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PREMIER PRIOR INTERVENES

Would Like to Settle the C. P. R. Strike

Marpole Washes His Hands of the Business

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, March 16.—The strike situation is no less serious than on Saturday, despite the acceptance then by the U. B. R. E. of general superintendent Marpole's proposition for a reference to the railway brotherhoods, this in the event of mediation by the provincial government being refused by the road's officials.

Mr. Marpole has not closed with the suggestion however, intimating that the company does not now recognize the necessity of having any further dealings with its dissenting servants, and that in any event he has received no official intimation of the desire for arbitration and that the men having gone to Montreal for recognition and called out men beyond the Pacific division, they must hereafter make any overtures to Montreal direct. Unless the strikers apply for reinstatement at the company's terms at once, he avers they will be permanently off the books.

Other overtures for peace were initiated today upon the return of premier Prior from the Okanagan. The premier immediately consulted the president and executive of the brotherhood, subsequently writing and interviewing general spuerintendent Marpole, and expressing the hope that since the strikers had agreed to this course, the company also would accept the mediation of the government. The response was in effect that all action must now emanate from Montreal, to which point the proposal could be at once referred. The natural objection of the company to government intervention would be the possibility of its interests being sacrificed to the political advantage of pleasing the labor vote. On the other hand the strikers, while as a last resort accepting it, dislike adjudication by the brotherhoods since the latter are even now before the company for salary increases, and would not unnaturally, through self-interest, do their utmost to ingratiate themselves with their employers. As to this latter proposition, originating with the western head of the Canadian Pacific service, president Daniel McDonald, of the American Labor Union, telegraphs your correspondent from Butte, Montana, as folows: "The proposed arbitration proposition of the Canadian Pacific is extremely unfair to the United Brotherhood of Railway Employees. Personally and officially I am opposed to the plan."

Vancouver, March 16.—The steamer Princess May sailed for Skagway yesterday morning, but without freight and not without a clash between her union crew and the company, that all but occasioned a general tie-up of Canadian Pacific steamship interests.

Despite the assurance of captain Troup that no "scab" handled freight would be offered any steamers, several consignments were rushed aboard just before the sailing hour, and the crew forthwith walked up town, called an emergency meeting, and sent telegrams in every direction. At 1 o'clock Sunday morning it was announced that the Victoria-Vancouver mail steamers, all the northern boats, the Fraser river, Vancouver island, west coast and Kootenay lake and river fleets would be tied up forthwith, besides the coal carriers. Half an hour later, captain Troup having been heard from the objectionable freight was hurried ashore again, and the trouble was at an end.

CHAMBERLAIN CHEERED.

By the Government Supporters Upon His Entry Into the Commons.

London, March 16.—Colonial secretary Chamberlain's entry into the house of commons today was signalized by an unusually cordial reception from the conservatives and unionists, while the liberals and nationalists maintained a significant silence. Volleys of cheers from the government supporters greeted the secretary as he entered the house and lasted several minutes.

MORE THAN LIKELY.

Shaughnessy Supposed to Have a Good Thing in His Pocket.

Toronto, March 16.—A News' London cable says: There appears to be good reason to believe that sir Thomas Shaughnessy has the fast line contract in his pocket.

Beaver line steamers continue to carry passengers under Canadian Pacific management and have now begun to give an accelerated service between London and Canada.

NO STRIKE ON THE C. & A.

St. Louis, Mo., March 16.—P. H. Morrissey, grand master of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, today denied that the trainmen of the Chicago & Alton have decided to strike. He says no suggestion of the kind has been submitted to the men.

AN OLD WOMAN MURDERED.

St. John, N. B., March 16.—Margaret Neil, seventy years old, was found unconscious on a lonely part of the road leading to her home at McClarensback near here Saturday morning, with her head badly bruised and eyes blacked. She died a few hours after removal to the hospital. She is supposed to have been murdered by some miscreant, who thought she had money on her person.

HAD SMALL POX.

C. F. Mathews of Toronto Removed from an East Bound Train.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Winnipeg, Manitoba, March 16.—C. F. Mathews, a Toronto commercial traveler, was taken from the train on Saturday, and found to be suffering from a mild attack of small pox. He is now at the quarantine hosiptal. Mathews was en route from the west to Toronto.

ORE BUYERS IN PLENTY

ARE ANXIOUS TO CLOSE WITH MINE OWNERS.

THE RISE IN METALS CAUSING GREAT ACTIVITY.

The Kootenay district appears to have a peculiar fascination for ore buyers at the present time, and of course the existing sensational rise in the price of metals is the cause of it.

D. C. Johnson, the ore buyer for the American lead trust, who was in Rossland on Saturday and whose advent here was looked for on Sunday night, did not come over, but returned to Spokane.

D. W. Moore, of the Canadian smelter, is here today, and has covered the whole Sandon district during the past week.

D. C. Brace, the ore buyer for the Empire Zinc Smelting company, of Denver, Colorado, has been at the Phair since Friday last, taking in the situation. He announces that he is prepared to purchase zinc ore on behalf of his company, but so far has concluded no contracts.

As a matter of fact the mine owners at the present time fight shy of making any ore contracts. The market situation is rather a puzzle to them, and in any case they desire to await tariff developments at Ottawa before concluding any arrangements with the smelter men.

The ore buyers are anxious to make contracts and are said to be offering very favorable terms, but so far as known very few contracts have been concluded and these only for small lots. It is stated that the smelter men now offer the mine owners the option of taking spot cash for their ore or the 90-day settlement. The latter plan was formerly insisted on and the mining men think they can now insist on exceedingly favorable terms, consequently they refuse for the most part to close with the offers now being made, and the ore buyers are in a dilemma.

At the commencement of the year London lead was quoted at £10 or thereabouts, and it has now gone to £13 15s. Taking ore averaging 40 per cent lead, the last quotation means that the mine owner can now get $5.83 per ton more for his ore than he could have obtained early in January, or an increase of 81 cents per 100 pounds.

It is claimed over the border that the rise in lead is perfectly legitimate, and that it is based on the existing supply and demand. The idea that the tariff question at Ottawa has anything to do with the rise is laughed at by some of our mining men, who scout the idea as preposterous. On the other hand one well posted mining man said yesterday: "I have followed D. C. Johnson's statements very closely, and with some amusement. It is somewhat remarkable that the American lead trust should take such a sudden interest in the situation in this district and disclose a desire to buy our lead ores now, after leaving us alone for a couple of years. I am reliably informed that the trust has an agent at work in Ottawa and the gentleman in question is not anxious to see the lead tariff changed. He is doing whatever he can to prevent the dominion government taking any action this session, and if the American trust is taking this much trouble at the capital, I see no reason why they should not be behind the rise of lead on the London market. They could accomplish that for a time very easily by keeping their Mexican output out of the market, and in other ways. I hope the present rise is legitimate and that it will continue, as of course it is a great thing for our lead mines. If the tariff changes we are asking, are made, and the price of lead continues to rise, or remains where it is now, I will have more faith in the move. Just at present I think we are all guessing more or less."

THE POLSON MURDER TRIAL.

Winnipeg, March 16.—The murder case in which John Polson is charged with the murder of John Prottero ,of Windsor, Ontario, on lake Winnipeg, last December, began at the assizes today. There is no direct evidence against the accused. All the witnesess examined today merely testified to the circumstances as previously stated at the inquest. The general opinion is that Polson will be acquitted.

JOINT MISSIONARY BOARD.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Toronto, March 16.—A joint committee of Presbyterian and Methodist churches on home missions, meets here tomorrow to allot missions. Among those in attendance are Dr. Hardman, of Calgary; Rev. Darwin, of Manitoba; Rev. James Allen, of Sault Ste. Marie, Methodists; Rev. Quinn, of Edmonton, and Mr. MacLaren Presbyterians.

EFFECTS OF THE HURRICANE.

San Francisco, March 16.—The steamer Mariposa arrived here today from the Samoan islands, bringing full particulars of the terrible hurricane which visited the Poumotu group of islands in January. Over 600 lives were lost and the damage exceeded $500,000. The Poumotu group of islands number about one hundred divisions. Relief measures have been issued and everything has been done at Apia and other places in the Samoan group to relieve the suffering of the Poumotou islanders.

