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PEACE AND WAR REST WITH THE PEOPLE

Governments No Longer Can Have Their Way.

SO SAYS PAUL CAMBON

French Ambassador to Great Britain is Pleased at the Friendliness of the Two Countries.

London, March 7.—M. Paul Cambon, French Ambassador to Great Britain, was the principal guest this evening at the banquet of the London Chamber of Commerce. In reply to a toast the French Ambassador said that peace and war no longer rest with Governments, but with the people. He noted with great pleasure the determination of the promoters of commerce in Great Britain and France to augment the cordiality of relation between the two nations and foster that "real spirit of conciliation by which all differences can be readily settled." The utterances of M. Cambon are particularly notable, as reflecting the improvement in the relations between London and Paris.

A SETTLEMENT ASSURED.

Paris, March 7—The following semi-official note was issued that evening: "A satisfactory settlement between France and Great Britain of the questions arising out of the Fashoda incident may be expected within a fortnight. The delimination of the respective territories has so far advanced that the starting points and general directions of the frontier have already been arranged and Great Britain has admitted that France was entitled to a commercial outlet on the Nile."

SLOWLY BUT SURELY.

Kipling's Progress Has Been Very Satisfactory.

New York, March 7.—Mr. Doubleday tonight reported both Rudyard Kipling and his little daughter Elsie to be slowly but surely convalescing. Mr. Kipling has not yet been informed of the death of his child and he will not be told about it until he is practically well. She was his favorite and the physcians dread the possibility of a relapse should he learn of her death in any manner. Some of the more important cablegrams and messages are daily read to Mr. Kipling and occasionally he is allowed to read them himself. Every such message is carefully censored to prevent the father reading even an illusion to his loss. Great quantities of flowers continue to be sent to the Grenoble Hotel by friends of the Kiplings. At 10 o'clock tonight Mr. Doubleday said that Mr. Kipling had done splendidly during the day and had made more progress toward recovery than on any previous day.

A QUIET FUNERAL.

New York, March 7.—Mrs. Kipling, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Dr. Dunham, and Dr. Conland of Battleboro, Vermont, this morning, left the hotel where the author lies. Shortly after 2 o'clock they returned with flowers in their hands. It was presumed that they had been to the funeral of Rudyard Kipling's daughter Josephine.

THE REASON THEREOF.

Berlin, March 7.—Emperor William has received through Herr Von Holleben, the German Ambassador at Washington, a message from Mrs. Rudyard Kipling, expressing her thanks for the despatches sent to her by His Majesty yesterday, in which he expressed his solicitude for Mr. Kipling. His Majesty's message is much commented on here. It is believed it was not sent from the motives of sympathy and courtesy, but to create a pleasant political impression.

WET AND COLD.

Climatic Conditions And Floods Cause Great Discomforts.

Norfolk, Va., March 7.—From Hatteras to Norfolk a terrible storm is raging, exceeding in intensity that of February 13. The wind is blowing at the rate of 40 miles an hour, accompanied by snow and cold. A big vessel, whose name cannot be ascertained, has gone ashore at Gulls Island, near Hatteras. The life savers are on the scene.

Cincinnati, March 7—Notwithstanding the low temperature and the high winds of last night, the Ohio river continued steadily rising at the rate of 2-10 of a foot per hour. Newport is the earliest sufferer, from high water, and already a considerable portion of her territory is flooded, and families have been compelled to either leave their homes or go to the upper stories.

Lexington, Ky., March 7.—An almost unprecedented loss follows the breaking up of booms in the Kentucky rivers. It is estimated that fully one million dollars worth of logs have been lost in this way at Jackson, Beattyville, Valleyview and other points. The Lexington & Eastern railway has been a heavy loser. Above Clay City its tracks were submerged in some places to a depth of five feet, while in other places the tracks were washed away.

Charleston, West Virginia, March 7.—The sight was one of discomfort and actual suffering. The slow falling of the water, added to the low temperature, has made the situation a gloomy one. Many business men were compelled to use threats to those seeking provisions and fuel. The Governor was forced to use a boat to go from the executive mansion to his office in the state house. Much drunkenness and disorder has prevailed. The loss to timbermen up Elk river will be heavy, as that river traverses the heaviest logging districts in West Virginia. Immense rafts are thrown in loose and go into the Kanawha, sometimes doing heavy damage to coal docks, barges and tipples. The Winnifred docks are gone with several barges, and an expensive tipple between the east bank and Belmont was swept away.

TO NATIVE SOIL

LORD HERSCHELL'S REMAINS ON BOARD THE TALBOT.

Full Naval Honors Accorded the Body of the Distinguished Statesman.

New York, March 7.—The body of Lord Herschell reached Jersey City from Washington at 7:40 this morning, and was taken on board the British cruiser Talbot, which will convey it to England. The special train over the Pennsylvania railway bearing the remains was met at the station by the British consul-general, Percy Sanderson; Commodore Philip, commandant of the New York Navy Yard; Lieutenant-Commander Kelly, United States Navy, and detachments of American and British marines. The marines escorted the casket from the train to the Navy Yard tug Narkeeta, on which it was transferred to the Talbot. Noon had been set as the time for the sailing of the Talbot, but it was expected she would be delayed on account of the storm.

