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ITALIAN KILLED FOR HIS MONEY

Brutal Murder Near Cascade City.

THE CORONER'S INQUEST

It is Thought the Victim Was Done to Death by a Fellow Countryman.

A report has reached Chief of Provincial Police Bullock-Webster of the murder of an Italian near Cascade City. The chief has instructed Allan Forrester, constable of Brooklyn, to go to Cascade City and assist the local men in effecting the capture of the murderer. As yet no official report of the investigation has reached Nelson.

The Cascade Record gives the following particulars of the affair:

Wednesday afternoon T. J. Gorman brought word into town that the frozen body of an unknown man was lying on the west side of the wagon road about six miles from town, just this side of Baker Creek.

Thursday morning Provincial Constable Darraugh, accompanied by W. H. Cooper and Frank Asprey, went to the scene and brought in the remains of the unfortnate man. Dr. Stanley Smith, of Grand Forks, the coroner, was notified and came down yesterday to hold an inquest. A jury was impanelled and began its work of investigation about 1:30 o'clock. The jury consisted of A. Cameron foreman; and R. T. Evans, C. Palmer, N. Robinson, D. D. Ferguson and W. J. Ross. Evidence was taken from nine different persons the session lasting till 7 o'clock, when the jury was dismissed by the coroner till 1 o'clock Monday to permit of a post mortem examination.

Constable D. J. Darraugh then gave evidence as to the fiding of the body its position, appearance and condition and later produced the effects found in the dead man's clothes. The body was found about 12 feet from the roadside down a slight hill and was nearly covered with snow. It had evidently been there a month or more. The shoes were off and the socks nearly off, but the gloves were on. On the right side of his head there was a deep cut, running from behind the ear to his eye. There was another deep cut on the left side under the chin. One thumb was badly gashed, and the appearance was that there had been a scuffle, before deceased was murdered and thrown to one side of the road. On the body was found $8 in bills, a bandana handkerchief, two apples, a tobacco sack and a scrap of paper.

The testimony of Major Cooper and Frank Asprey, who accompanied Constable Darraugh when he went for the remains, was substantially a corroboration of that officer's evidence.

Antonio Scarpelli, a contractor, testified that when notified by Mr. Darraugh, he at once set inquiries afoot among the Italians in Cascade, to identify the dead man. Scarpelli did not himself recongize the body, but found two men who said they did. He said that he had learned that the victim, Donato Cassato, had said he was going back to Italy at once, which meant that he had considerable money about him.

Frank Devon, barkeeper of the Romana hotel, Cascade, testified that late in December Cassato had been in the hotel, and had left about 4 o'clock one afternoon for the camp, after getting a small time check cashed by Eastman & O'Brien. He was sure the body was that of Cassato.

Nick Lemardi, also employed at the Roma hotel, recognized the dead man because of the black shirt he wore and with which he soiled the bed linen at the hotel.

Nick Lamanna, who has been at the hospital since January 17, and is now convalescing, was the most important witness of all as to the identity of the dead man. He stated that he had known Cassato over three years. Cassato had been working with his partner, whose first name was Tony, for Carminia Maglio, who had station work from J. G. McLean & Co. The latter's headquarters were about 16 miles from Cascade, towards Gladstone. Just before the first of the year Cassato started for Cascade, leaving his blankets and effects at the camp with his partner. About the 7th of January Lamanna had passed Cassato on the road, and that was the last he had seen of him till he identified the remains in the jail. He did not know where the partner was, and Maglio, at last accounts, was in Nelson. Lamanna was positive that the dead man was Donato Cassato.

There seems to be little doubt but that the dead man was murdered early in January for the money he was known to have on him. The $8.00 in bills was overlooked when the murderer went through his clothes It appears that he was struck on the right side of the head with a cleaver or heavy knife, and the cut on his right hand was received while trying to ward off a blow. After he had fallen, the second terrible gash was evidently administered on the left side of the head as a finisher. This case is not by any means finished yet.

SITUATION IN EGYPT.

Cairo, Feb. 27.—The war office has issued a statement indicating that the Khalifa's recent movements have been made for the purpose of raiding cattle and grain. It is believed that the Dervish force is still in the country southwest of Abass Island, 160 miles from Omdurman. It is not proposed to send reinforcements to Khartoum at present.

WILL NOT BE INVITED.

London, Feb. 28.—The Rome correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says: "Holland has assured Italy that the Pope will not be invited to send a representative to the conference for the limitation of armaments." The Vatican strongly disapproves the intrigues of the French pretenders, Orleanist and Bonapartist

CAPITAL NOTES

FUNERAL OF MAJOR BELL TOOK PLACE YESTERDAY.

Ministers are Busy—Dominion Rifle Association—Montreal Postmastership.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 27.—The funeral of the late Major Bell of New Edinburg, took place this afternoon from his father's residence. Deceased was buried with full military honors. Members of 43rd Battalion assembled at the drill hall and marched to the house. The Governor-General's Foot Guards, Princess Louise's Dragoon Guards, and Ottawa Field Battery took part. The city council, of which deceased was a member, and the city employes were also present

Hon. Mr. Fielding has left for Halifax.

Sir Richard Cartwright spent Sunday at Kingston.

Hon. Mr. Sifton will speak at Perth tomorrow evening.

Hon. Mr. Tarte left for Montreal on Saturday evening and returned here again today. He is arranging for the contest in Levis.

At a meeting of the council of the Dominion Rifle Association it was decided to hold the annual meeting of the council on April 5 and ask that Governor General be present. It is probable that the command of this year's Bisley team will fall upon a Maritime Province man. Capt. Helmer, of 43rd, is spoken of as adjutant.

James McShane, ex-M. P., who is said to be after the postmastership in Montreal, is here.

THE SESSION ENDED.

Local Legislature Prorouged Yesterday Afternoon.

