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CANADIANS MOVING TOWARDS THE FRONT

Great Enthusiasm Displayed in Eastern Cities

NO FRESH WAR NEWS.

A Big Battle Expected to Take Place at Tugela River Next Week.—Germans Very Hostile.

(Special Dispatches to The Miner.)

Montreal, Jan. 4.—Fifty one men, representing Montreal's contribution to the artillery force and a number of men sworn in to complete recruiting at Quebec for the Mounted Rifles, left for Quebec today. A thousand local militia men turned out to bid the recruits good bye and thousands of people lined the march to the station. Mayor Prefontaine made a speech to the men in the drill shed, declaring that he knew they would do their duty. Four bands were in the procession to the depot, while in between were thousands of citizens singing patriotic songs. The cheering at the depot as the train drew out was deafening.

Ottawa's contribution to Mounted Rifles arrived in town tonight and are quartered at the drill shed.

Winnipeg, Jan. 4.—The C. P. R. depot was the scene of another soldiers' farewell, when five members of the Royal Canadian Dragoons left for Toronto where they join the general staff of the First Battalion of Canadian Mounted Rifles for service in South Africa. Sergeant-Major J. C. Page, Sergeant-Trumpeter L. Inglis; Orderly Room Clerk, Sergeant P. Dalton, Pte. Mordant Ager and Pte. Watts, of the Maxim gun detachment, made up the party. They were accompanied by Sergeant W. H. Tennant, of the Winnipeg Field Battery, who joins the western contingent at Kingston, and who was called away from Nelson to go to the front.

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—Kingston and Toronto troops will arrive in Halifax at 6 p. m. on the 15th instant. The Ottawa men will leave by the Canada-Atlantic about ten or eleven o'clock on the morning of the 13th inst and will start from Montreal by the Inter-Colonial at 6 p. m There will be 149 men and five officers and 137 horses that will leave here. Besides there will be five flat cars with wagons and guns, two cars with harness and one baggage car. The Toronto party will have 13 officers and 159 men and 155 horses. From Kingston there will be 10 officers and 181 men and 153 horses and six guns.

Toronto, Ont, Jan. 5.—There is much regret here over the circumstances under which artillery men left on Tuesday evening with no pocket money, no souvenir and little or no enthusiasm. It was not, however, because of wanting of popular interest but simply because the order to go came so suddenly and at the same time the impending change of Mayor, and moves in the City Council put the municipal system in a sort of chaos for a few days

When 130 Mounted Rifles leave Toronto in a few days, there will doubtless be another enthusiastic farewell.

Regina, N. W. T., Jan. 4.—Commissioner Herchmer has returned from the West, having purchased horses for the contingent. Many of the ranchers offered horses as gifts. Every train now brings horses and men and trooping is proceeding rapidly. Today Superintendent Howe handed over the command of the depot division to Superintendent Constantine, who will take up his residence at Commissioner Herchmer's house, and who is busily engaged sweating in members of the contingents.

Winnipeg, Jan. 4—A mammoth patriotic concert and demonstration was held in the drill hall here tonight, the proceeds of which will be devoted to the fund for Winnipeg's contingent to the Transvaal. The affair was a splendid success, the drill hall being crowded to the doors. Patriotic speeches were delivered by leading men and a chorus rendered by a large choir of school children.

Colonel Peters, late D. O. C. at Victoria, was here today en route to Toronto, whence he has been transferred.

London, Ont., Jan. 4.—Scenes of nine weeks ago were repeated in London yesterday, when 30 members of the Canadian Mounted Rifles departed for South Africa. Though a half holiday had not been declared, thousands assembled along the line of march, and at the station the enthusiasm displayed was as great as when the first contingent left. Mayor Wilson presented each of the eleven Londoners, on behalf of the council, with two sovereigns and one sovereign each to the others.

Quebec, Jan. 4.—The Field battery, of this city, was expected to supply 55 men for the artillery branch of the second contingent but only about 40 have volunteered R. C. A. A. men are anxious to go to the front, however, and as they have been pronounced physically fit, this part of the contingent may be considered completed. The Quebec Field battery was supposed to furnish 13 men, but not one has volunteered and their places have to be filled by others. St. John, N. B., garrison artillery will furnish eight men, while several other gunners have offered their services.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 3.—Three chaplains will go with the second contingent, namely: Rev. W. J. Cox, Anglican, Pugwash, P. E. I., Rev. W. G. Lane, Methodist, Parrsboro, N. S., one Roman Catholic priest, not yet named. The Y. M. C. A. will have Mr. Best, Brantford, as its representative.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—The Imperial War Office today cabled the Canadian Pacific for freight rate on 1,500 horses from Calgary to South Africa, via St. Johns, N. B. It is evident that the War Office intends buying horses in the Northwest.

Kingston, Ont., Jan 4.—Winnipeg's detachment for the second contingent arrived here this afternoon and "C" battery is now complete. The latter battery will leave here Jan. 12 for Halifax. Meantime they will drill.

Ottawa, Ont. Jan., 4.—At the Militia Department, it is arranged that Toronto, Kingston and Ottawa troops would leave on the 13th instant. It is necessary that they should be in Halifax on the 15th.

(Associated Press Dispatches.)

London, Jan. 5.—(5 a. m.)—This morning's news throws no further light upon the situation. The exact position at Molteno and Cyphergat is not yet clear but in any case these little engagements are of small importance, beyond proving that the British forces are beginning to attain a greater degree of mobility.

It is fully expected that next week will see a heavy battle on the Tugela River, which is now the pivot of the campaign. The Boers appear to be working with shovels and picks. Lord Methuen's cavalry scouting has developed the fact that the Boer entrenchments extend 40 miles, far overlapping the British positions, and making flank attacks exceedingly difficult. Military men affirm that the Boer trenches confronting General Buller stretch away some seventeen miles, and that work upon them is pushed unremittingly. While the advance is delayed flank movements are rendered most difficult because long marches are not done with celerity and it is hard to time an attack with certainty. The extent of the Dutch rising, may now be measured by taking a line from Prieska, on the west to Herchel, or Barkley, on the east. Along the whole of this line except at points actually occupied by the British, the population seems for the most part hostile.

The Admiralty programme embraces the stationing of small squadrons at Durban, Simons Bay, Port Elizabeth, Lorenzo Marques, St. Vincent in the Cape Verde Islands, and Capetown and sending an additional ship or two to Aden It is announced from Rome, that British agents and detectives are secretly watching all Italian ports.

