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ELECTIONS ARE NEAR

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Warns the Liberals to Be Ready.

SOME POLITICAL NEWS

Tomorrow's Labor Convention in Nelson—Ralph Smith at Home.

In a speech delivered at St. Hyacinthe last week Sir Wilfid Laurier stated that the elections were near and warned the Liberals to be ready at once for the fray. It appears to be taken for granted throughout the Dominion that the elections will take place before November 15.

Ralph Smith, M. P. P., upon his arrival from the East said to a correspondent of The Victoria Times: "I have definitely decided to run. I received the unanimous endorsation of the Congress, asking me to run, and I have finally decided. Some time ago Mr. Sloan came to me in Nanaimo and wanted my support, and I believe now he has many names, of friends of mine, on his requisition paper. Of course, they will desert him when they find how they have been deceived. Mr. Sloan is everything to everybody. If he meets a Conservative he gives him a talk and the same with a Liberal. He was a little too previous. You can say that I am in the field as an Independent Labor candidate, and of course I will resign my position in the local Legislature before I am officially nominated for the House of Commons at Ottawa."

The Miner seems to be well posted as to what will be done by the Labor men on Wednesday. It says the majority of the delegates are pledged to vote for James Wilks, and that he will be a candidate. Is The Miner preparing to flop? Will it drop Candidate MacNeill and support Candidate Wilks? Stranger things have happened.—The Tribune.

(Indeed they have. That latest flop of Mr. Houston, for instance.)

The Greenwood Miner says: The Unionist delegates to the Nelson convention should consider the question carefully before placing a candidate in the field. It is an easy matter to select a candidate, but it is often much more difficult to elect him. In the last Provincial campaign the Martin candidates had in nearly every constituency the support of Unionists, the exceptions being Nelson and Slocan ridings. In only one constituency—Rossland—was a Martin candidate successful, and he by the narrow majority of 34. Mr. Curtis polled 90 per cent. of the labor vote of the Boundary, and in Greenwood 95 per cent. of the Liberal vote, and yet he only polled 613 out of the 1,202 votes cast. Out of the 613 votes which Mr. Curtis received a labor candidate will do well if he get 150 votes, and from the Mackintosh followers 15 votes. This figure—165—is the outside vote that a labor candidate can poll in the Boundary. In North Yale the Martin candidate received, in the Provincial campaign, 85 votes out of 1,000 polled; in East Yale, 100 out of 1,000; in West Yale, 100 out of 500. The results were similar in East Kootenay and Revelstoke divisions. The Unionist leaders either have not seriously considered the question or they are acting upon the advice of politicians, who expect to defeat the opposing candidate by bringing a Unionist into the contest.

The Silvertonian says: It has been taken for granted by nearly all parties concerned that the elections will be pulled off before the middle of November. This being so there is a feeling of curiosity among local electors for a nearby inspection of the candidates among whom they will have to choose. Few in Silverton or indeed in the whole Slocan, know anything whatever of either Galliher or MacNeill. Whether this is an advantage to them or not, we don't know. Any one of the half dozen or more of the labor leaders is known throughout the Riding much more widely than either of the old line candidates, and where party lines are felt so little as they are in the mining districts, a man's personality and range of acquaintance does more to elect him than his party leanings.

A MATTER OF POLITICS.

New York, Oct. 2.—The Berlin correspondent of The London Standard learns that England's reply to the German circular in reference to China is shaped in a very friendly and affirmative tone. The Tribune's London correspondent cables: "Berlin, Oct. 2.—The Berliner Tageblatt in the course of a reference to United States Ambassador White's letter to the German-American republicans of New York City, says: 'The Germans will not regard President McKinley's answer to Count Von Buelow's note as a proof of friendship. We undertake to advise President McKinley that he cannot have the German-American vote unless he changes his Chinese policy.'"

TRIBUTE

Lord Roberts Pays a Splendid One to Departing Canadian Troops.

Under date of Pretoria, Sept. 25, a special to the Toronto Mail and Empire says:

"General Roberts, in the presence of Lady Roberts, and his daughters, inspected six companies of the Canadian regiment, who were about to take train for Cape Town on their way home after a year's service in South Africa.

"Crowds were present, and the men, who are in excellent health, making a splendid appearance, the scene was a brilliant one.

"After the march past, General Roberts addressed the troops. He said:

"'I cannot allow you to depart without expressing my thanks for the appreciation of your loyal services and excellent work, especially at Paardeberg, on February 27. I am sure the people of Canada will be pleased to hear how gallantly and how splendidly you have all behaved in action. Deeply I regret the losses you have suffered. I should have been happier if you had returned in your full strength. The regiment has had 160 killed or wounded; but no one could expect you to pass through so arduous a campaign without losses. I am sorry that some of you are obliged to return sooner than the rest of the regiment, but I recognise the urgency of private affairs. I am confident that the Queen and British people will never forget your services. If it should ever be my good fortune to visit Canada, I hope to meet you all again.'

"After the troops had given cheers for the Queen and Field Marshal, the latter shook hands with the Canadian officers and presented them one by one to Lady Roberts."

RELIEF AT GALVESTON.

Gov. Sayers Tells of Funds Received For That Purpose.

Austin, Tex., Oct. 1.—Regarding the contributions for the Galveston sufferers, Governor Sayers gave out the following statement:

"The amount of money received by me up to noon, September 30, for the benefit of the storm sufferers is $672,476.29. This includes $3,829.29 that remained in my hands of the fund contributed for the Brazos valley sufferers last year. It also includes all drafts and authorizations to draw which are in transit and are yet uncollected.

"This statement, it must be borne in mind embraces only moneys and remittances that have been made to me directly and also amounts for which I have been authorized to draw.

"During the present week I will submit to the people of the United States a full and complete itemized statement of the moneys that have come to my hands, giving the name and source of each contribution and also the manner in which the sum total has been expended and distributed. Every portion of the storm-stricken district is being provided for."