RESULT OF DRUNKEN BRAWL

ALFRED C. ANDERSON A VICTORIA LAWYER DEAD

AND GEORGE JEFFS IS WANTED FOR MANSLAUGHTER.

Victoria, B. C., March 16.—Chief of police Langley left for San Francisco tonight to secure the return of George Jeffs, who left for San Francisco on the steamer City of Puebla, and who is charged with manslaughter. Jeffs was engaged in an altercation with Alfred C. Anderson, a Victoria lawyer, early on Sunday morning, both being intoxicated, and Anderson was knocked to the pavement. He died on Sunday afternoon from injuries believed to have been caused then. The San Francisco police were advised at once to hold Jeffs on arrival there. Young Anderson is a son of the provincial government auditor.

EMPIRE'S FISCAL POLICY

TO BE DISCUSSED IN THE COMMONS THIS EVENING.

SUBJECT INTRODUCED BY MOTION OF McARTHUR.

Montreal, March 16.—The Stars' London cable says: The fiscal policy of the empire will be discussed in the house of commons tomorrow evening.

Charles McArthur, ministerialist, expresident of the Liverpool chamber of commerce, moves that recent developments of foreign fiscal policy excluding British trade demand the serious consideration of his majesty's government in concert with colonial governments where necessary in order to safeguard the trade of the empire.

James Hope, ministerialist, Sheffield, proposes an amendment favoring retaliatory action.

PROSPECTS BRIGHTER

For a Settlement of the Long Drawn Out Strike at Waterbury.

Waterbury, Connecticut, March 16.—The outlook in Waterbury tonight is more promising than it has been for some time past. This afternoon W. D. Mason, president of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees, treasurer Harry Ord and chairman Dilworth, held a consultation with mayor Kilduff and several business men, and as a result the entire party proceeded to the office of colonel Burpee, attorney for the Trolley company. The conference was in session some little time, and at its conclusion it was announced that tomorrow morning colonel Burpee and general manager Sewall, representing the company, and Mahon, Ord & Dilworth and the executive committee of the strikers will come together for the purpose of discussing the situation.

A POLITICAL RUMOR.

Ross Had Better Clear Up Gamey Charges Before Appealing to the Country.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Toronto, March 16.—It is possible that the Ontario government may dissolve the legislature and appeal to the country on the temperance question.

ELECTRICIAN DUBOIS DEAD.

Plattsburg, New York, March 16.—W. Dubois, aged 42, of Albany, New York, chief electrician of the Delaware & Hudson railway, died in this city today from internal injuries received last Tuesday by being thrown from a carriage.

PARR DOWNS THE BIG SWEDE.

Buffalo, March 16.—Jim Parr, the English wrestler, defeated August Gustavson, the big Swede, at the Olympic athletic club tonight in two straight falls. The first fall came in 50 minutes 21 seconds. The second followed in 28 minutes. Parr was favorite at 11 to 5.

BUYING PEDIGREE STOCK.

London, March 16.—Canadians here are making extensive purchases of pedigree stock. Prices are high owing to Argentine competition. Senator Cochrane bought for his farms in Quebec and Alberta Galloways as well as shorthorns.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Winnipeg, March 16.—Supplementary estimates were brought down in the Manitoba legislature today amounting to the sum of $166,389. This amount includes a $25,000 grant to the building fund of the Winnipeg general hospital.

COKE FOR GRANBY SMELTER.

Grand Forks, March 16.—The coke received thus far from Vancouver island and in transit to the Granby smelter amounts to 1,028 tons. The smelter plant is still operating two furnaces.

LIBERALS GETTING READY.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Winnipeg, March 16.—The liberals issued nomination convention calls today in 12 constituencies. The provincial elections are expected in June.

HER BODY RECOVERED.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Hamilton, Ontario, March 16.—The body of Miss Amy Mitchell, who disappeared last November was found today floating in the bay.

DUNSMUIR'S ULTIMATUM

Unionism Must Be Stamped Out at Extension

The Miners Accept the Gage of Battle

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, March 16.—Ex-premier Dunsmuir has thrown down the gauntlet to union labor, declaring that none who join the Western Federation of Miners will be retained in his mines, and closing the Extension collieries in proof of his sincerity.

Today the miners accepted the gage of battle, removing their tools from the deserted workings, and to the number of 600 uniting with the objectionable labor organization at a meeting that was chiefly remarkable for the grim brevity of the debate.

Mr. Dunsmuir has intimated that to break the spirit of unionism he will keep the Extension mines idle during the ensuing two years. It is understood that he intends, however, pushing development at the Comox collieries, where it is improbable the unions can inaugurate a successful strike. Instead of trying so to do, the Federation of Miners' plans to retaliate by preventing Comox coal entering the San Francisco market, and by blocking delivery of consignments for Canadian Pacific handling at Vancouver. The fight now on will therefore range from Comox to California, touching thousands of people, who have never even heard of the Extension mines. It will also make a deserted village of the flourishing shipping town of Ladysmith, the exodus from which has already begun.

As a side feature of the coming conflict the union crew of the Vancouver-Nanaimo steamer Joan this morning left her in a body. Their places will be filled by non-unionists as soon as it is possible to secure them.

Victoria, March 16.—A mass meeting of Extension miners was held on the green at Ladysmith yesterday afternoon, and later in the Finn hall, where, it is said, the men became members of the Western Federation of Miners, organizer Baker being present.

THE FERNIE STRIKE.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Fernie, March 16.—Up to a late hour tonight no definite statement had been given out by either party to the strike settlement negotiations, though an announcement that a satisfactory solution of all difficulties has been reached is momentarily expected. It is just possible that the announcement of the settlement will be postponed until the opening here on Wednesday of the annual meeting of the associated boards of trade.

Private messages were received in the city yesterday stating that a basis of settlement had been reached with regard to the Coal Creek and Morrissey mines, but that several minor matters had still to be adjusted at Michel, which accounted for the delay in announcing the final settlement of the strike.

AN UNLUCKY ALASKAN LINER

THE STEAMER CITY OF SEATTLE LIBELED FOR $60,000.

SHE RAN INTO A BRITISH BARK IN VANCOUVER HARBOR.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, March 16.—The Pacific Coast Steamship Company's Alaskan liner City of Seattle seems pursued by an evil genius having headquarters here for each call she has made here of late has been made memorable by some disaster, with a damage bill of from $500 to $15,600.

This morning while moving up Vancouver harbor under half steam, and in a heavy fog, she poked her nose into the side of the British bark Bankleigh, discharging cargo at dock, virtually cutting the sailer in two, destroying her whole after support, and badly buckling seven of the steel crossbeams. The water immediately poured in in a stream, and it was only after several hours' work by a repair crew that the inrush was checked.

Captain Fowler, as Lloyd's representative, took charge of operations.

The wharf at which the Bankleigh was lying is a wooden one, and to this is attributed the bark's escape from utter demolition. The heavy timbers gave several feet, thus lessening the severity of the shock. Even the freight shed some distance back was badly twisted out of shape, and shed and wharf now present the form of a perfect bow. The Seattle, when the collision occurred, was moving from the C. P. R. wharf, where she had been loading "scab" freight refused handling by the crew of the Princess May, and the impenetrable mist made it difficult to judge the distances. The Bankleigh's proximity was not guessed until captain Jensen, of the Northern flyer, saw her bulk looming directly under the steamer's bows. The telegraph at once sounded "reverse engines," but it was too late. With a crunching thud the steamer struck the merchantman side on, and as the rebound and the reversed engines drew the Seattle away, herself undamaged, the effects were evident, a long jagged hole stretching along the luckless vessel's side from bulwarks to water line. The Bankleigh is now being thoroughly surveyed, the Seattle being officially detained. She had aboard an immense freight and many passengers. The latter assert that they barely felt the shock of the collision. The British owners of the disabled vessel at noon libeled the Seattle for $60,000. Bonds for this amount were furnished, and the steamer passed on for Skagway at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

ROSS STANDS BY STRATTON

FURTHER DEBATE ON THE GAMEY CHARGES YESTERDAY.