As the casket was lifted out of the car at the railroad station, the American marines presented arms and the drummers rolled the "Four Ruffles," the highest funeral salute known, excepting that given to Royalty. Six British tars stepped forward and placed over the casket the flag of England. Before the march to the tug was made, a number of gentlemen who had accompanied the body, stepped up and laid on the coffin wreaths of flowers. Those who came from Washington with the remains were C. C. Cartwright, Secretary of the Joint High Commission; J. C. Williamson, Private Secretary to Lord Herschell, and his body servant, T. Martin. After the flag of England and the flowers had been deposited on the coffin, it was placed on a truck and wheeled to the freight elevators and lowered to the floor below, where another squad of British sailors awaited it. Again six of them stepped forward and lifted the coffin to their shoulders. The buglers of the Navy Yard Marines sounded the "call," the marines presented arms, the officers saluted, the civilians raised their hats and the sailors slowly bore the body to the navy tug boat Narkota. It was securely fastened to the forward deck and when both American and British marines were on board, the tug returned to Ellis Island, where lay the cruiser Talbot. The snow was falling fast by this time and before the tug proceeded a cable length from the pier a white pall had settled on the casket covering it completely.

FROM THE QUEEN.

Washington, March 6.—The following message from Queen Victoria to the President has been received at the executive mansion:

Windsor, March 6.

The President of the United States:

I desire to thank you sincerely, and the American nation, for the honor paid the memory of Lord Herschell and for the friendly sympathies shown to my country in its bereavement.

VICTORIA, R. I.

RUHLIN THE VICTOR.

New York, March 7—Gus Ruhlin, of Akron, Ohio, met and defeated Joe Goddard, of Australia, in the fifth round of what was to have been a 20 round bout before the Lenox Athletic Club tonight. Both men stripped in excellent condition, but Ruhlin had the call in the betting. This was certainly justified from his appearance and from the outset he held his opponent cheaply. He evidently saw that Joe could not offset his rushes and from the very beginning forced the fighting. The Australian went down frequently with good cause, but toward the close of the contest he dropped without cause and was deservedly disqualified. Ruhlin was a two to one favorite in the betting.

UNITED STATES WANT NO SHARE OF CHINA

Will Stand Aloof When Partition Comes.

WU TING FANG TALKS

Chinese Minister at Washington is Pleased at the Action of the United States.

Washington, March 7.—The Chinese Minister, Mr. Wu Ting Fang, expresses himself as highly gratified at the definite determination of the United States to keep hands off China and to resist the intimations of other powers that the time is ripe for this country to take for itself a part of the coast line of China as made known by an authorized statement given yesterday. "I am sure the Chinese Government and people will not fail to observe this strong evidence of good will" said Mr. Wu Ting Fang, today. "It is not only another bond between the two countries, but it has a special significance just now. While the old world powers seem moved by rapacity, the United States takes that lofty position of equity, justice and humanity, which has characterized her dealings with other international questions of late, and instead of joining in encroachments in China, assumes an attitude of strict neutrality."

The Minister had a long conference yesterday with Secretary Hay as to the situation in China. While he will not discuss the conference, he udoubtedly learned in an official way what was made known to the public later in the day and communicated the information to Pekin. It is understood that the position of the United States in refusing any territory will have an important influence on affairs in China, strengthening the hands of those in authority. Speaking of Italy's action in seeking an "Open door" on the Chinese coast by the acquisition of San Mun Bay, Mr. Wu says he was much surprised at this move as Italy has practically no trade with China. What China will do as to accepting or rejecting the Italian claims, Mr. Wu has not yet been advised officially.

LOOKS SUSPICIOUS.

The Explosion at Toulon Was Probably the Result of a Crime.

Paris, March 7.—The deaths resulting from the Toulon explosion of Sunday morning number 54, and 130 persons were injured. The reports that the catastrophe was the result of a crime are renewed. It is asserted that a fuse five feet long has been found in the ruins of the magazine. M. Lockroy, Minister of Marine, in the course of an interview had with him, said that none of the theories advanced was admissable. "Imprudence on the part of the personnel," he added, "was impossible, as the explosions occurred several hours after the gates had been closed. The heating theory, too, is unsound, as the temperature of the building was always low and the air dry."

MAY NOW RECOVER.

Brussels, March 7.—Queen Marie Henriette, who is suffering from broncho pneumonia, passed a good night and her condition this morning shows a marked improvement.

AFTER ALBI.

That the Spokane Police thought that Albi, the Italian murderer, headed this way to elude them is evident from the following from the Cascade Record: For a couple of days this week Cascade has had a visitor in the person of C. E. Cole, Deputy Sheriff from Spokane, who came to search for William Albi, who murdered James Lacey in a Spokane gambling den on February 18. It was thought that Albi, who has a couple of brothers on the railway work in this vicinity, had made for British Columbia, and was disguised as a woman. Constable Darraugh was notified by telephone, and kept a sharp outlook for the fugitive, who it was believed would seek cover in some of the Italian railway camps on the new line. It is now thought, however, by Mr. Cole, that Albi is still in the vicinity of Spokane. Mr. Cole followed one man to Cascade, feeling certain that he had the murderer, but it proved to be a cousin of Albi, who bore a great resemblance.

It was warmer yesterday than on any previous day this year. A little more such weather and we will think that spring has set in in earnest. But old timers yesterday predicted another cold snap before winter finally shuffles away.

OPEN FIRE BENEATH THE FLAG OF TRUCE

Treacherous Warfare of Philippine Insurgents.

DRIVING OUT REBELS

Enemy Endeavored to Capture a Position Held by the Americans But Were Repulsed.

