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"SOAPY" SMITH'S GANG AT DAWSON

Feared They Intend to Way lay Solitary Miners

TOWN IS UNHEALTHY

Unless Prompt and Vigorous Measures are Taken, Outbreak of Malignant Fever is Probable.

Victoria, April 22.—J. H. Strickland, brother of Captain Strickland of the mounted police, is in Victoria, on his way from Dawson to the east. Mr. Strickland says that "Soapy" Smith's gang who were run out of Skagway many months ago, have infested Dawson but are not making any open demonstration. Shortly before he left Dawson they disappeared from the city, and there was a suspicion that they had gone out to waylay solitary miners coming in with gold.

Colonel Steele in command of the police at Dawson therefore issued a proclamation stating that convoys would be sent to each of the creeks and would take the miners' gold giving receipts therefor, and bring it into the city. He also warned miners against attempting to bring in their dust without protection of convoys.

Mr. Strickland says the unhealthy state of affairs in Dawson last spring seems likely to be repeated in a much more aggravated form this year, owing to the larger population and the accumulation of offensive matter from several years occupancy of the townsite. Unless vigorous measures are taken immediately upon the opening of spring to drain the city and to at once remove the garbage, a malignant outbreak of fever is probable.

He says the presence of a military force is altogether uncalled for, police being all that is needed.

The royalty he considers excessive, and the reservation of alternative claims for the Government a mistake, making as it does, the difficulties of the prospectors even greater than they naturally are.

COMPLIMENTS ARE EXCHANGED

The King and Queen of Italy Review the British Fleet at Ranci.

Sassari, Island of Sardinia, April 22.—After the King and Queen of Italy, on board the Savoia had reviewed the fleets, the ceremony taking place at Aranci on the northeast coast of the island they boarded the British battleship Majestic, the crews of the whole fleet cheering, and each ship thundering forth a salute. A luncheon followed. Repiying to a toast offered by Admiral Rawson, King Hombert said he recalled his previous visits to British fleets, forming memories so grateful and flattering to himself and to the Italian navy. He also spoke of the numerous instances of sympathy shown by the British memories of long standing which explain how your wish to see the British and Italian flags floating side by side in the interest of peace, is always met on our side by the same sentiment of deep sincere friendship."

After complimenting Admiral Rawson on his "superb squadron," King Humbert concluded his remarks by saying: "I drink to the health of the much loved Queen of England, to the prosperity of the British nation and to the glory of its navy." Their Majesties entertained to a dinner on board the Savoia tonight the British Ambassador to Italy, Sir Philip W. Curry, Admiral Rawson and the chief British naval offices.

MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING.

Kettle River Valley Railway Not To Be Pressed This Season.

Ottawa, Ont., April 22.—After all the fuss that has been made it is practically decided that the Kettle River Railway bill cannot be passed by the house this session. Mr. Wainwright of the Grand Trunk says today that the C. P. R. had put up a big lobby against the measure and the chances of getting the bill passed were extremely slim. Some say the Government is not prepared to take a definite stand on the bill and said that certain liberals who voted for the charter last year have changed their views and would vote against it this year. Of course there may be some who would act the other way, but it is pretty evident that the bill will not be pressed.

MORE TROULBE IN ANTICOSTI.

A Despatch Representing M. Menier's Side of the Case.

New York, April 22.—A special to the Herald from Quebec says:

Public opinion is likely to be directed again to the island of Anticosti and M. Menier's treatment of some of its residents. Complaints made by these latter and some of their friends and sympathizers against the French "chocolate king" are evidently to be exploited in England.

Encouraged by the inquiries made of the American Government by Joseph Chamberlain into the interests of the case, Rev. Stobo, agent of the Bible Society in Quebec, has gone to England, it is said, to start a campaign against M. Menier and to try to raise funds for the defense of those whom he is seeking to expel from the island. An attempt was made to open subscriptions for a similar movement in this city, but it proved a failure.

A demand is made here that the Canadian Government cable to its representative in London, Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, instructing him to publish the facts of this Anticosti affair in England in order to prevent an imposition upon the British public and the creation of more bad blood between the Governments of England and France.

The primary cause of all the trouble is that a group of settlers defy Menier's authority upon his own property and count upon religious and national prejudice for support in their revolt. They are described as pirates and wreckers of the worst description and came originally from Newfoundland. They squatted on Anticosti without authority and live largely upon what they can loot from vessels wrecked upon the coast of the inhospitable island. Some seasons these wrecks are very numerous.

Mr. Menier complains that these people kill his game and take his lobsters and fish without his permission and defy his authority in every manner. It is for this reason the French millionaire has taken measures to remove the people from the island.

It is reported that M. Menier is expending millions of money on the island and, is rapidly transforming it into an agricultural and sporting paradise.

RAILWAY TRAIN DITCHED.

Aurora, Ill., April 22.—The St. Paul flyer of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy road went into a ditch seven miles west of here last night killing one man and injuring several others and wrecking the train.

The accident occurred while the train was going 50 miles an hour. The engine left the track, followed by the train, which turned over. The dining car and one coach were burned.

Dead—Charles F. Lock, Chicago, a fireman crushed under the engine.

Injured—William Clinton, engineer, badly bruised and injured internally; C. A. Wolf, Chicago, baggage master, bruised about the back; G. O. Elmer, Chicago, conductor, injured internally; A. R. P. Lough, St Paul, vice-president and general manager of the St. Paul and Duluth Railway, thrown through a window and badly cut and bruised about the head. The injured are at the Aurora City hospital.

BIG BANK FAILURE.

Rome, April 22.—The Messagero today publishes a dispatch from Palmero saying it is rumored there that a well known German bank has suspended for 3,000,000 lire. The other papers do not mention the report.

London, April 22.—M Karminski, London, manager of credit Lyonese tells the Associated Press that he has not heard of the failure of a banking house at Palmero.

Rome, April 22.—A despatch from Palmero to the Fanfulla says the Kaiser-Hausmann bank has suspended payment with a deficit of 2,000,000 lire.

LEAGUE GAMES YESTERDAY.

New York, April 22.—At New York—New York, 8; Baltimore, 7.

At Washington—Washington, 4; Boston, 7.

At St Louis—St. Louis, 5; Pittsburg, 3.