WHITNEY WOULD NOT HAND OVER THE PAPERS IN THE CASE.

Toronto, March 16.—The debate on the Gamey charges was continued in the legislature today. At the opening of the house, Whitney refused to the request of the premier on Friday that he give the bills and papers in connection with the Gamey charges to the speaker, which he had refused to do. He now stated that as it was proposed to remove the matter from the house this would not be necessary and he therefore returned them to Gamey.

Gamey at once left the chamber.

Premier Ross then made a motion to impound the papers. As there was already a motion before the house to refer the matter to a judicial committee, the premier's motion could not be pressed without unanimous consent. This Whitney would not concede unless the government consented to a reference to the committee on privileges and elections. The debate was continued by St. John, who declared the government was at stake, to which the premier assented. He contended that Stratton should have tendered his resignation to the speaker. Stratton said he had, and St. John then asked if the speaker had received it. The premier answered that he had not, thus giving official intimation that the government intends to stand or fall with Stratton.

Pense, of Kingston, moved the adjournment of the debate.

The government is now engaged in preparing for the reference of the case to the commission and it is expected will announce the names of the commissioners in a few days.

TO BE EXPECTED

Lady Gordon's Abduction of Her Child Was Not a Surprise.

London, March 16.—The issue of the order of arrest for contempt of court against lady Gordon recalls the fact that in April, 1893, another titled woman, the dowager duchess of Sutherland, was fined £250 and sentenced to six week's imprisonment for burning a letter brought her for inspection during the trial of a case in the probate court. While the lawyer's back was turned a moment the duchess seized the letter.

When the lawyer turned around he saw the duchess stuffing something between the bars of the grate, but it was too late to save the precious document from the fire. The duchess was summoned to court and sentenced by sir Francis Jeune, her long-time friend. It was the most painful duty of Jeune's life.

Society was not surprised at lady Granville Gordon's daring and successful abduction of her daughter Cicely, and flight to France before detectives had an opportunity to take up the chase. Lady Gordon has proved herself resourceful throughout the trial, and showed it to no better advantage than when she slipped out of court while sir Francis Jeune was delivering the decision ordering her to return the child to her former husband.

She called a cab, drove home, took the child and fled to Pillsburk, where she embarked on a tug for France. She was nearly across the channel before lord Jeune and the police learned that she had fled. The police are blamed for stupidity in permitting her to escape. She had been condemned to social ostracism, which made it impossible for her to live in England, wherefor she could not suffer more by the adverse decision of the court and flight.

She and lord Granville Gordon had already made up their minds to quit England and live abroad, wherefor she defied the court.

Lord Gordon may be proceeded against for contempt of court.

THE MOCK PARLIAMENT.

Further Debate on the Compulsory Arbitration Bill—Opposition Platform

Another interesting debate on compulsory arbitration was held yast evening at the Success club's mock parliament. Although the public were ont admitted as on former occasions there was a good attendance of the members, nearly fifty being present.

Immediately after the house had assembled it went into committee of the whole, with Rev. John Reid, in the chair. Shortly before adjournment progress was reported by the chairman to the speaker, and leave asked to sit again.

The premier, F. M. Black, gave notice of his intention to bring in a bill at the next session regarding the taxation of mines.

The debate on the compulsory arbitration bill introduced by G. C. Hodge at the last session was the main feature of the evening. Among those who spoke on the measure were Rev. F. H. Graham, W. Ebbs, F. M. Black, G. C. Hodge, H. E. Croasdaile, J. Fraser, minister of mines, and F. Clark. Further debate on the bill was postponed until the next session.

J. W. Hansford created a sensation in the ministerial ranks by announcing the platform of the opposition. The programme included "rigid inspection and efficient supervision of all mines within the province. A more progressive educational system than at present in vogue, particularly in regard to the elementary grades, introduction to which will be based on the Freobel system. Government supervision of all transportation rates between points within the province. An adequate and satisfactory adjustment of the two per cent tax upon the mineral output. The discontinuance of all land subsidies to railway companies and the reduction of the present money subsidies as enacted. A more vigorous immigration policy and more adequate representation in the immigration centres of Great Britain, Ireland and the United States. A system of voluntary arbitration regarding industrial disputes, based upon the most modern methods at present so successfully established in several of the United States of America. The more economical and efficient conduct of the affairs of the province."

After the house had adjourned a business meeting of the club was held.

CANADIANS QUIT CONSTABULARY

Returning From South Africa Disgusted With Treatment Received.

Halifax, N. S., March 16.—Pete J. McGuin, of Moosmin, spokesman for a party of twelve Canadians from the South African constabulary, fho arrived on the Parisian yesterday, says that the service was unbearable. Life in the constabulary had been made miserable for them. Canadians always got the hardest and most disagreeable duty and the poorest of anything that was served out. The fourteen hundred Canadians in the constabulary have dwindled down to three hundred and these, too, would be out of the service if they could get the money to buy their discharge. The places of Canadians are being taken by Boers and Boer officers are being appointed who added to the indignities inflicted on Canadians.

FATHER AND TWO CHILDREN

BURNED TO DEATH ON SATURDAY NIGHT AT HNAUSA.

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY IN ICELANDIC SETTLEMENT.

Winnipeg, March 16.—News of a terrible tragedy comes from Hnausa, the Iceland settlement on lake Winnipeg, some 40 miles north of Selkirk. On Saturday night the residence of Steffin Oddlifsson caught fire while the inmates were asleep. Oddlifsson escaped with his wife and two children, but returned to rescue two smaller children, and all three were burned to death, nothing but the charred bones remaining next morning. The wife is crazed with grief. Deceased was one of the most highly respected Icelanders in the district.

GOSSIP OF GREENWWOD.

The Electric Light Franchise Before the City Council—Fernie Delegates.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Greenwood, March 16.—At a special meeting of the Greenwood city council, to discuss the application of the Greenwood Electric Company, Ltd., for an exclusive light and power franchise for a period of 25 years, the following resolution was passed:

"That the Greenwood Electric Co., be informed that the municipal council of the city of Greenwood will be prepared to consider the extension of the electric light franchise when the company or its associates shall have submitted a definite proposition with regard to the undertakings advantageous to the city of Greenwood, the company or its associates are prepared to carry out in the event of such a franchise being granted."

The applicants for the franchise want an exclusive one, but as yet they have not intimated what advantage they will be prepared to offer the city, excepting that they will continue to suply light at existing rates. When they shall have submitted a reasonable business proposition the council will ask the ratepayers to pass upon same, and there does not appear to be much doubt that the franchise asked for will be granted.

It is stated that Gustave Sundberg, who last week left Greenwood for Spokane with the intention of proceeding to Mexico after having been with the B. C. Copper Company for more than two years, has accepted the appointment with an organization that is arranging to erect a smelter in the Pend d'Oreille country.

Greenwood board of trade delegates will leave for Fernie tomorrow afternoon to attend the annual convention of the Associated boards of trade opening in that town next Wednesday afternoon. President Naden will not be able to go, so Duncan Ross, has been appointed in his stead. The others delegates are C. Scott Galloway, and J. R. Brown, (of McLeod and Brown, barristers.)

FLOOD IN ARKANSAS.

The Francis Levee, Near Holly Bush in Danger of Destruction.

Memphis, Tenn., March 16.—The steamer Sun returned at 8.30 o'clock tonight from Holly Bush, Ark., and reports that at Trice's landing, two miles north of Holly Bush, the Francis levee is overtopped by the water for a distance of three-quarters of a mile. Water is flowing over the embankment in a stream almost six inches deep for this space and there is every indication that a crevasse of this length will be made before morning. A force of 500 men, under personal charge of president Killough, of the St. Francis Levee, is making heroic efforts to block the flow of water but it seems that their efforts will be in vain, as the river is rising at a rapid rate. Should the levee give way before the flood a vast area of Crittenden county, Arkansas, will be inundated and untold damage result.