Manila, March 7.—8:45 p. m.—This afternoon Gen. Hale's brigade continued the work of driving out the rebels from the country between the reservoir and the water works, a distance of about three miles. The country is now clear on the left of the river but the enemy is still in front of General Wheaton's line. Near San Pedro Macati they have been attempting to make the positions of the sixth artillery on the hills untenable, their sharpshooters keeping up a constant fire all day. Private Lovejoy, Co. C, Washington volunteers, was killed by a stray bullet Major Bell, 7th United States Cavalry, Private E. Young, Co. M., 120th Infantry, Private Curran, Co. H, 20th Infantry and Private Parks, Co. I, 1st Wyoming volunteers, were wounded today. This morning the enemy in front of General Overshine's division displayed a flag of truce but retired when Lieutenant Kohler with two men advanced to meet it. This afternoon they again showed a white flag and again two officers and an inspector advanced. When the Americans were within 200 yards of the rebels, the latter dragged rifles from behind their backs and opened fire upon them, but fortunately, without effect. Hawthorne's battery fired two shells, killing several of the enemy. In accordance with instructions to the land and naval forces, a general order was issued today instructing the troops to give particular attention to the duty of furnishing full protection to the lives and property of all German, Austrian, Dutch, Italian and Portuguese residents, and with the co-operation of the resident German consul, to give aid and assistance wherever necessary. At 3 o'clock this afternoon the temperature was 83 degrees Fahrenheit and the heat is intense, especially on the lines where 25 men were temporarily prostrated during the day.

CLEARING THE WAY.

Manila, March 7.—12:10 p. m.—A detachment of General Hale's and General Wheaton's brigades were engaged for two hours this morning clearing the country in front of their lines on both sides of the river, the enemy concentrating with the apparent purpose of cutting off the garrison at the waterworks. The rebels bolted at the first sign of the advance, but they separated into small bodies, when ever the cover afforded opportunity, and kept up a running fire. By a series of rapid advances, followed by flank movements, the enemy was completely routed as far out as Guadaloupe on the right and almost to Mariquini on the left. The causualties reported, Capt. O'Brien, Company F, 1st Wyoming Volunteers, and two men slightly wounded. The rebel loss was heavy. No rebels were visible at noon.

A TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM.

Washington, March 7.—The purpose of the Administration to send large reinforcements to General Otis at Manila presents a serious problem of transportation to the officers of the quartermaster's department. About 27,500 troops are under orders to prepare for transportation to Manila by way of San Francisco and the Pacific ocean. The only troop ships available for the service are the Arizona, Scandia, Newport, Morgan City and Zealandia. The last named is the only one at San Francisco, all the others being in the Orient.

COMMISSION'S WORK.

Washington, March 7.—Renewed interest in the situation in the Philippines is awakened by the establishment at Manila of the civilian members of the Commission which has been designated by the President to represent him in the archipelago. The speculation regarding the duties of this Commission, and the authority it will have in the colonial government, are set at rest by the publication of the order issued by the President to the Secretary of State. It will be noted that the military government of the islands under General Otis will be continued without interference until the powers of the Commission, while important, are largely advisory. The order says: In order to facilitate the most humane, specific and effective extension of authority throughout these islands, and to secure with the least possible delay the benefits of a wise and generous protection of life and property to the inhabitants, I have named Jacob G. Schurman, Rear Admiral Dewey, Major General Elwell S. Otis, Charles Denby and Dean C. Worcester to constitute a Commission to aid in the accomplishment of these results. In the performance of this duty, the Commissioners are enjoined to be, at the earliest possible date, in the city of Manila, and to announce by a public proclamation their presence and the mission entrusted to them, carefully setting forth that, while the military government already proclaimed is to be maintained and continued so long as necessity may require, efforts will be made to alleviate the burdens of taxation, to establish industrial and commercial prosperity, and to provide for the safety of persons and property by such means as may be found conducive to these ends. The Commissioners will endeavor, without interference with the military authorities of the United States, now in control of the Philippines, to ascertain what improvements in public order may be practicable, and for this purpose they will study attentively the existing social and political state of the various populations, particularly as regards the form of local governments, the administration of justice, the collection of customs and other taxes, the means of transportation, and the public improvement. They will report through the State Department the results of their observations and reflections, and will recommend such executive action as may from time to time seem to them wise and useful. The temporary government of the islands is intrusted, however, to the military authorities, and will so continue until Congress shall determine otherwise. The desire of the President is, that in all their relations with the inhabitants of the islands, the Commissioners are to exercise due respect for all the ideas, customs and institutions of the tribes and races which compose the population, emphasizing upon all occasions the just and beneficient intents of the Government of the United States.

CANADA'S TRADE

EXPORTS TO GREAT BRITAIN DURING LAST MONTH.

A Meeting in England Approves the Government's Action Re Pacific Cable.

London, March 7.—T. G. Shaughnessy, of the C. P. R. Engineer Coste and N. A. Belcourt, M. P., for Ottawa, sail tomorrow. Mr. Belcourt, contrary to expectations, did not visit Rome.

The Earl of Aberdeen was present at a meeting yesterday which passed resolutions approving the attitude assumed by the Dominion of Canada regarding the Pacific cable.

The case of Park and C. P. R. of the corporation of Norte Dame de Bonsecours is set for hearing before the judicial committee of the Privy Council today.

By returns published today it is gathered that the imports from Canada to the United Kingdom for February are as follows: Cattle, 1,862, valued, £30,304; sheep, 463, value £674; wheat, 167,900 cwt, valued £58,892.; wheat meal and flour, 94,500 cwts., value £48,156; peas, 18,300 cwt., value, £5,417; barley, 20,983 cwt., value £36,105; hams, 8,048, cwts., value £15,048; butter, 1,512 cwts., value £6,319; cheese, 10,001 cwts., value £23,876; eggs (great hundreds) 888, value £1,363; horses, 34, value, £800.

NOVEL RACE.

John Atkinson, of Hamilton, Runs Faster Than a Horse.

A novel race took place in Victoria Park yesterday afternoon, when John Atkinson, a well known sprinter around town, ran against William McGee's horse and won by two feet, says the Hamilton Herald. Six hundred or more watched the contest. The track was muddy, which was in favor of the horse. The distance was one hundred yards and around a post to the starting point.

