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NOTHING WARLIKE IN THE MOVEMENT

Dewey's Request For The Battleship Oregon.

FOR POLITICAL REASONS

The Ship is Needed to Protect Interests and Oover Many Stragetic Points in the Islands.

Washington, Feb. 25.—In connection with Admiral Dewey's request for the battleship Oregon for "political reasons" the published statement that the Admiral's despatch came in open English is an error. The Department received from him the two despatches yesterday, one relating to the arrival of the Yorktown, which was in plain English, and the other relative to the Oregon, which was in the navy code. It was not intended that this despatch should have been given publicity, but in the haste of preparations of matter to go before the Cabinet, it escaped close scrutiny on the part of Secretary Long and was permitted to reach the press along with the other current routine despatches. In the absence of further news from Dewey, as to the carrying of the Oregon to Manila, the officials of both the War and Navy Departments adhere to their original declaration that the "political reasons" alluded to in the despatch mean simply the necessity of having an adequate naval force to cover the many important stragetic points in the immense area of the archipelago. There is also pressing need to cover many other points where there are important foreign interests at stake so as to relieve this Government of the reproach of allowing those interested to suffer and to prevent the pretext, which might eagerly be seized by some powers, for landing marines at Manila or elsewhere. The presence of the Oregon at Manila would go far toward solving this problem.

FOR HIS COMMISSION.

A. G. McCulloch May Get Something Out of Beatrice Group Sale.

The hearing in the case of H. G McCulloch, the mining broker, against F. F. Falconer and the Boucher Brothers and W. W. Beer and G. Frank Beer, in connection with the sale of the Beatrice group of claims in the Lardeau district, and other properties occupied the full time of Mr. Justice Martin on Saturday morning. The plaintiff brought action to secure the payment of five per cent. upon $150,000, the purchase price of the claims in question which were sold to the Beer Brothers. It appears that the original deal, fixed by McCulloch, as broker, did not go through and that afterwards Beer Bros. did business directly with the owners of the property, but upon a different proposition. The defendants argued that inasmuch as the first agreement for the sale was not carried out the agent was *entitled to a commission*. At the conclusion of the hearing Justice Martin dismissed J. Frank Beer and W. W. Beer, but reserved judgment in the case against Falconer and the Boucher, upon the points as to whether the plaintiffs should receive a commission upon the amount paid under the second agreement, $3000 and a further commission of five per cent upon any monies paid in the future under the same agreement. W. A. Galliher for plaintiff; A. M. Johnson for Beer Bros; S. S. Taylor, Q. C., for Boucher Bros. and Falconer.

WATSON VS. CRONYN.

Mr. Justice Martin Saturday dismissed the motion of Frank Watson's attorneys for an order of prohibition to prevent Edward Cronyn from proceeding further in an effort to collect a judgment of $1700 against Watson. The judgment was secured in conection with development work on the Fisher Maiden mine, near Silverton, Cronyn advancing money to Watson. Watson ignored proceedings following the judgment and a warrant against him for contempt of court was issued

It was to avoid this that the order of prohibition was asked for on the ground that the county court had no jurisdiction W. A. Galliher for Watson; J. H. Bowes for Cronyn.

ARMY BILL AMENDMENT.

It Will Allow Volunteers in Philippines to Re-Enlist.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Secretary Alger visited the Senate today for the purpose of getting the Compromise Army Bill amended so as to authorize the re-enlistment of the volunteer soldiers now serving in the Philippines. When the Peace Treaty takes effect the terms of service of the volunteers will expire and necessarily there will be an interim before new troops can be enlisted and transported to the islands The Secretary thinks that many of the volunteers would be willing to remain during this interim if the amendment he proposes grants authority to give them this opportunity. The Senate committee on military affairs has signified its willingness to accept the amendment.

ALASKAN MAILS.

American Government Awards a Contract For Carrying Them.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Bids have been opened at the Post Office Department for carrying the mails by steamers from either San Francisco or Seattle via Unalaska, St. Michaels and Points along the Yukon River to Circle, Alaska, and Dawson, Canada. The lowest received and which has been accepted is from the North American Transportation and Trading Co. Michael Cudahy, President, of Chicago, for three round trips from Seattle at $1,495 each on June 20, July 20 and August 20.

THEY WILL OPPOSE

DEMOCRATS AGAINST THE ACQUISITION OF THE PHILIPPINES.

A Caucus Will be Held This Evening and a Plan of Campaign Will be Decided Upon.

Washington, Feb. 25—A caucus of the Democratic members of the House of Representatives has been called for 8 o'clock Monday evening, for the "Consideration of the attitude of the party in the Philippines." A plan of action has already been outlined and it is expected that a resolution will be adopted against the permanent acquisition of the Philippines. Democratic members feel that it will be appropriate to consider how far the financial quesiton is to remain the paramount issue or is to become secondary to an issue of Imperialism Judge McGuire, of California, says that while the financial subject will continue to be among the foremost party issues, yet it may not continue to be the paramount owing to the force of circumstances in advancing the issue of Imperialism.

KOOTENAY RAILWAY.

John F. Stevens Discusses it With a Spokane Reporter.

After a long conference with President James J. Hill the other day, Mr John F. Stevens was taken in hand by a reporter of the Spokane Spokesman-Review, who was not successfo in extracting any particular information. Here is a portion of the interview:

In relation to the work now being done by the contractors, Foley Bros. and their associates, with whom Mr. Stevens is connected, he said. "The chief efforts on the line of the Kootenai Valley Railway have so far been directed to putting in supplies, for after the first of March, when the spring break-up *comes*, the roads will be impassable. We now have enough supplies at the camp along the line to practically complete the work. After this construction will be carried on rapidly. Excellent progress is being made on the bridge and trestle at Bonner's Ferry. I do not know the exact number of men who are employed along the line, but there are quite a number."

