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## COLOMBIA IS NO CHUBBER

### Offers Canal Privileges to U. S. for Nothing

### Virtual Bribe of Millions to Checkmate Panama

Washington, Nov. 28.—That the republic of Colombia grants to the United States all the canal concession provided for in the Hay-Herran treaty, but absolutely free of cost, is the proposition which general Rafael Reyes, envoy of Colombia to the United States on a special mission, brings for the consideration of the officials of Washington. General Reyes arrived here shortly after 9 o'clock this morning. He was met at the station by a son of Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge, and went at once to his hotel. Later in the day he will have a conference with Dr. Herran.

General Reyes talked with a representative of the Associated Press about his mission to Washington. He said: "You will readily admit the propriety of my refraining from discussing my mission, which is of a confidential character, but of the offers which Colombia is ready to make, I desire to say that my energies and those of my followers will be devoted to the granting of the canal concessions to the United States without the payment of a cent. Even at this Colombia will be the gainer."

"Are you authorized by president Marroquin to make this offer to the Washington government," general Reyes was asked.

"That would be divulging my instructions before I have executed them. I cannot say more than this now," he replied.

"You can further say," continued the general, "that all Colombia is afire with zeal for the building of the canal by the United States and that the unfortunate political troubles which were the sole cause of the treaty's death before the Colombian congress, have entirely disappeared. We want the canal, and I have come to Washington to see what the people of the United States are prepared to accept. I come with instructions from the president of Colombia direct. My mission is in no way to interfere with the prerogatives of Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge, for whom both my government and myself personally have the greatest respect. I shall be in daily conference with him and we shall work in entire harmony. Dr. Herran will go to the state department with me and present me to secretary Hay."

"What is the feeling in Colombia about the Panama revolution?" general Reyes was asked.

"Feeling is running high, and there is indignation over the events on the isthmus. We can and will put down the rebellion, if not interfered with from the outside. So tense is the feeling and so national the spirit of determination to bring the isthmus back into the republic that president Marroquin will have no trouble in raising an army twice the size necessary to put down the disturbance. Such an army can march overland to the isthmus, the opinion of ill-advised persons to the contrary notwithstanding."

"What can the United States do now that a treaty has been signed by secretary Hay and M. Bunau-Varilla?"

"The treaty has not been ratified. The Colombian government does not ask the United States to aid it in putting down the revolution on the isthmus. All we ask is to be allowed to conduct our own affairs free from outside interference. The Colombian government can put down the revolution without violating a letter of the treaty of 1846. I refer to the treaty that we always have respected and adhered to, and not to the treaty as interpreted in these days. If the United States maintains a neutral position the revolution will be put down."

When his attention was called to the reports from Panama and other sources that he had come to Washington to conduct a lobby to defeat the ratification of the treaty he said very emphatically: "No, I authorize the Associated Press to say for me at the outset of my visit that my movements here shall be strictly in accordance with the powers with which I am clothed. I shall deal with the officials of the government to whom I bear letters of credit from the government at Bogota. I am not here as private agent, and I shall ignore such reflections upon my personal and official character."

#### FAIR ESTATE CASE.

Testimony Brought Before Commissioner in Paris Yesterday.

Paris, Nov. 28.—The taking of testimony in the Fair case began today before commissioner Eisler, apointed by the New York court. A number of French and American lawyers were present. The first day was given up to the testimony of Emil Menard, a druggist near the scene of the accident, who was called upon to perform the embalming and assisted the doctors in a partial autopsy. He testified that he found the Fairs' arterial systems so clotted with blood that he was unable to properly embalm them. Charles L. Fair's face was terribly swollen. The tendency of the testimony was to show that Mr. Fair was injured more than his wife, and, therefore, died first.

Lawyer Edmond Kelly, representing relatives of Mr. Fair, closely cross examined the witness, seeking to bring out the inconclusive nature of Menard's evidence. The court adjourned until Tuesday, when the more important witnesses, including the two attending doctors, will be heard.

## PEABODY TALKS ATHLETICS

THEY ARE BENEFICIAL TO BOTH PLAYERS AND COLLEGE.

HE MENTIONS REFORMS THAT SHOULD BE MADE.

New York, Nov. 28.—"Athletics in their mutual relations to schools and colleges" was the subject of several papers read today at the 17th annual convention of the association of college preparatory schools of the middle states and Maryland in Earl hall, Columbia university.

Rev. Endicott Peabody, head master of the Groton, Massachusetts, school, defended athletics, and especially football, complimenting the game for its value to the players and the institutions, but mentioned several reforms that he said should be instituted. Training, he said, while beneficial in moderation, was apt to be carried to the extreme. The paraphernalia of football was too extravagant, and betting, newspaper notoriety and great public games gives, he said, undue prominence to the sport. The danger of injury, he said, was not so much in the breaking of arms and legs, "as these can be easily mended," but in the straining of the sinews of the back and the fractures of the kneecap, which might injure permanently. Peabody and others deplored the presence of so many women and girls at the games, one speaker declaring that the game was not a fit spectacle for them and was causing them rapidly to lose their tender compassion.