At Cincinnati—Cincinnati, 4. Chicago, 1.

At Louisville—Louisville, 5; Cleveland, 6.

Second game—Louisville, 15; Cleveland, 2.

At Syracuse—Exhibition game—Syracuse, 14; Rochester, 5.

FOUGHT A DRAW.

Philadelphia, Pa., April 22.—"Charlie" McKeever of this city and George Kerwin, of Chicago, fought six fast rounds at the Nonpariel Athletic Club here tonight. Kerwin displayed a lack of science, but was very game and withstood considerable punishment. McKeever had the best of the bout in the early part of the fight, but at the end both men were tired and honors were about even. There was no decision.

WON BY A FOUL BLOW.

New York, April 22.—At the Greenwood Athletic Club in Brooklyn tonight Joe Burke and Tom Butler, both of Brooklyn, were scheduled to go 25-rounds at 135 pounds for the star attraction. It terminated in the 13th round, when Burke fouled Butler who fell to the floor writhing in agony, and was counted out by the referee who did not see the blow struck. Butler had the advantage in leading and showed superiority in fighting.

BIG RAILROAD DEAL.

Managuas, Nicaragua, April 22.—The Government in negotiating the sale of all its railroads and steamboat lines with their workshops to Mr. C. E. Nicoli the British consul. The proposed transfer carries with it the privileges of extending the railroad to Rivas and also of connecting Managua with Tapaz. The consideration is stated to be $6,500,000 in silver.

GERMAN REICHSTAG ON AMERICAN MEAT

Agrarians Desire its Practical Prohibition.

U. S. WOULD RETALIATE

Every Bottle of German Wine Would be Opened.—Cuban Army's Bad Beef Brought up.

Berlin, April 22.—The Meat Inspection bill in the Reichstag and the Midland Canal bill in the Diet have engrossed attention this week throughout Germany. The agrarians and reactionaries oppose both measures and the ultimate fate of the bills will be interpreted as evidence of the fighting strength of the parties. Regarding the Meat Inspection bill, it was notable that the debate was practically a repetition of the statements made at the United States army beef investigation in which the worst evidence that could be was brought and the bitterest construction was put on all sorts of American press comments. The reputation of American packing houses was torn to shreds by quotations from American publications which were read in extenso or which were summarized.

It may be assumed that this will be the line of argument put forward by the opponents of the bill, for the comments of the press this week were in sympathy with the agrarians, and almost entirely consist of a reiteration of a charge which one paper puts tersely, that, "'this American meat which Germans are expected to eat has been found by the highest American Investigation Commission, unhealthy and even deadly to America's own army of strong lusty men."

An American expert who is in the confidence of the Washington administration and who is now here says: "If Germany passes a law requiring in addition to the American official certificates of healthy condition of our meat experts, which are as reliable as the German certificates, a double inspection after the arrival of the meat here, that will be tantamount to a prohibition against American meat and such action will be answerd by a retaliation on German exports to the United States. Every bottle of German wine will be opened and its hygienic qualities tested.

THAT LOST BOAT'S CREW.

Went to Rescue Spaniards—No One Knows Their Fate.

New York, April 22.—A dispatch to the Herald from Manila says:

Admiral Dewey in an interview today said the expedition of the gunboat Yorktown to Baler was purely to rescue the Spanish soldiers and priests who are being besieged in a church there. The soldiers refused to surrender when expected to lay down their arms by General Rios.

Admiral Dewey said he did not know what had become of Lieutenant Gilmore and the 14 men in the launch. They had been sent to sound the mouth of the river, but beyond the bend out of sight of the Yorktown. The supposition is they were captured or killed by the Spaniards or the 400 insurgents who are besieging the Spanish garrison.

Admiral Dewey declined to say what steps he would take toward a punitive expedition.

General Rios, the Spanish commander, when interviewed said he did not think that the garrison at Baler know that the war between the United States and Spain had ended. He had sent an officer in January to tell the garrison to surrender. The garrison refused to surrender either not believing the officer or fearing they would be entrapped by the insurgents. Since then General Rios had no communication with the garrison and this is the first information that the Spanish flag is still flying at Baler.

He thought the Americans were shot at by the insurgents as the Spaniards themselves are besieged and have no way of getting to the river. General Rios said he had not been consulted. He doubts whether the proposed exchange of Filipinos for the Spanish prisoners would succeed as the insurgents are holding the Spaniards in the hope that it will help their cause. They are not seeking money.

The letter containing General Rios' last appeal to Aguinaido said the Spanish prisoners would create a bond of sympathy between the Filipinos and Spain.

PROPOSED WEATHER REPORT.

Copenhagen, April 22.—The Meteorological Institute has sent a circular to all the institutes in Europe and America proposing a general subscription to defray the cost of a daily telegraphic weather report from Iceland and the Faroe Islands. The Great Northern company have agreed to lay the cables immediately. Fourteen institutes have replied favorably to the proposition.

PEACE CONGRESS IS DISCOUNTED

No One Seems Hopeful of its Ultimate Success.

GERMAN NOMINATIONS

Appointment of Professor Von Stengel Taken to Mean the Kaiser is Not in Sympathy.

London, April 22.—According to advices from excellent authority, not even the most sanguine of those concerned now expect any substantial progress to be made at the coming Peace Congress, towards either disarmament, or even a suspension of armaments. The Czar himself, and his entourage, are reported to have lost their illusions on the subject, and it is said that the proceedings treating of military and naval questions will be confined to the merest generalities. None of the decisions will be binding and even the matter of international arbitration, if anything is agreed to, will not be absolutely obligatory.

The British newspapers this week have warmly taken up the question of Emperor William's choice of Professor Von Stengel as a German delegate to the conference. It is pointed out that judging from his writings, he is a declared advocate of war, and not of peace. Therefore the papers here confess themselves as being nonplussed at his selection and declare it is hardly possible the German Emperor can desire the success of the conference, if he maintains his nomination.

Extracts from Professor Stengel's pamphlet "Der ewige Friede" (everlasting peace) have been produced. Some of his references to America are decidedly interesting. After declaring that the Germans, least of all nations, should support the "fantastic aspirations of the friends of peace," he says "The Amecricans intoxicated with success will strive to become the dominant power and dictate to Europe in any contest between America and Europe. Shall Germany stand peacefully on one side and bow humbly before America. Certainly not. This is already impossible because political dominion is also economic dominion, and Germany must be politically and militarily powerful if she does not wish to go to economic destruction."