"Has the matter of the Kootenai Valley Company securing the right to use eight miles of the Crow's Nest Pass road along Kootenay Lake been settled?"

"I do not know. I suppose it is still pending. *Under the charter of the* Crow's Nest Pass road, I believe the Railway Committee of the Government is permitted to grant the right of way and track as it may deem advisable. I suppose this matter is being considered back in Eastern Canada."

"How is work progressing on the Columbia & Western extension of the Canadian Pacific from Robson to Midway?"

"Excellently, I think the work will be completed about the 1st of July. About 4,000 men are now employed, but that is a smaller force than has been at work. The force has been reduced because *more could not* be worked to advantage. There is considerable rock work, and in the total distance of 105 miles there are seven tunnels. Track laying is in progress and about 15 miles there of the steel has been put down. This work is slow because there are a number of bridges on the line, and when the rails are laid to one of them track laying must cease while the timbers are hauled up on the track and the bridge built."

"Is is the intention of the Canadian Pacific to extend the line on to the westward, as talked of?"

"That I do not know. There are engineers out in that direction, however."

HON. DAVID MILLS SPEAKS AT DETROIT

British Friendliness For The United States

"WHITE MAN'S BURDEN"

Wishes the Americans Well, on Behalf of Canada, in Their New Imperial Policy.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 25.—Hon. David Mills, Canadian Minister of Justice, was the principal speaker this afternoon at the 63rd anniversary exercises of the Detroit Bar Association. His subject was "The Comparative Constitution Law of Canada and the United States." In mentioning the fact that the United States had recently crossed the "Boundary which marks an Imperial system," Mr. Mills said:

"You have entered upon the work begun by the mother of free states a century ago; you recognizing your high calling, have taken up 'The White Man's Burden,' and I am sure that *the feeling of every Canadian* is that this new departure in your historical development may be of great value to yourselves and of priceless advantage to the world."

Speaking of the relations between Canada and the United States, Mr. Mills said the Imperial Government and Canada have always been anxious *for more smypathetic relations* with the United States, but for some reason this feeling has not always been reciprocated. "When you extend your possessions, however, I believe that by coming more into contact with other nations you will better appreciate our foreign policy and will naturally be drawn more closely to us."

ENJOYABLE OPERA.

The Metropolitan Company Played to Three Big Houses.

After the very ordinary production of La Mascotte on Friday night the Metropolitan Opera Company showed unexpected strength in their afternoon and evening performances on Saturday. "The Chimes of Normandy" at the matinee attracted a large audience and everyone went away well pleased. The chorus work was the most noticeable feature, the voices blending well and considerable volume being produced. Mr. Smith's interpretation of the part of Gaspard, the Miser, was a very clever piece of character work. Mr. Rising was quite acceptable in the role of the Marquis. Miss Aldrach added to the irresponsible lightheartedness of Serpolette a degree of coarseness that entirely spoiled the part and removed the good impression she had made in the title role of La Mascotte. When Plaquette drew the character he never *intended* that his Serpolette should shout, at the top of her voice, "and don't yer forget it!" with all the gusto of a Bowery damsel Miss James took her part well and made a charming Germaine

"Fra Diavolo" in the evening was fully as well produced as was "The Chimes." Mr. Rising was most prominent among the principals and was surprisingly pleasing in his singing. In the two previous performances he did but little, but in the title role in "Fra Diavolo" he had more to do and did it most acceptably. He sang two incidental selections, one an Italian serenade and the other a laughing *song*, both of which were heartily applauded. Messrs. Hageman and Smith did not spoil their work as the two thieves as they did when in the comedy parts of La Mascotte. They omitted the horse play and were genuinely funny as a result Mr. Du Ross, as Lorenzo used his sweet tenor voice to advantage. Miss James was again good as Lady Allcash. The immortal sextette from Lucia di Lammermoor was given as usual, at the end of the second act and was the musical treat of the engagement There is a prospect of the company returning to Nelson shortly for a week's engagement. It is to be hoped that they may. If they remember that Nelson is not a rough mining town and depend upon art, more than travesty, to please us. they will surely do a good week's business.

A BANK FAILURE.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 25.—The Elliott Square Bank closed its doors for good today. The bank has a capital of $100,000 and was organized in 1891. A meeting of the stockholders was held this morning and a decision arrived at to go into voluntary liquidation at once. The bank has not paid a dividend for a long time and the outlook was not considered favorable enough to warrant the continuation of business. An arrangement has been made with the Buffalo Commercial Bank by which depositors will be paid in full on demand. No statement of assets and liabilities could be secured.

DOINGS OF A WEEK IN THE OLD WORLD

Making of History is Proceeding Rapidly.

MISS CANADA AND SAM

Papers Discuss the Outcome of the Washington Conference—Restoration of Westminster.

London, Feb. 25.—The political panorama has shown a succession of varied and striking pictures this week. The attempt to burn Manila, the funeral of the late President Faure, the threatened bombardment of Muscat by British warships, the resurrection of the Khalifa and the reported *death of the Ameer of Afghanistan* were unfolded to the public gaze in rapid succession, while the proceedings of the Anglo-American Commission at Washington have caused a feeling of deep regret here and the optimistic tone of the British Foreign Office explanation is not reflected by the general public although the newspapers as a rule profess to hope that the fresh attempt to reach an agreement in the autumn will prove more successful.