Director Martin, of the Columbia university gymnasium, declared that college players are generally so overtrained as to finish the season in poor physical condition.

## PEARY'S DASH TO THE POLE

SAYS HE KNOWS THE ROAD AND SHOULD GET THERE.

WILL UTILIZE TO ADVANTAGE THE ESQUIMOS.

New York, Nov. 28.—Commander Peary said he would probably leave here in July and try to reach the north shore of Grant Land and camp there until the coming of spring, when the dash to the pole will be attempted. "I will make the hardest try to reach the pole that has yet been made. If I can get my ship to the north shore of Grant Land," he said, "I will arrange for the rest. I am confident that I shall reach the pole. I am familiar with conditions and I have the experience. I know the road thoroughly and I know what I will have to contend with. Another thing is that I have reached that stage in my acquaintance with the Esquimos that I can utilize them as I see fit, and distribute them as I desire. If I get to Grant Land I am sure I can attend to the rest. I will also find a way back to the ship."

Commander Peary said that his wife would not accompany him.

#### MITCHELL'S MOVEMENTS.

Labor Leader Denies That He Is Going to Colorado.

Indianapolis, Nov. 28.—John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, left for Chicago today where he will deliver an address tomorrow. He denies the story from the west that he would go to Colorado to advise with the strike leaders in that state. Mr. Mitchell said his going to Colorado depended entirely on future developments.

#### SHOULD LET SOME OUT.

Penitentiary at Stony Mountain, Manitoba, Is Overcrowded.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Winnipeg, Nov. 28.—Owing to the overcrowded condition of the Stony Mountain penitentiary, a number of the convicts there now will be removed to Kingston. There are 160 prisoners in the penitentiary at present, a goodly number of these being from the territories.

#### PERSISTS IN PRACTICE.

Union Colliery Company Fined for Employing Chinese Underground.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, Nov. 28.—The Union Colliery company has again been fined for employing Chinese underground.

#### DROWNED WHILE SKATING.

Saratoga, New York, Nov. 28.—Joseph Wood and Frank Hannon were drowned while skating on Loughberry lake today. John McIntosh and Daniel Roohan also went through the ice, but were rescued and resuscitated.

#### FACULTY OF RAILWAYS.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Montreal, Nov. 28.—It is announced that McGill university will establish a faculty of railways. The Canadian railways employ about 100,000 men and the officials of the university have considered the problem of producing college men to enter the railway employ. The idea of the faculty of railways will shortly be realized.

#### LAST STEAMSHIP SAILS.

Port of Montreal Is Closed for the Season.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Montreal, Nov. 28.—The steamship Toronto, of the Inland & Ocean Navigation Co., left this port at noon. This closes the port for the season. The business of the season showed an increase over last year both in the number of ships and the tonnage. There have been 798 arrivals in port, against 758 last year, while the total net registered tonnage shows an excess of nearly half a million tons.

## BONANZA GROUP TO SHIP

EXCEPTIONALLY HIGH GRADE ORE FROM THIS MINE.

HISTORY OF A VALUABLE BUT NEGLECTED CLAIM.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Ymir, Nov. 28.—A shipment of exceptionally high grade ore will shortly be made from the Bonanza group owned by Rowley and Anderson on the north fork of Wild Horse creek. This group is a re-location of the Silver Chief group, one of the oldest locations in the camp. The original owners of this property built a trail down to the railroad near Hall Siding and got out a shipment of ore which for some unexplained reason never got further than the platform built for it beside the railroad just south of Hall, where it has remained for over five years. The property ran out this fall and was relocated by Rowley and Anderson who immediately went to work on it. They have now got eighty feet of depth on a paystreak which varies from four to fourteen inches of solid, high grade ore consisting chiefly of steel galena and grey copper. They are now sacking up a shipment which will bring large returns.

## BOUNDARY ORE SHIPMENTS

TOTAL FOR YEAR TO DATE EXCEEDS 600,000 TONS.

GRANBY SMELTER HAS TREATED OVER HALF THIS AMOUNT

[Special to The Daily News.]

Phoenix, Nov. 28.—With this week's ore shipments the tonnage from the mines of the Boundary exceed the six hundred thousand figure for less than eleven months of the year 1903, giving the probability of the full year's total being not far from seven hundred thousand tons. The several shipping mines sent out shipments for the past week as follows:

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| Granby mines to Granby smelter | 10,831 |
| Mother Lode to Greenwood | 3,168 |
| Snowshoe to Boundary Falls | 1,859 |
| Sunset to Boundary Falls | 330 |
| Emma to Greenwood, Trail and Nelson smelters | 627 |
| Oro Denoro to Boundary Falls | 792 |
| Athelstan to Boundary Falls | 270 |
| Total for week | 17,668 |

Total for year to date, 600,589 tons.

The Granby smelter this week treated 10,981 tons, or a total of 312,460 tons so far this year.

#### WOULD AVOID RATE WAR

But American Lines Want a Share of Second Class Traffic to West.