London, Jan. 4.—Mr. William Waldorf Astor has sent £5,000 for the fund for equipping the corps of London Volunteers. This brings Mr. Astor's total war contributions to £12,000

Boston, Mass., Jan. 4.—The Cunard S. S. Carinthia left the East Boston dock today for the second trip to South Africa in the service of the British Government. The steamer goes direct to New Orleans, where a cargo of 1,500 mules will be taken on board.

Hamburg, Jan. 4.—The German East African Company publishes a statement in the Hamburger Nachrichten, saying that immediately on the declaration of war, the company voluntarily refused to forward to South Africa two consignments of arms already on board their vessels, promptly to avoid trouble and delay in connection with the other portions of the cargoes. A copy of the manifest of the Bundesrath has been published showing that her cargo did not contain contraband. The owners declare that there is absolutely no foundation for the statement that saddles and other war materials have been found amid the cargo of the Bundesrath.

Berlin, Jan. 4.—The seizure of the Imperial mail steamer has considerably aggravated the situation here an the indignation against England is intensified. The Government, however, is still earnestly endeavoring to preserve correct official relations. No answer that is considered satisfactory, has yet been received from London, and according to advices here, none is to be expected for several days longer. Today's news, however, induced the German Government to send another protest to London.

Significant of the intensity of Germany's indignation against England in this matter is a declaration published today by the German Colonial Society, among whose 80,000 members are a number of reigning German princes, which says:

"England's recent proceedings against German vessels are an outrage. The fact remains that the small respect which the English people feel for Germany because of her deficiency in naval power, has taken such a deep

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SEMLIN SAVED BY TWO HOURS TALKING

Henderson Spoke Until a Government Member Came.

THE GOVERMMENT IS A GONER.

Exciting Sitting of the Provincial Legislature Which Began Yesterday—More Aid for the Empire. First Bills Introduced

(Special Dispatch to The Miner.)

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 4.—The session of the British Columbia Legislature opened at 3 o'clock today with the usual ceremonies. In the Speech from the Throne, after reviewing the African war and the dispatching of volunteers, the Lieutenant-Governor speaks of the settlement of the claim disputes at Atlin. Continuing it says:

"The rapid growth in population and consequent requirement of a large increase in school accommodation, it makes it imperative that the whole educational system be revised. At the same time, there is a general desire among people in many towns which have recently become incorporated for a large share in the control of their schools. A measure, therefore will be laid before you which, it is thought, will accomplish this end. Renewed activity is apparent in the lumbering industry, and a greater demand is likely to arise to make it desirable that some amendments be made in the act for the measurement of logs as will make its operation satisfactory both to mill owners and loggers and a bill with that object is to be introduced.

"Notwithstanding the substantial remissions of taxation made last year, the general revenue is well maintained. The loan authorized last session for the purpose of providing funds for the discharge of the large deficit accumulated, was successfully negotiated in London in July last Then it was only found necessary to issue $1,649,000, authorized by the act. The price realised was higher than that obtained for any previous issue. The Columbia & Western Railway Company, having completed the line between Rossland and Boundary Creek, has become entitled to the land grant of approximately 2,500,000 acres Preliminary arrangements have been made between my Government and the company for the substitution of a cash subsidy for the land grant on such terms as will realize substantial saving to the Provincial Treasury, as compared with the plan adopted in regard to the payment of similar subsidies in the past. By carrying out this arrangement it will be possible therewith to open for settlement in Boundary Creek district an area of about 4,000,000 acres, now reserved. The great increase in population in the Boundary Creek district and the rapid development of its mining and other industries, entitle it to have representations in the Legislature. An amendment to the Constitution Act, will therefore be introduced to effect this. Some amendments will be proposed to the Coal Mines Regulation Act. Amendments will be introduced to the Liquor License Act. The Government will be asked to authorize an expenditure to make Omineca accessible."

Opening of the northern part of the Province was also dealt with.

THE SITTING.

Victoria, B. C. Jan. 4.—By the casting vote of Mr. Speaker, the Government succeeded today in proving the falsity of the prophecies that they had only to meet the House to be defeated. There is still a possibility that when Mr. Prentice makes his appearance on the scene they will have to succumb. The House was opened with the usual pomp and ceremony, his honor being attended by a brilliant staff and there being a very large attendance of spectators. The Speech from the Throne being disposed of, the Government brought in a resolution offering the Imperial Government a body of mounted men to act with the Canadian contingents in the Transvaal. Mr. Semlin moved the resolution in a graceful speech and the motion was seconded by Mr. Turner, who reached the heights of eloquence in referring to Canada's duty in assisting the Empire. Then came speeches from military experts, Colonel Baker and Major-General Kinchant. The President of the Council, Mr. McKechnie, dived into history and cited instances in which Canada had done her duty in a similiar manner, before concluding with an allusion to the published reports that a pro Boer movement was taking place in the city and questioning the loyalty of the people of Victoria in allowing such sentiments to be uttered. This brought up Harry Helmcken, senior member for the city who proclaimed the loyalty of the people of Victoria and read a resolution he was intending to move, had the Government failed to take action. Moving the previous question Mr. Helmcken was warmly applauded. The motion carried unanimously.

Then came the struggle. Premier Semlin moved that when the House adjourned it stand adjourned until Monday at 2 o'clock. The motion was defeated 18 to 17 and Mr. Turner moved that the House stand adjourned when it did adjourn until Tuesday afternoon. The Government was expecting Wells to arrive on the evening boat from the Mainland and it became necessary to talk the motion out until 6 o'clock. Alex. Henderson was put up to do it and rising at 4:30 he succeeded in talking until six, helped by the many interruptions of the members of the Opposition, who rose continually to points of order. The Government was saved In the evening Wells was on hand and the House defeated the motion to adjourn until Tuesday by casting vote of the Speaker, 18 to 18, with Prentice still absent. Of course the Opposition are jubilant. Joseph Martin came from Vancouver this morning by a special boat to Nanaimo thence by a special train provided by Dunsmuir. The Government members drawing therefrom the inference that Martin has been won over to support everything they condemned in the late administration. The House was crowded all day, in expectation that Martin would make a bitter attack on the Government. He contented himself with roasting Henderson, on his change of opinion, retorting the Attorney-General's insinuation that Martin had changed coats.

Higgins and Martin were the bitterest opponents of the Government all through. The Speaker's ruling that the motion of the Government was in order, fixing 3 o'clock Monday for the next meeting, when the motion to adjourn until two that day had been defeated, is severely criticized and Eberts asked the Speaker to give a written ruling, stating he did not believe any other Speaker in Canada would agree wtih him.