The Speaker cheerfully remarks: "The fact that business arrangements on particular points affecting large vested interests in both countries, cannot be satisfactorily reached, unappreciably affects the nations as a whole. Nations are still aggregates and not persons."

The Spectator says: "Arbitration seems to be a difficult mode of settling international disputes. The professional diplomatists have a right to chuckle a little."

The St. James Gazette, during the course of a long article on "America's refusal to accept an umpire," headed, "The Inconsistency of the United States", contends that America now refuses what she agreed to in the case of the Venezuelan arbitration when King Oscar was empowered to appoint an umpire.

The events at Manila have been followed here with intense interest and there has been general condemnation of the attempt of the Filipinos to burn the town. The Speaker calls it a "Suicide Policy" which will only injure themselves.

The Spectator says: "If the movement of the negroes and non-Tagalos race in favor of the Americans is genuine, it will not only yield the latter material for a Sepoy army, but what is more important, it will furnish them with the moral justification of their empire." A private cablegram received in London computes the loss to foreign merchants by the bombardment of Iloilo at $5,000,000. Only one European warehouse, it appears, escaped.

The London Municipalities Bill introduced in the House of Commons on February 23, by Mr. Arthur J. Balfour, the Government leader in the House, has been well received generally. The most striking feature of the Bill is the revival of the ancient City of Westminster which will comprise the whole of the enormous valuable and busy area from Temple Bar to Knights' Bridge and from Oxford street to the River Thames, in which are included nearly all the theatres clubs, Government offices, parks, Royal palaces, embassies and the aristocratic districts of Belgravia and Mayfair. It will be five times its population and it will be a serious rival of the ancient City of London, whose rateable value is £4,450,000,000, while that of the City of Westminster is £4,850,000,000. The Imperial and social importance of the new city will be tremenduous.

An announcement, complimentary to the United States, was made in the House of Commons this week when the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. C. T. Ritchie, promised to introduce a bill to compel railroad companies to adopt automatic couplings. Mr. Ritchie in so doing, said that the assistant secretary in charge of the railway department of the Board of Trade, Mr. Francis J. Shopwood, recently returned from a mission to the United States and had reported highly in favor of the American system. He showed indisputably that there had been a great saving of life since the adoption of automatic couplings on American railroads. The Daily News, commenting on the above, says: "An interesting feature of the proposal is that it is frankly avowed to be the result of a lesson from experience in the United States. Our public departments hitherto have not been very ready to admit that they had anything to learn from abroad, least of all, the Board of Trade."

ENORMOUS ICE FLOES.

They are Larger Than Ever Before—A Marine Disaster.

St. Johns, Nfld., Feb. 25.—The Furness liner Ramara, Capt. Williams, 13 days from Liverpool, with a general cargo, which arrived here today reports encountering unexampled icefloes off the eastern coast of Newfoundland extending 300 miles seaward and south over the southern edge of the Grand banks in the track of ocean shipping. The Ramara saw *nothing of the* various disabled steamers reported adrift on the Atlantic.

The first of the sealing disasters occurred yesterday when a boat from a sealing steamer, the Pelican at Trinity Bay out seal hunting, was driven off by contrary winds and exposed to the storm all night long. Of the six men in the boat, two perished and the four others were dangerously frost bitten.

ASK FOR A RECALL

GERMANY DOES NOT LIKE SAMOAN CHIEF JUSTICE.

His Criticism of the German Government Has Led to the Request for His Recall.

Berlin, Feb. 25.—The United States Ambassador here, Mr. Andrew D. White, has conferred lengthily several times this week with Baron Von Richthofen, Under Secretary of the Foreign Office *on the subject of the recent* trouble in Samoa, and has received a number of documents in support of Germany's view of the situation. An official, in behalf of Baron Von Bussow, the German Minister of Foreign Affairs, tells the correspondent of the Associated Press that the German Ambassador at Washington, Dr. Von Holleben, has represented to the United States Government, informally and in friendly manner, the advisability of recalling Mr. William Chambers, the Chief Justice of Samoa. The German Government is of the opinion that Mr. Chambers, since the publication of the letter to his brother, which appeared in the newspapers, is an "Improper person to represent the three Governments at Samoa." It is further said that he was put there in order to represent the protecting powers and that for him to criticise one of these powers, "makes him manifestly unfit to serve any longer in his present capacity."

A WORTHY MOVE.

All College Athletes Must Now Be Diligent Students.

New York, Feb. 25.—The annual meeting of the Inter Collegiate Association of Athletes of America, was held today at the Fifth Avenue Hotel and some very important changes in the constitution and rules in relation to amateur standing and scholarship of men competing in Inter-Collegiate contests were made. The Association has been working for years to eliminate every kind of professionalism from college sports and its rules are very stringent on that point. They were made more so today. This year, for the first time the matter of the athlete's scholarship in the institution *to which he belongs and which he* represents in Inter-Collegiate contests, was brought up and the constitution was changed so as to forbid a man, who has lost his class standing for any reason, to compete in Inter-Collegiate sports.

CAYMAN ISLAND.

Terrible Storm Causes Loss of Life and Damage to Property.

Kingston, Jamaica, Feb. 25.—The Cayman Island, 150 miles from here, was swept by a terrible storm on February 13 and 14, which devasted the country districts, destroyed the local shipping and caused several fatalities and general suffering among the islanders. The schooner Whitewater, from Mobile, was a total loss with her entire cargo. Her crew was saved and arrived here today.

F. R. Stewart & Co. of Vancouver and Victoria, are the latest of choose Nelson as their headquarters for the Kootenay country. Stewart & Co., are dealers in produce and will erect on Front street a cold storage warehouse. *It is understood they have* already secured the lot and will begin the work of excavating the property in a few weeks. They will build a first class building and will enter the Kootenay field in earnest.