SPOKE OF IRISHMEN

Father Drummond's Lecture at the Opera House Last Night.

BIG AUDIENCE PRESENT

Recalls Incidents Showing the Bravery of the Irish Soldier.

A splendid audience greeted Father Drummond at the Opera House last evening. The lecturer was warmly and frequently applauded as he discussed his theme, "The Irishman as a Soldier" which was treated in a style that aroused his hearers to mingled bursts of cheers and laughter. Father Drummond was introduced by Mr. W. A. Galliher, and the cheers which arose at the end of the lecture were followed by a rising vote of thanks to the lecturer. Father Drummond said in part:

"Ladies and Gentlemen.—I wish to draw attention to what the Irishman has done in the past and show his brave qualities. Englishmen are not slow to note the superior bravery of Erin's sons. Winston Churchill, the war correspondent pays a compliment to the Irish soldiers in his despatch anent the escape of the armored train at Chievely. He says that when the fight was hottest and the volunteers were called to try and clear the tracks, five of the Dublin Fusiliers came heroically into the open while the Devon and Natal carbineers kept under shelter. Who has not heard of the Tipperary boy, hardly fifteen years old, who was given a silver medal by the Queen and who had been wounded at the battle of Colenso and though wounded rushed on and lost his bugle on the way. The Irishman naturally loves a fight, but what he wants to see is his antagonist downed, not killed. If he must kill him he will, but he had much rather see him get up to be knocked down once more. Soldiers of other nations seem to delight in mere butchery. No real Irishman could take pleasure in mowing down savages with Maxim guns or stifling Boers with lyddite fumes. He would think such overwhelming odds cowardly. Nothing is more natural than to see a quiet peaceful farmer at the fair, walking along with a scythe on his shoulder and upon coming upon two men having a fight, that is to say a fair fight, lay down his scythe, take off his coat roll up his sleeves and then taking his stick and looking for a moment to see which side was loosing, which was the weaker side, to rush into the fight and smash the first head that comes in his way. He feels no instinct to take the winning side, that is not an Irishman's taste. They tell an anecdote as to a Sligoman arrested for having killed another man in a row at a fair. It was proved that he had struck him but once on the head and that the dead man had an abnormally thin skull. The judge asked the culprit if he had anything to say in his defense. 'Well you honor,' said he, 'I've only this to say. What business had a man with a skull like that at a fair.' You see he was sorry he killed him. He never meant to do so. It was all the fault of the thin skull."

In speaking of the resourceful initiative of the Irish, Father Drummond said: "A thoroughly disciplined soldier is good, but to be perfect, he must occasionally take the initiative himself, and then he reveals the military resoures latent within him. In January, 1702, Marshal Villeroy was surprised by Prince Eugene and the Germans in the town of Cremona. The surprise was skillfully managed and would no doubt have succeeded had it not been for parts of two Irish regiments then within the walls. The soldiers of Dillion's regiment were commanded by Major O'Mahoney and those of the Althone regiment by Lieutenant-Colonel Wauchop. O'Mahoney being a little apprehensive in the evening, had given orders for an early drill and parade. Fearing to sleep, he threw himself down fully dressed on his bed. Towards morning he heard a disturbance and on rushing out of his quarters found his men all drawn up in line of battle and fully armed, but dressed only in their night shirts. He did not send them back to dress, but placing himself at their head led them as they were against the Germans. The silent entrance of the enemy through a long unused aqueduct enabled them to open the gates and admit seven thousand Germans. O'Mahoney first swept the ramparts of the enemy and recaptured the cannon. Next, in their night shirts, notwithstanding the inclement weather, they drove the German infantry before them from street to street. At last these half naked Irishmen had to face the Imperial Cuirassiers, then accounted the finest steel clad horse men in Europe. The bold dash of the heavy cavalry was met by a steady and well directed fire by the Irish and then the gleaming sabre crosses with the bayonet. The fight was short, sharp and decisive in favor of the Irish, the German leader is killed, the Cuirassirs retreat in hot haste, Cremona is saved, France is jubilant and all Europe is astonished at Prince Eugene's defeat by so small a force of exiled Irish soldiers. To appreciate what the resourceful initiative of the Irish overcame at Fontenoy one must remember what heroes they overcame. The Duke of Cumberland, the pitiless duke, assembled all the best soldiers of his army, and formed them into a column of six thousand men, with six cannon in front of them and six on either side, they like Tennyson's heroes "had cannon to right of them, cannon to left of them." Lord John Hay gave them orders to march right through the village of Fontenoy, right through the centre of the French, until they got to their rear, and then to turn and sweep them off the field. Never in the annals of history since the Macedonian phalanx was anything more glorious seen than the march of these six thousand Englishmen that day. The French closed in around them battering the head of their column with cannon, but the column marched on as if it were made of triple steele. As the Englishmen marched through the French lines, men fell on every side, but as soon as one man fell the rest dressed up and closed the column. On they marched like a hugh battering ram of brass, in vain the French sharpshooters harassed their flanks, in vain the French infantry tried to withstand them, in vain did the King's Household Cavalry charge upon them, they were scattered by the English fire. At length King Louis turned his rein to fly but Marshal Sax stopped him. 'Wait my liege' he said, 'let us set the Irish at them.' The Irish under Lord Clare charged with a wild Irish yell and swept the enemy from the hill and in a very few minutes that English phalanx was a disorganized rabble. Well might George the Second, exclaim: 'Cursed be the laws that deprive me of such subjects.' No wonder with such bravery, such discipline, such fertility of resource, Irishmen should have been eagerly accepted in all the armies of Europe and America. From the final surrender of Limerick to the era of the French Revolution three quarters of a million of Irishmen served in the armies and navies of Europe alone. In the American Revolutionary war, 52 per cent. of the men under Washington were Irish. At one time almost half the soldiers in the British navy hailed from the Green Isle. These are facts approximately known by the majority of well informed persons, but what is not so generally known is the great ability for organiztion manifested by Irish commanders in both army and navy. To begin with the latter, it was John Barry, a native of the County of Wexford, who organized the American navy. He was no doubt a great sea fighter but was especially a great organizer. It was thanks to Jack Barry's training, that the American gunners were the first to use sights to their guns thus making their broadsides more deadly than ours in the battle of 1812, and history will tell how disastrously they poured their fire into our frigates. The initial impulse thus given by an Irishman has resulted in the present startling accuracy of the American naval fire and it is very doubtful if British gunners can equal or surpass them in this respect."