Further on Professor Von Stengel declares he does not know whether it was mere madness or crime when perpetual peace was preached to the German nation, and describes the Czar's rescript as a "bombastically composed document."

David Christie Murray, in the London morning papers today, remarks that Europe is anxious to learn if, after this frank expression of his opinions, Professor Von Stengel's appointment will be confirmed by Emperor William, adding, that if so it would be a saving not to hold the conference at all."

A LITTLE BIT TOO MUCH.

David Christie Murray Would Erect a Statue to Washington in England.

London, April 22.—At the annual dinner of the Sheffield Press club given at Sheffield this evening the Right Hon. George J. Goschen, First Lord of the Admiralty, was the guest of honor Mr. David Christie Murray, the novelist, alluding in the course of his speech to the relations between Great Britain and the United States, suggested the erection upon British soil by British subscriptions of a statue of George Washington in recognition of "The honesty of the cause in which America fought against us and of our eternal amity for that great people."

NO CHANGE FOR THIS YEAR.

The Modus Vivendi on the French Shore Question is Extended.

St. Johns, Nfld., April 22.—The British Government wired the Colonial cabinet today that the Imperial Parliament had passed an act renewing for this year the modus vivendi by which the French and Lobster factories on the treaty shore are legalized, and the superintendence of lobster packing operations is placed under the charge of the captains of the of the French and British warships The Colonial legislature, it is expected, will pass a similar act at the coming session.

WILL HAVE TRIPLE SCREWS

Novel Feature to Be Introduced in U. S. War ships.

New York, April 22.—A special to the Herald from Washington says:

Rear Admiral Melville will shortly submit to the board of construction a proposition for fitting the proposed armored cruisers with triple screws, and it is believed that the suggestion will be adopted promptly. Plans are being prepared for the other machinery of these cruisers. They follow those of the Minneapolis and Columbia. Considerable criticism has been aroused abroad over the suggestion to supply the armored cruisers with triple screws. The English and German constructors being opposed to this method of propulsion. Our experts seem to think the Minneapolis and Columbia are good patterns to follow in their triple screw feature at least.

FIGHTING NEAR MANILA.

The Rebels Are Again Beginning to Take the Offensive.

Manila, April 22.—At 6 o'clock this morning three of the South Dakota regiment companies marched from Bocave and in conjunction with three companies of the Minnesota regiment from Guiginto, north of Bocave, encountered a rebel force numbering fully 500 when two miles out. The enemy retired three miles in fairly good order in spite of the fact that the rebels suffered heavy losses. The Americans having exhausted their ammunition, were compelled to return to their camps.

4:05 p. m.—The heat is intense. At noon the thermometer registered 95 degrees and the mercury was still rising. There were several prostrations from heat among the troops, but only one man was wounded. Later the army tugs opened fire on the enemy along the river banks.

The rebels are unusually active from Malolos as far as Calumpit. They have been busily at work on their trenches and several new trenches have been discovered within two miles of the railroad. Fires are burning east of the railroad, and it would appear that the rebels are evacuating the foothills towns in anticipation of an attack upon the part of the Americans troops.

Washington, April 22.—The following dispatch was received at the war department today:

"Manila, April 22.—Adjutant General, Washington: Troops are abundantly supplied and the sick, wounded included, comprise only seven and a fraction per cent of the command.

"OTIS"

General Otis also forwards the following additional casualties.

Wounded—Second Oregon, April 17, Company A, Private W. O. Walker, foot, moderate.

Thirteenth Minnesota, April 20, Privates Nicholas Hansen and William Winders and Corporal G. H. Burlingham.

Manila, April 22.—10:45 a. m.—A force of about 200 rebels yesterday afternoon attacked the outpost of the Washington regiment near Pasig, south of Pasig and Pateros. Two companies immediately engaged the enemy and advanced in open skirmish order. The rebels were checked and routed after two hours' fighting, leaving 12 men killed on the field and several wounded. The American troops also obtained possession of Mauser rifles and many other weapons. Three Americans were wounded.

NELSON-BEDLINGTON RAILWAY.

Further Extension of Their Running Rights is Being Asked For.

Ottawa, April 21.—A meeting of the railway committee of the privy council was held this forenoon. There were present Messrs. Blair, Mulock, Mills and Sir Henri Joly. Considerable interest centered in the application of the Bedlington & Nelson Railway company for running rights over a portion of the Crow's Nest Pass Railway. Application was first made at a previous meeting and adjourned to let the two companies come together and try to reach a mutual agreement to permit of a new application on account of the Bedlington company wanting rights over 12½ miles, though they only applied formerly for 8½ miles; and to allow of an estimate being made. The cost estimated by both the railways was $231,000.

Judge Clarke, on behalf of the C. P. R., objected to the application and held that in any case the Bedlington company should be compelled to pay for a portion of the approaches and for any use of it was allowed to use a portion of the line which was paying.

This led the minister of railways to ask where the company considered the aproaches began and Mr. Mulock asked if they would extend from ocean to ocean. Judge Clarke was not prepared to answer this question and Mr. Blair held such a principle was a dangerous one to lay down. The committee decided to concur in the principle of the application. Representatives of the two lines are to meet to endeavor to agree as to the terms, as soon as they come to a agreement and an order will be issued confirming it. If they fail to come to an agreement in a month the committee will deal the with the case.—Rossland Miner

A more recent despatch from the capital states that the two companies have settled the question of running powers amicably among themselves.

ANOTHER MARINE DISASTER.

Only Four Men of the Crew so Far Are Rescued.

Oakhill, Fla., April 22.—The steamer General Whitney, Captain Hawthorne, sunk 50 miles off Cape Canaveral today. One boat load of 16 men, attemptng to land at Mosquito Lagoons house of refuge, was upset, and 12 men, including the Captain were drowned. The chief engineer, assistant engineer, fireman and one sailor were saved. The captain's body has been recovered. Fifteen men in another boat are still unheard from.

ENGLISH PRESS ADVISES COURAGE

Philippine News Should Not Cause Gloom.

A CHECK IS INEVITABLE

Isandula and Other Reverses to the British Arms are Pointed out as Examples.