Bill No. 1, introduced by Henderson, to amend the jurors act, extends that act to Nelson and Rossland registeries, selectors of juries to sit annually at Nelson on December 15, Rossland, December, 30, selection and distribution of jurors and preparation of the rolls at Nelson Registry Office at the end of every four years, from December 15, 1898, and at Rossland at the end of four years from December 20, 1898. From the rolls of jurors at the Nelson Registry, the number to be selected for grand jurors is 48; petty jurors, 116, and the distinction between the payment of jurors east and west of the Cascades is abolished.

During the discussion this afternoon, Martin, and Henderson had a warm altercation. Martin denied some statements of Hendersons and the Attorney-General said he would not take that from any man in or out of the House. They talked quite friendly after the House adjourned, although many expected to see a row. The House adjourned at 10 o'clock tonight.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Annual Reports Show an Encouraging State of Affairs.

The annual business meeting of the First Baptist Church was held on Wednesday evening. The reports given of the year's work were of a very encouraging character. The membership has been strengthened by many valuable members during the year, the increase being one hundred per cent The congregations have been steadily growing. This church has been supported during the entire year without a "sale" or "social" to raise money and has prospered financially as the reports show. In the year 1899 the offerings received at the Sunday service totalled $1,248.05 or an average of $24 each Sunday. The report of the year previous shows that the total Sunday offerings were $662.18 or an average of $12.73. This comparison of the two years clearly indicates the rapid development of the church's financial strength.

Reports were given of the work being done in the Sunday Schools. The older school which meets in the church showed an increase in attendance of 130 per cent.

Mr. McDermid was appointed superintendent for the next year The Sunday School which meets in the mission hall in Home Addition has also made encouraging progress under the competent superintendence of Mr. R. Robertson and the untiring efforts of Mrs. Peck. These schools are starting out with the same leaders for the new year.

Reports of B. Y. P. U. work were received which were in part encouraging but which is fully hoped will be far behind the next year. The new officers of the Union are President, Miss Merrill; Vice-President, Mr. Stocks; Organist, Miss Anne McDonald; Sec.-Treas., Mr. Taylor. With such a staff of leaders the society must prosper.

The Ladies' Aid has given in a full report which is of a most satisfactory character The new Aid officers are President, Mrs. Ellis; Vice-President, Mrs. Prosser; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. Peck.

The meeting adjourned until next Wednesday night when the church officers will be elected.

NELSON A GOOD CUSTOMER

What We Buy From the United States in the Course of a Year.

The custom's collections for the port of Nelson during 1899 amounted to $162,652.89, and of this over $100,000 represents the duty on goods of United States manufacture. The total value of the goods thus imported amounts in round numbers to about $400,000. To this must be added the value of the non-dutiable goods imported from the same source which totals up to about $240,000, making the very respectable total of $640,000. When Nelson alone buys goods to this extent in one year, it is readily seen what an immense advantage the mining development in Southern British Columbia has been to our American cousins, though it does not say so much for the enterprise of Canadian merchants.

By way of exchange the only products exported are, practically, ore, copper matte, and copper, lead and gold bullion. The Fernie coal mines export a little to the United States but their shipments at present are confined to 25 cars a month. The bulk of their output is consumed in this Province, as not only do they supply the Hall Mines and Trail smelters with coal and coke, and also the locomotives on the C. N. P. road, but they have very large orders from the naval authorities at Esquimalt. Later on, when the vast coal deposits are fully developed, the foreign export trade will, no doubt, expand, as there is no coal like the Crow's Nest coal to be obtained within a reasonable distance of the State of Washington.

However and wherever trade develops in Southern British Columbia, Nelson must be to some extent benefitted thereby, as all merchandise destined for Kootenay and Yale points, whether it comes from the east or from the south, must pass through Nelson, which is the pivot of the railway systems south of the main line.

FRENCHMEN SENTENCED.

Paris, Jan 4.—The High Court (Senate) in secret session today condemned M. Buffet and Deroulede to ten years' banishment. M. Guerin was sentenced to ten years' confinement in a fortified place. M. Saluces was sentenced to ten years' banishment.

M. Deroulede, still weak from his illness, entered the hall leaning on M. Barilliers arm. Among the public were M. Deroulede's daughter and brother and quite a number of women friends of the prisoners. After the reading of yesterday's decision M. Fallieres ordered the expulsion of the men acquitted and the public prosecutor asked for the application of sentences against the convicted.

M. Buffet's counsel, M. Normande, followed in behalf of his client and began to expiate on the latter's sentiments when M. Fallieres stopped him and told the lawyer to keep the question of the sentiment. "Well," said M. Normande, "strike my client, so that the country may judge the extent of the hate and fear which animate you."

M. Fallieres interrupted the counsel with the remark: "You are insulting the court."

M. Normande rejoined: "M. Buffet leaves this court greater than he entered it and he will become greater still in prison."

M. Buffet then said: "You have dealt me a blow. Thank you. You have condemned the Government twelve times and I thank you twelve times. I do not want to benefit by the Berenger law. If there were street demonstrataions tomorrow I would take part in them. I do not want pity or indulgence."

M. Deroulede then rose and said:

"Since you have coupled me with the valiant Royalist, Buffet, and the courageous anti-Semite, Guerin, I will share their pay. But, however hard may be the sentence, however distant she exile, which is even more cruel for me, a patriot and soldier, I will return. I will return when justice returns. I shall be free when the nation becomes free. I am here by Loubet's orders Strike me then. Accomplish that which remain and double shame on the history of Parliament. Vive L'Armee National! Vive la Republique du People!"

M. Deroulede was listened to in profound silence but his passionate utterances caused a great sensation. M. Guerin said he did not wish to make any farther defence.

He would not utter a word of repentance or appeal for indulgence, adding: "I will say to my friends, courage, confidence."

MINERS' SPECIALS OF CANADIAN NEWS

Greenway Will Probably Step Out Tomorrow.

HUGH JOHN'S CABINET.

Sensational Evidence in the Baxter Case at Montreal—Winnipeg's Big Bank Clearings.

(Special Dispatches to The Miner.)