George Nicholson, of the Horseshoe Inn, handled the pistol, and sent the contestants off a couple of minutes after 3 o'clock. Big Bill Hunter handled the lines for Mr. Magee, and drove well. At the turn Atchison slipped in the mud and slid on the ground for a couple of yards. The win was a narrow one, and it was claimed by some that Atchison did not go around the post. The referee decided that he did. The time was not taken. Mr. Magee is confident that his horse can show its heels to Atkinson, and has posted $25 as a forfeit with the Herald to run another race under the same conditions as the last.

NOTES FROM OTTAWA.

Ottawa, March 7.—Radcliffe, the hangman, last night passed through here on his way from Toronto to St. Scholastique to officiate at the execution of Cordelia Viau and Sam Parslow, on Friday morning.

The name of James McShane is mentioned in connection with the Montreal Postmastership rendered vacant by the retirement of Mr. Dansereau. No appointment has yet been made.

VANCOUVER WANTS TO KEEP THE ISLAND

Delegation Interviews the Ministers at Ottawa.

RE DEAD MAN'S ISLAND

It Was Pointed Out That at One Time the City Was Not Over Anxious to Keep the Island.

Ottawa, March 7.—Vancouver delegates, who arrived in Ottawa last evening for the purpose of protesting against sanctioning of a lease of Dead Man's Island for the erection of a saw mill, were heard this forenoon in the Premier's office. There were present Laurier Cartwright, Sifton, Tarte and Borden. Each of the five delegates, Messrs. Senkler, McQueen, McLagan, Buscomb and Cowan, in turn, addressed the Ministers, pointing out that the lease would mean the destruction of property for park purposes and injury of Stanley Park adjoining. It was further claimed that the island had been handed over to the city in 1887 by the Government, unless needed for military purposes. In course of the discussion it was brought out that the City of Vancouver voted a bonus of $100,000 in 1890 to a concern which proposed erecting a marine railway thereon. Another point, to which attention was drawn, was that the island had been used at one time as a site of an isolation hospital and cemetery for small pox victims. This was taken as evidence that the sanctity of the property for Park purposes was not at that time recongized by the city. The Minister of Militia, from whom the lease was recently obtained by Ludgate, on recommendation of the local member, Rev. Mr. Maxwell, stated that he had taken all due measures to satisfy himself that the island was not needed for military purposes, having been informed by the admiral on that station. It was represented to him that $250,000 was to be expended in improvements, 1,000 men employed, and that the saw mill enterprise would be of direct advantage to the city. It was on these grounds that the lease was granted, rental being fixed at a reasonable sum. The Premier desired the delegation to embody their views in a memorial which would receive due consideration.

LABORERS STRIKE.

Work on the White Pass and Yukon R. R. is Suspended.

Victoria, B. C., March 7.—The steamer Humboldt, which arrived today from Alaskan points, brings news of a fire which demolished several of the principal buildings of Dyea on Lynn Canal. The fire broke out in the Palace Hotel, which was destroyed together with the Northern Hotel, the Senate saloon, the Court House and office of Chilcoot Tramway Company. Young's hardware store was badly damaged.

The laborers on the White Pass and Yukon Railway have gone on strike and when the Humboldt left over a thousand of them had reached Skagway and were lounging around town airing their grievances. The cause of the walkout was a cut recently made by the railway company of five cents an hour in the men's wages. They were getting 35 cents an hour and a few days since this was cut to 30 cents, and instead of working nine hours per day the men were required to work ten hours. Of the 1400 men employed on the line 1000 went out. After the strike all the workmen who had not joined it were laid off, the company deciding to suspend grading operations until more favorable weather.

The R. M. S. Empress of India from China and Japan reached quarantine at 2 o'clock this afternoon, and four hours later proceeded to Vancouver.

DAN GODFREY IN WASHINGTON.

Washington, March 7.—Lieutenant Dan Godfrey and his British Guards band, which arrived in New York on the Lucania last Saturday, gave a concert this afternoon in the east room of the White House in the presence of the President and Mrs. McKinley and ladies of the Cabinet. This was the the inauguration of the first general tour of the United States that has yet been undertaken by an English military band.

HONOR A PRESIDENT.

Santiago de Chile, via Galveston, March 7.—The Argentine ship, with President Sarmiento has arrived at Valparaiso, where great festivities has been prepared in his honor.

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THE DEGRADATION OF PARTY.

Mr. James Fisher is by many degrees the ablest man in public life in Manitoba. We can say this without committing ourselves to his opinion of the commercal navigability of Hudson Strait, on which a Manitoba politician is not necessarily an authority. Recently he has been delivering an address to the "Industrial Independents" of Winnipeg. Mr. Fisher is a Liberal of the old school, brought up on the party faith, and still believes in the necessity of party as a means of government. But he also believes that in its modern development party in being abused. There is too much subordination of individual judgment and conscience. We hand both over to the leaders, and the remnant of conscience left is soothed by the comforting reflection that we are no longer responsible for what happens. Mr. Fisher does not put it exactly in these words, but this is his meaning.

How true it is no reflecting person, himself not the victim of the mania, requires to be told. There is one thing that will stir the party man into thinking for himself, and that is his own personal interest. Touch his pocket, and instantly it will appear that he has convictions of his own But in all other respects he is content to be passive. He will accept a principle today that he scorned yesterday, if but his party leaders require him. He will bolt a party dishonesty or rascality without the straining of a muscle. We may juggle with our own reason as we will, but to this low level has party been degraded in Canada. As low as this and lower if possible has it become in our Provincial politics. Here party is divided between the Outs and the Ins; there are no distinguishing political principles separating them. The Ins are banded together to stay in, and as we have seen this session their representatives in the Legislature will stick at no baseness, at no stultification, to achieve their purpose. And out in the country, among the electors who have not a penny to gain one way or the other, those of them who are partisan cheer them on in the entirely satisfactory belief that they are doing the very thing for which they were elected.