Victoria, Feb. 27.—The House was prorogued this afternoon, the Lieutenant-Governor giving assent to 101 bills passed during the session. The House sat until close on to midnight on Saturday. Mr. Eberts got an amendment in the Trades Licenses Bill in committee exempting lawyers from the payment of $25 a year, but on the report of the committee being considered, Kidd moved to re-insert the clause, and as some of the lawyer members had left the House well pleased with the amendment being secure as they thought, Kidd's motion carried, and the lawyers will still have to pay for doing business The Midway-Penticton Subsidy Bill was carried without amendment.

The Water Clauses Amendment Act was much modified in committee. Price Ellison moved an amendment providing that water recorded for mining, domestic and irrigation purposes be not diverted, but ultimately all clauses were struck out except that authorizing municipalities to obtain water for electric light purposes and conferring to the Kootenay Power Company 3000 inches at Bonnington Falls.

A TERRIFIC STORM.

Further Advices From the Cayman Islands.

Kingston, Jamaica, Feb. 27.—Further advices from the Cayman Islands, situated 150 miles from here, as to the terrible storm of February 13, and 14, say that it was the longest and most severe in the memory of the inhabitants, the seas almost overwhelming the islands. Throughout the entire two days the wind was working general destruction. The full extent of the fatalities is not yet reported, but it is known that about twenty persons are missing.

CARDINAL IRELAND.

London, Feb. 27.—The Rome correspondent of the Daily News says he learns on reliable authority that Archbishop Ireland will be created a Cardinal at the next consistory.

DEMOCRATS ADVERSE TO IMPERIAL POLICY

Against The Acquisition of the Philippines.

OFFER A RESOLUTION

Urge That an Independent Government Should be Established in the Islands.

Washington, Feb. 27.—At a caucus of the Democratic members of the House, held tonight, the following declaration of policy and resolutions as to the Philippines were adopted:

We hold that the constitution of the United States was ordained and established for an intelligent liberty-loving and self-governing people and cannot be successfully applied to a people of different virtues and conditions. We, therefore, hold that a colonial policy is contrary to the theory of our government and subversive of those great principles of civil liberty which we have been taught to cherish. We believe, with the Declaration of Independence, that all Governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed and we are unalterably opposed to the establishment of any government by the United States without the consent of the people to be governed, and in conformity with these principles, we instruct the minority members of the Foreign Affairs Committee to introduce and urge the following resolution:

"Resolved, that the United States hereby disclaim any disposition or intention to exercise permanent sovereignty, jurisdiction or control, over the Philippine Islands and assert their determination, when an independent Government shall have been erected therein, to transfer to said Government, upon terms which shall be reasonable and just, all rights secured under the cession by Spain and thereupon to leave the government and control of the islands to their people."

CANADIAN COURTESY.

Gloucester, Mass., Feb. 27.—The captains of three schooners report a recent act of courtesy on the part of the Canadian revenue cutter Aberdeen, which they think should receive some official commendation. The three vessels were frozen in the ice at Shelburne, N. S., where without solicitation, Captain Campbell of the cutter broke the ice around the vessels so that they might have a safe anchorage.

THEY WILL INVESTIGATE.

Madrid, Feb. 27.—The Senate today by a vote of 130 to seven approved of the motion of Marshal Martinez de Campos, signed by all the Spanish generals in the Senate, demanding a Parliamentary inquiry into the conduct of the recent war. The Government supported the motion and Count D'Almennas strongly opposed it.

ADAMS POISON CASE.

Coroner's Jury Has Brought in its Verdict.

New York, Feb. 27.—The jury in the Adams poison case came in with its verdict at 8:45 p. m. It was as follows: "We find that the said Katherine J. Adams came to her death by poison, by mercurial cyanide, administered by Harry S. Cornish, to whom said poison had been sent, in a bottle of bromo seltzer, by Roland B. Molineux." The coroner immediately issued a warrant for the arrest of Molineux and the latter was at once arraigned before him. Through his attorney, B. S. Weeks, he demanded an immediate hearing, but Assistant District Attorney Osborne objected, saying it was impossible to proceed with the hearing. The hearing was then set down for Wednesday morning at 11:30 o'clock. Molineux was committed to the Tombs without bail.

A DREYFUSITE.

Has Been Appointed Military Governor of Paris.

London, Feb. 27.—A despatch from Paris to a newspaper here says its correspondent hears that President Loubet has already signed a decree removing General Zurlinden from the post of Military Governor of Paris, and appointing General Faure Biguet, commander of the 16th army corps, to succeed him. The latter has been a consistent upholder of the innocence of Dreyfus. There is no confirmation of this statement.

A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.

Berne, Feb. 2.—Six men [illegible] last night by a dynamite explosion at the Tiger Tunnel Works.

POET LAUREATE OF ANGLO-SAXON RACE

England is Exercised Over Kipling's Illness.

HE IS HOLDING HIS OWN

Mrs. Kipling Left Her Husband's Bed Side Yesterday for the First Time in Two Days.

New York, Feb. 27.—Mrs. Kipling went out driving at 5 o'clock with Mr. Doubleday and remained out an hour. It was the first time in two days that she had left the bedside of her husband. That she considered Mr. Kipling's condition warranted her leaving him, even for a short time, was regarded as a hopeful sign.

The following bulletin was issued at 6:45 o'clock: "Mr. Kipling has held his own through the day."

LONDON PRESS COMMENT.

London, Feb. 27.—The serious developments in Mr. Kipling's illness have caused widespread anxiety and pain in England. Extraordinary interest is manifested on every side. In fact, the entire nation seems to be placed in suspense by the alarming news that reaches here from New York. The Daily Telegraph says that Mr. Kipling's death would be a national calamity. Only in his 34th year, he has done what has been permitted to very few young men to do in this or any other age. He has revigorated the close of the century with a fresh and masculine note and has given back to his contemporaries faith in their old ideals. In the midst of much efeminate and decadent literature, Kipling has been vigorous, hopeful and alert. The Daily News says that the serious news from Kipling's bedside will be read with anxious concern in every part of the Empire, for whatever else he may have done, or failed to do, he is himself the great Imperial Federationist. He has done more than any living writer to bring home a knowledge of England, and what she stands for in the world, to those who only know England.