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 4.—It is generally expected that Premier Greenway and Cabinet will resign office on Saturday next and Lieutenant Governor Patterson will then call upon Hugh John Macdonald to organize his Government. It is understood that Mr. Macdonald's Cabinet will be composed of himself as Premier and Attorney-General; R. P. Roblin, Provincial Treasurer, and J. Davidson, Works and Agriculture, with two other members without portfolios. Davidson has no seat in the House. A protest has been entered against the return of R. C. Ennis, Liberal member for Beautiful Plains. Ennis defeated Davidson at the recent election.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—The case against James Baxter, charged with assisting J. J. Herbert, ex-teller of the Ville Marie bank, to escape from justice, was continued in the police court today. Herbert and O Brien, charged with complicity with Baxter, are the principal witnesses. The former stated that while the teller of the bank he cashed checks to the amount of $40,000 for Baxter, when there were no funds to his credit. These checks were initialed by Lemieux, ex-acountant. When he made his escaped, Herbert thought that in view of his relations with Baxter, the latter ought to help him and with that object in view he sent O'Brien to Baxter. An arrangement was made by which the latter was to go to Baxter every eight days and receive $10 or $12. Herbert further deposed that the greater portion of his shortage was made up of cheques cashed for Baxter who had no funds in the bank. A few days before the suspension Herbert gave these checks to Lemieux, the bank's accountant, now serving three years' sentence. When Herbert's cash was counted, as Baxter had the money and Lemieux had the checks, he was that much short. More startling evidence is promised.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 4.—The total bank clearings at Winnipeg clearing house for the last year reached the enormous sum of $107,786,814; an increase of $17,112,487 over 1898, when the total was $90,674,325. In 1897 the clearings amounted to $84,435,832. The customs returns for Winnipeg for the year show that $1,231,635.36 was collected in duties against $1,034,001.53 for 1898.

Bedson McIver, of Peguis, aged 24, was killed at West Selkirk, while playing with companions on the ice. They started to run a race, when McIver ran into a stick which cut the main artery in the eye. He was taken to the hospital and expired shortly after.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—Abraham E. Finburg, the junior member of the firm of Brock & Finburg, hat manufacturers, Chicago, was found dead in his room at the Rossin House this morning with a bullet hole in his head. Finburg, who was well connected, evidently came to Canada to take his life for reasons which have not yet been ascertained.

Clavering, Ont., Jan. 4.—Robert McMillen, 60 years of age, was found dead in a snow bank near his home here. He left a week ago in a sleigh, which, with the horse, was found near Wiarton last Friday. How the old man was brought here is not known though it has been ascertained that he was frozen to death.

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—Julien Schink and Joseph Landrian, who lived in the vicinity of Eastman's Springs, while crossing the Canada-Atlantic's track on a level crossing, in a rig yesterday evening, were run into by a passenger train, and instantly killed. Schink was 70 years old and Landrian 54.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—The Shamrocks defeated the Montreals at hockey last night with a score of six goals to one. The champions had their full team out except the goal keeper. Montreal only played three of their regular team.

Streetsville, Ont., Jan. 4.—Noah Phelps, formerly president of the Lincoln Paper Mills and for 35 years president of Grimsby Park Company, died here this morning.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—The fire in Bernier & West's wholesale drygoods es-

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STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

Mr. Houston considered it expedient to publish an address, in which he could briefly state his views on the public questions or issues that are supposed to be involved in the contest for the Mayoralty. The impression was conveyed, however, that this was only a preliminary, as he intimated that the questions would be discussed at greater length as the campaign progressed. Less than a week remains, yet the gentleman has given no sign of challenging public discussion, either on the platform or through his newspaper. We understand there are several gentlemen in the City who would be glad to meet Mr. Houston on the platform, and there is no doubt a general wish that he would give them the opportunity by carrying out the implied promise of his address.

In the meantime The Miner will take the liberty of a brief reference to one of the subjects mentioned. Mr. Houston in his address says: "No debentures should be issued except for the construction of revenue-producing public works." This is in paragraph two. In the very next paragraph he says: "A beginning should be made this year at making permanent street improvements. The main business streets should be macadamised, and the main residence streets graded." There is teeming evidence in these short extracts that Mr. Houston is either a charlatan or is very ignorant of municipal methods and principles. It may be said first that a beginning has already been made, and a most substantial one, towards permanent street improvements. As this is ignored, we are justified in the belief that Mr. Houston desires to deceive. That, however, is not remarkable, and need not be insisted upon. It is more important to be assured that if Mayor he would not consent to the issue of debentures excepting for works that would yield a revenue. And he immediately adds that the principal streets should be graded and macadamised at once. To macadamise a street would be a public work, but we have yet to learn that a macadamised street is a producer of revenue. Mr. Houston, therefore, if true to his opinion as expressed in this address, would make finished streets out of the raw and compel the ratepayers to stand all the cost as he went along. What do those who have to furnish the taxes think of that prospect?

In nearly every city in Canada permanent street improvements are made on borrowed money. As the improvements are made for the future as well as the present, it is accepted as a just principle that the future should help to pay the cost. In Nelson the work of making streets is the most formidable task the citizens have to undertake. The City is growing at a most gratifying rate, and as it is necessary we should begin to assume metropolitan airs we shall be obliged at once to put our main streets in order. This cannot be done out of current revenue without imposing a burdensome rate, and a burdensome rate would kill the growth of the town. It would not be just to present ratepayers, nor good civic policy, to make them stand all the cost of improvements the benefits of which posterity is expected to share as well as they. That is everywhere recognised as the true principle. Mr. Fletcher is also apprehensive of debentures, but he protects himself by saying that in the matter of street improvements "the cost should be met, as far as feasible, from current revenue." That is right enough, but we all expect the necessities of the town will demand expenditures which current revenue cannot afford. In face of that emergency Mr. Fletcher is free to resort to debentures; but Mr. Houston declares that on no account would he borrow money for street improvements, and present ratepayers would either be taxed to death or Nelson would have to be content with such streets as Nature has made for her.

The average Canadian reader had but an imperfect conception of the causes and conditions leading up to the Boer war until the war had actually been declared. He has learned more since of the actual situation, but in some respects he is probably still in the dark. A young man, Mr. Walter Carmichael, writing from Kimberley to a brother in Nelson a fortnight in advance of the Transvaal ultimatum, gives one of the clearest statements yet published of all the facts in the case. It appeared in yesterday's Miner, and makes exceedingly interesting reading.

The Ledge, New Denver, says the labor trouble in the Slocan has not yet reached a definite solution. How can it reach a solution as long as one side believes that unreasonable demands are made and the other refuses to moderate them? It is but another instance of an irresistible force coming into contact with an immovable body. There can be no solution excepting through the Legislature. Some modifications of the Eight-Hour law, failing its absolute repeal, will offer opportunity for, if it does not invite, approaches which may lead to an agreement.

Electors of West Ward will rejoice to learn that Ald. McKillop has consented to accept a second term, on the earnest entreaties of friends who did not want the City to lose the benefit of his year's experience and the very comforting assurance of his downright honesty. The next Council will not be a raw one. With Mr. Fletcher in the Mayor's chair and Mr. McKillop to keep him countenance, there will be enough of the old Council to serve as leaven.

An extract from a letter written by one of the Nelson boys in South Africa to Mr. Rex Macdonald is published elsewhere. It is the first message from the seat of war that has come to the City, and will be received with lively interest.

IN NEW HANDS.