London, April 22.—The news from the Philippine Islands of the movement of General Lawton from the Santa Cruz district and the capture of the boat's crew of the United States gunboat Yorktown, has made a considerable impression here, and the comments of press all reflect anxiety lest the unfavorable news have a discouraging effect upon America's expansionist movement. Prominence is given to dispatches from America apparently indicating a courting of public opinion regarding the Philippines, and the general tenor of the British press deprecates this seeming tendency to gloominess, pointing out that upon innumerable occasions British arms have met with a check only to eventually conquer all obstacles.

"We were discouraged, after Isandula," remarks one paper, "but we are beyond the Zambesi all the same."

Discussing General Lawton's retirement the Speaker says: "The movement appears on reflection, so natural that any other course, we argue, would be criminal folly."

The Spectator praises the United States Government's wise policy in sending regulars to the Philippines and telling the party volunteers that they may go home as fast as they like.

Continuing the Spectator says: Checks there (the Philippines) only mean the loss of time and the Americans like as like their grumble."

The Economist expresses itself in a similar strain and pooh-poohs the idea that "The Americans admit they are incompetent to perform a task which compared with India is very small." Adding: "The Americans are not the people to yield while they are openly defied. They are too vain as well as too resolute."

IN DANGER FROM FLOODS.

The Missouri River is Within Seven Feet of the Danger Point.

Omaha, April 22.—The Missouri river is now within seven feet of the danger point, and is steadily rising at the rate of about eight inches in 24 hours. A dozen families residing in East Omaha were driven out today and tonight the water stands 18 inches on the floors of their houses. The stream that broke through from Florence lake to Cuto lake last night is now 50 feet wide, several feet deep and is clearing away great banks of earth. It follows the old course of the river, near the Nebraska shore, and a rise of another foot would make it a raging torrent.

Vermillion, S. D. April 22—The situation is worse tonight than at any time this week and the Missouri river has risen two inches in five hours. Stock left on farms between the Missouri and Vermillion rivers can not now be taken off. From Vermillion for 15 miles west toward Yankton and eight miles south of Nebraska Bluffs the country is almost a solid body of water from two to four feet deep. The land east towards Sioux City is fast being submerged.

TO RESCUE THEIR COMRADES.

Permission to Be Asked for Spanish Troops to Relieve Baler.

Madrid, April 22.—At today's cabinet council the ministers considered the situation of the garrison defending Baler, in the Island of Luzon, and it was decided to instruct General Rios, Spain's principal commander in the Philippines, to request Major General Otis, the American commander, to permit the Spanish troops at Manila to go in to the aid of the beleaguered troops.

SPAIN'S REPRESENTATIVE.

Madrid, April 22.—The duke of Tetuan, former Minister of Foreign Affairs, has been appointed Spain's delegate to the International Peace Conference which is to meet at The Hague next month.

ENGLISH VARSITIES WIN.

New York, April 22.—In the International Chess match between six representatives of Oxford and Cambridge and six of Harvard, Yale, Princeton and Columbia, Catchings resigned after 51 moves, making the score, Great Britain three, United States one. Great Britain won eventually by 3½ to 2½. Falk accepted a draw from Tattersall and Cook beat Hulbert.

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COMPROMISE IMPOSSIBLE.

It is suggested that the "difficulty" over the City's banking account might be overcome through compromise, giving a portion of the account to the Bank of Montreal and the remaining portion to the Merchant's Bank of Halifax. There might be value in the suggestion if it were not based on an entirely wrong assumption. There is no difficulty, and only those who want to create a difficulty pretend that there is. The Finance Committee, as they had a right to do and were bound to do in the faithful discharge of their duty as trustees of the people, made inquiry of the banks as to the terms on which they would do the City business. Those of the Merchant's Bank of Halifax were the most favorable, and they were recommended for acceptance. They were accepted accordingly, in regular meeting of Council and in regular and lawful manner. Common sense and common honesty left no other course possible. The ratepayers elect a Mayor and six Aldermen to transact the public business, which they are supposed and expected to do with the same care, diligence, and fidelity they devote to their own. No honest man would seek the position on any other understanding. The City has large banking transactions, and a part of the public business is to see that these are conducted with prudence and economy.

An Alderman, in his private capacity as a citizen, may make any terms he pleases with his banker; but when he comes to deal with the people's money, in his capacity as trustee, he will, if at all sensible of his responsibility, respect his trust and carry it out to the best of his ability. It was with this sense of responsibility that three Aldermen out of the five who voted, resolved to study the public interest and accept the better terms of the Merchant's Bank of Halifax. There is and can be no difficulty in a situation of this kind. It is too manifestly the honest, straightforward, business course to take to constitute itself a difficulty, or to be tortured or twisted into one by any process of ingenuity. The whole matter is a plain simple business transaction, and the people of Nelson expect to see it carried through on plain, simple business principles. But there is more than this to it now, in view of all that has taken place. Members of the Council owe it to their own reputations as public men to see that the interests of the City shall be protected, by making the best banking terms open to them; but in addition they owe it to the community in general to see that it shall be spared the indignity of having an honest attempt to do public business in a business way frustrated. Anything like compromise now would be a reproach to every person concerned in it. Compromise might have been honorable at first; after what has taken place, it is impossible. It would be a direct encouragement to the boodle element in the City to exploit it whenever the opportunity offered. It would be a public advertisement that the affairs of this corporation are not conducted on business principles and that anyone with a pull may have them diverted to his own or his friend's interests. Honest men cannot afford to put the community in that position, and it may be added that they have not the slightest intention of doing so.

The Kaslo Kootenaian is resolved that, so far as British Columbia is concerned, the proposed redistribution shall not be made in ignorance. It has taken the trouble to compile some figures that are of value in this connection: "At the Provincial election in July last the number of votes polled in the whole Province was 19,309. If this had been a Dominion election the vote would have been divided amongst the sitting members as follows: Col. Prior and Mr. Earle, Victoria City, 2,500; Mr. W. W. B. McInnes, Vancouver Island, 3494; Mr. Maxwell, Vancouver City and Cassiar, 3112; Mr. Morrison New Westminster District, 3,202; Mr. Bostock, Yale, Kootenay, Cariboo, Lillooet, 7,001. Mr. Bostock's constituency returned 13 out of the 38 members of the Provincial Legislature, and on its rating strength was entitled to nearly 14. It has over one-third of the membership of the Provincial and one-sixth of the membership of the Dominion Parliament. In the six Kootenay Ridings the vote cast was 4,060, so that if separated from Yale, Cariboo and Lillooet, it would still be by far the strongest district in the Province." All of which is doubtless correct, and very interesting. But why a redistribution at all on the eve of a census? There was no gerrymander in British Columbia to undo; why then, disturb the present constituencies until the distribution of population is ascertained in the regular constitutional way?