Beaver line steamer Lake Megantic arrived at Liverpool at 8 a.m., yesterday.

CHAPLEAU A PRODUCER

Ten-Stamp Mill Will Be in Operation in a Few Weeks.

GENERAL MINING NEWS

Some Important Deals Pending in Regard to Nelson Properties.

The Chapleau mine, situated on Lemon Creek, will be added to the list of producers in less than three weeks. The 10-stamp mill which is being installed there will be completed by that time as the work is being carried on as rapidly as possible. When Mr. J. M. Williams, manager of the mine, was seen this morning, he stated that everything would be in operation by the 29th of this month. Viscount de' Grammont, chairman of the company and, Marquis de' Dusmet, one of the directors, both of Paris, were appointed by the directors to come to this country to be present at the opening of the mill. They left Paris on the 22nd of last month. The wagon road was completed last Saturday. Up to date over 13,000 tons of ore are in sight and 1,100 feet of tunneling and shafting has been completed. The assays of the ore which has been taken from the mine show 6.62 ounces of gold and 36.1 of silver. An amalgamation test showed that 4.22 ounces of gold and 13.22 of silver would be saved, representing 70 per cent of the values of the ore.

Mr. Williams has promised the company that the property will be ready to pay a dividend by the end of next year.

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Greenwood, Oct. 2.—Now that the shipping stage has really been arrived at by many of the mines throughout the Boundary district, interest on the outside is again pointing this way. Hardly a day passes that a representative of capital is not out in the several camps visiting and inspecting properties with a view to negotiations. The reports from the big producing mines are all favorable.

Phoenix is steadily forging ahead. At the properties of the Miner-Graves syndicate 175 persons are employed, and this force will shortly be added to considerably. The Snowshoe has a payroll of 17 and the War Eagle nearly the same number. W. Yolen Williams, superintendent of the Knob Hill-Old Ironsides-Victoria groups, says that by the first of next month the ore shipments, now averaging 300 tons daily to the Grand Forks smelter, will be doubled. By that time the Knob Hill new 10-drill compressor plant will be in full running operation and more men will be placed at work in the stopes already opened up on the tunnel level. At the Old Ironsides stoping is in progress on the second and third levels. On the 300-foot level of the Victoria claim, which is connected with the Old Ironsides workings, prospecting is in progress with diamond drills.

The winze from the "railroad" tunnel on the Snowshoe, the property of the British Columbia (Rossland and Slocan) syndicate, is down 30 feet in a good grade of ore. The tunnel is in 325 feet, and at a point about 200 feet in, the winze is being sunk. It is proposed to equip the winze with a hoist, so as to facilitate sinking. Winter quarters are being built and the machinery plant housed in. The new bunk house will accommodate 20 men. J. W. Askey, the consulting engineer for the company, said today that there was no truth in the report that his company had constracted to send out 1,000 tons of ore to any smelter. A few carloads will, however, be shipped for testing purposes.

In Wellington camp the Brandon and Golden Crown, Winnipeg and Athelstan are all making regular ore shipments.

In the same camp Andrew Laidlaw of Spokane, is pushing work in the development of the Evening Star. The claim and the Selby, adjoining, he has under bond for $45,000. The shaft is down 17 feet. Recent assays of the ore taken out in the sinking gave a value of 9 per cent. copper, $1 in gold and $1.20 in silver. Figuring copper at 15 cents, makes a total of $2 .20 per ton. The shaft will be continued down to the 100-foot level, when crosscutting of the big ore body will be started.

In Deadwood camp shipments of ore from the bins of the Mother Lode mine will be commenced at once to the Greenwood smelter. This is merely to make room for ore now being taken out in development. The bins at the smelter have a capacity of 2,000 tons and this will momentarily relieve the pressure at the mine.

On the Greyhound, in the same camp, after crosscutting the ore body 38 feet at the 100-foot level, sinking has again been resumed.

The shaft on the Marguerite having reached a depth of 100 feet, crosscuts east and west nave been started. The shaft was sunk midway between parallel veins and it will not be many days, it is believed, before the workings on both sides will be in ore. The tunnel on the Great Hopes, the adjoining claim, is now in 240 feet and is being continued.

At the Morrison mine, in the north end of the camp, drifting is in progress on what is known as the number two ledge. The ore body has been opened up for 18 feet and the showing is reported to be a good one. Development is also in progress on the Sunset and Buckhorn mines in the same camp.

At the B. C. mine in Summit camp the ore shipments for the present month will average 2,000 tons. In places the stopes opened up from wall to wall show the ore body to be fully 60 feet in width. It is a splendid grade of chalcopyrite. The mine employs 100 men. When sinking is resumed, after the opening up of further stoping ground, the force will be added to.

From Camp McKinney encouraging news is to hand. Since Managing Director George B. McAulay of the Cariboo Camp was in camp a partial idea of the proposed additional development of the mine has been made public. A new shaft is to be sunk to a depth of 500 feet on the Okanogan claim, the most easterly ground of the seven contiguous claims owned by the company. At the present time the fourth level, at a depth of 355 feet from the main working shaft, is already half across the Okanogan ground, and it is here that some of the best grade of ore has been found in the mine. It is also proposed to continue the levels west from the main shaft, a considerable distance into virgin ground.