LATEST SENSATION FELL RATHER FLAT

French Not Excited About a Military Coup d'Etat.

SOME LETTERS SEIZED

They Were Addressed to Prominent Officers and Urged Royalists to Strike Together.

Paris, Feb. 25.—The Figaro says that among the papers seized at the headquarters of the League of Patriots yesterday were letters addressed to senior officers among the generals, inciting them to the execution of a coup d'etat. The Government, however, knowing the officers addressed to be *above suspicion, has decided to make* no further enquiries in the matter so far as they are concerned. Government agents during the night and this morning made many domiciliary visits in Paris, based upon information obtained by the seizure of the papers in question. These included letters sent to prominent generals urging a *military coup d'etat. It has not been* disclosed whether there were any replies to these appeals among the discoveries. The result of today's searches is not yet known. The more impartial journals like the Matin declare that it is necessary to discover whether the idyllic adventure was realy as personal as it seems, or whether there were responsible persons behind it, who must be unearthed. "The latter," continues the Matin, "is evidently the opinion of the Chamber of Deputies and the Government, hence the great activity of the authorities and yesterday's almost unanimous vote in the Chamber of Deputies."

So far as the part taken by the public or any section of it, in the anti-Republican schemes, the agitation seems to be absolutely at an end. Those who are now laughing at Deroulede say that he, at least, showed some courage instead of confiding himself to vile chorus of spoken and written abuse, which has at last disgusted decent Frenchmen.

BOSTON WINS.

The Racquet Championship Goes to the Bean City.

Philadelphia, Feb. 25.—The amateur racquet tournament to determine the championship in doubles, which has been in progress during the week in the courts of the Philadelhipa Racquet Club, ended today and the championship prize was won by Q. A. Shaw Jr., and H. H. Hunnewell, the Boston No. 1 team. The final match was played today, Shaw and Hunnewell having as opponents the New York No. 1, Messrs. C. Patton and C. H. McKay. These two teams had won their matches during the week with little difficulty and they met today for the first time. The New Yorkers showed some clever plays, but the Boston pair did the better all round work and *won in four straight games*. The different serving of Shaw was the particularly brilliant feature of the match. Scores were: 15—6, 5—9, 15—6, 15—10. Only 14 innings were played in the four games and the Boston men received only two innings to win their game, they scoring a nine and six. A team from Montreal competed.

WILL BUILD CABLES.

Washington, Feb. 25.—The Senate committee on appropriations today agreed to incorporate a division in the Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill providing for the construction of a submarine cable connecting the United States with the Hawaiian Islands. The amendment provides for the laying of the cable by the United States and for its subsequent ownership by the Government, the Navy Department to perform the service. the cable when completed to be operated by the Post Office Department. Senator Butler made a statement to the committee showing that the cable could be laid to Honolulu for $6,942,000.

KIPLING VERY ILL.

The Great Poets Illness Now Occasions Anxiety.

New York, Feb. 25.—The following bulletin was issued at 9 o'clock tonight by Rudyard Kipling's physician:

"Mr. Kipling has been in a serious condition throughout afternoon and evening, one which occasioned anxiety, but is not without hope."

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THE KETTLE RIVER ROAD.

By a majority vote the Winnipeg Board of Trade have placed themselves "on record as strongly in favor of granting a charter" to the Kettle River Railway. This action is based, as expressed in the resolution itself, on the ground taken by the Board at the time of the disallowance of Manitoba railway charters. They then "advocated freedom in railway building, and opposed interference from outsiders in the purely local affairs of the Province." They are for freedom yet, and presumably also against outside interference.

It is a pity in that case that they have resolved on interference in the present instance. But this is a little inconsistency that may be overlooked in men who, in their own estimation, are so unselfishly devoted to the public interest. The greater pity is they displayed such ignorance in their resolution. There is no similarity whatever between the conditions here and the disallowance of Manitoba railway charters. Manitoba was fighting, not so much for a railway, as for a principle. It was fighting for both, undoubtedly, but the principle was the paramount consideration. Manitoba was desirous of establishing the fact that she was as free to charter railways within her jurisdiction as were the other Provinces. This was denied by the Federal Government of the day, hence the conflict.

There is no conflict in British Columbia. This Province is not the victim of Federal oppression or tyranny. We are not seeking to give Mr. Corbin a charter, in protest against the Federal power of disallowance. Mr. Corbin has not asked for a local charter. It has been open to him to do so, but he passes by Victoria and goes to Ottawa. It is a purely Ottawa affair, and Provincial authority or rights or privileges are in no shape or manner involved. If the British Columbia Legislature had been endeavoring to secure Mr. Corbin a charter for that part of his railway it is proposed to construct in the Province, and if the Federal power had been disallowing its efforts, there would be reason in the resolution. But nothing of this kind has been taking place. On the contrary, being of Provincial interest, the Legislature has ventured to express an opinion on Mr. Corbin's application, and that opinion, supported by an overwhelming majority, was that the application should not be granted. Therefore the Winnipeg Board of Trade is not only guilty of outside interference, but interference directly opposed to the only expressed wish of this Province. Before passing another resolution on the subject, its members will do well to consider that it will be quite time enough to tender their sympathy when there is either desire or occasion for it.

The minority members had some reason for their course. Although the charter is for a few miles of Provincial road, the entire West is interested in it. Winnipeg jobbers cannot view with unconcern the prospect of the trade of an important section of Southern British Columbia being diverted to American channels, and as the application is to Ottawa, not to Victoria, they are quite within their rights in protesting against it.

NOT A FORMALITY MERELY.