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Public at Fault.

Many persons blame the newspapers and attribute much of the present condition of things to the character of the advance notices published. Experienced theatre-goers ought not to be misled by an advance notice. These are usually written in very florid language, but most people ought to be able to judge of the general character of the entertainment to which they relate. No one has any right to blame the newspapers if he finds a vaudeville show simply a vaudeville show. Others blame the management of the theatre; but with the manager it is simply a matter of business. If bringing a first class company means a financial loss and a third rate affair gives him a substantial profit, the manager is not likely to engage many of the former. The matter rests with the public. If they want first-class dramatic entertainments, they must patronize those that come, which will enable the management to engage others. There will then be more of the high class and fewer of the lower grades, which is what we all desire.—Victoria Colonist.

A Timely Rebuke

It will be seen that we were not far wrong in anticipating that the Finns would be a welcome addition to our population in Manitoba and the North west. It is easy to crack a joke about people with strange names or curious costumes, but in filling up this country we must look at character and the possibilities of the future rather than at the cut of the clothes worn by the immigrant. The need of population in this vast western country is so great and the subject so important that only the shallow-minded will indulge in sneers or write in light vein at the expense of people who seek homes on the prairie.—Winnipeg Free Press.

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ANGLING NOTES.

On Sunday the "Stormy Winds did blow—ow—ow—," but some of us ventured on the lake. We were one of a party in which the gentler sex mingled in spite of the elements. This attraction added to a large camp fire rather handicapped the angling. There was a glorious storm in the afternoon. Somehow a little patch of sun stole over the ground where our party were resting. There we watched the storm clouds gather, rolling down from the Silver King, bringing rain and wind with them. Great bodies of grey mist hurried before us and in fancy we could hear through the howling blast the cry of Brynhilda the Valkyrie hurrying from the wrath of Wotan. Some such scene as this must have inspired the master genius of Wagner during his sojourn at Geneva when he sketched out the ideas of his great music drama," Ring of the Nieblungen." We forgot the fish, forgot the discomfort of the storm and, huddling round the fire, talked of the Gods, Walhalla, Siegfried and the other heroes and heroines of German mythology till the hours crept on and it was almost evening. Then came the sun, dispelling the storm clouds and gilding the snow capped peaks towering above us; and we seemed to see the gilded towers of Walhalla, the celestial home of the gods in all the glory of the evening sun.

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A fish rose incontinently and recalled the dreamers. Then as the sleepers of the enchanted palace of the sleeping beauty awoke to life (in the interests of strict propriety it is necessary to state that the cause of the awakening was not the same as in the fairy tale, which, if our memory is correct, was a kiss) we arose and manned our craft. It was late but we wanted some fish for breakfast. Besides, if we returned empty handed, it might have given rise to questions, for one of him at least had a "gude wife" awaiting us at home. For a brief half hour the sun shed his warmth on the water during which time we tempted seven fish of no great size to join our company. Then the sun sank behind the hills and the evening, cold and cheerless, came on recalling, to us that our brief holiday was done and that we must buckle to for another week's work, and make provision for the home for another brief period.

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So wags the world for not a few of us who are sojourners in this City. Not a bad place, not an uncongenial life after all, and we might do worse. We may at times "get the hump," become discontente and supercilious and sigh for better days that are passed. Some of us, like Mr. Gilead P. Beck, will "strike ile" and many of us will lose even that which he hath, and the day will come when many will be far away from this little City of the Kootenays, either consuming with opulent ease what he hath garnered in or still tilling the soil. It may be fancy it may be want of discernment, on the part of the writer, but possibly more than one of the wanderers, be he rich or poor, may think with pleasure on the interval of life spent here. "Yes we had to work then but we could make a decent living; and then came the days of rest, all the more enjoyable in that they were none too many for our desire. We had friends too and there was freedom which is unknown in this fog-bound London, this gay Paris or this sunny Florence. Our money brings care and anxiety but in Nelson we didn't think of it." 'Sufficient unto the day was our motto.' Yes we were happy then." Or "Here we are still grinding at the mill, and though our reward may be greater yet are the wheels more burdensome, for our backs are bent and weary, and the years grow apace. Would that we were back in Kootenai: for though there was but little grist for the mill there yet was our labor light. And we took our pleasure with the rest for in that country trespassers were not prosecuted nor was the fishing and shooting strictly reserved."

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We may be right and we may be wrong. We would fain gaze into the crystal where the looms of time work out our future for us. But "Merlin is dead" and we live in a matter-of-fact age. We can but cast our lines into the lake of the future; perhaps we may hook a good fish or perhaps we may strike a "snag" Quien Sabe!

Yesterday, in order to show sympathy with the early closing movement we became one of the unemployed and went a fishing late in the afternoon. The morning was lovely; but, no sooner had we launched our boat, than the warm zephyr succumbed to rude Boreas and when we arrived at the chosen spot the icy blasts chilled us to the marrow.

We toiled bravely for two hours, for had we not an important C. P. R official aboard to whom we wished to display our skill. "No Sir! The corkscrew shall not be used till we have half a dozen," roared our skipper through the howling wind. So we shivered and thirsted and looked askance at two large bottles of something brewed by a "home industry." But the half dozen came at last, and then followed another half dozen. We thought it a triumph to bring back a dozen in spite of the unpropitious weather and we jeered at a colleague who had toiled all day and taken but one.

But we gave away our fish to deserving friends—not that we were charitable but because we prefer eggs and bacon for breakfast—and at home we had doubts cast on our veracity.

"Virtue is its own reward" and we don't intend to give away any more.

SUCCESSFUL PRACTICE GAME.

Nelson Rugby Football Club Play on the Recreation Grounds.