To date mining operations on what is known as the Cariboo lode, of which the company owns 4,700 feet in length, has been mostly within the limits of the Cariboo. Amelia and Okanoan claims and the Saw Tooth fraction. The main shaft is down 370 feet with levels, running east and west at 70, 175, 255 and 355 feet respectively. There is said to be sufficient ore blocked out to keep the present mill of 20-stamp capacity, running continuously for the next two years. While no announcement has been made, it is believed the company has in view an early increase in the number of stamps at the mill. This, however, is hardly likely to be done until next spring. The mine is producing around $21,000 in bullion per month.

In the Myers Creek district the latest news is the resumption of development on the King Solomon mine, near Bolster. A Spokane company owns the property, which has considerable development.

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The Pirncess claim, situated on the Hall Mines road, owned by Hamilton G. Neelands and A. J. Gerrard of Nelson, has been sold to Minnapolis capitalists for $30,000. It is expected that work will be resumed on this claim shortly and continue all winter.

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An important mining suit is the case of Elmer P. Felt of Slocan City vs. Percy Dickinson, Senator Warner Miller, W. E. Siper, the Slocan Kilo Mining Company, R. Wilson Smith, trustee for F. L. Bique; Hon. Andrew G. Blair, Minister of Railways for the Dominion, and William Stachan. It appears that Mr. Felt was an equal partner with Mr. Dickinson, but the former's name did not appear in any transaction. They have now dissolved

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NEWS FROM PROVINCES

Four More Nominations in Three Eastern Provinces.

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST

Well Known Member of Royal Grenadiers Dies in Toronto.

Montreal, Oct. 2.—The following nominations took place yesterday: Nova Scotia, Firman McClure, Liberal, present sitting member; Quebec, Montreal, L. E. Dugas, Conservative; Ontario, South Essex, M. Cowan, Liberal; West Elgin, A. B. Ingram, M. P., Conservative.

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 2.—Jos. W. Conrad, three years of age, fell from a fence in his parent's yard yesterday afternoon and broke his neck. When picked up life was extinct.

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 2.—The body of Private Bown, of Halifax garrison, and a native of Ottawa, was found floating in the harbor last evening. He had been missing twelve days.

Toronto, Oct. 2.—Color Sergeant Richard Maogne, of "B" Company, Royal Grenadiers, and one of the best shots in the regiment of which he has been a member for the past twelve years, died yesterday from the results of an operation for appendicitis.

Toronto, Oct. 2.—Rev. James Cameron, a retired minister of the Presbyterian Church, died here last night, aged 58 years. He was a native of Glengary County.

Ottawa, Oct. 2.—Lord Strathcona cables from London this morning that the papers there state that from three to four hundred men of the first contingent sailed on Sunday from Capetown on the transport Idaho, direct for Montreal, calling at St. Helena.

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 2.—The Allan liner Carthegenian, with four hundred sailors and marines for British warships here and on the Pacific Coast, arrived from Liverpool this morning.

Ottawa, Oct. 2.—Supreme court opened this morning, the Chief Justice being the only judge absent. The cases on the Quebec list were the first taken up and occupied the attention of the court all morning.

Toronto, Oct. 2.—Meyer Shapero and Fanny Helpert, charged with having administered poison to Maurice Goldsten, a second-hand dealer on August 1, were this morning discharged on account of insufficient evidence to convict.

Quebec, Oct. 2.—In the presence of a large number of persons the first stone of the anchor pier on the north side of the St. Lawrence, of the new Quebec bridge, was laid this afternoon.

Montreal, Oct. 2.—Work on the elevator of the Connors, (Buffalo, N. Y.) Syndicate, on Windmill point, which has for some time been hanging fire, much to the dissatisfaction of Buffalo and New York people, who fear that its completion will injure their export grain trade considerably, was commenced this morning.

TWO COMMISSIONS.

R. B. Campbell, Enlisted at Nelson, Secures One of Them.

Ottawa, Oct. 2.—A cable was received today stating that Lieutenant A. E. D. Layborne, of the First Hussars, had received a commission in the 21st Lancers. Lieutenant R. B. Campbell, who enlisted at Nelson, B.C., has also got a commission in the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry.

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SETTLERS AND RAILWAYS.

In The Miner of yesterday we published the impressions of a gentleman who had just returned from a visit to the Lardeau country. The interview began: "Business at present is very quiet in the Lardeau district, owing to the stopping of construction on the railroads. Prospectors and business men who have been there for five or six years are becoming disheartened on account of the fact that a great many of them have reached their last by keeping up assessment, etc. When the railroad started many did extra development work on their property, but now as construction has stopped some are disgusted and feel like throwing up their claims." It is natural that there should be disappointment under the circumstances. The people of the Lardeau district were elated with the prospect of a railway, and made plans which they persuaded themselves would soon be realised. It is not pleasant to see them go toppling over, one after the other.

But before venting all the anger of their disappointment on the railway people they should consider whether these are the only persons who are to blame. The conditions of the Kootenay are not unlike those of Manitoba twelve or fifteen years ago, only instead of settlers rushing in to get a homestead here they are hunting for prospects, or for some business chance that arises out of mining development. In the early days of Manitoba there were settlers who could not content themselves with a quarter-section near the main line of railway, but must needs go away ten, fifteen, or twenty miles into an unsettled region, and they had no sooner begun to produce more than they could consume than they cried for a railway. This happened all around, and in the course of a very few years the railway people were dismayed with demands for railways in every direction. These demands were so loud and so frequent, and so readily encouraged by politicians and agitators, that a single settler whose fancy took him into an isolated region conceived himself entitled to a line through his back yard.

The din was so great that the railway people became convinced they must have been guilty of some atrocious neglect, and branches here and there were hastily constructed. They were built before their time, and of course did not pay. Some of them are not paying yet, and merchants and other business men in Manitoba, in the Territories, and in British Columbia are to this day making up those deficits in heavy freight rates. That is the penalty imposed upon them for the rashness or imprudence of men who rushed off in advance of the railways. Men who do this, whether in search of a homestead or a prospect, take their chance. The prospector, of course, must go where the mineral is; but if the locality should happen to be without the reach of railway communication, he should be reasonable enough to consider that until his region can produce sufficient traffic to warrant a railway it can hardly be expected that one will be built. This may not apply to the Lardeau district at the present time, and if it does not the people there may rest assured that the railway people will go after a paying traffic with all the haste their means will admit.