An Ottawa special to The Victoria Colonist says that the application of the Bedlington & Nelson Railway for permission to run over the tracks of the Crow's Nest line had been heard before the Railway Committee of the Privy Council. The dispatch continues: "Judge Clark for the Canadian Pacific Railway strongly opposed the application, on the ground that it would hamper the traffic of the railway. Mr. Blair said Parliament in incorporating the provision in the Crow's Nest Subsidy Act meant that it should be something more than a mere formality. Mr. Gemmill for the B. & N. road carried the Committee with him, and while formal decision was not given the general impression is that it will be favorable to the applicants. The Companies will endeavor to agree on terms."

Mr. Blair has taken the right stand; the only stand possible, in fact, if faith with the country is to be kept. The Crow's Nest subsidy was voted by Parliament on certain conditions, one of which was that other Railway Companies should have the right to use the tracks, subject to regulations approved by the Committee. The application of the Bedlington & Nelson is the first made, and to deny it would be to hold the wish and intention of Parliament in contempt.

The endeavor to escape its obligation is not creditable to the Canadian Pacific. But that Company is continually doing things to incur the suspicion and animosity of the public. It appears to be incapable of dealing frankly and generously with any matter or on any question. It was glad enough to agree to this condition in order to get its subsidy, but the subsidy safe it now seeks to repudiate the terms. The Canadian Pacific has been of immense benefit to Western Canada, and if it has not the entire sympathy and good will of Western Canadians it has only itself to blame. To express it shortly and perhaps not too elegantly, the people believe it is much too hoggish.

In discussing the resolution of the Winnipeg Board of Trade favoring a charter for the Kettle River road, Mr. Whitla, one of the largest wholesalers of that city, said that if the Corbin railway got in, British Columbia would lose millions which the C. P. R. would otherwise invest in smelters and railways. This is something for Kootenay miners and merchants to consider.

It is thirty-six hours old, and a favorable change may have taken place in the meantime, but the latest bulletin on Mr. Kipling's health is not as reassuring as his millions of admirers throughout the world could wish. Mr. Kipling has already made himself immortal; but he is yet young, and capable of even greater things than any he has given to the world. The wish that he may speedily recover will be universal and sincere.

Our news service says nothing of it, but it was thought some days ago that the Legislature would prorogue last Saturday. Our news service, indeed, has said very little of Legislative proceedings at Victoria. It is due to our readers in this connection, and to The Miner as well, to explain that some time ago the telegraph authorities were asked if they would include in the regular service a report of those proceedings, provided we employed an agent to compile it and file it in their office at the Capital. The reply was that they would themselves supply a report regularly. The Miner and its readers have been the victims of misplaced confidence.

Meterological Report.

(Observations taken by A. H. Holdich.

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Feb 20	Monday	44.0	36.0	0.00	27.70
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	13.0	0.03	27.60
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8.00 a. m.	Kaslo	3.55 p.m.
8.32 a. m.	South Fork	3.20 p.m.
9.30 a. m.	Sproule's	2.25 p.m.
9.45 a. m.	Whitewater	2.10 p.m.
9.55 a. m.	Bear Lake	2.00 p.m.
10.12 a. m.	McGuigan	1.45 p m.
10:25 a. m.	Payne Tram	1:31 p.m.
10.30 a. m.	Cody Junction	1.23 p.m.
10.40 a. m.	Sandon	1.15 p.m.
Arrive Daily		Leave Daily

CODY BRANCH

Mixed Leaves Daily	Stations	Mixed Arrive Daily
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11:15 "	Cody	11:25 "
Arrive Dal		Leave Daily

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"CIVIS" CRITICISED

DR HALL DENIES THE SEVERAL CHARGES MADE.

Regrets That an Anonymous Writer Should Misrepresent a Charitable Institution.

Notwithstanding the fact that there seems to be little likelihood of the Provincial Government making a grant to the Reverend Sisters for a hospital in Nelson, along the lines of the resolution adopted by the Council at its meeting of last Monday, controversy in regard to the subject still continues.

The letter in The Miner of Saturday, signed "Civis" is severely criticized on all sides and has called for a reply from Dr. George A. B. Hall, physician of the hospital. In his letter the doctor enters unqualified denials to charges made by "Civis" and regrets that the matter cannot be discussed without introducing misrepresentations and personalities "Civis" also comes in for a roast because of his failure to put his name to a letter in which he makes charges against a charitable institution and those connected with it. In this connection it is noticeable that those who have written in defense of the Kootenay Lake General Hospital have written over their own signatures. This is as it should be and The Miner will accept no further communications in this discussion except over the signature (for publication) of the writer. This will leave no room for anonymous charges.

The letter of Dr. Hall in reply to "Civis" is as follows:

"In the discussion of questions such as the one before us at the present time is it not really too bad that they cannot be argued upon facts, and let the best merited side win without introducing insinuations, misrepresentations and personalities, such as was the sum and substance in the letter in this morning's Miner signed 'Civis'?

"It is mean man, indeed, who will write charges against anyone, and more especially against a charitable institution and those connected therewith, and be ashamed to put his name to the same. Such a person is neither a credit to the side he supports (and I feel sure in this instance is not desired) nor a detriment to the side he opposes. If we judge "Civis' " mental capacity by the time it took him to formulate and write his article, we will probably have a true estimate of his ability.

"Suffice it to say, the charges in the above mentioned letter, so far as my duties are concerned (and I am speaking for myself), are notoriously false, which I am prepared to prove if made by a responsible person. In conclusion, Mr. Editor, I venture the opinion that the person signing himself "Civis" has not been in the Kootenay Lake General hospital half a dozen times altogether, never contributed one cent to its support, and furthermore is not a voting citizen, and I do not propose wasting time and ink answering anonymous letters written by such persons, as it is well known such people have not any weight with the public. Yours respectfully,

"GEO. A. B. HALL."