Chicago, Nov. 28.—A meeting of the Chicago, St. Paul lines at which the Great Northern railway was represented, has been held here to consider a proposition of the Great Northern to meet the second class rates now in effect from eastern Canada to points in western Canada by way of the all-Canadian routes by the lines by way of Chicago. Owing to their higher rates the lines by way of Chicago have been unable to get any of that business. No definite action was taken owing to a fear that it would lead to a rate war on the Canadian lines, it being deemed advisable first to have a conference with the Canadian lines and see if an amicable adjustment of the matter cannot be made.

#### AN INCENDIARY BLAZE.

Five Men Killed or Missing as the Result of an Hotel Fire in Michigan.

Duluth, Minn., Nov. 28.—Thomas Green was cremated, Frank Thomas probably fatally injured, and three others are missing as a result of a fire which destroyed the Central hotel at Tower, Minnesota, on Thursday. It is supposed that the fire was of incendiary origin and that the hotel was fired to cover up a murder as a man was seen to leave the hotel just after the fire was discovered.

#### BISCUIT FACTORY BURNED.

New Orleans, Nov. 28.—Fire in the heart of the business and manufacturing district today completely destroyed the plant of the National Biscuit company at South Peters and Howard avenue, and damaged considerably a number of surrounding warehouses and other property. The plant covered a square and there was an unusually heavy stock on hand. The loss to the surrounding property is estimated at about $225,000.

#### A FIND OF MOLYBDENITE.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, Nov. 28.—A molybdenite ledge, seven feet wide, has been located on the north arm of the inlet and staked by H. M. Burwell, of Castle Garden, and Herman & Burwell, engineers of the Vancouver Power Co. The ledge is located not far from the Lake Beautiful portal of the Power company's tunnel, and assays 21 per cent molybdenite.

#### NOVEL MAKES TROUBLE.

Berlin, Nov. 28.—All the officers except three of the battalion stationed at Forbasch, the scene of lieutenant Bilsen's novel entitled "A little Garrison," are either ill or on leave. It is said that every officer of this battalion will be transferred or obliged to resign in consequence of Bilsen's revelations.

#### A BARGE IN DANGER.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, Nov. 28.—The C. P. R. local barge Robert Kerr, bound from Nanaimo here, has struck heavily on Ballanac island, and is in danger of proving a total loss.

#### HOLDS THE JOB.

Philadelphia, Nov. 28.—Judge Ashton today filed an opinion in the United States circuit court of appeals sustaining judge Kirkpatrick in his appointment of James Smith, Jr., as receiver for the United States Shipbuilding company.

## ACCUSED OF MANY MURDERS

### Numerous Charges Against Chicago Bandits

### Vandyne Has Five Killings to Answer for

Chicago, Nov. 28.—Indictments were voted by the grand jury today against Harvey Vandyne, Peter Neidermeir and Mil Roeski, the three young bandits who were arrested yesterday at the close of a spectacular man hunt in Indiana. An indictment was also voted against Gustave Marx, who murdered officer Quinn, and who was with the others in their crimes. Vandyne's indictments were voted charging him with complicity in five murders; against Neidermeir indictments in connection with four murders, and against Marx indictments for four murders. Roeski will stand trial for one murder. The following are the crimes for which indictments were voted by the jurors:

Vandyne, Roeski and Marx, for the murder of Otto Rauder, on July 9th.

Neidermeir, Vandyne and Marx, for the murder of Frank W. Stewart, during the car barn robbery, on August 30th.

Vandyne, Neidermeir and Marx, for the murder of John B. Johnson, at the barns, at the time Stewart was slain.

Marx, for the murder of detective John Quinn, on November 21st.

Vandyne and Neidermeir, for the murder of A. Johnson, on August 1st, at north 47th street and west North avenue in the saloon of S. B. C. Legrosse, also for the murder of Legrosse at the same time.

No cognizance will be taken in Illinois of the murder of brakeman L. J. Stovea in Indiana.

It is the intention of state attorney Dinen to bring the men to a trial as quickly as possible. It may be necessary to have two trials, as, although the four men worked together, it happened that when the greater crimes were committed, one of the number was absent. Roeski was not at the robbery at the car barns, and had no part in the murders committed at that time.

Marx was alone when he killed officer Quinn, and was in jail yesterday when the murders were committed in Indiana. Either one of these two, therefore, will probably have a separate trial unless a general plea of guilty is made by all four men.

City physician J. F. Todd today, with the aid of two assistants, removed the shot from the bodies of Vandyne, Neidermeir and Roeski at the Harrison street station. Vandyne and Neidermeir did not flinch when the physicians probed for the shot, but Roeski, feverish with the wound in his leg, squirmed under the forceps of the doctors. Twenty-eight small shot were taken from Roeski's body, 13 from Vandyne's body, and 6 from the face and forehead of Neidermeir. Neidermeir and Vandyne joked with Roeski when the physicians were probing for some shot lodged in the man's back. "That's what you get for running," they laughed.