WILL WAIVE EXTRADITION

Whitaker Wright Arrested in New York

The Mackintosh Charges to Be Investigated

New York, March 16.—Whitaker Wright, who was arrested yesterday on his arrival from Havre, at the request of the London police, was taken to the federal building today to be arraigned before commissioner Alexander.

He says he will waive extradition and return to England.

With Wright at the time of his arrest was a tall, good looking young woman, who said she was the niece of the prisoner. Her name on the steamer's passenger list was Miss F. Browne.

Wright, when told that he was under arrest, showed no evidence of excitement, and said he was a friend of king Edward. His principal concern was to avoid publicity, and he asked that his arrest be kept from the newspapers.

Wright and his companion were entered on the original passenger list as M. Androni and Mlle. Androni.

A motion was made before United States commissioner Alexander today to permit the United States marshal to turn over to Miss Browne a large portion of money found upon Wright when he was arrested. Miss Browne claimed that £100 was her own money and that a large sum in addition had been entrusted to her by her aunt, and that she in turn had given it to Wright for safe keeping. The marshal decided to turn £100 over to Miss Browne for her immediate needs, and the numbers of larger notes are to be cabled to England at once to see if they are wanted there in connction with any of the alleged swindles with which Wright is charged.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Victoria, March 16.—A special cable received here from London today says: The high court has authorized a commission to take the evidence in British Columbia of Hon. C. H. Mackintosh regarding his allegation that Whitaker Wright falsely represented the London & Globe corporation and secured options and concessions in British Columbia.

GREENWOOD MINERS' UNION.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Greenwood, March 16.—On Saturday night, he 14th inst., Greenwood miners' union, No. 22, elected the following officers and trustees: H. R. Parsons, president; H. D. McMullen, vice-president; G. E. Dougherty, secretary- treasurer, reelected); A. T. Graham, recording secretary; J. Foulds, conductor; M. Kemp, warden, and R. D. McKenzie, S. McCleland, H. R. Parsons, H. D. McMullen and A. Hanson, trustees.

A LONG, STORMY PASSAGE.

Halifax, N. S., March 16.—The Furness liner Ulunda, from Liverpool, via St. Johns, Newfoundland, arrived this morning. The steamer was twenty-two days reaching St. Johns, from Liverpool, on account of the tempestuous weather. One seaman, Karl Karlsen, was washed overboard and drowned. Alex Cook, another seaman, had an arm broken by heavy seas washing the decks.

ARMOUR AND MILLS.

London, March 16.—It is reported here today that justices Armour and Mills, of the Canadian supreme court will be associated with lord Alverstone, lord chief justice of England, on the Alaskan commission, but there has been no official confirmation of the report.

CANADIAN BISHOP AT ROME.

Rome, March 16.—The bishop of Valleyfield, Quebec, was most cordially received by the pope today, who said to him that he saw with satisfaction the unanimity with which Canada had celebrated his jubilee.

NAMED "THE RELIANCE."

New York, March 16.—The name of the new cup defender to meet the Shamrock III will be Reliance. This was officially announced tonight by the secretary of the New York yacht club, on behalf of C. Oliver Iselin.

HUSBAND AND WIFE RE-UNITED

London, Ont., March 16.—Edgar North, manufacturer, dropped dead in his office on Saturday morning, and six hours later his widow died of a broken heart, caused by the shock of the suddenness of her husband's death.

FOR TARIFF AMENDMENTS

Ottawa, March 16.—The Canadian Manufacturers' Association will wait on the government on Thursday next to request amendments to the tariff. It is said that the government will not accede to their requests.

HOCKEY IN WINNIPEG.

Winnipeg, March 16.—The last senior hockey match of the season was played tonight between the Winnipeg rowing club and Victoria teams, the rowing club winning by 6 to 1. They may challenge at once for the Stanley cup.

TOD SLOAN CAN SHOOT.

Monte Carlo, March 16.—In the pigeon shooting here today Tod Sloan the jockey, won the grand prix de littoral receiving $197 and a gold medal. Five contestants were tied for second place.

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A FAR FETCHED THEORY.

It is stated that James Dunsmuir is closing down his Extension colliery because he believes that an effort is being made through the Western Federation of Miners by the American Copper Trust to prevent the mining and smelting of copper in British Columbia.

This strikes us as being rather a far fetched idea. At the same time we note that credence is given to this theory, and that some of the coast newspapers attribute all the recent srikes, including that at Fernie and the strike of the C. P. R. employees, to a similar cause.

We can understand that the American Copper Trust would be pleased to put their British Columbia competitors out of business but we do not think for one moment that the Trust can exercise such a potent influence over organized labor that wage earners in this province will throw up their jobs in order to secure bigger profits to the Copper Trust.

If it could be shown that the Trust had put up an enormous strike fund to make good to the men of Fernie, Nanaimo, and at various C. P. R. points where the strike is in force, the wages they will lose, there might be some grounds for attach ing weight to the suggestion.

The facts tell against the assumption that the American Copper Trust, or any other American influence, has anything to do with the present labor difficulties in this province. The miners in Mr. Dunsmuir's employ at Extension did not go out on strike. Mr. Dunsmuir has himself forced an issue by declaring that he will close down his mines if his men dare to affiliate with the Western Federation. In this case it is apparent that Mr. Dunsmuir dreads the possibility of his employees becoming unionized and therefore being in a position to compel him to pay them decent wages and, perhaps, to force him to quit employing Chinese and Japanese in his mines.

In the case of the C. P. R. strike the men have simply asked for the right to continue members of a particular labor organisation. Had that right been granted them there would have been no strike. As in the former case, the employer and not the employee forced the issue.

So far as the Fernie strike is concerned the facts go to show that it arose rightly or wrongly from a series of differences between the management and the men as to scale of pay, recognition of the district union, and other minor details. The men and the management have since come together and the strike is in fair way of settlement.

We believe that the American Copper Trust idea is advanced by Mr. Dunsmuir to divert public attention from the notorious fact that he is the most persistent and consistent opponent to organized labor in this province. Members of the various labor organizations in this province are too wide awake to permit themselves to be made tools of by an American trust. They know that if the people thought for one moment that any foreign concern could influence them to take action that threatened the welfare of any one of our great industries it would mean a death blow to unionism in this province.

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believers in the principle of a fair day's wage for a fair day's work. British Columbians believe in trades unionism and want to see that every wage earner is free to take full advantage of the benefits of organization. Public sympathy has been with the wage earners in every effort made to secure fair wages and reasonable conditions of labor. But public opinion would not tolerate for one moment American intervention, whether it came from a trust or a labor organization.

Statements have been made in the past that strikes in this province have been prompted by labor officials whose headquarters were in American cities. These statements emanated from interested parties and were wholly unfounded. It is fair to assume that the effort now being made to persuade the public that foreign influences are at work in the present strikes is no better founded. Whether well or ill-advised we believe that the labor difficulties at present confronting this province have arisen from purely local causes. Any other supposition necessitates the conclusion that the working men of this province are the worst kind of traitors, a belief for which we can find not the least shadow of justification.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP.