The Daily Mail says that during the last few years Kipling has come to hold the glorious position of laureate of the Anglo-Saxon race.

REMAINS THE SAME.

New York, Feb. 27.—Dr. Dunham, at 10 o'clock tonight, said that Mr. Kipling's condition remained the same. He was asked to make a statement concerning the crisis in the patient's condition which, it was said, would occur today. Dr. Dunham said: "Mr. Kipling has been almost took sick a man to take a sudden turn for the better. His improvement will be necessarily slow."

THE LAST REPORT.

New York, Feb. 28.—12:30 a. m.—Mr. Kipling is holding his own.

ONLY A FEW FITS.

The Czar is Recovering From His Troublesome Ailment.

London, Feb. 28.—The Standard correspondent at Darmstadt, capital of the Grand Duchy of Hesse, says: "I am assured that the rumors that Emperor Nicholas is so ill as to be unable to attend to affairs, are without foundation. The fits from which he has suffered have become less frequent in recent years leading to the hope that they will eventually cease." The chief reason why he does not attend personally to state affairs is his anxiety regarding the approaching confinement of the Czarina. It is quite possible that the disquieting reports emanate from highly placed persons in St. Petersburg, whose plans would be upset by the birth of an heir.

BIG BUFFALO DEAL.

All the Street Railways Have Been Absorbed By One Company.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 27.—The Commercial this afternoon says: The most stupendous business deal in the history of the city of Buffalo, both in point of public and private interests concerned and in the amount of capital involved, is about completed. It involves some $25,000,000 of capital. Briefly it is the sale of the entire street railway system of Buffalo and a number of suburban lines. The deal includes the properties of the following companies: The Buffalo Railway Co., The Buffalo Traction Co., The Buffalo Bellevue and Lancaster Railroad Co., The Buffalo and Niagara Falls Railroad Co., The Buffalo and Lockport Railroad Co., The Niagara Falls Park and River Electric Railroad Co., (running along river bank on Canadian side), The Niagara Falls and Clifton Bridge Co., and the Lewiston and Queenstown Heights Bridge Co. This immense combination of interests has been sold to a syndicate composed of New Yorkers and Philadelphians and all of the interests named are to be consolidated under one management.

A summary of the capital stock and bonded indebtedness of all the corporations involved, with the exception of the capital stock of the Niagara Falls and Clifton Bridge Co., which could not be obtained is as follows: Buffalo Railway Co., (Including Bellevue and Lancaster Road), $15,215,000; Buffalo and Niagara Falls Railroad Co., $2,250,000; Buffalo Traction Co., $3,858,000; Buffalo and Lockport Railroad Co., $1,500,000; Niagara Falls Park and River Electric Railway, $1,000,000; Lewiston and Queenston Heights Co., $28,000, making a total of $24,108,000.

KILLED--WOUNDED

STATEMENT REGARDING THE PHILIPPINE CAMPAIGN.

It Looks as if the Trouble Will Soon be Over, as Insurgents Will Surrender.

Manila, Feb. 27.—6:15 p. m.—Two Spanish commissioners, Senors Rosario and Abogado, who were permitted to pass through the United States lines and confer with Aguinaldo with reference to the Spanish prisoners at Matols, returned this morning with sealed dispatches for the Spaniards. The commissioners said that Aguinaldo and Sandiko were both at Matolos and inclined to pacific overtures. While the Filipinos are not yet prepared to surrender the Spanish prisoners, they will release two Americans who have been held for six weeks, on the payment of $50 the value of food and clothing furnished them. Shortly afterwards the rebels sent out a flag of truce borne by Commandant Sinforoso de La Cruz, and several hundred of the enemy left the Filipino lines crying "No quiere" "Mas Combate" "Americanos Mucho Bueno." The commandant said that fully 8,000 of his men had enough and were anxious to surrender. Among the enemy in the jungle many women and children were visible. A woman laid down her rifle and attempted to cross with the parleyers, but she was sent back. After the party returned to the American lines, the enemy on the right fired a volley, the bullets dropping at their feet. The casualties to date by regiments are as follows:

	Killed.	Wounded.
First California	6	22
Washington Reg	14	59
Idaho Reg	6	29
Fourth Cavalry	0	2
14th Infantry	14	35
North Dakota Reg	0	1
Wyoming Reg	1	2
Sixth Artillery	0	2
Third Artillery	6	35
20th Kansas	6	36
First Montana	5	44
Tenth Penna	2	7
First Colorado	3	7
First Nebraska	8	24
First South Dakota	5	9
Utah Artillery	3	6
23rd Infantry	1	1
13th Minnesota	0	13
Second Oregon	1	0
18th Infantry	1	5
Medical Department	10	1

DISTRIBUTING FIRE.

A New Manner of Burning Down Houses Tried in New Orleans.

New Orleans, La., Feb. 27.—An overcharge of electricity started fires in several of the finest residences in New Orleans which were provided with electric light, at an early hour yesterday morning, destroying some of them. The first fire was at the residence of Mr. Lawrence Stein, St. Charles avenue and Soniaet Street. The incandescent bulbs burst and the house was set fire in a dozen places at the same time. It was impossible to save anything. The family escaped in their night clothes. The Stein residence was of marble and one of the handsomest in the city. The loss will be $1,000,000. Soon the residence of J. B. Hobson and Jas. Legendre in Audubon Park were in flames from the same cause. In the Hobson House the flames started in the two stores at the same time and nothing could be done by the fire department. The loss on the house was $15,000 and $25,000 on furniture. The residence of Mr. Legendre was also burned to the ground. The residence of Mr. Robert J. Wood, at Octavia and Pitt streets, then burned. Fires also occurred at several other residences, but the prompt action of the brigade in cutting the electric wires saved them. The loss will reach $1,500,000.

NOW FOR A RATE WAR.

London, Feb. 28.—The Daily Mail this morning announces the break-up of the Trans-Atlantic Liner combine in consequence of which the American line managers have reduced first class fares to £12 and second class to £7. It is rumored, according to the same authority, that the White Star steamship company will reduce rates to even lower figures and a keen rate war will ensue.