Previous to his career as a hold up man in Chicago, Peter Neidermeir was a murderer according to a story told in the Harrison street police station tonight. According to this story his first victim was a train man in Canada. To the police officers and railroad detectives who were questioning him, he related the circumstances as follows: "In 1895 I was beating my way west on a freight train loaded with coal bound from Portage, Ontario. When riding on top of the train I was ordered to get off by a man whom they called "captain," but whose name I never learned. I heard afterwards that he was a railroad detective. He ordered me off the train, and when I refused to get off, he threw coal at me. I threw them back at him, and one of the lumps struck him on the head. Then he drew a revolver and fired twice at me. Both times he missed me, and then I drew my revolver and fired six shots, three of them hit him. I shot him in the head, in the abdomen and in the side. He ran a few feet and fell dead on top of the car. I searched him and found no money. Later the train crew came along, and I heard they found $40 in his pockets. I was sore when I learned what I had missed. I was only a boy then, but I did not intend to be run over by any officer, and when he tried to make me get off the train, I decided it would be my life or his. After shooting him I got off the train and went from there to Winnipeg, and heard no more about the case."

#### ROESKI WAS TO BE SLAIN.

Chicago Bandits Contemplated Killing Their Pal.

Chicago, Nov. 28.—That another murder was planned by the car barn murderers, Vandyne and Neidermeir, who were captured yesterday after a desperate battle with the police, in which one man was killed and two policemen wounded, appears evident from the confession of one of the trio Roeski, none other than himself being selected as the possible victim. In his confession to the police Roeski, who was captured in a station at Aetna, Ind., while waiting for a train to Chicago and after his companions had already ben taken into custody, says he was the drudge of the other men. He felt that he was not at any time in the confidence of his companions and during the last few weeks has believed that both the others were ready to "get rid of him" as he expressed it.

"I never got much," he said. "They used to buy me something to eat and give me a few nickles once in a while. They afterwards got 'sore' on me because they thought I might give them away. Marx told me that Neidermeir and Vandyne were going to 'do me up'."

Marx is the man who confessed his part in the car barn robbery after murdering a policeman, following the robbery of a saloon, and implicated his three companions who were captured.

"After Marx was arrested for shooting Quinn," continued Roeski, "we hung around town for a while thinking about getting him out if he did not squeal."

The car barn bandits were indicted this evening on six charges of murder.

#### TAYLOR IS WHIP.

Victoria, Nov. 28.—(Special.)—At last night's caucus of the government members, Taylor, of Revelstoke, was elected whip.

## PETER WANTS RECOGNITION

SERVIAN KING SENDS AUTOGRAPH LETTER TO ROOSEVELT.

WOULD BRING ABOUT RESUMPTION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.

Berlin, Nov. 28.—M. Milotchevitch, Servian minister here, has requested United States ambassador Tower to forward to Washington an autograph letter from king Peter to president Roosevelt informing him of his accession to the throne. Mr. Tower accepted the letter and cabled the fact to Washington. The step taken by king Peter is doubtlessly designed to bring about a resumption of diplomatic relations between Servia and the United States which lapsed after the assassination of king Alexander and queen Draga.

John B. Jackson, United States minister to Greece, Roumania and Servia, was making a tour of the Balkans, presenting his credentials at the time of the tragedy at Belgrade and he avoided going to that city on instructions from Washington. Indirect inquiries have been made to Mr. Jackson by the authorities at Belgrade as to whether he did not intend to visit king Peter's court, to which he replied that he would not do so until directed from Washington, which, until ambassador Tower forwarded his despatches had not been officially informed that such a person as king Peter existed. Precisely why the Servian king's letter should have been sent through this embassy instead of the embassy at Vienna does not appear.

## OCEAN YACHT RACES PUT OFF

EMPEROR WILL NOT GIVE MEDAL TILL 1905.

LIPTON SAYS ITS TOO LATE TO RENEW HIS OFFER.

Berlin, Nov. 28.—Emperor William has withdrawn his offer of a cup for a trans-Atlantic yacht race in 1904 on account of his ill health, and has substituted for it the offer of a cup to be raced for in 1905.

London, Nov. 28.—Sir Thomas Lipton this morning received a telegram from lord Lonsdale notifying him taht as illness had prevented emperor William from meeting his yachting representatives, it would now be too late to build boats in Europe and make the suggested 1904 race a success So his majesty decided to postpone offering his cup for a trans-Atlantic race until 1905. Lord Lonsdale added that the emperor would therefore, not take advantage of sir Thomas Lipton's withdrawal. Sir Thomas replied, agreeing with lord Lonsdale that is was now too late to make the proposed race a success and pointing out that, therefore, it was quite useless for him to renew his offer, the withdrawal of which had already been accepted. Sir Thomas hopes to enter a boat in the race for the emperor's cup in 1905.

New York, Nov. 28.—Secretary George A. Cormick, of the New York Yacht club, when shown the despatch announcing the change in time for the tran-Atlantic yacht race, said his club had as yet received no official notification of the original offer by the emperor of Germany, but further he would not discuss the matter.

#### ALAMO CONCENTRATOR.

About the First of the Year it Will Be Ready for Operation.