A very pleasant and successful practice game of Rugby football was played yesterday afternoon on the recreation ground. Only twelve a side, instead of fifteen, was played, and the ground was rather hard and dusty with occasional rocks scattered here and there, but these slight drawbacks did not materially detract from the enjoyment of the afternoon's play.

Considering it was the first practice of the season the game was a fairly fast one, and afforded a fair opportunity of judging of the respective merits of the players. The chief fault noticeable, especially among the forwards, was lack of team play, and though passing was sometimes indulged in, it was frequently of the wildest description. The forwards, too, were too anxious to pick up the ball. A little practice in "dribbling" could be indulged in with advantage. Mr. Haines played his usual sterling game Mr. Jeffs also played well. He has great pace, and with a little practice should make a splendid three-quarter. Of the others, the most noticeable perhaps, were Messrs. Partridge, Macrae, Wetmore, Houston, Hepburn and Thomson.

Mr. Haines' combination outclassed their opponents in the outside division, though Mr. Hepburn's "pack" held their own, the former eventually winning by two goals and a try to a try. The following were the players:

Digby	Full backs	Moore
Macrea, Partridge, Jeffs	¾ backs	Parks, Dr. Hall, Sargeant
Haines, Wetmore	½ backs	McFarland, Sims
Houston, Lee, Morrison, Ward, Boyer, Forbes	Forwards	Stilwell, Thomson, Winter, Hepburn, Bowker, Other

Yesterday evening a meeting of the committee was held in Mr. Haines' rooms and it was decided to hold an Association football practice match on Wednesday, and a Rugby practice on Saturday next. All football players are cordially invited to take part in both games. Father Pat and his Rossland team will be over here on Saturday, May 6, and every effort should be strained to give them a warm, though cordial, reception.

CHARITY BALL ON MAY 19.

Representative Meeting Last Night Appointed Permanent Officers.

At a meeting last evening it was decided that the Grand Charity ball would be held on Friday the 19th of May. The following gathered in Mr. E. A. Crease's office to make arrangements for the ball which promises to be a great success: Mrs. Lay, Mrs. Goepel, Mrs Gamble, Mrs. Day, Mrs. G. Frank Beer, Mrs. Satherland, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Pender, Mrs Jameson, Judge Forin, Messrs. Kydd, Jameson, Newling, Kinghorn, C. St. Barbe, Holt, H. Wright, A. Stewart, Lay, Sherwood, Crease, Bridges, A. G. Gamble, W. W. Beaton. Judge Forin occupied the chair and Mr Crease acted as secretary of the meeting. The first business was the fixing of the dates for the ball as May 19, which will not conflict with any of the numerous other social events that are slated for the near future. The election of permanent officers for the ball resulted as follows:

Treasurer—Mrs Goepel.
Secretary—W. W. Beaton.
Music Committee—Mrs. Gamble, Messrs. Kydd and St. Barbe.
Refreshment Committee—Mrs. Lay, Mrs. Pender, Mrs. Goepel, Mrs. Gamble, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Sutherland, Mrs Jameson, Mrs. Frank Beer,, Mrs Taylor, Mrs. McCulloch, Mrs. H. Macdonell, Mrs. J. A. Turner, Mrs. Roderick Robertson, Mrs. Clarke, Mrs McKillop, Mrs. Freeman Lake, with power to add to their numbers.
Decoration Committee — Messrs Sherwood, A. Stewart, Haines, Fred Irvine and Kinghorn.
Floor Committee—Messrs. Day, Kinghorn, Stewart, Crease, Wright and Newling.

Mrs. McCulloch was appointed convener of the subscription committee.

The price of tickets was placed at $2 for gentlemen and $1 for ladies. This it was thought, would suit the purses of most citizens and with an active canvass a large number of tickets should be sold. The ball will take place in the Opera House which will be in all decorated for the occasion. The funds will be devoted to the public library and a neat sum will no doubt be realized. The committees will get down to work at once and the ball promises to be one of the most enjoyable features of the season.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. D. McArthur was able to get out again yesterday, after being confined to the house for several days.

At the evening service of the Baptist church the sermon will be preached by the Rev. C. W. Rose. His subject will be "Success and Failure."

Messrs. G. McL. Brown, Frank Fletcher, W. F. Brougham and a few friends leave by a special train this morning on a fishing expedition.

Mr. W. H. Bullock-Webster, chief of the Provincial Police of this district leaves this morning on a visit to Victoria. He will be absent about 10 days.

There will be a baseball match on the recreation ground this afternoon between the Nelson nine and a team picked from the rest of the Nelson players.

Mr. Fred Starkey, who recently accepted the position of manager of the Rossland branch of the Parson's Produce Company is in the City looking up some of his friends.

The Kootenay River is rising steadily, and the steamer Alberta now finds no difficulty in making her bi-weekly trips to Bonner's Ferry. She leaves Nelson on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7 a. m

Rev. James Woodsworth, superintendent of missions for Manitoba, N. W. Territories, and B. C. Conferences, arrived in the City last night over the Crow's Nest, and will preach in the Methodist church this evening.

In the Presbyterian Church this evening the choir will sing the anthem, "Rejoice ye with Jerusalem," by Spinney. Mrs. Melville Parry and Mr. G. Kydd will also sing a duet entitled, "Tarry with me, O my Saviour," by Nicolai.

The chief matters that will come up for consideration at the City Council tomorrow evening will be the removal of the disorderly houses, the Bank account question, the proposed money by-laws and an application for a gas franchise. A lively session is expected.

Brackman & Ker have just secured the contract for supplying the Alaska Commercial Company with 300 tons (20 carloads) of manufactured goods. Their Victoria mills will be kept running day and night for several weeks to fill the order. This is the second year that Brackman & Ker have supplied the big Alaskan Company.

The Phair arrivals yesterday were: D. C. Johnston, Everett; J. J. Broughall, Spokane; J. G. Hassack, Winnipeg; W. T. Gurd, Winnipeg; T. R. Eila, Vancouver; Wm. G. Hargreaves, Winnipeg; J. W. Cantall, Spokane; C. Becker, Victoria; G. A. Keefer, Creston; J. H. Poff, Vancouver; Sol Cameron and wife, Rossland; Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Sterling, Trail.