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 4.—The newly appointed receivers of the Chicago & Grand Trunk Railway have issued circulars announcing the change in the management of the road and the establishment, during the receivership, of headquarters in this city. William Cotter is designated superintendent and James H. Muir, auditor and treasurer. Receiver Meddgan attributes the expensive terminal in Chicago as being to a certain extent responsible for the company's financial disability.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 4.—The receivers inaugurated their control of property by announcing a list of promotions in the traffic and transportation departments of the road. George T. Bell, who has been Assistant General Passenger Brown, who heretofore has been assistant to General Freight Agent John W. Loud, has been made General Freight Agent, both with headquarters in Chicago. Other appointments are as follows: Superintendent William Cotter, with headquarters at Detroit; Auditor and Treasurer, James H. Muir; Master Mechanic, J. E. Muhlfield; Master Car Builder, John Hogan.

THE MOLINEUX TRIAL.

New York, Jan. 4.—In the trial of Roland B. Molineux today, Dr. Henry Beaman Douglass, in spite of the strenuous protests of Mr. Weeks, was allowed to testify concerning the last illness of H. C. Barnet. He said he observed irritation of the mucus membrane of the mouth and throat in his patient and that this ulceration was caused by mercury. Doctor Douglass said that in his opinion, however, Barnett died from weakness of the heart, following diphtheria. Charles C. Hughes, a member of the Knickerbocker Athletic Club, testified to the ill feeling between Cornish and Molineux. One of the most interesting witnesses of the day was Joseph Farrell, formerly a New ark policeman. He testified that he saw Molineux on Decembr 28, 1898, coming from Hartden's store, at which the silver bottle holder, which figures in the poison package was sold.

TROOPS FOR OTIS.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—With the arrival at Manila of the transport Grant, which left San Frascisco on the 21st of December with the 48th Volunteer Infantry (colored) General Otis will have command of an effective force of about 65,000 men. The army now in the Philippines aggregate 62,500 men, of which 31,000 are regular troops and 31,500 volunteers. With the arrival of the Grant the entire volunteer strength of 34,000 men will be in the Philippines.

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NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the creditors of Charles H. Macdonald will be held at the offices of Messrs Bowes & Wragge, solicitors, Baker street Nelson, B. C. on Monday, the 15th day of January, 1900, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon.
Dated at Nelson, B. C., the 27th day of December, 1899.

NOTICE of assignment pursuant to the "Creditors' Trust Deeds Act" and Amending Acts.

NOTICE is hereby given that Charles H. Macdonald heretofore trading as general merchant in the city of Nelson, B. C. has by deed dated the 26th day of December, 1899, assigned all his personal estate, credits and effects which may be seized and sold under execution and all his real estate to S. M. Brydges of the said city of Nelson, accountant, in trust for the benefit of his creditors.
The said deed was executed by the said Charles H. Macdonald and the said S. M. Brydges on the 26th day of December, 1899.
All persons having claims against the said Charles H. Macdonald are required on or before the 26th day of February, 1900, to send to the trustee full particulars of the same duly verified, together with the securities (if any) held by them.
Notice is hereby further given that after the said 26th day of February, 1900, the trustee will proceed to distribute the proceeds of the trust estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he has received notice and that he will not be liable for the proceeds of the trust estate or any part thereof, so distributed to any person of whose claim he has not had notice at the time of the distribution.
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East Ward Property Holders Hold a Meeting—The Names of the Different Candidates.

The Aldermanic situation has now taken definite shape. Yesterday afternoon Alderman McKillop was, with considerable difficulty, induced to run again. His sterling common sense and integrity of purpose made themselves felt during the past year, and there is no doubt but that he will be re-elected. Dr. E. C. Arthur and Mr. A. Ferland will, as stated in yesterday's Miner, also run for the West Ward. In the East Ward Messrs. Hamilton Byers and "Blake" Wilson have definitely decided to run, and two stronger, better and more representative men could hardly be found. Both are shrewd and prominent business men and deservedly popular. Mr. C. Morrison, as previously announced, is the third candidate.

The six candidates, while no compact exists between them, represent the progressive element in the City, and on broad, general questions are probably very much in accord. One thing is certain, and that is that they are all trying to do their best to further the City's interests and have no axes to grined. Men who have the interests of the City at heart and the intelligence to properly further them, are the kind of aldermen that Nelson requires

There is no question of any straight ticket of Mayor and Aldermen being run this year. The two candidates for the mayoralty are seeking election on their own merits, and the aldermanic candidates, the six above mentioned at any rate, are seeking the suffrages of the electors independently of the mayoralty contest Ex-Alderman Madden will also try his luck again in the West Ward, and Mr. W. Irvine is also mentioned as a candidate for the same locality. Mr. J. A. Irving has announced himself as a candidate in the East Ward, and several other names have also been mentioned, though, so far as could be learned last night, no definite announcement have been made besides those given above.

A meeting of the householders and property holders of the East Ward was held last night to consider the municipal contest, and how the result might affect them. The question of removing the houses of ill fame from East Baker Street was considered the all important one by those present, and it was decided to endeavor to obtain a statement of the question from each of the candidates. A committee was appointed to wait on the various candidates and learn their views on this subject, and it was decided to support those candidates who pledge themselves to have the houses removed, and oppose those who declined. Should all the candidates give favorable answers, they will probably take no part in the elections as a body.

The meeting of Mr. Fletcher's supporters last night was again very well attended, and a great deal of hard work was done. Everyone has got down to business, and the present campaign promises to be thoroughly well fought out. Mr. Fletcher's canvass continues to be very favorably received, and his supporters are correspondingly jubilant.

At a late hour last night The Miner learned that Dr. G. A. B. Hall had finally consented to become a candidate for the East Ward. Dr Hall is universally liked and respected and should make a strong candidate. His advent rather alters the complexion of affairs as outlined above and tends to make things a little complicated for the electors, who will have a rather large choice of good men to select from.

Tonight the supporters of Ald. Fletcher will hold a big meeting in the committee rooms. A big turn out of the electors is expected and it is most important to the good government of the City that the work be pushed now with energy. From the promises of support he has received and from what is heard on all sides there is no doubt but that Mr. Fletcher will be Nelson's next Mayor, but his friends hope to roll up such a majority that Mr. Houston will realize that he is most emphatically not wanted. Speeches will be delivered by prominent citizens at tonight's meeting.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

There was a clean sheet at the City Police Court yesterday afternoon.

The next sitting of the County Court will be on Monday next, January 8.

Mrs. A. E. Brown, of Silica Street gave birth to a daughter on Wednesday evening.

It is reported that A. Macdonald & Co., has recently received two enquiries for prices on 300 dozen brooms, to be delivered on the 15th instant.