The Alamo concentrator, which is now being remodelled, is expected to be ready for operation about the first of the new year, says the Sandon Standard. At the mine development has been under way some time and large ore shoots have been exposed. Several cars of rich crude ore have been shipped from these veins and many more are in sight. There is also enough of the concentrating quality to keep the mill running an indefinite period once it is ready. Manager Jenkins is getting everything in shape as soon as possible for extensive operation and it will not be long before the mine will be one of our largest shippers.

#### NOTABLES AND GOLD.

They Were Brought From Europe on the Steamship Etruria

New York, Nov. 28.—Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, the new British ambassador to the United States arrived on the Etruria today. Lady Durand and Miss Amy Durand will follow him in about a fortnight. The other passengers on the Etruria from Liverpool and Queenstown were Hugh B. Bradshaw, Joseph K. Crowther, Jas. W. Gladstone, H. Heminway, W. Ferguson, N. W. Latham, C. John Ritchie, son of the lord mayor of London. The Etruria brought $1,000,000 in gold.

#### COULDN'T DETERMINE CAUSE.

Coroner's Jury Unable to Say How Explosion Occurred.

Cripple Creek, Colo., Nov. 28.—The coroner's jury returned a verdict to the effect that it was unable to determine the cause of the explosion in the Vindicator mine, last Friday, in which superintendent McCormick and shift boss Beck lost their lives. After the verdict was announced the Elks lodge of Cripple Creek offered a reward of $500 for the conviction of the persons responsible for the explosion. McCormick was a member of the Elks lodge of Victor.

#### A REGULAR LOVE FEAST.

Many Courtesies Shown British Visitors in Paris.

Paris, Nov. 28.—The members of the British parliament and their ladies who are now in France returning the visit to London of the members of the French arbitration group went this morning to Versailles, where they witnessed an interesting executed by members of the opera ballet corps. At the conclusion of the dances a luncheon was served at which a number of speeches expressive of a desire for series of dances of the period of Louis XV., closer relations between France and England were made. Delegate Millier, of Canada, in his remarks referred felicitously to the bonds uniting Canada and France. Especial importance is attached ther to Mr. Millier's words because of the suggestion they contained that the British colonies might not accept the operation of the Anglo-French arbitration treaty on questions directly affecting them. The British chamber of commerce in Paris tendered the visitors a reception this afternoon and tonight an "At Home" was given in their honor by the automobile club.

## THEY SHOULD BE PUNISHED

HUNTER WHO KILLED TWO MEN TO BE TRIED.

LOCOMOTIVE CREW RESPONSIBLE FOR DEATHS ARE IN JAIL.

Parry Sound, Nov. 28.—Theo. W. Stanley, the young man who killed James McComb, and dangerously wounded Daniel Quinlan in Christie township in mistake for deer, has been brought to town and is under arrest, charged with manslaughter, at the instance of the attorney-general and as a result of the coroner's jury verdict, which charged Stanley with criminal negligence.

Bloomington, Ills., Nov. 28.—Deputy sheriff Auigs, of Tazwell county, this afternoon placed under arrest at Urbana, engineer George Becker, of the Big Four work train, which was wrecked near Tremont, and which accident resulted in the death of sixteen workmen. Conductor Hastings, who had been arrested at Indianapolis by sheriff Clay, was lodged in jail with Becker at Pekin. Both will be given a preliminary hearing Monday.

## LORD ROBERTS WILL RESIGN

PROBABLY LAST COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF BRITISH ARMY.

OFFICE TO BE ABOLISHED AND AN ADVISORY BOARD SUBSTITUTED

London, Nov. 28.—Although no public announcement of the fact has been made it is understood that lord Roberts is about to resign as commander-n-chief. He has been much more ill than has been generally known, and is still abed and the condition of his health requires him to spend the winter in a southern climate, probably the Riviera.

The appointment of a royal commission to advise the government concerning the creation of a board for the administrative business of the war office and the correct changes involved is generally regarded as foreshadowing the abolishment of the post of commander-in-chief, or at least making the position largely ornamental, and lord Roberts is understood to consider that his present ill-health offers an opportune excuse for his retirement thus leaving the field clear for any changes which may be recommended for the king's approval by the commission. From the terms of reference to the commission it is quite evident it was appointed to find a practical means of carrying into effect the recommendations of lord Esher, a member of the commission, which were appended as a note to the commissions' report. Therein lord Esher specifically urged the abolishment of the post of commander-in-chief, and the appointment of a general officer to command the army, making him responsible to the secretary of war for the efficiency of the military forces. His lordship especially recommended the establishment of an advisory and executive board presided over by the secretary for war on the lines of the admiralty board.

## NEW GOLDFIELD IS FOUND

IT IS IN NEW MEXICO AND THERE'S A RUSH.

A TOWN ALMOST DEPOPULATED BY THE STAMPEDE.

Hillsboro, New Mexico, Nov. 28.—The greatest excitement within the knowledge of this part of New Mexico exists over the new goldfield in Apache canyon in the Cebolta mountains east of Hillsboro. The news first came in less than a week ago, and now 500 people are on the ground and are coming in faster every day.