Honest government is becoming impossible in Canada; it is a question if it has not already become impossible. And only in slight degree perhaps is it worse one place than in another. Whether at Ottawa, or Halifax, or Fredericton, or Charlottetown, or Quebec, or Toronto, or Winnipeg, or Victoria, it is all the same, or so little different as scarcely to be noticeable. The cleanest spot today is Regina; in all all other places it is a struggle between the Outs and the Ins, scheming and intriguing everywhere, with the field strewn with broken promises, violated pledges, and abandoned principles. Governments trade for support at the public expense as freely as if it were a virtuous thing to do. And the most lamentable part of it all is that the people look on and applaud. There is no public conscience left to touch. To secure better government Mr. Fisher says the people must either keep more vigilant watch over legislation or we must resort to the referendum. The latter he does not favor, and greater vigilance, with the people parties to the wretched game, is next to hopeless. Yet therein lies our only chance of safety. The people must awaken to the fact that politics is something more than a mere race for power.

SOME REFORMS NEEDED.

The Finance Minister's assurance that it was not the present intention of the Government to increase the tax on the outputs of mines does not relieve the mining public of the apprehension that it will be done some other time. Perhaps it was as a feeler the suggestion was thrown out, the purpose being to raise the tax should the Opposition be mild enough to render such a course safe. It displayed most vigorous development, however, and Ministers hastened to disclaim any such intention. The Sandon Mining Review points out that this tax is already burdensome enough; indeed, that it is worse than burdensome, as it is wrong in principle and therefore unjust. A mining property in any stage of development is subject to the tax. It may prove a mine, or the thousands of dollars expended on it may all in the end be lost, yet the few sacks or tons of ore mined during development and shipped out to help pay the cost are made to contribute to the Government treasury. This is a tax on enterprise and industry, not on value. When a mine is established a tax on the output would not be objectionable, either in principle or in its practical operation; but to tax it while still in process of development, and before it can be known whether it may not have to be abandoned, is to discourage enterprise.

In this connection our Sandon contemporary raises the question whether the whole system of taxation, as in operation in this Province, is not constructed on a wrong basis. The Government appoint assessors over a territory of such enormous area that it is impossible they can make themselves familiar with values. They visit a place like Sandon, for instance, and in a couple of days are expected to learn all there is to know of stocks, incomes, personal effects, etc. This is manifestly impossible, and as a result "under assessments, over assessments, and total omissions are the rule." That, however, is merely a matter of detail in operation; the principle underlying it is more serious. Why should the Government send out these agents to levy and collect taxes which, if imposed at all, should be imposed by local authorities and collected for local purposes? There is too much paternalism about the system. The great need of this Province is a little more home rule. The people are treated as if incapable of looking after themelves, and are therefore taken in charge by Government and their agents. They are put in the category of minors or imbeciles. It has been for some time a puzzle to The Miner to discover why there should be such a Government official as a Gold Commissioner. Perhaps in the earlier days of the Province it was necessary to furnish the people with guides, monitors, and caretakers, to keep them out of mischief; but in these days it is surely safe to permit an ordinary citizen to put his head out of doors to see how the wind lies without the protection or consent of a Gold Commissioner. In the matter of schools, the people are absolutely powerless; they cannot, as our contemporary puts it, "buy a broom or a cord of wood" for their puplic schools with the certain knowledge that it will ever be paid for. In respect to management or control, the people are as much children as the little ones who attend the school.

A political party who will shape a new policy on all matters of local government, and inaugurate a system of radical reforms, will find many adherents.

Three or four thousand Welshmen who banished themselves to Patagonia a few years ago, under the extraordinary delusion that it was a paradise, are anxious to come to Canada, but are without the means to move. Here is an opportunity for the Minister of the Interior. A colony of Welshmen will be more welcome in Canada than a colony of Galicians or Doukhobours, desirable as these may be.

Mr. Tarte says through his paper, that Mr. Blake is not wanted in public life in Canada. We can quite believe that Mr. Tarte does not want him. There is the least imaginable affinity between a Blake and a Tarte, and if the distinguished Liberal should again appear in the Canadian Parliament there is danger that the lively little gentleman from Quebec would have to move on. To thousands of better Liberals than Mr. Tarte nothing could give more sincere gratification than the return of the brilliant and incorruptible statesman who so long led his party with honor at least, if not with profit.

Meterological Report,

(Observations taken by A. H. Holdich.

DATE	DAY	HIGHEST	LOWEST	SNOW FALL	BAROMETER
Mar 1	Wed'day	43.0	30.0	0.04	27.40
Mar 2	Thursday	40.0	20.0	0.02	27.70
Mar 3	Friday	40.0	28.0	0.01	27.95
Mar 4	Saturday	40.0	21.0	0.00	28.40
Mar 5	Sunday	35.0	27.0	0.05	28.30
Mar 6	Monday	39 0	30.0	0.03	27.85
Mar 7	Tuesday	50.0	33.0	0.11	27.60

MISCELLANEOUS

MUSIC LESSONS.—On piano organ or guitar, by Mrs. W. J. Astley, Robson street two doors west of Stanley. P. O. Box 130.

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The Annual Meeting of the Kootenay Lake General Hospital will be held on Tuesday, the 14th day of March, 1899, at 3 p m, in the Court House.

There will be a meeting of the Directors at 2.30 p. m.

The membership fee is $10 per annum and entitles the member to hospital benefits for one year. Any person subscribing $1.00 a month will be entitled to the benefit of the hospital for that period.