About 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon smoke was seen issuing from P. Burns & Co's smoke house. The alarm of fire was given, and the Fire department were on the spot in a very short space of time. There was a hose on the premises, however, and the fire was practically out by the time they got there. The fire started from an overheated stove. Very little damage was done.

There was an exciting run-away on Baker street yesterday afternoon, which might have had serious results. The delinquents were a team in an express wagon who charged down Baker street upsetting Mr. Keith Reid and his horse just below the Queen's Hotel. Mr. Reid was thrown under the sidewalk but luckily was not hurt. His horse was a good deal cut up. The runaways then collided with a wagon opposite the carriage factory on Hall Street, after which their wild career was soon checked.

Meteorological Report.

(Observations taken by A. H. Holdich.

DATE	DAY	HIGHEST	LOWEST	SNOW FALL	BAROMETER
Apr 16	Sunday	52.2	38.0	0.10	27.90
Apr 17	Monday	52.0	31.0	0.02	27.75
Apr 18	Tuesday	52	36.0	0.06	27.80
Apr 19	Wed'day	55.0	32.0	0.01	28.15
Apr 20	Thursday	52.5	40.0	0.00	28.00
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Apr 22	Saturday	56.0	30.0	0.00	28.80

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Nelson, B. C., April 18th, 1899.

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MINES OF KOOTENAY

The announcement has been made that work will be resumed on the Tennessee mine, which lies about one mile north of Ymir. This property is owned by the Hamilton & Rossland Gold Mining Company, of Hamilton, Ont. It has two parallel ledges within a distances of 25 feet, both of which are crosscut by a tunnel which is now in 98 feet. The first of these ledges is decomposed quartz, 17 feet wide, and carrying good values in gold. The highest assay obtained from this vein was $28.56 in gold per ton. The second ledge carries solid white iron, from which a series of assays taken ranged between $2.56 and $9.80 in gold per ton. This ledge, which is 33 feet from the mouth of the tunnel, has been sunk on a distance of 45 feet making a total depth from the surface of 100 feet. This winze follows the hanging wall and is almost perpendicular.

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Honcastle's circular for April is out. The Viscount takes a cautious view of Transvaal affairs; but he thinks that President Kruger has been checkmated, and will come to terms with the magnates to the improvement of the Kaffir market. He also looks for a rise in British Columbia "descriptions" in the coming summer and autumn, and predicts a brisk movement in company promoting, especially in copper. The busy season, he thinks will extend from the second week in April to the end of August. No doubt the Viscount will himself have a hand in many of these promotions.

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Work has been started on the Mollie Hughes group by the owners. The property will be developed during the summer the owners declaring that they can make good wages and pay all expenses in taking out and shipping ore.

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New York, April 22.—Bar silver, 59⅞; Mexican dollars, 47¼.

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There will soon be erected at Van Anda on Texada Island, British Columbia, says the Post-Intelligencer, what will become in time the largest smelter on the Pacific coast.

The Van Anda Gold & Copper Mining Company, which owns 20 copper claims on the island, among which are the famous Cornell and the well known Copper Queen, will build this smelter to handle the ores of its own and British Columbia copper mines.

Work of construction has already begun and the plant will be in operation by July 13, smelting 50 tons of ore per day. By January 1 of next year the capacity will be increased to 150 tons, and thereafter as the demand for its use grows it will be enlarged to care for 300 tons and more per day. In addition to the smelter there will be erected a sampling plant, the only one on the Pacific coast. The immediate cost of these two enterprises will be $50,000. The authority for these statements. H. M. Trent president of the company who is at the Hotel Butler. He is here awaiting the arrival of his wife.

"The vein on the Copper Queen is from two to seven feet wide, but we have not done as much work on it. The values are about the same.

"The smelter is located on the shore about one-half miles from the Cornell. The ore will be hauled in wagons to it from the mines. We believe that such a method is cheaper than building and operating a tramway."

A DOUBLE SUICIDE.

Edmonton, N. W. T., April 22.—Love, opposition, and strychnine conspired to cause William Roland and Lottie Brunnette to take their own lives last night. The young couple were highly respected and the rash act has caused profound sorrow in the town and district.

BEATS THE MAILS.

New York, April 22.—James Elsey the London messenger, who was sent from London to Hampton, Cala., by Mr. Harry Leslie Blundell McCalmont, M. P., to deliver a letter ahead of one sent by mail, arrived here today on his return trip. He said he beat the mails to Hampton by 1½ hours.

AFTER THE BALL.

Baraboo, Wis., April 22.—When returning from a dance early this morning four young people were run down by the Chicago and N. W. fast mail at Crawfords Crossing about a mile from this city. Three were killed and one badly injured. The dead are Benjamin Tulibis, Kitty Marshall and Nellie Welch.

FLAGS AT HALF MAST.

Memphis, Tenn., April 22.—The flags at Montgomery park were flying at half mast because of the tragic death of former presiding Judge M Lewis Clark.

Provincial Rights Association of British Columbia.

[Temporarily Organized in August, 1898.]

In defence of Provincial Autonomy, ruthlessly invaded by Thomas R. McInnes, Lieut-Governor of the Province, and futher to guard the rights and liberties of the people against misgovernment.

A constitutiona and not a party or political organization.

H. F. EVANS, Secretary.

Rossland, B. C.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

Notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned, Austin H. Clements, intend at the first sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Nelson, to be held thirty (30) days after the publication of this notice, to apply for a Retail Liquor Saloon License for the premises known as the corner store of the Odd Fellows Building, on lot number one (1) in block twelve (12), being situated on the southeast corner of Baker and Kootenay streets, in the West Ward of the said City of Nelson.

Dated this 16th day of March, A. D., 1899.

AUSTIN H. CLEMENTS.

Mining Stock Quotations.

Com iled by J. L. Vanstone, Successor to H. G. McCulloch, Mining Broker, Nelson, B. C., P. O. box 169.