The national convention on municipal ownership and public franchises held under the auspices of the Reform club of New York has been productive of a good deal of very useful discussion of what is at present a live issue. It was not by any means a one-sided gathering; there were many there who were decidedly opposed to the whole scheme of public ownership of utilities, but nine cases out of ten these were representatives of private corporations, yet their presence relieved the convention of the charge of being an ex parte affair, both sides were heard. College professors, students of economics and practical railway men took an active part in the proceedings and though the feeling, the general tendency, seemed to be in the direction of municipal ownership, there were some who maintained, though it is not apparent that they did so successfully, that in the United States at least the people are not ready for it. This is not the true condition of affairs; the people are ready enough for it as soon as they are made to understand what it means, but it has been to the interest of the private operator to keep the peopl in the dark, and the convention, if it does nothing else, will certainly effectually remove the scales from the eyes of many who have been blinded by the efforts of the interested corporations. The president in welcoming the delegates did not hesitate to say plainly that the condition of things in American cities today is such as to make the thoughtful and patriotic seek some means of improvement. It may not be pleasant for New Yorkers to be told that their transportation service is inadequate, their lighting services extravagantly carried on, and that all the material conditions of government appear to be keeping behind rather than in advance of the demands of the large population. Plain speaking is sometimes wholesome, and though Americans pride themselves upon leading the world in everything, in this matter of public ownership they have to play second fiddle to Great Britain. Charles R. Bellamy, general manager of the municipal tramways of Liverpool, described in detail the acquisition and operation of the street railway system in that city, and the lesson to be learned from Liverpool is one that every other place should take to heart and strive to emulate its example. At the time the corporation acquired the street railways, the system was in a miserable condition. As Mr. Bellamy said, "We have inadequate service, high fares, horse traction and unsanitary cars," and that, too, under private ownership, and in 1897. When the corporation took the concern in hand they acquired 68 miles of street railways, and they immediately made scrap iron of the whole equipment, and installed electricity and all modern improvements. They reduced the fares, gave better wages and shorter hours in addition to free uniforms to the employees, and as a result of the change of management they have increased the number of passengers from 38,000,000 carried in 1897 to 100,000,000 carried in 1902, and have raised the receipts from $1,395,000 in 1897 to $11,000,000. If that is not as decisive an example of what can be accomplished by municipal ownership as any person can ask for, it would be difficult to find one that can be considered satisfactory.

To take an example nearer home, Detroit's municipal electric lighting, which has been in operation since 1895, and is the second largest plant in the United States, the first place being occupied by Chicago, may be cited. It is managed by a non-salaried commission of six, appointed by the mayor. Before Detroit took its lighting into its own honds, the cost was from $239.40 to $128.87 per 2 M. C. P. arc light per year. Under municipal ownership, the present plan, the cost including interest at 4 per cent and depreciation and lost taxes, has steadily dropped from $100.50 the first year to $63.82 for 1902. In three years more, that is to say in 10 years' operation, the plant will have completely paid for itself. The union scale of wages is paid, and the eight-hour day is worked. These are not isolated examples, although they are very striking ones. What can be done in Liverpool and Detroit, one a town in the old world, the other in the new, can be done in any other town on this continent and the day is fast approaching when the town that does not own its lighting, water works, street railway and telephone services will be an anomaly.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

R. G. Macpherson, M. P. for Burrard, was introduced to parliament by sir Wilfrid Laurier and W. A. Galliher, Kootenay's stalwart representative.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has given notice of a bill to increase the poll tax on Chinese from $100 to $500. This bill will soon become law, and then there will be an end to the Chinese immigration difficulty in Canada. It has taken a lot of agitation to bring about this result, but persistency has won out.

Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, minister of marine and fisheries, expects to introduce a bill shortly for the creation of a naval reserve on the Atlantic coast of Canada. The idea is to have our fishermen trained in naval drill and gunnery, and it is said that parliament may be asked to vote $500,000 towards the scheme.

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THE LAW OF TRADES UNIONS

SPEECH BY HENRY ASQUITH, M. P., BRITISH LIBERAL LEADER.

EFFECT OF THE RECENT TAFF VALE RAILWAY DECISION.

Right Hon. H. H. Asquith, M.P., made an important speech upon Trades Union Law before the Eighty Club recently. Mr. Asquith said that he intended to deal with the law in reference to trade combinations, and the attitude which liberals ought to observe in regard to it. A century ago any combination in restraint of trade—and that was a category which included, he supposed, all trade unions and most employers' federations— was looked upon as a conspiracy; and it was only by a series of statutes that the right and power of combination for those purposes was gradually and tardily attained. The last of those steps was taken something like a quarter of a century ago; and, looking back on the experience which we had since had, he did not suppose that there was any sane politician in this country who would not agree that the change in the law in the recognition of free combination had been a wise and a beneficent change in the interest of employer, or workman, and of the community at large. An individual workman, powerless as a unit, acquired by combination with his fellows freedom of bargaining upon equal terms with the employer. The employer, for his part, found as a rule that it was a much easier thing for him not merely to arrange the terms of the wage bargain, but to carry on the affairs of his business by negotiations with the recognized spokesmen of organized labor. And from the point of view of the community, which stood at a higher standpoint than that of any of the classes which composed it, the advantage was still more manifest. In the first place, we escaped the dangers, always real, sometimes very grave, which arose when the law condemned that which conscience and the practice of the community approved. In the next place, when industrial war was actually declared, in the form, it might be, of a strike, of a lock-out, although the conflict took place on a larger scale and on a wider stage than in days gone by, it was, as a whole, much more wisely and much more humanely conducted by organized bodies subject to definite rule than by free lances waging a sort of guerilla warfare. Lastly, it had made largely for industrial peace. He thought, therefore, any impartial observer would agree that the change—slowly achieved, much resisted, but now as they had thought definitely attained—in the law, had been in the interest of all the classes concerned, and of society at large. Whatever drawbacks there might be, and they were many and grave, in the working of these combinations, whether of employers or of workmen, those drawbacks were incident to the abuse and not to the use of the right of combination. For his part he was convinced that that right, slowly gained, maturely tested now by experience, was a right which the state in its own interest throughout the whole scope of its legitimate exercise ought jealously to safeguard and protect.

It could not be denied that some recent decisions of our courts, many of which came as a surprise to lawyers no less than laymen, had raised serious doubts whether that right was not being put into jeopardy. He was not suggesting for a moment—it would be the height of presumption for him to do so—that these decisions were wrong in point of law. Nor when they called, as he thought they were entitled to call decisions of that kind "judge made" law, were they throwing or attempting to throw any discredit either upon the judges themselves or upon that process of judicial exposition and definition by which so many parts of our law had been usefully developed. This particular case had a peculiarity of its own. To a very large extent these decisions had been interpretations of recent enactments of the legislature itself. He did not entertain a very high opinion of the manner in which, in point of form, the legislature did its work. Parliament had a singular vocabulary of its own. The dialect of the modern draftsman was unlike any language that was ever spoken on this earth either before or since the confusion of tongues. It was not, therefore, to be wondered at if from time to time the parliament, having meant one thing, was found to have enacted almost the exact opposite. But they were dealing here with a branch of the law which went down to the very foundations of our social structure, which touched at almost every point the daily routine of business and of the nation, and which would, as it was interpreted and enforced in one sense or the other, produce the most far-reaching consequences. He submitted that it was neither fair nor politic to throw upon the judges the burden in a sphere of that kind of construing confused acts of the legislature. Parliament should make its own law; it should make it in terms that he who runs may read, in such a way that it should leave neither to employer nor to workman any reasonable doubt as to what it permitted. Was there a lawyer there that night who pretended to understand what was the existing state of the law of conspiracy? Was there one who would not agree that what was said the other day by one of his most distinguished colleagues at the bar—his friend Mr. Haldane—that as the law had now been interpreted he, as an expert, would find the greatest difficulty in advising a client, he would not say as to the method of lawfully conducting a strike—that passed the wit of man—but as to the method of employing those means of persuasion and pressure which, properly employed, often had the power of preventing strikes, and without the power of employing which the right of combination was a delusion and a sham. In his opinion an overwhelming case had been made for redefining and codifying our law of combination, and that was a task which could be undertaken, and ought to be undertaken, by the legislature alone.

