into it.

Referring to the explanation made to a Montreal audience by Mr. Sifton, that Mr. Greenway's defeat in Maui, Iowa was due to over-confidence, The Vancouver World says: "No doubt there is much truth in this statement." Our excellent and esteemed contemporary is quite too guileless. There is no truth whatever in it. From the moment Mr. Hugh J. Macdonald was made leader of the Opposition Mr. Greenway knew that if he were to carry the next election he had his work cut out for him, and from that time forward he neglected nothing to strengthen his defences. He dug his trenches and put up his barbed wire barriers, and did everything else that a prudent and experienced general would do. Mr. Greenway was defeated because of two reasons; one, that the people were becoming tired of him, and the other, that Mr. Sifton and the Dominion Government were even more unpopular than himself.

Lord Strathcona's offer to equip and land at Cape Town four hundred mounted soldiers is magnificent in its patriotism and generosity. The Provincial offer to send one hundred rough riders is no strain on the patriotism of British Columbia, but it is too much like the offer of a million in aid of an Imperial cable to command much admiration. There is just a little too much self-glory in it to give it the genuine ring.

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THE NEW COUNCIL

FIRST MEETING HELD YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

Mayor Appoints the Finance Public Works Committees—City Salaries May Be Reduced.

The new City Council held their first meeting yesterday afternoon and transacted a considerable amount of routine business. The attendance was not quite a full one. Mayor Houston was in the chair, and Aldermen Irvine, Arthur, Hall and Wilson were present, Aldermen McKillop and Morrison being the absentees.

The two standing committees were nominated by the Mayor and are as follows:

Public Works Committee—Aldermen Irvine, (chairman), Hall and Wilson. Finance Committee—Aldermen McKillop (chairman), Arthur and the successful candidate in the Morrison-Irvine dispute.

The application of Dr. Stoddard for leave to obtain power from the West Kootenay Power & Light Company, referred to the present Council by the old one, was considered and, on the motion of Aldermen Arthur and Hall, it was decided to refuse to issue permits to anyone for the use of electric power from that company. The application of Ed. MacGregor for the position of City Pound Keeper was laid over.

H. W. Hawley wrote offering to pay 50 cents a ton for ice taken from the reservoir providing he were given the exclusive right to take it. The request was refused on the motion of Alderman Hall and Wilson.

The City Engineer's annual report, already published, was received and filed.

On the motion of Ald. Hall and Wilson, the City Clerk was instructed to get out a list of the users of electric light and water, the rates charged them and the rates that should be charged under the by-law, and submit the same in two weeks' time.

It was decided to issue a cheque for \$2,750 to pay the interest on the debentures which falls due this month.

The alleyway in block 5, between Josephine and Ward Streets will be made passable for teams, according to the terms of a motion proposed by Ald. Hall and seconded by Ald. Irvine.

Some unpaid accounts were, on the motion of Aldermen Wilson and Hall, referred to the Finance Committee.

The Council then endorsed the late Council's petition to the Provincial Government for the transfer of block 49 to the City and the appropriation of \$10,000 for school purposes, and directed the City Clerk to forward a copy of the resolution to the Provincial Secretary.

The issuance of a note for \$30,000 was authorized as collateral for the overdraft at the bank, pending the collection of current revenue.

On the motion of Aldermen Arthur and Hall, a committee was appointed to look into the question of the salaries paid to those employed by the City and report on the advisability of making any reductions. The committee consists of Aldermen McKillop, Wilson and Arthur.

After deciding that the Council would meet in the City Hall every Monday at 8 p. m. the meeting adjourned.

SECOND RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

Car Goes Through a Trestle About Two Miles From Here.

The C. P. R. seems to be having a run of the worst kind of hard luck just now. There was a smash up near Creston on Sunday, and the very next day another accident has to be chronicled. The 8 o'clock train yesterday morning, consisting of several freight cars as well as the passenger coaches, had just passed through the new cut about two miles out of Nelson when the car in front of the baggage car jumped the track, plunged along the trestle and finally went through it, falling about 20 feet. The car was loaded with coal. Two cars in all left the track, and the trestle was rather badly knocked about.