SERIOUS TROUBLE IS MENACING BRAZIL

The French and Brazilian Escorts Fight.

SEVERAL CASUALTIES

Natives Want to Take a Hand—Serious Complications Appear Probable

Kingston, Jamaica, Feb. 28.—Further advices from Cayene, capital of French Guiana, say that additional French troops have been despatched to Counani because the Governor had received information that a strong body of Brazilians were proceeding up the river. It is presumed the French troops went to meet them. Every effort is being made to suppress official news but private advices received from fugitive settlers say that the present state of affairs is due to the Brazilians who attacked the Frenchmen and forced the latter to act in self-defence, after a hot dispute between the commissioners, from which the Brazilians hastily withdrew and removed their camp.

In the collision a few men were killed and some wounded on both sides. The camps, it appears, subsequently maintained a watchful peace while awaiting instructions. The natives are said to be preparing to join in the fighting, if hostilities are renewed, which is causing the foreign settlers to flee from the disturbed district, abandoning their property.

REVOLUTION OVER.

Government Troops Have Won in Nicaragua.

Managua, Nicaragua, Feb. 27.—The Government troops, under General Rouling from Greytown, attacked and capture the bluff in front of Bluefields. General Reyes, the Insurgent leader, fled for protection to the British consulate at Bluefields. He will surrender without futher resistance, thus closing the revolution. General Rouling also captured a schooner near Monkey Point, containing some 26 refugee Nicaraguans who were en route for Bluefields.

ANXIETY FELT.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 27.—Up to late this afternoon nothing had been received in this city in respect to the Johnson Liner Moravia, 33 days out from Falmouth, England, and there is a great deal of anxiety on her account. She left Hamburg on January 18 and called at Falmouth for bunker coal, leaving there on Jan. 25. Since then nothing has been heard of her. Her time for an ordinary winter run would not be over two weeks from Falmouth and the best that is hoped is that some part of her machinery may have broken down and she may be now towing into port, or is making the trip under sail.

A LA DUKE OF CLARENCE.

Buffalo, Feb. 27.—Frank Casazza, 38 years years of age, was found dead in a huge cask of wine in the Buffalo Maccaroni and Vermicelli Works this morning. Whether he accidentally fell into the cask or had let himself in to examine its contents, will never be known. Although there was about a barrel of wine in the cask, it was not sufficient to cover Casazza's head, so that death must have been due to suffocation from the alcoholic fumes.

RUSSIA OBJECTS.

London, Feb. 28.—The Pekin correspondent of The Times says: "The Russian Government has protested to the Tsung Li Yamen against the terms of the Niu Chwang Railway extension loan, recently subscribed in London, on the ground that the clause appointing a British subject chief engineer of the line is in conflict with the Russia-Chinese agreement.

YACHT RACING.

Montreal, Feb. 27.—The Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club has accepted a challenge from the White Bear Yacht Club, of Minneapolis, to race the half-rater, Dominion, with a boat of theirs used last year. The races, best two out of three, will take place about June 12.

GERMANS ASSAULTED.

Berlin, Feb. 27.—According to an official despatch from Pekin several Germans were grossly insulted and afterwards assaulted last Saturday at Tientsin, the port of Pekin. They had great difficulty in escaping from their assailants.

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THE SESSION.

The Legislature prorogued yesterday. The session will be memorable in the history of the Province as the first under the immediate, direct, and exclusive control of that singular personage, Mr. Joseph Martin. It will be memorable, too, as the first of a Legislature to which the unconstitutional action of a Lieutenant-Governor gave Ministerial leading agreeable to his own political prejudices. And further it will be memorable for some most extradordinary legislation. There were less than eight weeks consumed in the entire session, yet in that time there were, roundly, one hundred Bills put through or otherwise disposed of. That such a quantity of legislation could be given proper consideration in so short time was, of course, impossible. But the gentleman who controlled the House has never permitted a little matter of that kind to give him the least concern. The members may not have known what his Bills were driving at; but he did and that was enough. When Mr. Martin wills, it is not for his followers to doubt or question, but to give him their votes; and to be just to his followers, we are bound to say they did not disappoint him.

A great deal has already been said of the Alien Exclusion Act. It may be that in principle it commends itself to a majority of the people of British Columbia, and that its effect will meet their wishes. We should be glad to think otherwise, for the Act is undoubtedly wrong in principle, and we shall be agreeably disappointed if it does not prove injurious in practice. That, however, is a matter for the future to determine in terms that will not be disputed. Of demagogic legislation there was a vaster quantity than has been; quite too much for the limits of a short review of the session. The close was remarkable for legislation of another kind, a kind that can only be described as confiscation and repudiation. Under the Subsidy Act of 1897 the late Government entered into a contract with Mackenzie and Mann for the construction of a railway from the Coast to Penticton. The Act specified that Railway Companies, to become entitled to a subsidy, should begin construction within fifteen months, bringing the date down to August, 1898. The contract provided that actual construction should begin not later than May, 1899. Members of the present Government professed to hold that the contract was beyond the powers of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, because of the extension of time. But from August, 1898, down to the present time the contractors have had engineering parties at work locating the line, and this has always been admitted by the Dominion authorities as keeping within the letter and spirit of such a condition. A road cannot be begun until located, and location is a necessary part of construction. This understanding of the matter was agreed to by the British Columbia Government before making the contract with Mackenzie and Mann.