"If we get into power," said Sir Wilfrid Laurier, when campaigning five years ago, "we will follow the example of Mr. Mackenzie; and I say that, although we may not be able to bring the expenditures to what they were under him, we can reduce the amount two, yes, three millions of dollars per year." They got into power. The expenditure he complained of, that of 1895-96, was $41,702,383; the last expenditure of his own Government was $52,713,810. Rather a peculiar way of reducing them "two, yes, three millions of dollars per year." The elector cannot do better than to keep this fact fast in his head while making up his mind whether he will vote for the Government or against the Government.

New South Wales has followed the example set by New Zealand, and passed an "Advance to Settlers Act." In these two colonies the Government have loaned to farmers and others with tangible security sums aggregating over $20,000,000. British Columbia has tried something of a similar sort here, but little has been heard of the good intentions of the Legislature. In this Province every man thinks he is able to "paddle his own canoe," and it is worth a good deal to be able to feel that way.

Across its title page The Toronto Globe prints in large letters and figures the deficits of the last four years of Conservative administration and the surplus of the four Liberal years. It says nothing of the difference in business conditions, for that would spoil the point. Old Globe readers, however, will fail to be impressed, for they remember that when the Conservatives had surpluses The Globe and the leaders of its party shouted what a shame and a crime it was to sweat the taxpayers for more money than was required to carry on the Government.

The Victoria Colonist quotes Mr. McBride as saying that within twelve months the Government would see that a railway through the Chilliwack Valley would be under construction. The Colonist understands the statement to mean that it is "the intention of the Government to form and carry out a plan of railway construction that would lead to the beginning of work within a year of a line from the Coast to Kootenay." It is such enterprises as this that the Government, whether of the Province or the Dominion, should encourage with substantial assistance. Private effort should not be expected to engage in undertakings that may be of immediate public advantage, but which do not present any immediate prospect of dividends. Private companies, like private individuals, are excused if they devote themselves to their own interests; the opening up of districts or Provinces is the work of Governments. It is conceived to be in the interest of a large portion of British Columbia to open up direct communication between the Coast and Kootenay, and the Victoria Government appear to be alive to their responsibility in the premises. It is a pity something additional could not be done to insure the early development of the Lardeau region, which is rich in possibilities.

ENTERS A PROTEST.

A Prospector Who Argues in Favor of Kuskonook.

Editor Nelson Miner:

Sir,—In a recent edition of your paper a paragraph appeared stating that the mining recorder's office for the Goat River district was going to be removed from Kuskonook to Creston, as the latter place was the more favorably suited. I beg to contradict this statement of "Creston being the proper place for the office" and to point out that it is not by any means as well situated as Kuskonook for the following reasons: First, Creston is situated five miles from the extreme south boundary line of the district, and 45 miles from the north boundary line, whilst Kuskonook is nearly the geographical centre of the district and easy of access either by boat, rail, or trail, it being the terminus of the Crow's Nest Pass Railway and the Kootenay Valley Railway, and the head of navigation on the Kootenay Lake; second. Should the department take the trouble to examine the records they will find that over 75 per cent. of the mineral claims are situated to the north of Kuskonook whilst a larger percentage of the claim owners live also to the north of Kuskonook.

In the face of such arguments is it fair or just that the deputy Minister of Lands and Works, Mr. Turner, without consulting anyone in the district (with the possible exception of a few of the ranchers living in the vicinity of Creston) shou'd take upon himself the responsibility of removing the office without investigating the merits of the different places. As a prospector who knows the district I have no hesitation whatever in saying that this is simply an attempt to please one or two Liberals in Creston at the expense and inconvenience of the great majority of the active miners.

On hearing the report of the office being changed a petition was immediately drafted to the Minister of Mines, and over a hundred claim owners—not ranchers—attached their names to the same, protesting in no uncertain language against the injustice of Mr. Turner's action. Trusting that you will find space in your valuable sheet for the above remarks I am, DAVID M'LENNAN.

Sanca, Sept. 30, 1900.

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However, our men themselves are a splendid lot, strong and well made, giving *little or no trouble* to their officers; cheerful under the most discouraging circumstances, often singing when it rains, marching, and as a rule, fighting in stolid silence. A tramp of some 500 miles, often on half rations, under a hot sun by-day and frequently drenched by rain or chilled by frost at night, a blanket and a waterproof sheet being their only covering, has made them what they are, thorough soldiers; no pipe clay or polish about them, but eminently serviceable and in condition to bear the hardships of war.

At the commencement of the campaign the British soldier began by losing his kit, leaving behind him what was useless and cumbersome; at this stage of the war, however, very little is considered as useless. The men have, in fact, learned to shift for themselves, though largely owing to the difference in training of the two service, they are not so expert at the business as the bluejacket, who is a worthy rival of the Frenchman in this respect. Nevertheless, the improvement since the beginning of the war is very marked, and the time within which, after arriving in camp, the cooking pots are on the fires has been reduced by at least one-half within the last six months.

At a halt on the line of march in a country where wood was scarce, the men would collect all they possibly could and carry it with them for miles, *not heeding the extra weight*; then, on reaching the camping ground, they would anticipate the regulation tea by cooking in their canteens, mealie meal or any other "luxuries" they had been able to obtain, and often mealie meal was a luxury. Latterly flour has been issued in lieu of half biscuit ration, the men having to cook it as best they could. One wonders what they would have done with it a few months ago.

It is remarkable what care and attention they pay to their rifles, having learned to know the value of a bolt which works smoothly, and a magazine spring which acts when required.