Some Mexicans, guided by an old Mexican chart, have been prospecting the locality for some time, and last Sunday struck what proved to be the bonanza. They secured a bottle of gold nuggets as the result of a few hours' work in cleaning bedrock and blowing the dirt away with their breath. Thanksgiving Day the district court judge and court officers spent in looking over the field. On their return court proceedings were wound up and then went off again, and with them most of the jurors and the available population. The report of a new strike more extensive than the first one is keeping up the excitement.

#### COLORADO STRIKE OVER.

Miners Last Night Decided By Vote to Resume Work.

Louisville, Colo., Nov. 28.—The miners of the northern Colorado coal fields tonight voted to return to work on the terms granted by the operators, which embrace compliance with every demand made by the unions. This is the third vote taken on the proposition. The mines have all been kept in good condition and work will be started on Monday. It is estimated that 1,200 men will go to work and that the capacity of the mines is 7,000 tons per day.

#### POLICE CHARGE LABORERS.

Bordeaux, Nov. 28.—The striking dock laborers here made a demonstration in front of the town hall this evening. The police drew their swords and charged upon the rioters, wounding a number of them. Several of the officers also were wounded.

#### GERMAN COLONIAL ESTIMATES.

Berlin, Nov. 28.—The North German Gazette says the German colonial estimates for 1904 show that the revenue and expenditure balance at $9,620,590, an increase over 1903 of $515,345.

## DREYFUS CASE TO BE REHEARD

### Condemned Man's Efforts to be Successful

### Finally to be Given a Judicial Hearing

Paris, Nov. 28.—The efforts of Alfred Dreyfus to secure the judicial examination of his case have at last been crowned with success. After examining into the case submitted to him by general Andre, the minister of war, minister of justice Valle has transmitted that document, together with the petition of M. Dreyfus for a revision of his sentence, to M. Durand, the president of a commission instituted by the minister of justice. This commission will pronounce upon the admissability of the request for a revision of the sentence.

M. Dreyfus owes the favorable action taken to the careful consideration given the case by minister Andre, whose conclusions are regarded as in the highest degree favorable to Dreyfus, since they determined the minister of justice to refer the question of a revision to a commission. This commission will pronounce upon the admissibility of the request for a revision of sentence. The commission will receive the documents next Wednesday. The decision of minister of justice Valle to refer the question of a revision of the Dreyfus sentence to a commission, as officially stated, is based upon an article of the criminal code which provides that in a case where, after condemnation, new facts develop, or where previously unknown proof of a nature which would tend to establish innocence is presented, the condemned person has a right to ask for a revision of sentence, and the right to pass upon such request belongs to the minister of justice, who will decide after having taken the opinion of a commission, composed of three directors of his ministry and three members of the court of cessation.

#### HEAVILY MORTGAGED

$100,000 Against Mines of Dominion Copper Co.—They Will Be Worked.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Phoenix, Nov. 28.—A mortgage for $100,000 has been registered against the Dominion Copper Co., Ltd., the well known properties of which are located in this camp. They are the Brooklyn, Stemwinder, Idaho, Rawhide, Montezuma and Standard. At a meeting of the directors of the company held some months ago in Toronto, where the largest shareholders reside, it was decided to raise $100,000 by bonds, for the purpose of paying off the indebtedness of the company, a matter of some $50,000, the balance to be used as a working fund. This mortgage to the National Trust Co., of Toronto, is evidently to secure the payment of these bonds.

The stock of the Dominion Copper Co. is held largely by Mann & McKenzie, Hon. George A. Cox, and other wealthy capitalists of Toronto, some of it is also held in the Boundary. Nothing has been done on these properties, which have been proved to have most extensive ore bodies by thousands of feet of development work, for about two years, since James Breen relinquished the management, after conducting the operations for about a year.

A year or more ago negotiations were on foot for the sale of the properties to the British Columbia Copper Co., Ltd., owning and operating the Mother Lode mine and the Greenwood smelter, but nothing came of the negotiations. Later a deal has been on between the Snowshoe people and the Mother Lode people for an amalgamation also, but that is yet in abeyance, so far as can be learned.

This year representatives of the Dominion Copper Co. have asked the C. P. R. to finish laying the steel to the dumps of the Stemwinder and Brooklyn for which the grade was completed four years ago. From appearances it seems that something is likely to be done on the Brooklyn group in the near future. Both properties are equipped with the best of machinery, much of which has hardly ben used.

#### NO NEED OF REGULARS.

Strike Conditions in Colorado Not as Bad As Represented.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Acting adjutant-general Hills, U. S. A., today received a telegram from major-general Bates, commanding the department of the Lakes, saying that he has completed his investigation of the labor troubles in Colorado and that he was about to return to his regular station at Chicago. He said that in his judgment there was nothing in the present situation to call for the use of federal troops.

#### SIR ROBERT RESIGNS.

Duties as President of the Legislative Council Too Heavy For Him.

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 28.—Sir Robert Boak, president of the legislative council, has tendered his resignation to the government on account of his advancing years and the fact as his duties as president at the approaching session would be too heavy a strain. He has been president for a quarter of a century.