This was a matter as to which it was all important that liberals should make up their minds to have definite ideas and a definite policy. What were they going to say as to that which had now become the celebrated decision in what was called the Taff Vale Railway Case? That decision was to the effct that a trade union could be made liable in a civil action for damages if it was shown that any of its agents had in the course of and within the scope of their supposed authority been guilty of legal action. In 1871 the legislature deliberately refused to confer upon trade unions the burden or responsibility of incorporation; and the effect of the decision was to place them, to all intents and purposes, so far as civil liability was concerned, in exactly the same category as an incorporated and registered company. However unexpected that decision was, and he thought it was unexpected, he saw no prospect of its being set aside by parliament, for it clearly bore in both ways. What was sauce for the goose, was sauce for the gander. He had told his trade union friends that the common sense of the community would not be easily convinced that an association of persons —whether technically incorporated or not made not the slightest difference—wielding great powers, controlling considerable funds, should not be legally answerable for the conduct of its agents acting under their authority. No; the real difficulty, from the workman's point of view, created by that decision lay in the application to trade unions of the law of agency and of the law of conspiracy. As regarded agency he thought every one would agree with him that it would be difficult, if not impossible, to provide a more restricted operation for that law in trade disputes than in the ordinary affairs of life. They must, in that respect, trust to a very large extent to the good sense, to the spirit of fair play, in our judicial tribunals. But, at the same time, he would venture to say that there were some considerations special to this particular case which ought never to be lost sight of. The difficulty was almost insuperable for a great trade combination to direct and control, often at a great distance, the conduct of every one who technically might be said to be an agent of the central authority. That difficulty, he thought, in the administration of the law ought to be given effect to on the grounds not only of justice, but of policy; because nothing could be worse for the community at large than if the great unions were to abandon their authority over trade disputes. The consequence would be that we should have sporadic outbursts, often uncontrolled, accompanied by lawlessness and by a vast amount of unnecessary suffering. We should have a revival of the regime of industrial anarchy. As regarded the law of conspiracy, there was, to his mind, no doubt as to the duty of the legislature to intervene. We could no longer work upon the good old formula with which all lawyers were so familiar, that a combination was a conspiracy when it either pursued unlawful objects or lawful objects by unlawful means. That did not help us; what we wanted was some kind of a guiding criterion applicable to trade disutes as to when and how objects and means lawful when pursued by a single individual became unlawful when pursued by a body of men. Was it good sense, ought it to be good law, that a combination, lawful so long as it was actuated by purely selfish motives, became unlawful when it was actuated by sympathetic motives—in other words, when the object of the persons combined was not to benefit themselves, but to aid some one else in whom they were concerned? Was he not right in saying that it was time that parliament should intervene and make these matters plain? He ventured to suggest, first, that free power of elective combination which parliament after long and careful inquiry had deliberately conferred, must not be allowed to be destroyed or to be whittled away; secondly, that a clear line of demarcation ought to be drawn between legitimate pressure and every form of violence or of incitement to violence; thirdly, whatever the rule they laid down might be, the same rule must be applied to all trade combinations, whether of employers or of employed. There was no more important social question at this moment, and there was none upon which the future relations of employers and employed, and, therefore, the ultimate industrial prosperity of this country, more closely depended.

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The prompt relief from the severe pains of sciatica and rheumatism which is afforded by Chamberlain's Pain Balm, is alone worth many times its cost. Mr. Willard C. Vail, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., writes: "At Riverside, Cal., I found at a drug store some of your linament and I bought two bottles of the same. If it is sold at this place please inform me; if not, please send me some at once, as I am troubled with rheumatism and neuralgia of the nerves and Chamberlain's Pain Balm gives relief quicker than any liniment I have ever used."

E. Ferguson & Co., Nelson, B. C., is agent for Kootenay country for the famous "CASCADE" BEER—"the Beer without a Peer."

IRON DISCOVERY IN ALASKA.

Seattle, Wash., March 16.—What are stated to be the greatest deposits of iron ore in the west have been found on Prince of Wales Island, southeastern Alaska. Tests conducted by experts of the United States Geological Survey show the deposits, it is said, to be equal to the best magnetic iron found in Sweden. The discovery will enable the steel mills which are to be erected in this section in the near future to obtain unlimited supply on Prince of Wales Island, thereby avoiding the necessity of paying duty on ore which it has been proposed to import from British Columbia.

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MINING ENGINEER'S TRIP

AMERICAN INSTITUTE MEMBERS HERE IN JULY.

WILL TOUR THE PROVINCE ON ANNUAL EXCURSION.

The members of the Institute of Mining Engineers at their recent annual convention in Albany, decided to visit British Columbia as an organization this coming summer.

The excursion is timed to reach Nelson on the night of July 13th and a day will be spent in this city before proceeding west. The board of trade, the city authorities and the local branch of the Provincial Mining Association will doubtless make all necessary preparations to entertain the distinguished visitors during their visit to Nelson. The party will be at least 160 strong and may exceed that number.

Through the visit of the members of the institute the province of British Columbia will receive great and profitable advertisement. Full reports concerning the mining industry and prospects of all points visited will be prepared, and many of these papers will be published in the New York Engineering and Mining Journal, a standard publication. The institute numbers among its members some of the foremost mining authorities living, and witnessing for themselves the mineral wealth of British Columbia, these gentlemen will be able to convey the very favorable impression they will doubtless receive, to the outside mineral world.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company will handle the excursion until it is landed at Skagway, after which the White Pass road will care for the party. The transportation companies are already preparing to handle the excursionists.

One train will leave Montreal on July 9th. Another train will leave St. Paul on July 10th, and both will meet at Moose Jaw on July 11th. The Montreal train will come west on the main line, and the one from St. Paul on the Canadian Soo. From Moose Jaw the main line of the C. P. R. will be taken to Medicine Hat, and the excursionists will there branch off on the Crow's Nest branch, finally reaching Kootenay Landing on July 13th. Special steamers will convey the party from there to Nelson, where one day will be spent. July 15th will be devoted to Rossland, July 16th to Greenwood, and the Phoenix camps. The party will then return to Robson and take special steamers for Arrowhead, arriving there on July 17th. The trains of the party will be brought round from Kootenay Landing to Arrowhead, and the mining men will entrain there for Vancouver, arriving on July 18th.

Three weeks will be spent by the mining men in touring the northern goldfields.

SOUR STOMACH.

When the quantity of food taken is too large or the quality too rich, sour stomach is likely to follow, and especially so if the digestion has been weakened by constipation. Eat slowly and not too freely of easily digested food. Masticate the food thoroughly. Let five hours elapse between meals, and when you feel a fullness and weight in the region of the stomach after eating, indicating that you have eaten too much, take two of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and the sour stomach may be avoided.

CARTER HARRISON AGAIN.

Chicago, March 16.—Mayor Carter Harrison was renominated for a fourth term in the democratic city convention here today.

EX-CONGRESSMAN DEAD.

Boston, Mass., March 16.—Former congressman John W. Chandler of Brooklyn, died from heart disease this afternoon in Providence, R. I.

PREPARE FOR CROUP.

The time wasted in sending for a physician when a child shows symptoms of the croup, often proves fatal. A reliable medicine and one that should always be kept in the home for immediate use is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It will prevent the attack if given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears.

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Minnie, her daughter.....(Secret)
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Lavender, her daughter.....Miss Ivy Johnstone

ACT I.—Nobody's Business. Morning Specialty, song—"Killarney"—Mr. Robert Thompson.
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ACT III.—Everybody's Business. A week afterwards.
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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate the Synod of the Diocese of Kootenay, comprised as follows: Commencing at a point on the forty-ninth parallel, part of the international boundary line between Canada and the United States, where the said parallel intersects the one hundred and twentieth meridian; thence northerly along the said one hundred and twentieth meridian to that point of the same at which it becomes part of the eastern boundary line of the Province of British Columbia; thence south-easterly and along the boundary line between the said Province of British Columbia and the Northwest Territories, until such last mentioned boundary line intersects the said forty-ninth parallel; thence westerly along the said forty-ninth parallel to the point of commencement; and that the following powers be granted, viz.: The bishop, clergy, and laity of the said Diocese constitute a body politic and corporate under the name of the Synod of the Diocese of Kootenay. The said Synod to be constituted according to the provisions contained in the constitution and canons of the Synod of the Diocese of New Westminster, as revised by the said last named Synod in November, A. D., 1892. All property acquired by or which has come into the possession of or held by the Synod of the Diocese of Kootenay, whether in trust or otherwise, be held by it as constituted under the said Act in the same manner as if the corporation had been so constituted from the first. To take and hold lands, tenements and hereditaments for the uses and purposes of the Church of England in the said Diocese including the uses of any and every parish, mission, institution, college, school or hospital connected with, or intended to be or which hereafter may be connected with the Church of England, and every devise by will, deed, gift, conveyance of land or any estate or interest in land to the corporation be valid and effectual, the Acts of Parliament, commonly called the Statutes of Mortmain, to the contrary notwithstanding. To sell, exchange, alienate, mortgage, lease or demise any lands, tenements or hereditaments held by the corporation. To invest all or any of the funds and monies, including the Episcopal Endowment fund, in mortgage, security of lands, tenements and hereditaments and other securities in any part or parts of the Dominion of Canada, and for the purposes of such investments take, receive and accept mortgages or assignments thereof and to sell and enforce the same. To exercise all its powers by and through its executive committee and such Boards or committees as the Synod from time to time may appoint by by-law for the management of all or any of the affairs, or property of the corporation. To constitute and appoint the Bishop of New Westminster, Bishop of the said Diocese of Kootenay, until a Bishop of Kootenay is duly and properly elected and constituted by the Synod of the Diocese of Kootenay, and for all other usual and necessary powers, rights and privileges.