The Attorney-General, however, was determined to break the contract, and he fastened on this technicality as his pretext. The Act granting the subsidy was repealed and the contract itself repudiated. With the Attorney-General, Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann are non persona grata, and that honorable gentleman always insists that personal feeling—his personal feeling, that is—shall override statutes, contracts, or anything else. The contractors are popularly supposed to have close business relations with the Minister of the Interior, and to stand well with the Dominion Government generally. That is enough for Mr. Martin, who proceeds in his peculiar fashion to show his resentment. A solemn contract is repudiated, and legislation passed to smash the entire agreement. This is a confiscation of rights under the contract and a repudiation of obligations voluntarily undertaken by the Government and Legislature of the Province. It is folly to suppose that capital is to be enticed into the Province in the face of legislation of this kind. But Mackenzie and Mann do not get off with this one act of confiscation. They have a claim in connection with the trail from Glenora to Teslin Lake. That claim has been the subject of correspondence with the present Government, who were obliged to admit the validity of it. The contractors were promised some months ago that before this session closed some provision would be made for it, but the House has prorogued and the claim is still in abeyance. It is a costly thing to be on friendly terms with the Minister of the Interior when Mr. Martin has hold of one end of the stick. But think of the affairs of the Province being administered under the influence of personal jealousies or enmities!

On the 24th there arrived in Nelson, addressed to The Miner office, a postal card dated Cape Colony, January 21—one month and three days from the southern extremity of Africa to the Pacific coast of Canada. That beats Mr. Mulock's postal arrangements in Kootenay, where a letter or paper is often ten or twelve days in making a journey of one hundred and fifty miles or less.

In lieu of the Mackenzie-Mann subsidy which was repudiated, the Attorney-General brought in a Bill at the tail end of the session to revive it in favor of others more to the taste of the present Government. Ministers take power to grant a subsidy of four thousand a mile, and to make any contract with any person to build the one hundred miles from Midway to Penticton. It is provided that the subsidy shall not be given to any railway company not under the exclusive control of the Provincial Government. This is a bit of claptrap intended to catch the unthinking or ignorant. The Dominion Government can declare any railway anywhere in Canada to be in the general interest of the country, and thus take over control of it. The new Ministers at Victoria, extraordinary as they undoubtedly are, can scarcely override the Act of Confederation.

CURRENT COMMENT.

A New Party to Rule Us

Judging them by their speeches on the platform and in the House there are at least eleven members of the present Assembly who are either Populists or have Polpulistic tendencies, and these are Joseph Martin, Higgins, Kelly, Forster, Deane, McPherson, Henderson, Neill, R. Smith, Helgesen and Kidd, although the last named would possibly be more properly classed as a Patron. Polulists in the United States used to point with pride to Sockless Jerry Simpson, in British Columbia they glory in the deeds of Bedless Joe Martin Populism, that degrading cult which has brought Kansas, Nebraska, Washington and other States of the Union into world-wide contempt, means raids on capital, strangling of railways, starvation salaries for public offices and consequent poor service, repuditaion of public obligations stagnation of business, general distrust, shattered credit in the money markets, and in the end national bankruptcy.—Victoria Globe.

From the Party Standpoint.

Throughout the country there is a feeling of relief at the failure of the prolonged and hapless Washington negotiations. This sentiment is not evoked by the opinion that there ought to be no treaty. As a matter of fact, there is a general and well-founded belief tht disputed points should be settled, that the United States tariff should be reduced, and that no more opportune occasion for a very favorable settlement could be found than that which has presented itself during the past few months. The satisfaction arises altogether from distrust of our own Ministers. That distrust was not confined to one side of politics. It grew out of the pro-American attitude our own men have assumed in the past, and manifested itself in the Liberal ranks. Among business Liberals the proceedings have been viewed of late with the utmost concern.—Toronto Mail.

What Else, Indeed?

Whatever may be said against the new law to disfranchise Civil Servants and those receiving Government money, it is a step in the right direction but does not go far enough. It should so provide that Civil Servants, so long as they prove themselves capable in their several departments and conduct themselves in a proper manner as becomes good citizens, should be left to administer the affairs of their office without fear of being turned out neck and crop at the next change of Government. The system that allows of such a condition of things is bad, for it creates the very grievance grumbled at by every incoming Administration, viz., that Civil Servants have worked against their return. What else could they expect of them? They are simply working to protect their necks from the official axe.—Trout Lake Topic

Overshadowed.

Although the Joint High Commission received marked attention from the American Press, considering the confidential nature of the negotiations and the strict secrecy maintained, its adjournment without the conclusion of a treaty seems to be accepted as an inevitable result. One cause of this quiet acquiescence is the general outbreak of imperialism which has centred attention on Cuba, the Philippines, the army, navy and attendant designs and investigations When it became evident that a treaty could not be arranged in time for approval by the American Senate at its present session public interest seemed to flag, and the adjournmet has been accepted as a natural consequence.—Toronto Globe.

CAUSES ANXIETY.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 27.—The announcement that the British bark Galatea, bound from Turks Island for this port, has been sighted abandoned, dismasted, and water-logged, caused considerable anxiety in this city among the relatives and friends of Capt. H. D. Lewis and the crew of the vessel, 15 in number, many of whom belong here. The Galatea, although under a British register, was owned by N. W. Rice & Co., leather merchants of this city She was a fine vessel of 1,122 tons and was valued at $22,000.

HARRY GREENBANK DEAD.

London, Feb 27.—Harry Greenbank, author of the librettos of most of the Gaiety theatre successes of recent years, is dead. He wrote the lyrics of "The Geihsa."

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THEY WILL HOLD FEWER MEETINGS

Council Will Hereafter Have Fortnightly Sessions.

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Plenty of Business Transacted at Last Night's Meeting—Report on Electric Light Plant.

Hereafter the council of the city of Nelson will hold only fortnightly sessions. The council last night so decided by resolution and the next meeting will therefore be held on Monday, March 13, at 7:30 p. m.

There were present at last night's meeting of the council Mayor Neelands and Ald Beer, Kirkpatrick, Hillyer and Fletcher. Ald. Thomson and McKillop were absent.

The finance committee reported recommending the payment of several accounts and defining the duties of the city solicitor as follows:

"The city solicitor shall prepare all by laws to be hereafter passed and shall certify on each by-law that it is correct and legal in form. He shall attend all meetings of Council and committees of Council when notified to do so. He shall advise the Council, committees of Council, the Mayor, chairman of committees and city officers on matters referred to them or belonging to their department where the solicitors advice is considered desirable. He shall attend at the courts in support of proceedings under the by-laws where the attendance of the city solicitor is considered necessary.