Judge J. A. Forin also makes reply to the recent letter written by Mr Kirby. He says:

"I beg to point out that the number of days on which Mr. Kirby bases his letter is for the charity patients only; that is, he only calculates on 48 patients instead of 170. I think my letter giving statistics is clear. Now, Mr. Editor, all we ask is that people should visit our hospital, then, if they think it should be conducted differently let them become members of the society, which they can do for the small sum of $10 per annum. They will find the directors most amenable to good adivce. It may not be as perfect as it can be made, but if instead of throwing stones from the outside they would come in and help us by their advice; we would certainly welcome them. I am quite sure that every director on the board will willingly give way for new men, and if the City Council can see their way clear to help us we will be pleased, I am sure, to give them representation on the board. At least let charity abound. The people of this growing city should pull altogether, and give their fellow citizens credit for good intentions at least, unless their acts are palpably inconsistent therewith.

"J. A. FORIN."

FROM THE ORANGE LODGE

To the Editor of The Miner.

Sir:—Attention has been drawn at the last regular meeting of Nelson L. O.L. No. 1692, to the recent statement made in your paper, that the country has already had as full a measure of Protestant intolerance as its credit can stand with safety. Permit us to say that in the opinion of this Lodge, the Editor is here in error. The whole history of Canada has been one continual intolerance, not to say indulgence, to the Roman Catholic minority in the Provinces, outside of Quebec. The present objections are not made by the Protestants as such, but by the citizens of Nelson, against the giving of public money and land to one church, representing only one section of the community, and that by no means the largest.

The objections only ask that the Public Hospital be unsectarian and not in the hands of any one church either Catholic or Protestant.

(Signed on behalf of Nelson L O. L. No. 1692)

JOHN TOYE, W. M.
F. J. RADLEY, R. S.

Nelson, Feb. 25.

BUCHANAN'S PLAYERS.

This Week's Attraction at the Nelson Opera House.

Buchanan's Dramatic Players will be the attraciton at the Nelson Opera House all this week. The company is a large one, carrying its own band and orchestra. There will be a change o' bill each night. The play selected for the opening will be the English comedy-drama, "Queen's Evidence." "I was not in town very long" said the manager of the company to The Miner last evening, "before I had it well impressed on me that Nelson was not a western mining camp as most people imagine and that no horse play or vulgarity would go down here. We had no idea of indulging in either. Such complaint not only speaks well for the better taste of Nelson, however, but will force us to be especially careful in providing nothing but the most legitimate amusement."

The military band will play on the streets at noon and in the evening of each day. The curtain rises this evening at 8:30.

M'LEOD THE WINNER.

His Rink Succeeds in Capturing the Forin Trophies.

Norman McLeod's rink won the Forin trophies. The final game was played Saturday afternoon between McLeod's rink and Judge Forin's, the former winning with five points up. The trophies were presented at the conclusion of the game. They are in the form of curling stones, made of gold and arranged for a watch charm. Around the stone is engraved "Nelson Curler, 1898-99."

The rinks in the final contest were:

Lawrence	Richardson
Kinghorn	Lamont
Wallace	Rae
McLeod—13.	Forin—8.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

The post office at Creston was opened on Saturday.

J. E. Jackson, of the Aurora smelter arrived in Nelson yesterday in search of business.

David Morris returned to Nelson Saturday from Rossland after an absence of a week.

Theo. Madson, the awning and tent manufacturer, returned to Nelson last night from Vancouver.

Two miners, Messrs. Marcoux and Willette, leave this morning via the C. P. R. for Skagway.

Dr. F. J. Ewing, of the Nelson-Bedlington and Rossland-Penticton roads, is in Nelson a guest at the Phair.

Miss C. Mooney, formerly of the Canada Drug and Book Co., left Nelson yesterday over the C. P. R for Toronto.

Mrs. W. F. Brougham has sufficiently recovered from her recent severe illness to enjoy short excursions out of doors.

A union meeting of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist Young People's Societies will be held in the Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evening.

Mr. W. F. Anderson, traveling passenger agent, of the C. P. R. leaves this evening for the Boundary Country to size up the passenger situation there.

Henry Bernard, who holds interests in all parts of the Kootenays, returned to Nelson Saturday after having spent several weeks in Portland, Ore., and San Francisco.

Miss J. A. Stevens, of Moncton, N. B., who has been visiting Mrs. Charles A. McAnn, of Kaslo, for the last month, passed through Nelson yesterday on her way home over the C. P. R.

Judge Forin Saturday issued an order appointing A. J. Marks, of Nelson, and Decatur Dunning, of Clinton, Ind., administrators of the estate of the late Charles Van Ness.

The C. P. R. steam tug Ymir was successfully launched Saturday under the careful supervision of Capt. Troup. The tug will be equipped and put in service at the earliest possible moment.

The Brackman & Ker Milling Co. will award the contract today or tomorrow for the erection of their warehouse on Front street and expect to occupy their new quarters within a month.

Mr. Jacob Dover leaves this morning via the C. P. R. for New York on a combined pleasure and business trip. He has two tickets in his possession for the return trip.

The skating race in the Crystal rink this evening between Scovil of Kaslo and Augustine of Sandon is attracting considerable attention. Both men are very speedy and should put up a good contest. There will be skating as usual.

The Metropolitan Opera Co., left yesterday morning for Rossland where they will appear tonight, Tuesday and Wednesday nights, after which they will play in Spokane, returning to Nelson in all probability about the first week in April.