Subscriptions are solicited, and a full attendance of members, and those desirous of becoming members, is requested. A full statement of receipts and expenditures will be submitted and other important business will be transacted.

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"	" 8.15 "	Balfour	6.00 "	"		"
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TO COOK IN CAMP

MISS LIVINGSTONE GIVES THE MEN SOME POINTERS.

A Very Interesting Lecture Listened to by Kootenay Prospectors and Nelson Bachelors.

There are some prospectors and bachelors in Nelson who will acknowledge this morning that they don't know as much about cooking as they thought they did before attending Miss Livingstone's lecture on "Camp Cookery" last evening. There is Michael Monaghan, for instance, and his partner Robert Bates, both of Castle Monaghan, McGuigan Basin, Slocan. In the camp cooking line they have few equals in the Kootenay but there were a few things they did not know. Harold Selous, John Hirsch, Halifax Hall, and Jerry Robillard, also knew a little about cooking but they know more this morning. Others of the bachelors were Messrs. Randolph Bruce, Eskrigge, Orr, Patterson, Waldie, F. M. Chadbourne, Holden and McRae.

The lecture began shortly after 8 o'clock. Rev. Robert Frew in a very humorous speech, introduced Miss Livingstone, who proceeded with her demonstration of how to prepare a meal while "roughing it." She had an endless array of old tomato cans, lard pails, etc., and in these, with the assisance of a frying pan, prepared dishes that would hardly have been out of place on a banquet table. And she used only a few ingredients in preparing her camp meals. Flour, dried fruit, rice, salt, pepper, baking powder and salt pork were the contents of the larder from which she worked. She prepared some dough for the purpose of making bannocks, but also utilized the dough in making of several other dishes. There were so many on the stove cooking or on the table in course of preparation at one time that many of those men who knew nothing whatever about cooking before attending, became confused and gave up trying to follow the lecturess, but did not forget, however, to help themselves to a portion of the several dishes when they were passed about. At the conclusion of the lecture Messrs. Monoghan, Bates and other of Kootenay's early prospectors, pronounced themselves as thoroughly satisfied that Miss Livingstone could cook about as well in the mountains as in a kitchen.

The ladies of the Nelson Local Council of Women are very much indebted to Miss Livingstone for the lecture. It was given in aid of the library fund and was Miss Livingstone's donation. Many tickets were sold and several dollars taken in at the door and the total will be quite a help to the fund.

MAY NOT GET THE MILL.

C. P. R. Does Not Look Kindly Upon the Sampling Works.

Nothing has yet been heard from the C. P. R. officials at Vancouver in regard to the request for a site for the sampling works in connection with which G. W. McDowell has been in Nelson for several weeks. If an answer is not received within the next week or 10 days Mr. McDowell will withdraw from Kootenay entirely, so far as the sampling works are concerned, and neither Nelson nor any other point will secure the industry. The site asked for by Mr. McDowell includes eight feet by 25 feet of the C. P. R. right-of-way, the balance of the property being 40x125 feet of the fore shore of Kootenay River. Mr. McDowell is assured of the Government property but can do nothing until he hears from the C. P. R. If the site is granted him he will immediately proceed to build; otherwise nothing will be done. He has already placed orders for the machinery for the mill and in case he is refused the site he will be compelled to cancel the orders at a big loss to the people he represents.

PURCHASE FIRE HOSE.

City Places an Order for Six Hundred Feet of Paragon.

At a meeting of the Board of Works Committee of the City Council held Monday afternoon a contract was awarded to the Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing Co., of Toronto, for the supply of 600 feet of Paragon cotton, rubber lined fire hose, 2½ inches, at 90 cents per foot, with couplings complete, two Maltese cross flexible rubber play pipes and four Babcock Chemical extinguishers, of six gallon capacity each. The sale was made by Mr. A. G. McKenney, British Columbia agent of the company, who has equipped nearly every town in British Columbia with fire hose and other equipment of that nature. The matter had been referred to the committee by the Council, with power to act and it was partly upon the recommendation of Chief Thompson that the Paragon hose was accepted. It was found by the committee that the hose already in possession of the city, and purchased by the late mayor, was of a very inferior quality and although in use but two years, was already defective. The committee did not believe in purchasing cheap hose and therefore placed an order for the best in the market and a hose that they believe could be relied upon in any emergency.

PEREGRINATING PACKAGE.

It Took Some Money a Long Time to Go From Nelson to Cascade.

The Bank of Montreal is, perhaps, the greatest financial institution on the North American continent, but some of its Nelson branch employes should take a special course in geography, and ascertain where Cascade is, says the Cascade Record. On the 13th of February they sent a package, containing $1902 in bills, to Louis Peterson, of the firm of W. H. Cooper & Co., of this city. Not receiving it promptly, the bank was advised by wire, and replied that the package had been entrusted to the mails on the 13th. No trace whatever could be found of it until last Saturday night, when a couple of men—strangers—walked into Mr. Cooper's office, laid the package down, and demanded $29.50 charges thereon. They said they got it "somewhere" in Columbia. The $1902 was found to be all there.

It appears that the package was sent by Dominion Express from Nelson, and traveled via Revelstoke, Penticton and Greenwood to reach Cascade. It bore the seal of the Bank of Montreal, and was enclosed in an express envelope. The charges were outrageous, for one could travel to Nelson and back and pay all expenses for much less. Over $15 per thousand is an expensive way of transmitting money from Nelson to Cascade. The case is now being investigated.

INTO A HOLE.

A Citizen Has a Complaint and Has Good Grounds For it.