#### THE DAILY WRECK.

Two Freight Trains Clash Together—Fireman Killed.

Rochester, N.Y., Nov. 28.—A fatal railroad accident occurred at Nimrods Junction on the Northern Central railroad last night. Two freight trains collided head on, destroying both engines and many cars. C. C. Hammond, fireman, was killed. The cause of the accident is unknown.

#### CZARINA SLIGHTLY BETTER.

Skirenwice, Russian Poland, Nov. 28.—The following bulletin concerning the condition of the czarina was issued today: Her majesty's temperature last night was 99.1, pulse 64. Her temperature this morning was 98.2. Her majesty passed a good night. The local inflammation has taken a turn for the better,

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## MINING ASSOCIATION.

In another column in this issue will be found an interview with John Keen, president of the Provincial Mining Association, in which he reviews the proceedings of the executive of the association at the recent sessions in Kamloops.

The resolution, passed by the executive, which requests a more equitable taxation of land, is one that should meet with general approval, as, under the present system, it is known that considerable land escapes taxation. It is most unjust to compel some of the landowners to bear all of the taxes placed on land while others go scot free.

Another resolution, asking that the mining bureau become the useful body it was intended it should be when the law was framed, should meet with the favorable attention of the lawmakers. While it is proper that there should be an exhaustive annual report from the bureau of mines, it is also essential that bulletins be frequently issued regarding the new things in the mining industry that are constantly coming up. A new process for reducing ore is put forward and perhaps is adopted in some camp and proved a success. A bulletin prepared by the provincial mineralogist, giving the facts about the process and its adaptibility to the ores of other districts besides the one in which it is tried would be of benefit, especially when it emanates from a source so disinterested and so reliable as the mining bureau of the province. A new and extensive find of ore scattered over an extensive area is made and causes some excitement. An agent of the bureau should at once be dispatched to the scene of the find and a bulletin containing reliable data as to the character and extent of the ledges, etc., should be issued at the earliest possible moment after the examination has been made. In this and other ways the mining bureau can be made the useful body it was intended by the lawmakers it should be.

The determination arrived at by Mr. Keen and the other members of the executive to incorporate the Mining Association is a good one. It will result in giving a responsibility and permanence to the organization which it does not possess in its present state. The association, properly organized and rightly run, should become a power for good in the material development of the province.

## TO PREVENT TRUSTS.

Speaking in the United States senate some time ago, senator Hoar said: "Happy is the people whose statesmen foresee and prevent grievances instead of waiting to experience them to cure them." It would appear as if the government of the colony of New Zealand, that country where advanced legislation is the rule and not the exception, had taken this as a text whereon to base their policy. At any rate they have decided to do so as regards trusts, and having so decided they lost no time in introducing a measure whose object is to prevent the formation of pools, rings and trusts in connection with food, clothing and housing the people, and in this way have but given one more instance of that paternalism characteristic of that country. The goods covered by the act are enumerated as follows: All articles of food and drink, all kinds of building material and furniture, all kinds of clothing, including footwear, all articles of fuel, soap and candles, gas and electricity when used for lighting, and all kinds of agricultural implements. This step has not been taken without due thought and deliberation, for before drawing up the measure, premier Seddon obtained the fullest possible information from all countries where trusts exist. This information and the sheaf of papers embodying it have been carefully classified and arranged by Mr. Tregear, secretary of labor for New Zealand and placed in compact form in the hands of the members of the general assembly, a procedure that might well be emulated by the government of this province when they have any measure of special import to bring before the house. The effect of placing this mass of information, and it is both pro and con, in the hands of the members is twofold; it enables the members to study and grasp the problem confronting them and saves a world of time that would otherwise be wasted in useless debate and questioning.

British Columbia is not a trust making country yet; Canada is not free from the pest, but it is in the United States that the genus flourishes. May the day be far distant when it will bebase trade and industry in Canada as it has done in the country to the south of us. Perhaps had we reached the same stage of development and population as our neighbor has we might be less free from the taint. We have no desire to give thanks that we are not as other men; we are fearfully like other men and for that reason it might be well for us to profit by New Zealand's example and the warning offered by the United States and set to work to take steps "to prevent grievances instead of waiting for them."

## THE TORY CHIEFTAIN.

There are many who are of the opinion that a man who once takes sides in politics must of necessity stay with that side through thick and thin, even when his convictions would lead him to take an altogether opposite view of political questions. If a man who so changes his opinion is to be censured for so doing, we must go back and censure many of the great statesmen of this continent and of Europe. Gladstone was not always a free trader and a liberal, as everybody knows, nor was lord Beaconsfield always the ardent conservative and imperialist of the later days of his career; there was a marked divergence between his early republican and radical opinions and those he held when he became premier of Great Britain. Even in our own parliament, in the dominion parliament today, there are men whose opinions have undergone considerable change. There is the honorable leader of the opposition for example. A few years ago he was a liberal, an opponent of the very party he now leads, an opponent of the policy of high protection he now so glibly advocates, an ardent supporter and platform speaker in the interests of the liberal party. His opinions underwent a change, and it is to be presumed he had good conscientious grounds for altering his political faith. There is no disgrace in such a change of front so long as it is the result of conviction, and loyal adherence is given to the cause then espoused. It is otherwise with the political weathercock who veers with every change of the political atmosphere, and with that other brand whose opinion is influenced more by the personality of the men he is asked to support than by the principles they and he are supposed to repreesnt. Mr. Borden is not of this stripe. Whatever changes his political opinions have undergone are presumably the fruit of conviction, and as such are to be respected.