Last year 332 names were added to the Provincial voters' list in this riding, bringing the total up to 1,618. Of the names added 128 are those of miners.

All those who are in favor of clean civic government and opposed to one-man rule are expected to attend the rally in Ald. Fletcher's committee rooms tonight.

Tonight (Eagle Night) the Rising Company will play "Mascotte" by special request. They will give a matinee on Saturday afternoon. This company's specialties are good.

The City Council meets at 4 o'clock this afternoon to finish up the year's business. When the Council meets again there will be a new man filling the Mayor's chair and another batch of Aldermen.

Mr. W. C. Martin, of the hardware firm of Martin Bros., of Rossland, and brother Mr. James Martin, M. P. P., arrived in Nelson, with his son last night, who is going to the Upper Canada College, Toronto.

When the Hudson's Bay Company takes possession of its new block, which will be about the end of the month, it will have a very largely increased staff of clerks. Four of them have already arrived in the City to await the opening of the new stores.

New Denver has contributed one man to the war—Lestock A. Forbes. He was given a most enthusiastic send-off on Sunday when he left for Calgary and was presented with $200, contributed by New Denver and Silverton citizens. Mr. Forbes is an old N. W. M. P. man.

During the year 1899 there were issued at the Recorder's office at Nelson 1,428 free miners' licenses, 37 company licenses and 24 special licenses, 689 bills of sale, 1,869 assessment certificates and 107 certificates of improvements. During the same period 978 locations were recorded.

There are 300 tons of ore at the Mollie Gibson mine sacked ready for shipment, and 1,000 tons will be shipped from the mine during the winter. A carload of the ore arrived at the Hall Mines Smelter yesterday, and another carload will arrive this week The ore being shipped runs about 125 ounces of silver and 25 per cent. lead.

The war is having an unanticipated effect on the municipality of Nelson. Owing to the stringency which it has caused in eastern money markets no tenders have been received for the $15,000 worth of debentures recently issued by the City, although they have been well advertised and the City Clerk has received communications concerning them from many different quarters.

Nelson Lodge No 25 of the Knights of Pythias held the annual installation of officers on Tuesday evening, and the following officers were chosen and installed for the ensuing year: L. Scott, Chancellor Commander; F. J. Bradley, Vice Chancellor; H. Clements, Prelate; R. G. Joy, K. of R. and S.; J. H. Vanstone, Master of Exchequer; H. G. Prosser, Master of Finance; T. Lillie, Master of Work; J. Reisterer, Master-at-arms; W. Lynen, Inner Guard; A. McQuaig, Outer Guard.

AT THE HOTEL HUME.

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NELSON BOYS DO WELL.

All Three are Singled Out For Special Duties.

Following is an extract of a letter to Mr. R. M. Macdonald from Mr. W. J. G. Dickson with the Canadian contingent. From it will be seen that he has been made lance-corporal, while his comrades, Privates Patterson and Lee, have been appointed to the Maxim gun crew. As only picked men are appointed to the gun crews, it will be seen that the Nelson boys are doing more than well. The extract is as follows, under date of Nov. 29:

"We reached this place today in good order after a good voyage. I can't say that I would select a troopship to travel in except on certain occasions, but I got along all right and did not feel the discomforts too much. We were rather crowded, but had cool weather and lots of good grub.

"The contingent is most interesting. There are men from everywhere, and some who have seen service in various places. There are lots of nice fellows whom one can chum with, and I have met several men who know friends of mine.

"I am promoted to lance-corporal, which is more than I expected and saves me orderly work and fatigue. We start for the front tomorrow with the 42nd Highlanders (Black Watch) and the Seaforth Highlanders, so we are in good company.

"It seems that the B. C. contingent has very favorably impressed the officers. We will be at the front in about three days and hope there will be some Boers left for us. Patterson and Lee are well. They are on the Maxim crew, and are well pleased at being selected."

Mrs. Hodgins also received a letter yesterday from Captain Hodgins. He was well and looking forward to going to the front. The members of the Nelson contingent were the only ones from B. C., according to the stalwart Captain, that were singled out for special service.

UNDERWRITER'S WON.

The difficulty local insurance men have had on account of two companies, not members of the Board of Underwriters, taking risks below the regular rates was also experienced at the Coast. The following from the Vancouver Province shows how they are getting along down there:

The Underwriters have won in the case brought by Secretary Hobson against the Equity Fire Insurance Company, of Toronto, whose local agent, W. S. Holland, had been taking risks in this city. Several delays had been occasioned over the question as to whether the prosecution should prove that the Equity was not licensed to do business out here, or that Agent Holland should show that such license existed. After mature deliberation the magistrate at last decided that the defence must show that they possessed such a right. As they declined to give any evidence on this point, the case was decided against them and the minimum fine of $25 inflicted. Mr. Bowser, for the defence, stated that they intended to appeal from the conviction. In the meantime Mr. Holland's other company, the Victoria-Montreal, is not going into the Underwriters' Association, but is continuing to take risks at its own rates.

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MAYORALTY CONTEST.

To the Citizens of Nelson:

In response to numerous requests from business men, property owners and ratepayers, I offer myself as a candidate for Mayor of the City of Nelson at the approaching Municipal Elections.

Briefly stated, my platform is as follows:

If elected it will be my earnest endeavor to assist in more firmly establishing Nelson as the wholesale distributing centre of the Kootenay Country—the position for which she has been so admirably designed by nature.

In furtherance of this idea, I will continue my consistent advocacy of the construction of a wharf which will meet present and future requirements of the wholesale and other business interests.

I believe that the City has reached that stage when permanent street improvements have become an absolute necessity and that the cost should be met, as far as feasible, from current revenue and should the Citizens see fit to entrust me with the office of Mayor, it will be my aim to carry out a well devised system of street improvements.

It will be my policy to oppose the borrowing of money unless the same be used for the increase or establishment of Public Works producing a revenue to the Taxpayers.

I am opposed to any increase in the salary of Mayor, which would necessarily involve a reduction in salaries now paid an efficient staff of officials, or an increased burden to the taxpayers.

I am strongly in favor of maintaining the Fire Department in a position of thorough efficiency and would advise the adoption of modern equipments including a Fire Alarm System and the purchase of a chemical engine which would effect a reduction in all Fire Insurance.

It will be my consistent policy to safeguard the taxpayers against any attempts on the part of corporate bodies, carrying on business in Nelson, to encroach upon the rights of the Citizens.

In my opinion a sufficient amount of money should be expended upon the Parks of the City so that they will provide the Citizens with recreation grounds and opportunities for healthful enjoyment.