Name of Company	Par Value.	Price
British Columbia.		
Athabasca		48
Cariboo (Camp McK)		1 60
Deer Park		7
Dardanelles		12
Dundee		30
Exchequer		11
Evening Star		12
Fern G. M. Co		50
Iron Mask		72
Iron Colt		18
Monte Cristo		12
Morrison		18
Mammoth		2
Little Cariboo		33
Noble Five		30
Pathfinder		13
Rambler Cariboo		33
Reco		80
Slocan Star		1 11
Sullivan		17
Shannan Dolphin		24
Tamarack (Pooled)		16
Virginia		51
Waterloo (Camp McK)		11½
Winnipeg		28
Wiarton (Treas)		23
Wonderful		11½
Republic.		
Ben Hur		20
Black Tail		10
Bodie		8
Butte & Boston		8
Chespa Blue Jay		3½
Dora		3½
Golden Harvest		5
Golden Sunset		2½
Gold Ledge		8
Insurgent		6½
Iron Monitor		4
Jim Blaine		43
Lone Pine		37
Morning Glory		13
Mountain Lion		1 10
North San Poil		12
Palo Alto		34
Princess Maud		91
Quilp		16
Republic		3 70
Rebate		19
San Poil		75
Trade Dollar		19
Tom Thumb		16
Buffalo Hump Dev		6½

KASLO & SLOCAN RAILWAY

TIME CARD NO. 3

Trains Run on Pacific Standard Time.

WEST BOUND Leaves Daily	Stations	EAST BOUND Arrive Daily
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	1:34 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
11:00 a. m.	Sandon	11:40 a.m.
11:15 "	Cody	11:25 "
Arrive Daily		Daily Leave

G. F. COPELAND, Superintendent

KOOTENYA RAILWAY & NAVIGATION CO

LAKE & RIVER DIVISION

STR. INTERNATIONAL

Time Card in effect January 3rd, 1898

PACIFIC STANDARD TIME.

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY

KASLO TO NELSON

South b'nd. Read down			North b'nd Read up	
Boat Lvs.	6.30 a.m.	Kaslo	8.30 p.m.	Boat Ar
" "	7.30 "	Ainsworth	7.10 "	" "
" "	8 00 "	Pilot Bay	6.30 "	" "
" "	8 15 "	Balfour	6.00 "	" "
" Ar	9.45 "	5 Mile Pt.	5.10 "	" "
" "	10.30 "	Nelson	4.30 "	" Lv

Connects with N. & F. S. Railway train for Spokane, leaving Five Mile Point at 10:05 a.m. Steamers leave Kaslo city wharf at foot of 3rd street. Subject to change without notice.

ROBERT IRVING, Manager

TRAINS AND STEAMERS ARRIVING AND DEPARTING FROM NELSON.

6:30 am.—Train leaves C. P. R. station for main line and intermediate points via Slocan Lake route daily.

8:00 am.—S.S. Moyie leaves for Kootenay L'd'g and way points Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

9:40 a.m.—Train leaves N. & F. S. station for Rossland, Spokane and way points daily.

10:05 a.m.—S. S. International arrives from Kaslo and way points daily except Sunday.

11:00 a.m.—S. S. Kokanee arrives from Kaslo and way points daily except Sunday.

4:00 p.m.—S. S. Kokanee leaves for Kaslo and way points, daily, except Sunday.

4:30 p.m.—S. S. International leaves for Kaslo and way points, daily except Sunday.

5:30 p.m.—Train arrives N. & F. S. station, from Spokane, Rossland and way points, daily.

6:50 p.m.—S. S. Moyie arrives from Kootenay L'd'g and way points, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

6:40 p.m.—Train leaves C. P. R. station for Robson, Trail, Rossland, etc, daily.

8.30 p. m.—Train arrives C. P. R. station from main line and intermediate points via Slocan Lake route daily.

10:30 p.m.—Train arrives C. P. R. station, from Rossland, Trail, Robson, etc., daily.

Transportation Companies are requested to give notice to the Miner of any alterations in the time of arrival and departure from Nelson.

Steam tugs Kaslo, Angerona, Red Star, Hercules, Surprise and others ply on Kootenay lake to and from Nelson, but have no regular times of arrival ad departure.

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8 Pieces Figured Dress Goods at 40c. regular price 75c.

7 Pieces Figured Dress Goods at 60c. regular price $1.25.

10 Pieces Figured Dress Goods $1.00 regular price $1.75

The balance of our Spring Capes and Jackets at wholesale Cost Price.

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Dominion Line—Dominion	April 26
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From New York

White Star Line—Majestic	May 3
Cunard Line—Lucania	May 6
American Line—St Louis	May 3
Anchor Line—Anchoria	May 6
Allan State Line—State of Nebrasga	May 3

From Boston

Dominion Line—New England	May 3

Passages arranged to and from all European points. For rates, tickets and full information apply to C. P. R. depot agent or C. E. Beasley City Ticket Agent, Nelson, B. C.

WILLIAM STITT,
545) General Agent, C. P. R. Offices Winnipeg

AUCTION SALE

OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

Acting on instructions from Mr. F. S. Andrews, who is about leaving the city, we shall on

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26th, 1899

at 2 p.m., sell by Public Auction, absolutely without reserve, the entire contents of his residence, 3rd house from Stanley Street on Carbonate st., next door to Mayor Neelands' residence, consisting of:

Large extension oak dining table, oak bookcase and desk, magnificent oak side board, set dining room chairs in solid oak, oak hall rack, drawing room chairs, sofas and bric-a-brac 2 fine solid oak bedroom sets, 4 extra fine Wilton rugs, hall and stair carpets, lace curtains, kitchen and heating stoves, linoleums, bath, refrigerator, Patent kitchen table and many other household articles too numerous to mention.

All these articles are in excellent condition, being in use less than a year. This is an excellent opportunity to get good furniture at your own price as Mr. Andrews has put no reserve on anything and the quality of the goods is ahead of anything we have ever offered for sale here.

Goods on view afternoon prior to and on the morning of sale. Sale at 2 o'clock sharp. Terms cash.

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TO THE PUBLIC

We, the undersigned, beg to notify the public that we are the only persons doing business as Merchant Tailors in Nelson, having all our work done on the premises and paying Western prices for same. Also that we are prepared to give as good satisfaction as can be secured anywhere, and defy competition even though originating from persons carrying samples only and having their work done in Eastern Canada.

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	1888	1898
Capital Paid Up	$ 1,000,000	$ 1,500,000
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Deposits	2,862,000	8,175,000
Circulation	993,000	1,387,000
Loans	3,835,000	8,554,000
Liabilities to Public	4,038,000	9,900,000
Total Assets	5 286 000	12,737,000

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