A well know citizen called in at The Miner office about 11 o'clock last night with his clothes covered with mud. He was vowing vengeance upon the city authorities and from his story seemed to have good grounds for his complaint. Unfortunately in order to reach home he was compelled to use Victoria street. He was picking his way along through the mud in the blackest of darkness and had about reached the corner Ward and Victoira streets when he fell into a hole, which was neither protected by planks or guarded with a lantern. He managed to pull himself out and it was then he made his way to The Miner office where he cleaned his clothes as best he could, secured a lantern and left for home. A Miner reporter afterwards paid a visit to the manhole in question and found it all that the indignant citizen had claimed. There were two other excavations in the vicinity, both with lanterns hang ing over them, but the first one was not marked in any way. It was right in the middle of the street at the Opera House corner and is exceedingly dangerous.

FOR A FEDERAL BUILDING.

South Kootenay Board of Trade Should Act Quickly.

The South Kootenay Board of Trade, if it does not act quickly, threatens to make the same mistake that it made one year ago, that of being too late with its request to the Dominion authorities for a Federal building in Nelson. The Parliament meets on March 16 and it has been the intention of the board to lay before it a Board of Trade report for the purpose of showing why Nelson should have the building it asks for. This report has not yet been compiled, partly, it is true, because of the accident which disabled Secretary Swannell. There is no time to be lost now in having the report prepared and printed and forward to Ottawa. The feeling is general that Nelson is entitled to a Federal building but there is little hope of getting it this year unless the people of Nelson themselves become active in the matter.

If you want a pipe and a good one at a reasonable price go to the Bodega Cigar Store, on Baker street, and go at once. *3.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. R. S. Kinghorn, of the Vancouver Hardware Co., leaves this morning for Vancouver.

A telegram to Mrs. J. Roderick Robertson from Mr. Robertson on Saturday announced that he would sail on that day on the steamer Umbria for England.

The Slocan City hockey team has challenged the Nelson team for a match to take place in Slocan City. The Nelson club might show that it contains some life by accepting the challenge before all the ice disappears.

McGee and Nichols yesterday placed in the Hume Hotel bar one of the largest refrigators ever built for Nelson people. It was constructed entirely in Nelson and in addition to being extremely useful is highly ornamental. Mr. A. McGee, of the firm, put it in place yesterday.

Abe N. Johnson, who has a record as an oarsman, will build two sliding seat "skimming-dish" shell bottom boats this summer and will, with his son, who is also an expert, join the local circle of scullers. Mr. Johnson is an old rowing mate of Jake Gaudaur's and is a very fast man on the water.

When Miss Livingstone concludes her course of cooking lessons she will go to Kaslo as the ladies of that enterprising town have concluded all arrangements for her visit. A sufficient number have agreed to join the class and the school will be conducted in McGregor's building, on Front Street.

All the cases on the docket for the County Court were disposed of yesterday. The most interesting was that of Cassel vs. Cockle in which the sum of $2 was involved. The plaintiff won, being awarded $50 damages by the jury that sat on the case. The defendant retained the baggage of the plaintiff to recover an hotel bill of $3.

There was a better attendance last night at the drill practice of the South Kootenay Rifles although not all that could be desired. The company showed a decided improvement in the drill and will soon be instructed in the more advanced methods. It was announced that in future practice will be held on Tuesdays and Fridays at the Fire Hall.

The Free Public Library now rejoices in the fact that the large order of new books filed with a Toronto firm over a month ago has finally reached Nelson. The volumes were received yesterday and are now on the shelves of the library. There are about four hundred books, some of them standard works, but mostly productions of recent years that have proved very popular elsewhere. The subscribers to the library will no doubt become more numerous now.

At the regular meeting of the South Kootenay Board of Trade next Tuesday evening three names will come up for membership: W. A. Galliher, Robert Robertson and Thomas Morley. The committee of the council, which was appointed to prepare statistics for the House of Commons, has been augumented by the addittion of the names of W. A. Macdonald, A. E. Hodgins and G. F. Beer.

An amusing incident occurred yesterday as the bus drove up to the Phair Hotel. A passenger stepped out and to him the driver said: "Pay fare." "All right" responded the passenger and started to mount the steps to the hotel. "Pay fare, I said" said the driver. "All right, I will." "Well, why don't you?" "How can I until I see him?" "See who?" "Phair." "Oh," and the matter was straightened out.

The decision of Judge Forin, which The Miner's despatches from Victoria yesterday reported as having been reversed by the Full Court, grew out of an action of Wolff & Zuickers of Portland, against the Nelson Electric Light Company to recover $60, the amount of an order for pipe sent by the Nelson company but which was received too late. Judge Forin decided in favor of the Portland company without hearing the defence.

The subject for today's lesson at the School of Cookery will be "Jellies and Creams—Lemon jelly, Bavarian cream, Orange creams and Orange baskets." The final lecture of the regular series will take place tomorrow when Miss Livingstone will lecture on stuffing and trussing and roasting fowls, cold meat cookery. On Friday a special lecture on candies will wind up the session which has proved beneficial and enjoyable to the large number of ladies who have attended

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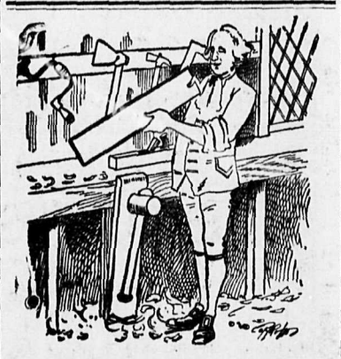

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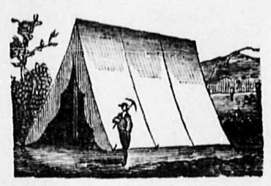