On all municipal works my policy will be to employ bona-fide residents of Nelson and to maintain the public standard rate of wages

I believe that the Public Schools in Nelson should be under the control of the City and that every effort should be made to establish a High School in our midst.

In concluding I wish to say that in the event of my election I will consider it my duty to share with the Council the responsibility of the Civic administration believing, as I do, that the assumption of entire authority by one individual is subversive of all constitutional Government, whether Municipal or otherwise. Yours respectfully,

FRANK FLETCHER.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE WEST WARD.

In compliance with the request of a large number of citizens, I have consented to offer myself as a candidate for alderman in the West Ward. If elected I shall do my utmost to protect and further the interests of the City. Owing to unavoidable circumstances I shall not be in Nelson during the week, and consequently will be unable to make a personal canvas. Hoping to receive your support I remain, yours obediently,

A. FERLAND.

ELECTORS OF WEST WARD OF THE CITY OF NELSON.

I respectfully solicit your votes and influence in support of my candidature for the office of Alderman.

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Dated at the City of Nelson this 1st day of December, A. D., 1899.

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Solicitors for the Applicants.

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Municipal Elections' Act.
Take Notice that I shall on Saturday the 6th day of January instant, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the City Hall, Nelson, B. C., hold a Court of Revision, to hear and determine all question of voters complaining that their names have been improperly omitted from the voters list of the Municipality of the City of Nelson.
Dated 3rd January, A. D., 1900.
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tablishment last night, caused $20,000 damage.

Strathroy, Ont., Jan. 4.—The Misses Weir were probably fatally injured this evening in a collision with a freight train, before which they attempted to cross in a light buggy.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—J. M. Routh, a well known insurance broker, representing Western Lancashire and Quebec companies, died here today, aged 59 years.

(Associated Press Dispatches.)

Kingston, Ont., Jan. 4.—The electors of Leeds County have adopted a local option by-law by a majority of 75.

Belleville, Ont., Jan. 4.—Rev. C. J. H. Hunton, rector of Christ Church, dismissed his congregation on Sunday last, because the choir had not complied with his request to turn to the east when chanting the "Gloria." The outcome of the incident is awaited with interest.

Montreal, Que., Jan. 4.—The Merchant's Bank of Halifax has decided to change its name. When the necessary charter is granted by Parliament, the bank will be known as the Royal Bank of Canada.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—James Baxter, the well known banker and broker, who is charged with aiding Herbert, teller of the wrecked Ville Marie Bank, to escape justice, was placed on trial in the police court this mouning. Herbert gave evidence that Baxter had received about $40,000 from the bank on the mere presentation of his note by his own son, or clerk in his employ, while at the same time the bank had nothing to Baxter's credit. Some of the notes presented were initialled by Lemieux, the cashier of the bank while other notes bore no initals whatever. Maximum penalty for Baxter's crime is fourteen years in the pentitentiary.

Toronto, Ont. Jan. 4.—Arrangements are being made for the meeting of the Ontario Legislature, February 8 or 15.

Toronto, Jan., 4.—The local Council of the Evangelical Alliance in compliance with a request from Lord Polwarth, president of the alliance in Great Britain, has issued an appeal to the churches of Canada to observe Sunday, January 7, as a day of humiliation and prayer, and invited the clergy and ministers of all denominations to get private Christians to offer to Almighty God, confession, supplication and intersession that whatever may be amiss in our national life may be forgiven and that peace may be speedily re-established on a right and permanent basis.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—Louis Rubenstein, secretary of the Amateur Skating Association, of Canada, is arranging for a meeting between Johnny Neilson, world's champion professional speed skater, of Minneapolis, and Norral Baptie, of Tom Eck's string of fast men, and the probable coming champion, on the M. A. A. A. rink in one, two and three miles races for a purse of $500. Neilson refuses to skate on any other track and the race will take place early next month.

CANADIANS MOVING TOWARDS THE FRONT

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root that the commanders of English warships, hasten to commit breaches of international rights, so long as only Germany is thereby touched. This lack of fear to touch the German flag must be thoroughly and speedily cured."

Indignation meetings have been called by branches of the Colonial Society.

The German press, with hardly an exception, thunders against England. Even the semi-official Berliner Post, says:

"It cannot be denied that the indignation aroused by the wilfulness of the seizures by British commanders, is spreading in wider and wider circles."

Vienna, Jan. 4.—The Wynnear Allegmisne Zeitung says: "It looks as if Great Britain cared less for the cargo in question than she did for demonstrating before the world, that although most unlucky on the land, she is the unchallenged mistress of the seas, a demonstration which will do more for the German navy than all the speeches of the Emperor William."

Brussels, Jan. 4.—Senator Lejeune former Minister of Justice, and new member of the Belgian Council of State, presided at a meeting in this city today, of the committee recently formed to organize a movement in Belgium in support of an address to President McKinley appealing to him to mediate in favor of peace, between Great Britain and the Transvaal. After long discussion it was decided to invite the public to send letters in support of the movement, to the secretary of the league, and from next Sunday to place petitions for signatures in all the cafes in Brussels, and the Provincial towns.

London, Jan. 5.—It now appears that it is Mr. John Churchill, second son of Lady Randolph Churchill, and not Mr. Winston Churchill, who has been given command of a squadron of the South African Light Horse.

Lord Rosslyn has thrown up his engagement at the Court Theatre, in order to join the Yeomanry.

Modder River, Jan. 5.—After Sunnyside was captured the Torontos occupied the laager for the night and joined the main body the following morning, bringing the whole of the Boer tents, wagons, and loot, and leaving the Cornwalls in garrison at Sunnyside. The British force then started for Dougnass, the Torontos bringing up the rear in wagons. In the afternoon the troops entered the town unopposed amid extraordinary scenes. The inhabitants were overjoyed and crowded about the soldiers, shaking hands with them, and when they learned that their deliverers were Canadians and Australians, the enthusiasm became frenzied.

There were deafening cheers as the troops traversed the main street and it was almost impossible for them to make progress, the crowds being so eager to shake hands with the colonials. It appears that the landdrost and all the mounted rebels evacuated the place on the previous night. Quantities of ammunition were captured and destroyed.

Rensburg, Jan. 4.—The British casualties to General French's forces up to the afternoon of January 3 were five men killed and 24 wounded. A detachment of 25th New Zealanders had a narrow escape while advancing on Colesburg. They were directed to occupy a kopje but met with a hot reception from a concealed force of Boers. Another body of British troops, seeing their danger doubled to the rescue of the New Zealanders and their retreat was successfully accomplished, under cover of the guns on the hills westward. The destruction of the wrecked train included 22,000 rations and a supply of rum.