"In actions brought by or against the city, the solicitor in the event of judgment being against the city, shall be only entitled to charge actual disbursement; in all cases where the city is successful he is to be entitled to his taxed costs against the opposite party if costs are allowed by the court. He shall attend in support of the city's assessment or any appeal against the assessment. He shall draw all contracts, deeds or agreements between the city and other persons. He shall investigate and report on the title of any property proposed to be purchased by the city and prepare all necessary documents in connection therewith. He shall prepare any suggested amendments to the Municipal Clauses or other Provincial Acts, recommended to be made by the council."

The report of the committee was adopted in its entirety.

City Engineer McCulloch presented a report of his inspection of the Nelson Opera House to the effect that the building was perfectly safe but that to insure absolute protection he had recommended the placing of posts under the gallery, which had been done by the management. He had also recommended that two doors be placed at the stage end of the gallery to be used in case of fire. The report was received and filed.

W. P. Dickson, the electrical expert engaged to report upon the condition of the city electric light plant, presented his report. He found the capacity of the plant to be 3500, 16 candle power incandescent lamps. He recommended that two alternating current dynamos for incandenscent lights and a 25 arc light dynamo be added to the plant and that a new dam be built above the plant to be 10 feet higher than the present dam. The old dam, he said, was liable to go out at any time. The street mains, he said were too small and offered to much resistance to the current. The dynamos had been used above their capacity and the insulation was badly worn. The present capacity of the plant was not sufficient to care for the lamps now in use. The plant, he thought, in order to be made efficient would need the expenditure upon it of about $12,000, but before anything was done with the present plant he thought it advisable that the council should see what terms could be made for the supply of power from an outside point.

Ald. Fletcher thought that the report should be referred to a special committee who should present a supplementary report to the council stating in detail just what would be needed to place the plant in good condition, and upon motion this was decided upon and Ald. Fletcher, Kirkpatrick and Hillyer were named by the mayor as the committee.

The committee appointed to consider the report of Dr. La Bau, the health officer, presented the following report:

Your committee to whom was referred the report of the health officer, Dr. La Bau, beg to report as follows:

First—In dealing with the question of contagious diseases among the Indians on the Kootenay River Reservation. We would advise that a letter be written to the Indian department at Ottawa drawing attention to the fact of the Indians having spread the measles throughout this section during the last year, and the great danger of smallpox emanating from the same source, and ask them as a measure of safety to have the Indians vaccinated at an early date.

Second—With regard to the erection of a suitable building for the isolation of infectious diseases, we recommend that plans be prepared by the city engineer for such a building, after consultation with the health officer, and submitted to the council. Said building to be erected at some point to be decided on by the council.

Third—We agree with the health officer that the question of scavanger work is a very serious one, and that the present method of conducting this business is a serious menace to the welfare of the town We would therefore suggest that the council take up the question of the city doing its own scavenger work which we think can be carried out to the general benefit of the city. Those portions of the report referring to the extension of the water and sewer mains, we have not mentioned, as this is a question that the council has already in view, as soon as weather permits operations.

The three paragraphs of report dealt with, are matters that should be dealt with at an early date.

Upon motion the report was taken up section by section and adopted.

A letter was read from the Hon. J. Fred Hume stating that the amendments in the Water Clauses Act asked for by the city had been made and the city clerk was instructed to write Mr. Hume thanking him for his attention to the matter.

J. J. Campbell, of the Hall Mines, Limited, had a statement before the council of monies paid to the Gold Commissioner on account of miners from the Silver King who died in Nelson hospitals, showing the amount of wages due as follows: C. Benn, $3.50; L. Bush, $20.10; R. Rowe, $6.25; J. B. MacFarland, $17.50; J. H. Waters, $16 35, a total of $63 70. The above had also cash as follows: R. Rowe, 2.20; C. Benn, $16; J. B. MacFarland, $7.20; C. Bush, $13.; Frank Berendt, Bank of Montreal pass book with credit balance of $100. These monies had all been turned over to the Gold commissioner. The letter and statement were received and filed.

The Thomson Stationery Co., asked for a reduction in amount due the city for water rates. The application wass denied.

On motion of Ald. Beer the mayor and city engineer were authorized to have a sidewalk laid on Front street from the Hospital to the city limits.

Ald. Hillyer gave notice that at the next meeting of the council he would introduce an amendment to the License By law providing that clubs selling liquors to their members should pay a retail liquor license. This is provided for in an act recently passed by the Provincial Legislature.

On motion of Ald. Beer the city engineer and water commissioner were instructed to prepare a diagram of the city showing to just what extent water mains had been effected by the cold spells of the past winter.

Ald. Hillyer called attention to the fact that the Hall Mines smelter people were carrying water from the electric light and paying nothing therefore. Mayor Neelands explained that this did not interfere with the plant and the matter was dropped without action.

Mr W. P. McKechern, who had laid 375 feet of sewer for the city in the rear of the English church, appeared before the council to ask for a settlement of his account with the city. It appears that the work was done without the supervision of any city official and that McKechern had been told by ex-Mayor Houston to go ahead with the work and he would be protected. When the work was finished City Engineer McCulloch refused to pass upon it because he was not sure that the work had been done properly. The matter was finally referred to the Mayor and city engineer for settlement.

Raffle of a mountain sheeps head at The Office tonight. You may get it.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce White returned home from a week's visit to Spokane.

Mrs. T. M. Ward will give a skating party at the Crystal Rink in the very near future.

A. R. Sherwood was out yesterday after a weeks confinement at his home from la grippe

Mr. George L. Lennox is recovering from his severe illness but is not yet able to be out.

Miss Ida Johnson, of Hartney, Man., niece of Mrs. F. A. Tamblyn, has arrived in Nelson to accept a position with the Canada Drug & Book Co.

Some one left a package of clothing at The Office a week or two ago and has not called for it. Mr. Emerson is anxious to turn it over to its rightful owner.

The Kootenay Cigar Manufacturing Co., yesterday received a consignment of cigar boxes in which will be packed 250,000 cigars for immediate shipment to different points in British Columbia.