The engine with a few of the cars went on to Robson taking one or two of the passengers but most of them walked back to Nelson. They were shaken up but none of them were hurt. One result of the accident was that no trains went out of Nelson yesterday to Slovan City or Robson, though one went as far as the trestle to meet the Revelstoke and Rossland passengers last evening, and a transfer was effected. The 8 o'clock train will, however, go out as usual this morning. Mr. J. C. Drewery, who was in the smash up near Creston on Sunday, was also in yesterday's accident. He thinks railway travelling in the Kootenays is getting dangerous, and expressed a wish to hire a balloon as the only safe way of getting back to Rossland.

A CROWDED HOUSE.

Professor McEwen Opens His Second Week Well.

Nelsonites do no seem to tire of Mr. McEwen's performance for the audience at the Opera House last night was

probably the largest he has had yet. Possibly the sleeping man in Des Brisay's window was a drawing card, as he was awakened on the stage last night. Before waking him up Professor McEwen proceeded to demonstrate the genuineness of the hypnotic sleep by putting sterilized pins through his lips, pushing a tooth pick up his nose and touching his eyeballs, none of which operations caused the sleeper to wince in the least. Dr. Isabel Arthur and Dr. Stoddard were on the stage and watched these tests carefully, and were thoroughly satisfied as to their genuineness. The sleeper then woke up, having been in a hypnotic sleep since 8 a. m. He was ravenously hungry, and did ample justice to the dinner provided for him.

A very funny scene was enacted later on when a subject was placed on a chair and told he was taking his best girl out for a drive. The part of the best girl was taken by another subject under a similar delusion, and the audience screamed with laughter as the two men affectionately embraced. The entertainment included with a baseball game. Several outfielders stood among the audience, and they all played the imaginary game with much zest, even if with but little skill.

The performances are still as funny as ever, and it is universally regretted that Mr. McEwen has only two more nights to play here.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. Ernest Mausfield returned last night from a trip to New Denver.

Mr. Frank Robbins, superintendent of the Steamship mine near Phoenix, is in the city.

Messrs. John McKane and J. C. Drewery return to Rossland on this morning's train.

The sleeping beauty in Des Brisay's window yesterday gave The Miner's special bulletins a hard run for the first place as attractions.

James Kelly, charged with abduction, was brought up before Police Magistrate Crease yesterday, and was again remanded until today.

The Granite stamp mill started up again on Sunday with ten stamps, the other ten being set going last night. The mill is working admirably under its present management.

The Rev. R. Frew left last night for Fernie to attend a meeting of the Presbytery there on the occasion of the induction of the Rev. M. S. Jordan. Mr. Frew expects to get back on Wednesday.

The Ymir branch of the Merchant's Bank of Halifax was closed on Saturday. Ymir is very quiet and gives indications of remaining so until mining operations open on a more extensive scale in the spring.

The Eschequer sent down another shipment of 21 tons to the Hall Mines smelter on Saturday. The returns, which were received yesterday, show that the ore went \$25 in gold and 2½ ounces in silver to the ton.

After the Sunday evening service at the Baptist Church had been concluded Mr. Reach was joined in the bonds of holy matrimony to Miss Emily Amy by the Rev. C. W. Rose. The newly married couple will take up their residence in Nelson.

Mr. F. M. Chadbourne, ore buyer for the Hall Mines smelter, returned yesterday from a visit to Ainsworth. He reports that things are rather quiet there, though there is good prospect for increased activity in the mines next summer.

The office of the Hudson's Bay Company will be moved into their new block today, and the groceries will be transferred as soon as the fixtures, which are daily expected, arrive. The dry goods will not be here until the middle of February.

Men are now being employed to work on the Balfour line. Locators are now at Balfour and although nothing has yet been said about the signing of the contract there is no doubt but that work will be well under way by the end of the month.

AT THE HOTEL HUME.

James Colling and wife, J. H. Howe, Vancouver; Frank M. O'Brien, Kasko; Charles W. Beck, Kokanee; W. H. Smith, Chicago; Geo. Creek; W. H. Smith, Toronto; Hank Sall, Port Rico; Miss V. Archer, Montreal; Ernest Mansfield, New Denver.

MAY STRIKE TODAY.

Minot, N. D., Jan. 15.—A strike of serious proportions is threatened by train operatives of the Great Northern Railway. This applies to freightmen only, but it is thought that unless an amicable adjustment of differences is brought about, a general tie up will result. Last night an informal meeting of train men was held and it was decided to go out Tuesday night unless modification of the rule, lately introduced compelling freight crews to do switching at terminal points, was granted.

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