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Arlington Con	1 00	8½
Dundee	1 00	34
Dardanelles	1 00	18
Exchequer	1 00	13
Fern G. M. Co	25	56
Hall Mines	£1	$1.75
Nelson-Poorman	25	27
Kaslo Montezuma	1 00	25
Noble Five	1 00	33
Rambler Con	1 00	43
Reco	1 00	1 05
Slocan Star	50	1 50
Two Friends	30	12
Wonderful	1 00	8
Trail Creek		
Butte	1 00	1½
Caledonia Con	1 00	6
Commander	1 00	10½
Deer Park	1 00	19
Enterprise	1 00	2
Eureka Consolidated	1 00	9½
Evening Star	1 00	15
Good Hope	1 00	2
Grand Prize	1 00	3½
Giant	1 00	3
Iron Mask	1 00	92
Iron Colt	1 00	12
Jumbo	1 00	40
Lily May	5 00	20
Mayflower	1 00	8
Monita	1 00	12
Monte Cristo	1 00	16½
Mugwump	1 00	5¼
Novelty	1 00	4
Phoenix	1 00	8½
Poorman	1 00	2
Red Mountain View	1 00	2
Rossland Homestake	1 00	6
St. Elmo	1 00	5½
Virginia	1 00	52
Victory-Triumph	1 00	9½
War Eagle Con	1 00	3 30
West Le Roi Josie	1 00	27
White Bear	1 00	6½
Miscellaneous.		
Alpha Bell	1 00	7
Cariboo (Camp McK)	1 00	1 75
Waterloo (Camp McK)	1 00	15
Cariboo Hydraulic Con	5 00	1 10
Channe	25	8
Golden Cache	1 00	12
Tin Horn	25	10½
Winnipeg	1 00	25

New York, March 7.—Bar silver, 59½; Mexican dollars, 47½.

A dispatch from Republic, Wash., says: The sensation in mining circles for the past two days is the discovery of free gold in the North San Poil. The management knew that the shaft was being sunk in a chute of rich ore but had not discovered that it carried free gold until it was found quite plentifully on the dump. An investigation followed. The shaft was inspected and samples taken from the sides and bottom of it that showed values by assay of from $72 to $840 in gold. Then the dump was sampled and this showed a value of $235. Then the entire bottom of the shaft was thoroughly sampled and that resulted in getting a little more than $200 per ton. The remarkable part of this is that the shaft is six feet in width.

The discovery is regarded as the most significant that has ever taken place in the district. The gold bristles out all over the rock and shows it to be thoroughly scattered through the rock. There is a streak about two inches in width that will probably assay $1000 per ton in gold. As high as 150 ounces of silver per ton have also been obtained.

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Where the system of co-operation has been given a fair trial it has proved a success, says Stocks. Many a miner works underground for six months in the year to save up enough to prospect in the hills during the summer season. Some are not fortunate enough to secure work during the winter months and to defray their expenses sell their claims for very little.

Mining is a branch of business in which co-operation would be advantageous. Instead of scattering in all directions, it would be better for a few practical men to get together, pick out the most promising claim on their list and co-operate in working it for all it is worth. At present they often sell their claims for a few dollars, the property passes into the hands of another, who accordingly turns it over for four or five times the price paid, and so on until finally it comes into the possession of some syndicate that reaps the profits that might go into the pockets of the original locator and would be his if he but conducted his business on the co-operative plan. Instead of selling undeveloped properties for a mere trifle he might, on this plan, develop them and get more. Such a system would also be beneficial to the country at large and tend to its speedy development.

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One developed property in a district does more to establish a reputation than a score of prospects, however good they may be. It does not require more capital than the ordinary miner or prospector generally possesses to go into a scheme of this sort. When men show their faith in a property by devoting all their energies to its development they naturally gain the confidence of capital. Practical men will know a good thing when they see it, and if it be their own they will work it more energetically and economically than if it were in the hands of some corporation. Sufficient work can generally be done by hand and a cheap plant installed to demonstrate the value of a property before heavy and expensive machinery need be introduced. Mining is essentially a business adapted to the co-operative plan. A dozen men or so, bound by ties of self-interest, if nothing else, could accomplish much in this way. The idea is worthy of consideration.

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It is probable that an extensive shipment of Slocan ores will be made to smelting works in Manchester, England. Arthur Brown, representing the English company, is in the Slocan country, making arrangements for the shipment which will go via Tacoma or Seattle and thence by water to the Old Country.

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The mill at the Whitewater mine has closed down on account of the lack of water, caused by the recent cold weather drying things up. It will likely be some weeks before the mill will again be moving.

CAMERON WAS ACQUITTED.

The trial of the young man, recently of Nelson, who got into trouble in Cascade City, is thus reported in the Record of that town: The case against Howard Cameron of the B. C. Tobacco Co., which recently did business in this city and left a number of unpaid bills, when the members of the firm departed, came up on Monday, and was continued till Thursday. On the latter date Mr. Cameron was represented by H. S. Cayley, of Grand Forks, and the accused was discharged by Justices Rochussen and Rose. It was held that he had personally had nothing to do with attempting to get goods by misrepresentation. The case made out by W. A. Milne on Thursday, on a similar charge, was also dismissed. Mr. Cameron's father is expected to arrive from Edmonton tomorrow.

MR. MARTIN'S REPLY.

Provincial Constable Lowe, of Kelowna, has been dismissed by the Attorney-General. Some time ago Mr. Lowe received notice that he was to remove to Gladstone, a new town on the Robson and Midway Railway, the Attorney-General having decided to abolish the position of constable at Kelowna. Mr. Lowe requested that he be given some other post, and a single man sent to Gladstone, which at present is a rough construction camp, and an unfit place to take a woman or young children. Board at Gladstone costs $40 to $45 per month, and out of a constable's salary of $65 (no house allowance) it would be impossible for him to live there and keep his family elsewhere. This request would seem a fairly reasonable one, but its reply came in the shape of a notice that his services were no longer required.—Vernon News.

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