Work on the excavation for the new office building and warehouse of the Parson's Produce Co., in Front street, will begin in the very near future. Tenders are now being asked for the removal of 3000 yards of earth from the proposed site.

A large number of school children, and not a few adults, attended the cooking class on Saturday morning when Miss Livingstone gave a very valuable lecture. At 3 o'clock this afternoon Miss Livingstone will lecture on the cooking of vegetables and cereals.

Frank Donaldson is in trouble because he assaulted a Chinaman employed at the Sherbrook House. The assault took place Friday and Donaldson was in the police court Saturday. Pending a report from a physician as to the extent of the Chinaman's injuries the case was continued until today.

A. E. Cooper, general agent of the Passenger department of the Albert Lea route, and L. B. Graham, commercial agent, arrived in Nelson last night and will leave this morning for Revelstoke on their way to the Coast. Mr. Cooper is a native of Toronto, Ont., and entered into the railway business in the United States several years ago. He is very much impressed with Nelson and its surroundings and will holiday here next summer.

The Nelson Gun Club held its first shoot of the season Saturday afternoon on the flats below the C. P. R. depot, and not one bird escaped. It was a veritable slaughter. There were present, Messrs. G. E. C. Martin, John G. Hirsch, Percy Criddle, Dr. Symonds, Frank Fletcher, H. E. Beasley, E. H. H. Applewhaite, J. M. Lay, A. F. Sergeant, F. H. Forbes, A. M. Johnson and others. The new traps which have been recently received were in use and a portion of the large supply of clay birds hit the dust. The only suspicious circumstance in connection with the shoot is the fact that the members absolutely refused to make public the scores. They simply made the statement that "not one bird escaped;" for as one of the marksmen added, "if we didn't hit it, it went to pieces when it hit for the ground was hard."

AT THE HOTELS.

Phair—William Gray, Romeo, Mich.; J. E. Jackson, Spokane; L. B. Goodman, Spokane; A. E. Cooper, Portland, Ore.; W. H. McLaren, Hamilton; J. Lydiatt, Toronto; Guy T. Hill, Russell, Mont.

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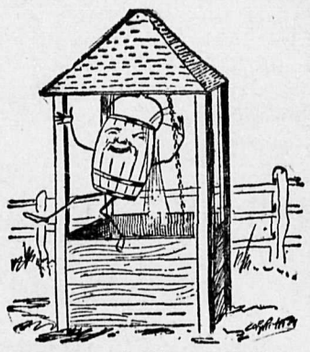

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Fred J Squires, Secy

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COURT KOOTENAY, I. O.F., NO. 3138 meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday in each month in the K of P Hall. F W Savenell, C. D. S, C. R.; J R Green, C.R.: J. Parkiss, Secy.

NELSON L.O.L. No. 1692 meets in the MacDonald block every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting members cordially invited. John Toye, W. M; F. J. Bradley, R. S.

NELSON LODGE No. 25, K. of P. meets in Castle hall, McDonald block every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. All visiting knights cordially invited.
R. G. Joy, C. C.
(820) GEO. ROSS K. of R. and S.

NELSON LODGE, NO. 10 A.O.U.W., meets every Thursday in the I.O.O.F. hall. G C Williams, M.W.; W S Smith, Rec.-Sec.; J. J. Driscoll, Financier; F. J Squire, Receiver, and P. M. W.

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"	Rossland; Trail, Robson and Points on C. & K. Rv.	
"	Kaslo and Kootenay Lake Points,	3.45 p.m.
"	Kuskonook, Creston, Fort Steele, and points on C. N. P. Ry., Sunday and Thursday	8 p.m.

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Arlington Con	1 00	7
Dundee	1 00	34
Dardanelles	1 00	18
Exchequer	1 00	13
Fern G. M. Co	25	56
Hall Mines	21	$1.75
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
Wonderful	1 00	5
Trail Creek		
Butte	1 00	1½
Caledonia Con	1 00	6
Commander	1 00	10½
Deer Park	1 00	19
Enterprise	1 00	19
Eureka Consolidated	1 00	9½
Evening Star	1 00	1½
Good Hope	1 00	2
Grand Prize	1 00	3½
Giant	1 00	5
Iron Mask	1 00	92
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
Novelty	1 00	4½
Phoenix	1 00	8½
Poorman	1 00	2
Red Mountain View	1 00	3
Rossland Homestake	1 00	8
St. Elmo	1 00	5½
Virginia	1 00	50
Victory-Triumph	1 00	9½
War Eagle Con	1 00	3 60
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	14
Cariboo Hydraulic Con	5 00	1 10
Channe	25	8
Golden Cache	1 00	12
Tin Horn	25	10½

New York, Feb. 25—Bar silver 59⅛; Mexican dollars 47¼; Silver certificates 59½ to 60½.

Mining Transfers.

Where no consideration is named in transfers the nominal sum of $1 is to be understood.

The following is a list of transfers, locations, recorded at the Kaslo office for the week ending Feb. 24.

Feb 18.—

F. J. Donaldson to John E. Jones, 1-6 in Carbenet No. 2, Clearwater, Congress, Sennet and Sewall, $700.

Feb. 21.—

S. W. Gladwell to Geo. W. Herrin, ½ in Big Four, $500.

William Hazard to R. D. Munro, Sunshine.

T. H. McFarlane to R. D. Munro, Falcon.

Feb. 23.—

J. H. McKim to Dan McCallum, ¼ in Red Rock.

Geo F. Hayward to Robert W. Riddell, ¾ in Purcell Fraction.