Dated the 30th day of January, 1903.

EDWARD A. CREASE, Solicitor for Applicants.

TIMBER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situate in West Kootenay District, B. C.:

Commencing at post planted at J. H. Christie's south east corner marked J. S. C. Fraser's post, thence east 80 chains, thence north 160 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 160 chains to place of beginning. J. S. C. FRASER.

Rossland, B. C., Feb. 15th, 1903.

TIMBER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a Lease, for a term of 21 years, to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situate in West Kootenay District, B. C.:

Commencing at a post planted upon the bank of Barnes creek about six miles from Cariboo Lake, marked C. E. Race post, thence east 160 chains, thence north 240 chains, thence west 240 chains, thence south 240 chains, thence east 80 chains to place of beginning.

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WANTED—One or two furnished or unfurnished rooms with board, for two ladies. Address P. O. Box 165.

WANTED—Situation as general servant by Slav girl. Address Bellevue Block, Hall street.

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FOR SALE—At a bargain, the entire stock in whole, or in part, of the Kaslo Transfer Co., Kaslo, B. C.

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Commencing at a post planted on Rocky Bluff 60 chains from east shore of Lower Cariboo Lake, marked J. H. Christie's post, thence north 160 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 160 chains, thence west 80 chains to place of beginning.

J. H. CHRISTIE.

Rossland, B. C., Feb. 15th, 1903.

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London, March 16.—Lead, £13 15s.

NELSON'S NEWS OF THE DAY

J. M. Harris, of Sandon, was in Nelson last evening on his way to Spokane.

A second chess tournament commences at the Success Club rooms this evening.

Jams A. McDonell of Foss & McDonell, railway contractors, Morrissey, is at the Hume.

Mrs. W. J. McNabb returned to the city yesterday after a two weeks 'visit with her sister at Creston.

At the record office yesterday a certificate of work was presented to W. B. Townsend, on Bankers' Panic.

Commencing this morning the steamer Kaslo, running between Nelson and Kaslo, will resume its old schedule, leaving Nelson at 5 a. m.

The ladies' aid of the Methodist church will hold an afternoon tea today at the residence of Mrs. W. Rutherford, Victoria street, commencing at 3 o'clock.

There were a number of fishermen out on the lake on Sunday and yesterday, but the trout were not biting well, and few catches of any account were made.

James Wardner, now of St. Paul, managing director of the Cherry Creek Gold Mines, Ltd., whose property is over in Fire Valley, is in town on his way to inspect the progress made at the mine.

The Highland mill at Ainsworth, which resumed work last Wednesday, has been compelled to temporarily shut down again because of lack of water for power purposes. The force of men has been retained, as it is expected the present thaw will fill the creek up sufficiently again.

Ernest Klench, the prisoner at the city jail who believed himself to be divine, has been adjudged insane by the local authorities, and will be sent on to the provincial asylum at New Westminster this evening. As the land on which his cabin stands now belongs to the city, the local provincial authorities could not be held responsible for the expenses in connection with his case.

S. S. Fowler returned to Nelson early on Sunday morning from an abortive attempt to reach the Paradise mine in the Windermere district. In company with R. R. Bruce and three others, Mr. Fowler left Golden on Thursday last for the south by team. The party managed to cover a little over eight miles of the road during the day, but the snow was so deep that it was thought advisable to return and the trip was given up, the whole party coming back to Golden.

A. W. Pinero's three-act domestic comedy, "Sweet Lavender," will be presented at the opera house this evening by members of the Nelson Amateur Dramatic Club, under the direction of Mrs. William Davis. The final dress rehearsal of the piece was held last night, when everything worked very smoothly and satisfactorily. The advance sale of reserved seats has been very good, guaranteeing a bumper house this evening. The curtain will rise promptly at 8.15.

Judging by the latest issue of the British Columbia Gazette, Nelson should be well provided with coal next winter if all the citizens who have applied for licenses to prospect for coal in southeast Kootenay go ahead, developing their claims. During the last few weeks nearly 200 applications for such licenses have been made from this city covering the same number of square miles of territory, all situated in the southeast corner of the province, in the neighborhood of the Flathead river. As these claims are all on the lands which the C. P. R. is endeavoring to secure, and on part of which the Great Northern is also supposed to have an envious eye, the legislation at the provincial capital during the coming session in the matter of railway grants will be closely watched from Nelson.

Not much change has taken place in the local situation in connection with the C. P. R. strike. Five new men have been put to work in place of the strikers, but the officials are still handling freight and attending to other duties formerly attended to by the men now out.

A lively game of hockey was played at the skating rink last evening between the senior and intermediate teams of the city. The seniors were a great deal stronger than their opponents, who, however, put up a plucky and hard fight from beginning to end, and succeeded in making two goals, the score at the end of the second half standing 4 to 2 in favor of the seniors. The last half saw some exceptionally fast play, both sides receiving enthusiastic applause from the crowd of spectators present. The teams were: Seniors, Blackwood, Perrier, Bishop, Porteous, Hecker and Thompson. Intermediates, Curran, Greyerbiehl, Sharp, Wallace, Steel, Stewart and Gamble. J. Hawkins and J. Richards acted as umpires and R. W. Carley as referee.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

Considerable Routine Business Disposed of Last Evening.

At the meeting of the city council last evening considerable routine business was transacted, but there was little of interest to the general public. Aldermen Hamilton and Bird were both absent, the former still being too much interested in freight to leave the sheds long enough to attend the meeting and alderman Bird being ill. Those present besides the mayor, aldermen and city clerk, were the city solicitor, engineer, treasurer, police and fire chiefs; a deputation from the library board, Messrs, E. A. Crease and Fred Irvine; deputation from the C. P. R., Messrs. Downie and Bambridge; and a reporter of The Daily News. After the reading of the minutes of the last meeting, E. A. Crease on behalf of the public library, asked for the customary grant of $500. In a short speech he pointed out the benefits of the library, quoting a number of the statistics read at the last general meeting of the library society. Several of the aldermen spoke in favor of the grant and on motion of alderman Selous, seconded by alderman Irving, it was decided that $500 should be allowed, payable in two installments.

William Downie then addressed the council. He stated that in the past the C. P. R. had expended between $6,000 and $7,000 in improving and repairing the channel of Cottonwood creek. This year unless extra precautions were taken there was every likelihood of severe damage being done.

He had with him a plan entailing an expenditure of approximately $900, that would obviate this, and would make the creek moderatey safe. This plan included the cutting of a straight channel with scrapers from the upper end of the flume to Silica street, and also a certain amount of cribbing. The C. P. R. had already done a great deal and had a lot of work now on hand in their yards on the creek channel, and if the upper channel was not attended to as well this might all be wasted and the stream break out west of the gas works and station. He therefor, asked the council what the city could do towards carrying out the work outlined in the plan.

This plan or outline was then placed on the council table, and the details explained by Mr. Downie.

Alderman Selous agreed with Mr. Downie as to the necessity of the work, but failed to see how the city was responsible. Originally the creek had followed the course that Mr. Downie was afraid that it would again take. For reasons of their own the railway company had diverted the stream, and since then there had been trouble with it each year. That trouble commenced at the point where the stream had been diverted. The city also had done quite a lot towards protecting the banks of the stream.

After some general discussion of the matter the C. P. R. delegation withdrew, being informed that the council would give the request its earnest consideration.