Rev. J. C. Herdman, pastor of the Knox church, Calgary, and moderator of the Calgary Presbytery which has just concluded its meeting at Macleod, arrived in the city yesterday over the Crow's Nest line. He left for Rossland last evening.

The small boy was in his glory with the snow balls yesterday. A citizen, who was a sufferer, suggests that all the boys in the city addicted to the hablit, go down on the C. P. R. flats, chose sides, and snow ball one another until all are dead or disabled.

Just two hundred people visited the reading rooms of the Nelson Public Library last week which shows that the interest in it is being well sustained. Mr. A. S. Farwell has presented the library with a very fine atlas. The shipment of new books, which left Toronto on the 10th inst., has not yet reached Nelson but they should be along any day now.

The new C. P. R. tug Ymir, which has just been launched, will pull freight barges between here and Kootenay Landing. The new barge under construction will be launched tomorrow. The two barges will be handled by the Ymir and the Nelson and it is expected that there will be plenty of freight traffic over the Crow's Nest line to keep both barges busy.

The police court was a little busier than usual yesterday as there were three cases on the docket. The mix-up of Ah Sing and Frank Donaldson was accountable for two of the cases as each of the principals in it prosecuted the other. When all the evidence was given Police Magistrate Crease fined Donaldson $25 and costs and Ah Sing $10 and costs. For being drunk and disorderly another offender was fined $5 and costs.

The inquiry into the sinking of the steamer Ainsworth opens in the court house here on Friday. Mr. Bullock-Webster, chief of Provincial Police, has notified 15 witnesses to attend and as a fine is attached for non-attendance it may be presumed that all of those notified will turn up and give evidence. Captain James Gaudin, agent of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, will preside at the inquiry. It is hard to say how long taking of evidence will continue.

A large crowd witnessed the one mile race for the championship of British Columbia last night between E. J. Scovil, the amateur champion of B. C., and Otto Augustine, the Swede. Scovil won by a lap thereby retaining the championship. Ausgustine put up a good race but showed plainly that he was used to a large track. Scovil skated in his usual good form. Scovil will probably be sent to Montreal next winter to represent British Columbia at the annual championships.

Two prisoners from outside points have recently been added to the number already in the Nelson goal. Wm. Marchand was brought in from Brooklyn by Constable Allan Forrester. He was sentenced for 60 days at hard labor by G. C. McGregor, J. P., for damaging property at Brooklyn. Wm. Woodman was brought in by Constable Barnes from Fort Steele where he was sentenced last fall by Magistrates Saunders and Hutchinson to six months for theft. Woodman appealed against the conviction for the delay in carrying out the sentence.

Meteorological Report.

(Observations taken by A. H. Holdich.

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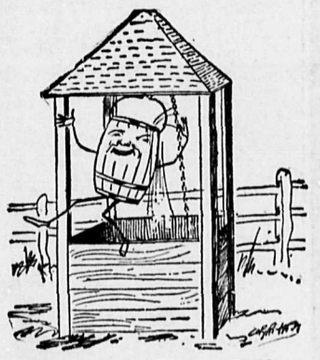
Feb 21	Tuesday	38.0	19.0	0.00	27.90
Feb 22	Wed'day	23.0	9.0	0.07	28 10
Feb 24	Thursday	28.0	18.0	0.08	27 80
Feb 17	Friday	33.0	15.0	0.03	27.60
Feb 25	Saturday	3 60	19.0	0.00	27.75
Feb 26	Sunday	24.0	15.0	0.20	27.50
Feb 27	Monday	39.5	23.0	0.20	27.55



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Nelson-Poorman	25	27
Kaslo Montezuma	1 00	25
Noble Five	1 00	33
Rambler Con	1 00	42
Reco	1 00	1 10
Slocan Star	50	1 50
Two Friends	30	12
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Butte	1 00	1½
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Enterprise	1 00	19
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Iron Colt	1 00	12
Jumbo	1 00	47
Lily May	5 00	20
Mayflower	1 00	8
Monita	1 00	12
Monte Cristo	1 00	16½
Mugwump	1 00	5½
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Phoenix	1 00	8½
Poorman	1 00	2
Red Mountain View	1 00	3
Rossland Homestake	1 00	6
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Cariboo (Camp McK)	1 00	1 75
Waterloo (Camp McK)	1 00	14
Cariboo Hydraulic Con	5 00	1 10
Channe	25	8
Golden Cache	1 00	12
Tin Horn	25	10½

New York, Feb. 27.—Bar silver, 59½; Mexican dollars, 47.

Copper, quiet, ; brokers' $18; exchange, $17.75 to $18.

Lead, steady, brokers', $4.20; exchange, $4.35 to $4.40.

Tin, quiet; Straits, $24.50. Plates firm.

The following notes are from the Boundary Creek Times:

E. A. Bielenberg has purchased a half interest in the Headlight from P. Helstab. The Headlight is on the West Fork and is one of the oldest locations in the district. It was located in 1885. There is a strong ledge of rich copper-gold ore on the property, running as high as 18 per cent. in copper.

The travel to the city during the past week has been something enormous Holbrook's stage line brought 15 passengers in on Wednesday. The other stages were crowded every day and many private rigs also came in. The hotels are taxed to their utmost capacity.

Edward C. Finch, who bonded the Oro and Mabel, returned to Rossland on Thursday. A typographical error reduced materially the bonding price of those two valuable properties. The price was $30,000, and not $3,000 as it appeared in The Times.

E. J. Matthews, representative of the Omaha and Grant Smelting Company, has been examing properties in the district. Harry Howson accompanied him.

In addition to the Oro and Mabel, John Douglas bonded the Cornicopia, an adjoining property or $10,000. This makes $40,000 for the three properties.