J. F. Wilson to R. W. Riddell. Jennie D.

Isaac Waldron to Richard Boettcher, Minnie B and Little Johnny, $500.

LOCATIONS.

Feb. 20.—

Innisfil—A. McC. Banting.

Feb. 23.—

Brant—P. H. Dechant.

Red Jacket—John McDonald.

Feb. 24 —

Snowshoe—Thomas Workmen.

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SLOCAN CITY TRANSFERS.

Feb. 7.—

Pureton—M. B. Merritt to L. K Larsen, ⅔. $150

Pureton—L. K. Larson to H. A Prosser, ⅓.

Sunnyside—H S. Siukan to W. E. Boie, ½.

Sunnyside—Joseph Duhamel to W. E. Boie, ½.

Feb 16.—

Extension of option on Evening Star group for three months.

Feb. 20.—

Silver Mug—W. H. Dowding to Godfrey Adams, ½.

Feb. 21.—

Iron Horse—Dan McDonald to Angus L. McLean, ½.

LOCATIONS.

Feb. 20.—

Townsend—Ed Nicholls, on divide between Lemon and Springer Creeks, adj. Two Friends, formerly Townsend.

Feb. 21.—

Burlington Fraction—W. H. Crawford, bounded on north by Speculator, south by Burlington No. 2.

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The Silvertonian, as usual, is interesting in items:

On Tuesday, the rawhiders came down from the Wakefield, their work for the season being over.

A snow-boat, to be used in hauling the Comstock ore, has just been turned out from the shop of S. Daigle.

The Bosun mine has sent out 40 tons during the last week. This brings the total output of the mine, since the first of January, up to 180 tons.

The mines in this vicinity are gradually increasing their forces and making preparations for a big summer's development work. This week, seven miners packed their blankets to the Emily Edith mine and six were put on at the Comstock.

W. Tomlinson, the well known mining expert of New Denver, paid a visit to the Noonday claim, on Monday. He expressed considerable surprise at the amount of ore the lessees had taken out and sacked, during the short time they have been at work. He regards the Noonday as the making of a big property.

Ralph Gillette passed through town on Friday, coming from the Hamilton group, on Twelve Mile, in which he is half owner. He says that work is being done in No 2 tunnel, which is now 85 feet. This claim lies about two miles from the lake; adjoins the Get-There-Eli, of which such good reports are in circulation.

From four to twenty inches of ore has been struck in the lower tunnel of the Adams claim, one of the Canadian Group near Sandon. This taps the ore chute at a depth of seven hundred feet, and the tunnel has been driven into the ore chute for 20 feet.

The Comstock Mines, have commenced adding to its force, six new men being put on this week. Stopeing has commenced between tunnels No. 2 and 3 and a new raise is being put through between tunnels No. 3 and 4. Development work will be pushed and tunnels No. 3 and 4 will both be driven ahead.

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Mr. Smith Curtis and Mr. Wallach have returned from Montreal and being in Greenwood the other day gave an interview to the Boundary Creek Times: "It was no longer necessary to seek capital in London or the United States. There was plenty of money in Montreal seeking investment in good mining properties. The reason that Boundary Creek stands so well in Montreal is not hard to find Mr. J. P. Graves succeeded in interesting some of the most prominent business people in Montreal in the Knob Hill and Ironsides, the Lincoln and City of Paris, and his smelter company. Montrealers also acquired the B. C. Now all these ventures have dealt kindly with the investors, and they are ventures which created a good impression. Montrealers lost money in mining ventures elsewhere, but none in Boundary Creek. The Montreal capitalists are now ready and willing to take hold of Boundary Creek properties. All they want is the assurance that they are not dealing in wild-cats, and that there is some probability that the expenditure of money in development will make mines. It was this favorable feeling towards Boundary Creek that materially assisted Mr. Wallach in the disposal of 10,000 shares of King Company's stock to leading Montreal capitalists. Mr. Wallach is an old Montreal newspaperman. He was financial editor of the Star for several years and was in touch with the Montreal investors. They were soon convinced the Oro Denoro is a big property in a big district, and soon bought 100,000 shares at 12 cents." Mr. Wallach has since been authorized to sell 100,000 more of Oro Denoro, but at 25 cents instead of 12.

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Other Greenwood items are:

M. D. MacLeod of Anaconda has sold the Baltimore claim in Greenwood camp to the Baltimore Company, which was recently organized by John B. Moody of London, Ont. The price paid was $8000 cash. The Baltimore is the old Clifton, which was worked for some time by the Coolgardie Company.

The Oro and Mabel, two promising properites in White's Camp, owned by John Douglas, of Midway, were bonded a few days ago to Edward C. Finch, of Rossland. The consideration is $3000, 10 per cent. down. The deal was arranged by E. A Bielenberg.

There was quite a skirmish for Morison stock on Saturday, when it became known that the tunnel that was being run below the wagon road to connect with the shaft had encountered a body of rich ore. The tunnel is in 90 feet and 260 from the working shaft.

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The management of the Trail smelter expects to be able to blow in the new lead furnace about March 1. A great quantity of Slocan silver lead ores have been received at the smelter and if the experiment proves successful the Trail smelter will have all the ore it can handle of the lead variety.

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Silverton, Feb. 25.—Ore shipments from Silverton for the past week amounted to 100 tons, making a total of 1212 tons shipped since the 9 h of December last when shipments for this winter began. For some time the quantity that will be shipped from this place will be light. The roads will be breaking up and it will in consequence be a difficult matter to get ore down. A much larger quantity of ore went out from this camp during the past winter than during any previous season in its brief history; and the outlook is that the quantity to be shipped will go on increasing at a rapid rate.

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