On the march the men would go on *mechanically, more like trek oxen* than anything else, smoking when they had the means, scarcely ever speaking except in the early morning, each one looking at the ground a few paces to his front seeing nothing of the country, and caring less. The Orange River Colony is certainly not an interesting country for a walking tour.

In action, though he may be dull, or even stupid, yet he goes straight, and is, in the strict sense of the word a "perfect fighting machine."

It is curous fact that, on the infantryman, shells have a greater moral effect than rifle bullets, though the latter are by far the more effective, while the gunner, on the other hand, would rather be under shell than rifle fire. Neither loves the merry pompom, which, though the least dangerous, has an effect on the nerves which no one can help experiencing.

At the commencement of the campaign the man serving with the colors was a decidedly better soldier than the reservist. The latter came from civil life, and, naturally he did not take kindly to the hardships of war. He had, to a great extent, lost touch with the regiment, and did not experience that keen sense of delight at the prospect of seeing active service which his confrere with the colors felt. He had home ties; active service, therefore, meant more to him. He wished to get back, to have done with the war and the country, and the sooner the better for him.

This was only to be expected. Probably any Continental nation, in a great war beyond the seas, will find this desire still more marked among the reservists of its field army. In action the reservist probably realizes the danger more than the younger men, though he does his duty equally well—all the greater credit to him.

Many were too old for the long marches and hardships, and had to be left behind. After two or three months, however, the reservist was, as a rule, the better man of the two, being more reliable when alone, especially on outpost duty at night, and having more resource and self-reliance when in a difficult situation.

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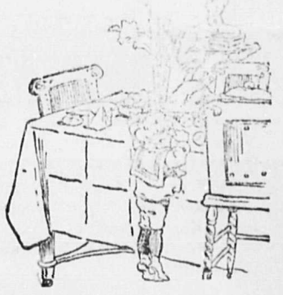

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MIKADO

Full Cast of the Opera Nelson Citizens Will Soon Enjoy.

A splendid rehearsal of "The Mikado" was held last evening. There was a full attendance and the Opera went with a swing that gives promise of an excellent production. The Nelson amateurs jumped from the easiest to the hardest of Gilbert and Sullivan's operas when they followed "Pinafore" with "The Mikado" but the success achieved in the first production will be surpassed in the second.

The caste will be as follows: The Mikado of Japan, Mr. W. J. Caldwell; Nanki-Poo, Mr. John Lochore; Ko-Ko, Mr. George Williamson; Pooh-Bah, Mr. C. B. Winter; Pish-Tush, Mr. Edward Grizzelle; Yum-Yum, Mrs. Melville Parry; Pitti-Sing, Miss Bensusan; Peep-Bo, Miss Ida Johnston; Katisha, Mrs. M. S. Davys.

The following compose the chorus: Sopranos, Mrs. E. McLeod, Miss B. Sutcliffe, Miss E. M. Little, Mrs. J. E. Annable, Miss L. E. Tamblyn, Mrs. L. S. Otis, Mrs. J. A. Armstrong, Mrs Wm. Rutherford, Miss Lennox, Mrs. W. J. Caldwell, Mrs. F. R. C. Beer. Contraltos. Mrs. R. H. Williams, Mrs. W. J. Astley, Mrs. E. C. Arthur, Mrs. W. A. Thurman, Mrs. Wambold, Miss Clarke, Miss Chambers.

Tenors, Messrs. Onslow Newling, Stanley M. Johnson, H. R. Jorand, E. J. Crickmay, C. W. Dill, John Rae, J. G. Nelson, F. R. C. Beer. Basses. Messrs. L. B. Hodge, A. R. Sherwood, G. S. Kellaway, Fred Smith, W. F. Ross, Charles Burt, Ronald Brown, E. Parkes, W. L. Smith.

There will be another full rehearsal in the Opera House tonight. The orchestra practices tomorrow evening in the school room of St. Saviour's Church.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Hodder of Kaslo, who was operated upon yesterday, is doing well today.

L. S. Otis left this afternoon on a trip to Ainsworth, Kaslo and points in the Slocan.

Mrs. J C. Gore and children who have been spending a few weeks at Portland returned to Nelson last evening.

The football game which was scheduled for next Saturday between Silverton and Nelson teams at Silverton has been declared off.

The staff at the General Hospital has been increased. Miss Macdonald of the Jubilee Hospital of Victoria, and Miss Menzie of Kaslo, both went on duty yesterday.

There will be a social held at Mrs. Bellamy's on Baker Street tomorrow afternoon and evening, under the auspices of the Ladies Aid of the Congregational Church. There will be a musical programme rendered during the evening.

Captain Alex McLennan, formerly mate of the steamer Kokanee, has been appointed captain of the steamer Nelson. Captain Seaman of the steamer Slocan, has gone east on a vacation. Captian Tyson will take charge of his duties during the former's absence.

Mr. S. L. Lester, of Detroit, who has just arrived in Nelson, will open a grocery store in the new building on Front Street that is being erected by E. R. McDermid. The store will be ready for occupancy in less than two weeks. Mr. Lester was accompanied to Nelson by his family.

The attractions to be presented at the Nelson Opera House during the month of October are as follows: Wednesday, Oct. 3, "Quo Vadis," Thursday, Oct. 4 "A Cheerful Liar." Wednesday Oct. 10, Alba Heywood; 12th and 13th, Gorton's Minstrels; 15th, 16th 17th, "Mikado"; 18th and 19th, "Coontown 400"; 29th and 30th, Breezy Time Co.

The auction sale of contributions which took place last evening at the Salvation Army Barracks was a decided success. The receipts exceeded all expectations, the proceeds of the sale alone amounting to seventy-five dollars. The sale was opened by Rev. Mr. White, who gave a pleasant introductory speech. The gifts were eagerly sought after and bought so that not a single one remained. Last night's tickets will be good for this evening also, when the auction sale of children and the coffee and cake social will be held.