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A. H. Kelly, of the Exchequer mine, who has been in Rossland for the past week, returned to Nelson yesterday. Mr. Kelly is convinced from what he heard and saw in Spokane that the coming summer is to be one of the biggest seasons ever experienced in the mining world. "Unless something unforeseen happens," said he to a Miner reporter last night, "in a few months British Columbia will be in the midst of one of the biggest mining booms in her history. It will not be a boom in the ordinary sense of the word, but it will be one which will mean the inflow of capital from the East and from across the Atlantic. A war such as came last summer between the United States and Spain is the only thing that can prevent the most prosperous times. Of course the greatest interest manifested in Spokane is in Republic mines but there is more inquiry for British Columbia properties than for some time past. That good times are coming I have no doubt."

Raffle for a mountain sheep's head at The Office, tonight. You may get it.

"QUEEN'S EVIDENCE."

The Buchanan Dramatic Co. Open Their Run at the Opera House.

A large audience assembled last night at the Opera House to witness the initial performance in Nelson by the Buchanan Dramatic Company. The play chosen for their debut here was "Queen's Evidence," a powerful melo-drama in four acts.

As Kate Medland, Miss Gracie Hayes scored a distinct success. Her acting was characterized by intense feeling, but she avoided the too frequent fault of exaggeration. She was frequently and deservedly applauded. In the character part of the Jew, Isaacs, Mr. R. Buchanan gave an exhibition of very clever acting. His impersonation was only marred by a couple of lapses into unnecessary vulgarity. Mr. E. Buchanan was very acceptable as the villan, Matthew Thornton, while a special word of praise must be given to "Little Arthur" played by Master Archie Buchanan. Miss McAlpine was good as Ada Sydney, and Miss Deuno made the most of her rather limited opportunities as Laura. The parts of Sir Frederick Sydney and Gilbert Medland were well taken by Messrs. F. Butcher and Victor Lambert respectively, the other actors also acquitting themselves creditably in their various roles.

"Fanchon, the Cricket" will be presented tonight. This play, by the way was produced once before in Nelson, six years ago in the premises now occupied by The Miner office

It may not be of place here to call the attention of the management of the Opera House to the way in which certain small boys make a practice of disturbing the performances by cat calls and other uncouth sounds, thereby detracting much from the enjoyment of others present. This has been an objectionable feature in nearly all the performances so far given in the new Opera House, and it is to be hoped that effective steps will be taken tonight to prevent the recurrence of such disorders.

"GEISHA" POSTPONED.

The Nelson Operatic Society Will Wait Till Fall.

At a fully attended meeting of the Nelson Operatic Society held last evening it was decided to postpone the production of the Japanese musical play "The Geisha" until next fall. Since the general meeting of the society some weeks ago the committee has been busy looking into the matter of the production of "The Geisha"

It became quite evident that the books could not be secured in time to commence rehearsals until well into March, which would put the performances back to May, when it would be too late in the season. It was therefore thought wise to let the matter rest and the committee adjournment until the second of October when the matter will be taken up in earnest. Rehearsals will commence before the first of November and performances will probably be given during Christmas week.

EXPRESS TRANSFER.

Tomorrow the express department of the Spokane Falls and Northern Road will be taken over by the Great Northern Express Co., and the Northern Pacific Express Co., will step out of Nelson and other points on the road. Arrangements for the transfer of the Nelson office was made yesterday by W. J. Footner, vice president and general manager, Ronald Stewart, general superintendent, and W. J. Manghan, route agent, all of the Great Northern Express Compaany, and M. G. Hall, superintendent of the Northern Pacific Express Co., who arrived in the city yesterday morning in a special train. The new company intends in the near future to establish an office on Baker street.

FOR A REGISTRY OFFICE.

In the supplementary estimates brought down in the local Legislature $6000 is set down for "Registry Office, Nelson, consruction and furniture, in lieu of $5000, under vote 136, supplementing court house, Nelson."

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SCHOOL OF COOKERY.

Cooking of vegetables and cereals was the subject of Miss Livingstone's lecture to the School of Cookery yesterday. As usual she imparted a great deal of informaiton to the class and was followed closely as she explained the different points. Today the lecture will be on "Quick doughs and batters." The pastry lesson has been postponed until Thursday.

CRAWFORD WON.

Sandon, Feb. 27.—In the Bostock finals tonight Crawford defeated Wilson, 10 to six, and Main 12 to 10, and wins the cup for this year.

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Geo. Kydd, Manager, Nelson, B.C.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tenders for Nicola Lake Telegraph" will be received at this office until Monday, the Twentieth March next (1899).

1. For the supply of Poles and construction of a telegraph line from SPENCE'S BRIDGE to NICOLA LAKE, a distance of 53 miles, more or less.

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The Poles called for to be of the most durable kind of wood available, 25 feet long, not less than 5 inches diameter at the top, straight and sound and barked throughout; or, if of cedar, barked above 5 feet from the butt; and to be delivered along the existing roadway between the above points (in either instance) at distances of 55 yards apart.

The Government will supply the requisite material, i. e., Wire, Insulators, Brackets and Spikes, to the order of the Contractor at Spence's Bridge or at Kamloops; the Contractor is to erect the poles, string the wire, make necessary clearances, and otherwise perform the work of construction according to the usual specification of the Department.

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Each Tender must be accompanied by an accepted Bank Cheque for an amount equal to 10 per cent of the bulk sum of the tender.

By Order,
E. F. E. ROY,
Secretary Dept. Pub. Works.

Department of Public Works, Ottawa, 14th Feb., 1899.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NELSON.

Notice to Licensees.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all licenses payable under the provisions of Trade License By-law No. 8 of the City of Nelson for the several trades, occupations, professions and businesses therein set forth, are payable on the 15th days of January and July in each year.

NOTICE is also given that all licenses now due for the current six months must be paid forthwith at the City offices, and all persons neglecting to pay such licenses are liable to a penalty not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars.

By order,
J. K. STRACHAN,
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Nelson, B. C., February 27, 1899.

Bankrupt Stock for Sale by Tender.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to the 15th day of March next for the purchase of the stock of Groceries, Dry Goods, Gents' Furnishings and Boots and Shoes belonging to the estate of G. F. Fallis, an insolvent, and situate at Revelstoke, B. C. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Terms and conditions of sale may be had on application to the undersigned.

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