Reading, Pa. Jan. 4.—It became known here today that the cargoes of flour seized by the British off the coast of Africa bound for Portugese ports belonged to the Seabord Milling Co. The company have over 12,000 sacks on hand stored here which have been ordered for South Africa. It will be held, however, until the present question at issue as to whether the British can legally seize such consignments, is settled.

London, Jan. 4.—An army order has been issued directing the embodiment of sixteen additional battalions of militia.

The offer of Lord Iveagh to provide at his own expense a completely equipped hospital for use in South Africa, has been accepted.

The War Office has invited Sir William Thomson to accept the post of chief surgeon, to the forces in South Africa, instead of consulting surgeon.

Capetown, Jan. 4.—Intelligence has been received here from the Free State to the effect that President Steyn has issued a proclamation declaring that every white man, irrespective of nationality, is to be considered a burgher, and is liable to be compelled to fight for the defense of the country.

INTENSELY TRAGIC.

New York, Jan. 4.—A most tragic event occurred today in part three of the general sessions court. The wife of a prisoner was stricken with apoplexy and cerebral hemorrhage while she was in the witness chair testifying to his innocence. She was carried unconscious and in a dying condition from the room. So earnest and ringing were the last words of an apparently dying woman that the jury a moment afterwards returned a verdict of not guilty for the husbnad. The case was that of Louis Gordon, a Russian mechanic, who was charged by Abraham Goffe, with the larceny of a chain valued at $96.

Mrs. Gordon died tonight at the hospital without regaining consciousness.

A DANGEROUS PASTIME.

Springfield, Ills., Jan. 4.—For the third time since the street car men's strike was inaugurated, dynamite was resorted to tonight, being placed on the street car tracks and exploded beneath a car containing 12 passengers. No one was injured but the car was badly wrecked.

GOLD FOR ABROAD.

New York, Jan. 4.—Two million dollars in gold will be taken from the clearing houses tomorrow by bankers in this city. It is believed that this sum will represent the amount of next Saturday's gold shipments.

Corporation of the City of Nelson.

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Nelson that I require the presence of the said electors at the council chamber in the city offices on Victoria Street in the City of Nelson on Monday, the eighth day of January, 1900, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Mayor and Aldermen.

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows:

The candidates shall be nominated in writing; the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p.m. of the day of the nomination; and in the event of a poll being necessary such poll will be opened on the 11th day of January, 1900, at 8 o'clock in the forenoon and kept open until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, at the following places, viz:

For the East Ward—At the Phair Hotel Sample Rooms; Scroggs Block, on the east side of Josephine Street, between Baker and Victoria Streets.

For the West Ward—At the office of the Exchequer Gold Mining Company, on the north side of Baker Street, between Stanley Street and Kootenay Street, in the City of Nelson.

Of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The qualifications by law required to be possessed by the candidates for the office or offices mentioned above are as follows:

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as the Mayor of the city shall be such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of land or real property in the City of the assessed value on the last municipal assessment roll of one thousand dollars or more over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as municipal voters.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as Aldermen of the city shall be such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of land or real property in the City of the assessed value on the last municipal assessment roll of five hundred dollars over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise qualified as municipal voters.

Given under my hand at the City of Nelson, in the Province of British Columbia, the 28th day of December, 1899.

J. K. STRACHAN,
Returning Officer.

CHESS GAMES FINISHED.

Vienna, Jan. 4.—The game left unfinished yesterday in the last round of the Kolisch Memorial Chess Tournament, was concluded today when Kortis and Schlester drew. The final division of prizes divided by Brod and Sphlester fourth, Alapin, fifth, sixth and seventh, Marco, Wolf and Sinki, eighth, Kortie, ninth, Pohel, tenth, Albin.

AND THERE YOU ARE.

Berlin, Jan. 4.—The Cologne Volks Zeitung asserts that Emperor William will proceed during May or June next, to Havre and will then visit the Paris Exposition. The correspondent of the Associated Press, on inquiry at the Foreign Office regarding this statement was given to understand that the Emperor had formed no such plans.

UNDER ARREST.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 4.—Charles H. Cole, former president Globe National Bank, charged with misappropriation of funds of that institution, arrived in this city today, from Los Angeles, Cal., in charge of a United States marshall. Bail was fixed at $50,000 which was furnished, and the prisoner was released.

THE OPEN DOOR.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—Italy has returned a favorable response to the recent note of the State Department respecting the open door in China. Italy was the last of the great powers remaining to be heard from.

A TOTL LOSS.

London, Jan. 4.—It was announced this evening that it would be impossible to salvage the Hamburg-American liner Patria which caught fire in the English Channel on November 15, and subsequently went ashore.

MINISTER RESIGNS.

Madrid, Jan. 4.—The Minister of Finance, Senor Villaverd has tendered his resignation to Senor Silvella, the Premier, as the result of difference between himself and the majority of the Ministers, regarding the Government's budgetary proposals.

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White Star Line "Cymric"	Jan. 3
Red Star Line "Westernland"	Dec. 27
Cunard Line "Umbria"	Jan. 6
Anchor Line "Anchoria"	Dec. 30
Allan State Line "State of Nebraska"	Jan. 20
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From Boston, Mass.

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W. P. E. CUMMINGS,
General Agent, C P R Offices, Winnipeg

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the matter of the "Companies Winding Up Act, 1898," and in the matter of the "Nelson Poorman Gold Mining Company, Limited," in liquidation.

Notice is hereby given that at an extraordinary general meeting of the Nelson Poorman Gold Mining Company, Limited, held November 17th, 1899, duly convened, a special resolution requiring the said company to be wound up was duly passed; which resolution at a subsequent extraordinary general meeting of the said company, also duly convened, and held on December 5th, 1899, was duly confirmed.

At such last mentioned meeting the appointments of William Murray Botsford of the City of Vancouver Province of British Columbia, as liquidator and Charles C. Bennett of the same place as inspector, for the purposes of the Winding up were confirmed.

Notice is also given (pursuant to "Companies Winding Up Act, 1898" section 10), that the creditors of and others having claims upon the said company, are required on or before the 10th day of January, A. D., 1900, to send their names and addresses, the particulars of their debts or claims and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them to William Murray Botsford, Merchants' Bank of Halifax, Vancouver, B. C., the liquidator of the said company.

Notice is further given that after such last mentioned date the said liquidator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said company among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice.

Dated at Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 6th, 1899.

OSBORNE PLUNKETT,
Mackinnon Building, Granville Street, Vancouver, B. C.
Solicitor for the said Liquidator.

Shareholders in the said company are requested to forthwith forward their share certificates to the said liquidator in order that the distribution accuring thereon may be speedily adjusted.

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Dated this 15th day of December, 1899.

J. R. BROWN,
Solicitor for the Applicants.

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