The Rossland Miner says: Mr. M. D. Shea has the prettiest full-blooded St. Bernard pup that there is in the Kootenays. His dam in Lady Kaslo, owned by Mr. E. N. Murphy, mining recorder at Kuskonook, and his sire is Yankee, owned by Mr. Shea. Both sire and dam are registered in the American kennel club stud in New York. The pup is beautifully marked. The neck, from the shoulders to the ears is perfeelty white. Each ear is tan colored and a white streak runs through the forehead as accurately as if made by the barber for a favorite customer. Each eye is marked with a dark spot which makes him look as though he had on a pair of black goggles. All four legs are white, while the body is tan colored. Although the pup is only about three months old he weighs 40 pounds. He is as good a specimen of St. Bernard as can be found anywhere.

Rowland Machin, with headquarters at Victoria, a traveler for William Bennett & Co., fuse manufacturers of London, England, arrived in Nelson today after making a months tour through Montana and Idaho. At Butte he found that the mining industry was exceedingly brisk, but was somewhat dull in the Couer d' Alene district.

CAPTURED AT YMIR.

William Jones Taken There and Afterwards Released.

William Jones who escaped from the Provincial jail here last Thursday forenoon, was arrested at Ymir two days afterwards but was released and is now probably forever beyond the reach of the police officials. Word reached Nelson last evening to this effect. The man, who was arrested and who now it is believed was Jones, came into Ymir on Saturday worn out, and apparently half starved. He was acting in a suspicious manner, and was arrested by the constable there. The constable stated that the description which he had received from Captain Fitzstubbs was so vague that he could not tell whether he had the man that was wanted or not, so the prisoner was released after being held several hours.

CITY COUNCIL.

The continuation of the macadamizing of Baker Street was the only important question brought before the City Council last evning. The finance committee reported that the work could be advanced one or two blocks. It was also thought that if further expense was to be incurred, it would be advisable to go on with the work now, as it might be difficult to get proper men to do the work next spring.

A request that the sidewalk on Water Street be raised to the street grade and the road repaired was referred to the Board of Public Works. A sidewalk was ordered laid on the east side of Hoover Street.

The bylaw, referring to the weight of bread manufactured by the city bakers, was passed.

Chief Thompson presented his quarterly report in which he stated there had been 12 alarms with an aggregate loss of $4,800 during the quarter. The chief asked that the number of men of the department be increased to 18. The report was adopted.

AT THE HOTELS.

Phair.—C. H. Hutchins, Toronto; John Rudolph, Brantford; D. C. MacGregor, Kaslo; Mrs. E. Nelson Fell, F. Van Agnew, Athabasca; O. W. Heywood, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Mrs. Williams, New Denver; Frank Watson, Spokane; G. W. Hughes, Alamo.

Hume.—C. E. Claime, Ainsworth; J. D. Brack, Toronto; Charles Sawyer and wife, Midway; H. S. Sawyer, and wife, Midway; Robert Ripper, Belle Plaine, Iowa; Mark Manley, Slocan; W. D. Langridge, Montreal; J. Fyfe, Montreal; R. McGuire, Molly Gibson mine; G. G. McKay, Vancouver; D. K. Molleson, Toronto; R. Marchen, Victoria.

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partnership, and the defendant will not recognize the plaintiff as having any interests in any of the deals. Mr. Felt is suing for the amount due him from each transaction.

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R. R. Bruce states that S.S. Fowler, M. E., who experted the Paradise group a couple of weeks ago is well pleased with the property and says he has already increased the number of men employed at the mine, says the Canterbury, B. C. Outcrop. Also that Captain Armstrong has signed a contract to deliver the ore at Golden, but he refused to state the price. He further states that Captain Armstrong has a contract to build a sleigh road from the Toby Creek road, which the Government are now building, up Springer Creek to the Paradise group and intends putting a gang of men to work today. T. H. Taylor, P. L. S., left on Monday for Paradise Alley to survey the Paridise, Royal Stag, Paradise Fraction and Shamrock mineral claims for Crown Grants.

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Yesterday Mine Inspector McGregor visited the Centre Star mine, says the Rossland Miner, and paid particular attention to the safety of the clutches of the cages, which are supposed to act in case of a break in the cable. The wire cable was removed and the cage suspended by a hempen rope with about 50 feet of slack upon the drum of the hoisting engine. The rope was suddenly cut, with the result that the released cage did not drop more than an inch. The management repeated the experiment, as is the practice, at the War Eagle, with similar results.

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It has been learned on good authority that several important mining deals in connection with properties on Toad and Morning Mountain are now pending, and will be announced shortly.

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Today the mining records are: Transfers—From James Hearn to A. O. R. Brown, entire interest in Toad Lake mineral claim, on Wild Horse Creek, for a nominal consideration.

Certificate of Work—To British American Gold Mining Co., on Blue Jay; Thomas James, on Touch-me-Not; W. R. Foster, on Miners' Right and Pup; A. O. Brown, on Tood Lake; Silver Crown Consolidated Mining Co., on Royal; Wm. Bennett, on North Star; A. G. Shaw, on H. G. N.

Locations—Eric, near Waterloo, by Thomas James and Lewis Will; Kabul and Kopen, on Cayuse Creek, by W. R. Beamish; Copper Model, on Barrett Creek, by E. M. Peters; Arcade, on Barrett Creek, by C J. Ditter.

HERBERT CONFESSES.

Young Man Pleads Guilty to Killing of Joseph Sifton.

London, Ont., Oct. 2.—A sensation was caused in the Assize Court here when Walter Herbert, charged with being an accomplice of Gerald Sifton in the murder of Joseph Sifton, the latter's father, pleaded guilty of the actual killing.

Both prisoners had been brought before His Lordship for trial, and Herbert was to be defended by Mr. Meredith, who was as greatly surprised as was the court at the young man's admission of guilt.

Gerald Sifton in a clear, strong voice, declared that he was innocent a few minutes before Herbert gave his answer to the court clerk.