The report of the finance committee, recommending the payment of current accounts was received and adopted.

A. J. Hipperson was appointed a member of the plumbing board, as master plumber, to act with the city engineer and health officer.

The city solicitor was then asked by the mayor as to what steps should be taken by the city to include within the corporation limits the foreshore of the lake, now opposite the said limits.

Mr. Wilson stated that the law required a two-thirds majority in favor of such a move of the residents of the proposed addition, but as there were no residents, in the legal sense of the word, in the section referred to, it would have to come before the people of the city and be voted on in the form of a by-law.

Aldermen Hamilton and Bird were appointed to act as representatives of the council on the board of the Kootenay Lake General Hospital Society.

A letter from D. Morris, C. E., tendering his services in connection with the construction of the proposed power plant was filed.

An application from the Kootenay River Lumber Company for free water, light and exemption from taxation for a term of years was filed.

The dispute between R. Laird and a number of Chinamen over the rights of occupancy on the city park again came up. The different parties to the dispute are willing to pay rent for the ground, and after a lengthy discussion the matter was referred to the mayor with power to act.

Alderman J. Kirkpatrick gave notice of his intention at the next meeting of the council to introduce a motion to dispense with the services of one of the scavengers.

The council then adjourned.

CHANGE OF PREMISES.

The Daily News is now located in the brick block at the corner of Vernon and Josephine streets, generally known as the Tramway building. These premises afford the increased accommodation demanded by the rapidly growing operations of the various departments of The Daily News printery.

GAVE THE LOCKETS.

Rossland Committee's Present to the Nelson Hockey Champions.

During the visit of the Nelson curling team to Rossland on Sunday, W. A. Macdonald, as president of the Nelson hockey club, was presented with a set of seven handsome gold lockets, one for each member of the Nelson hockey team. These lockets were purchased by the Rossland carnival committee to present to the Nelson hockeyists. At the time of the carnival, it will be remembered, that the presence of the team from the territories upset the arrangements by which the winners of the British Columbia championship cup would also receive a gold medal apiece. As it was, the Nelson team, which was victorious in the final championship game, was compelled a few hours later to play again with a strong team from the territories, by whom they were eventually defeated. To straighten matters out, and as an evidence of goodwill, the committee purchased the lockets in question. These are very handsome specimens of the jewellers' art, and bear upon their chased sides inscriptions testifying to the championship won by the Nelson boys. They will be presented to the team some time this week by the president. At Rossland, after the lockets had been presented to the president, the event was made the occasion of speeches recognizing the courtesy of the committee by the Nelson men who were present, including Messrs. W. A. Macdonald, J. S. Carter and H. F. Macleod. The Nelson contingent returned to the city yesterday morning.

ENGLISH INVESTORS

Are Beginning to Look More Favorably Upon B. C. Mining Industry.

Frank A. Hewer, managing director of the Spitzee Mining Company of Rossland, was in Nelson last night on his way back from a trip to England which he undertook last June to float the newly organized Spitzee company.

The property is situated in the heart of the Rossland townsite and as already recorded Mr. Hewer has been successful in obtaining the necessary funds to acquire the adjoining claims— the Nelson and Derby—and to equip the property with all necessary machinery for deep mining. The machinery has already been ordered for the mine and work will be resumed on the property next month. Mr. Hewer, who was present at the Le Roi meetings in London, says that British Columbia properties are coming to the front again in the old country and a continuance of favorable reports from the Kootenays would result in a boom for the district this summer. At present mining men over the sea are waiting for further reports of the Ymir, Payne, Le Rois and the Granby company's properties in the Boundary. If these later reports are favorable it will to a great extent do away with the criticisms that British Columbia properties have not proved successful at depth. An unusual amount of interest was being taken in dominion affairs over in England just now, and in addition to the large numbers of emigrants coming over there would this year be an influx of tourists and men of the investing class, many of whom had declared their intention of visiting British Columbia before returning home.

The English financial papers were not inclined to give B. C. properties much of a show just now and Mr. Hewer gave as a instance the reports published of the Le Roi No. 2 meeting in which many matters of importance were suppressed. If matters brightened up here again this would be all changed and the mineral industry of the province would receive the attention it deserved from the papers in question. Much concern was expressed in English mining circles over the strike of the East Kootenay coal miners and the situation had been a good deal exaggerated. "I found it very difficult work to get any mining men to listen to a B. C. proposition when I first arrived in England last July and the market continued very depressed for months. The indications this spring point the other way and a few months of steady work at the mines with an absence of labor troubles will help matters wonderfully. I look for a prosperous summer," concluded Mr. Hewer, "and we hope to make a good showing with the Spitzee by the fall."

AT THE HOTELS.

HUME HOTEL. NELSON, B. C.

Hume—D. W. Moore, Trail; J. M. Cameron, Kaslo; H. Newell, Kaslo; H. Stein, Rossland; T. R. Newman, Castlegar; P. A. Jackson, Brockville; J. M. Harris, O. V. White, Sandon; J. Fleutman, Vancouver; C. J. Kettyle, M. Duffy, J. Farrell, Spokane; J. C. Daniels, Northport; J. A. McDonell, Morrissey; James Wardner, St. Paul; R. J. Long, Creston; G. A. Fraser, Grand Forks; Arthur Poole, Toronto.

Phair—T. W. Wilkinson, New York; W. C. Brace, Denver; Frank A. Hewer, Rossland; J. O. Patenaude, city.

Grand Central—W. Elliott, M. Gibbs, Velvet mine; W. Hoare, W. J. Boyers, W. Harkness, E. Baker, J. Fluher, Trail; A. P. Ayres, O. Martin, Salmo.

Tremont—Alf Olson, Juno mine; A. N. Fraser, Phoenix.

Bartlett—Roy Watson, Ymir; M. Lompray, Venus mine; H. W. Shaw, Juno mine; E. Whitley, F. Mitchell, Missoula, Montana.

Madden—Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Barbour, Thomas Farquharson, Three Forks; R. Leary, Bird creek; John Bystren, Fort Steele.

GREAT WESTERN MINE.

Originally Purchased for $50,000, Sold in Vancouver for $1,400.

The Great Western mineral property which was sold by the sheriff at Vancouver on Thursday last, has had a somewhat checquered career. It is situated near the head of McGuigan creek, four miles from McGuigan station, on the K. & S. railway, and was located in 1891. The Two Friends Mining company organized in the summer of 1896 at Vancouver by F. C. Innes, purchased the Great Western in 1897 for $50,000, and developed it for some time, but subsequently closed down the property after incurring a fair sized debt. It was to satisfy creditors that the sale just concluded was made. The property was purchased by O. Plunkett of Vancouver, for $1,400, and presumably was bought in for the chief shareholders. A large amount of development has been done on the Great Western, and it is said that work on the property will be re-commenced this spring. The original property owned by the Two Friends company was situated on Springer creek, seven miles from Slocan City. This property, after being developed for two seasons, was abandoned, and the company then transferred the scene of its activity to the Great Western, which has just been sold under legal process brought by the creditors.

WON A GAME EACH.

On Saturday a team of Nelson lawyers went over to Rossland to curl against a rink of the legal fraternity in that city. Two game were played, the Nelson men winning the first and the Rosslanders the second. The teams were as follows:

Nelson.	Rossland.
James O'Shea	Judge Nelson
John Elliot	J. Macdonald
H. F. Macleod	Judge Boultbee
W. Macdonald skip	A. MacNeill, skip

In the first game the score was 10 to 8 in favor of Nelson, and 14 to 9 in favor of Rossland in the second.

TANNERY BURNED.

King, Ont., March 16.—Fire at Saturday noon destroyed the extensive tannery owned by E. J. Davis, commissioner of crown lands for Ontario. The loss is about $100,000, partly insured.

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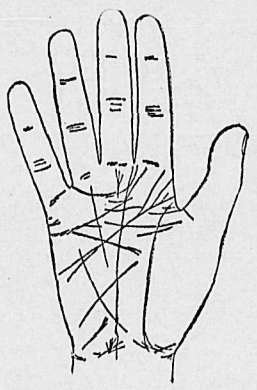

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