His Lordship asked if Herbert's counsel was in the room, and upon Mr. Meredith arising, the court stated that he did not, think the young man was aware of the seriousness of his position. His counsel replied that as his client had once before made a confession, and now seemed determined to stick to it, he (the counsel) had nothing more to say.

The court then turned to the Crown Prosecutor, and asked if he was prepared to move for sentence. Mr. Lount replied that he was not.

Sifton's counsel moved for an adjournment of the trial, which was granted. His Lordship, before remanding the prisoner, added that he believed that an adequate defence should be provided for Herbert. Both prisoners were then taken back to jail.

THE STRIKING COAL MINERS

Shenandoah, Pa., Oct. 2.—Superintendent Seinher, of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company's collieries at Lansford, today informed the Associated Press correspondent that no trouble was anticipated in the Panther Creek Valley. "We have ten collieries there, employing 5,000 men," said Mr. Seinher, "and they are all working with full forces. No attempt was made this morning to interfere with our workmen and we do not think this strike will affect our collieries."

The superintendent said that he understood that a few mine workers who had joined the union at a meeting last night at Lansford were already members, having enrolled themselves at Coaldale. General Cobin said today that he expected to send the majority of his troops home this week. He might decide to keep the small detachment here to protect the pump runners and other men kept at work so that the collieries might be in readiness for prompt operations when the the strike was over. General Cobin said he had learned that some of these men had been threatened by strikers and it might be necessary to hold a few of the soldiers here to insure order.

LADY RANDY EVENS UP.

So the Story Goes in the Society Papers.

London, Oct. 1.—Rumors current for two or three weeks past in society here to the effect that Lady Grosvenor has succeeded in breaking off the engagement of her son, the young Duke of Westminster, to Miss Shelagh West would appear to be confirmed by broad hints in the latest issues of several of the society papers, notably Vanity Fair.

The entire Grosvenor family shared the objections of the late Duke of Westminster to the present Duke's project of marrying the younger sister of the lovely Princess Henry of Pless, Lady Grosvenor, a most brilliant and clever woman, now married to Gorge Wyndham, Under Secretary of State for War, being quite as bitterly opposed to the match as her father-in-law the late Duke.

The young Duke is now of age and his own master. He has been back from Africa several months, and it has excited no little comment that whereas when he came to England for a few weeks immediately after his grandfather's death, he spent his whole time with the Wests, neglecting his own family, he has not been near them since his return, and has been seen nowhere with a beautiful girl to whom he was believed to be affianced.

The Grosvenors, meanwhile, are going about everywhere denying the existence of any engagement and ridiculing the report that anything of the kind exists, and it is generally believed that the match is broken off.

Some people here are even wicked enough to suggest that the widow of Lord Randolph Churchill has not been altogether a stranger to the rupture of this engagement, to which she was glad to contribute by way of getting even with Miss West's mother—that is to say, her own mother-in-law—for all the abuse to which Mrs. Cornwallis West had subjected in her connection with her own marriage with Cornwallis West.

Had the marriage between Miss Shelagh West and the Duke of Westminster taken place the latter would have become the brother-in-law of Lord Randolph Churchill's widow.

FLASHLIGHTS.

"Pa," said William Jennings Bryan, Jr., balancing himself on the window sill and making a wild grab at a passing sparrow, "haven't you got down off your paramount issue of 1896?"

"I suppose so, my son," replied the elder Bryan, hurriedly grasping the boy by the collar and yanking him back in the room.

"I don't think you ought to have got off, pa," said William Jennings, Jr., making a desperate effort to turn a handspring over a chair. "Pa, remount!"

Then it was that Mr. Bryan the elder placed that boy across his knee and —but the rest does not concern us.

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"Do you really love me, John?"

"Awfully, Katie!"

"How nice that is! But don't tel anybody, for the world!"

Pause of a few moments.

"Do you really and truly love me, John?"

"To distraction, Katie!"

"Well, don't tell anybody—but me!"

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"For mercy's sake Mildred!' exclaimed Mrs. Highmore, shocked at the neglige attire of her youngest daughter, who had gone to the front door to look at a fire on the other side of the street, "don't you know you never ought to appear in public with your collar unbuttoned and your sleeves rolled up except when you are playing golf?"

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"One of the old slang phrases of the stage," said Muggles, who used to be a good actor, to a New York Sun reporter, "was to 'pong.' This means, or used to mean, using your own language — that is, playing a part without cues of the proper lines, relying only upon the knowledge of the play to carry you through. Years ago on the road there used to be some highly ludicrous situations in consequence of a new play being produced in a hurry. The stage manager, however, had a wonderful genius for patch ing up a hitch. When circumstances were necessary he would lower a front scene and tell the low comedian and chambermaid to go on and 'keep it up,' and while they did so he would arrange how the play had to be continued.

"Of course, actors are supposed to help one another out of a difficulty, but at times old grudges were paid off. For instance, I remember on one occasion a letter had to be read in one scene. Unfortunately, this letter could not be found, so a 'dummy'—that is, a blank sheet—was sent on the stage.

"'Say dad,' said the actor who had to read the letter, and seeing it blank, 'here's a letter for you. You had better read it yourself, as I am sure it contains good news.'

"But 'dad' tumbled to the occasion and replied: 'No, Tom, you read it. Here, Nelly, you read it.'

"The unsuspecting Nelly takes the letter, and, seeing it blank, says: 'No, father had better read it. He will be able to make it out better. I'll go and fetch your spectacles. I know where they are.' And off she goes.

"The old man is again equal to the occasion and calls out to her: 'Never mind bringing them, Nelly I'll come and get them.' Then he walks off and the stage manager has to rearrange the scene.

"Yes, sir, there's a lot in the theatrical business you outsiders never deam of."

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"Of course, I expect pay for them," said the funny man; "you don't suppose I write these things for fun, do you?"

"Well," replied the editor, handing back the batch of paragraphs, "if you did you failed most dismally."—Philadelphia Press.

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