It is said by his friends and admirers that he is very popular in the west, and if exception be taken to this bald statement, if this assertion be questioned, and it is questioned, it is not because he changed his political coat, for that has nothing to do with it, but because, so far as we can ascertain, his alleged popularity has no actual existence in fact. It is not very long since he made a tour of the west in company with several other aspiring gentlemen. He came to British Columbia and even attended the conservative convention at Revelstoke. But during the whole of that tour he neither said nor did anything worthy of note, anything that could arouse enhtusiasm, or place him on the pinnacle of popularity. He was pleasant spoken, he shook hands cordially with the few people he came in contact with, he made a few speeches in which he carefully avoided committing himself or his party to anything in particular, he uttered a few generalities which meant nothing; but in all this he did only what every other politician does and neither gained popularity nor kudos by the doing of it.

Nor has he, during the recent session of the dominion parliament, done anything to create that popularity in the west his personal visit here failed to excite. On the contrary he has done more to bring about the contrary feeling and in his failure to throw aside party bias in his attitude towards the government's railway policy of giving to the west increased transcontinental transportation facilities, he displayed the indecision characteristic of aspiring mediocrity. As a leader of the demoralized conservative forces in the federal house he no doubt serves the required purpose well enough, but to speak of him as enjoying great popularity in the west is to lay claim to what is not yet accorded him.

There is evidently dissension in the tory camp from the way that open letters are flying about in the newspapers. In this issue there is one from Fred. Starkey, president of the Nelson Liberal-Conservative Association. Mr. Starkey certainly makes out a good case from his point of view, but there is still a reply due from those who withdrew their names as members of the executive committee of the association. Perhaps they may be able to justify their action better in the second letter than even they did in the first, now that their resignations have, without any great signs of regret, been accepted.


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## THE MINING ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT KEEN SAYS IT IS TO BE INCORPORATED.

WHAT WAS DONE AT MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE.

John Keen, the energetic president of the Provincial Mining association, is in the city on his way home to Kaslo, from the meeting of the provincial executive of the Provincial Mining association, which met early in the week at Kamloops. Mr. Keen is as full of life and activity as ever and as the mining association is one of his favorite institutions, he is full of designs for enlarging its sphere of usefulness and for making it a power in the material affairs of the province. One of his plans in this direction is the incorporation of the association, so as to make it a responsible body and to give it greater stability.

In speaking about the work accomplished by the executive of the association at the session held in Kamloops he said: "A great deal of work was accomplished. The resolution in reference to the replenishing of the provincial treasury was the subject of much discussion and was adopted. It provides for the taxation of all lands, including mineral lands, after the system followed in portions of Australasia, or, in lieu of that, some other method which will be found to be equitable, the executive believing that the present system of taxing land is inequitable, inasmuch as it operates unfairly in the manner of making assessments, and some lands, it was stated, are free from all taxation.

"The association has recommended to the government that inquiry be made into the systems referred to with a view to their subsequent adoption.

With reference to the resolution as to the bureau of mines considerable time was devoted to discussing the question of how far the department had failed to carry out the terms of section 7 of the Bureau of Mines Act, Revised statutes of British Columbia, 1897, and the resolution, which was passed unanimously, sets forth the impression which exists in the minds of the members of the association. It will be submitted to the government.

"The executive seemed to think that the bureau had signally failed to be the useful institution it was evidently intended to be under section 7. One of the chief clauses in the section, which has been more honored in the breach than in the observance, is that part which relates to the issuance of reports from time to time during the year on new and interesting phases of the mining industry and other useful data, for immediate use, in the shape of bulletins so that necessary information might be disseminated and prove useful throughout the mining portions of the province.

"Among the many other things that came up before the executive were the bylaws, which were materially altered, giving greater representation to the local organizations on the executive, and for a more perfect organization.

"All of the branch bodies of the association are now organizing for the winter session at which will be elected the officers for the coming year and delegates nominated for the next annual convention, which will be held at Victoria on February 22nd, 1904."

Mr. Keen further stated that the association is now more in earnest than ever in the determination to carry out objects for which it was organized and the convention will be asked to consider a proposition, which will be brought before it in complete shape, to incorporate the association under act of parliament, so as to make it a permanent and responsible body.

While in Kamloops the executive paid a visit to the Old Men's Home. There they found among the inmates many old acquaintances with whom pleasant memories of old times were renewed. After spending a pleasant hour there the members left a few samples of the manufacture of the Inland Cigar Co. and many wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, which were much appreciated by the old boys. The home is warm, clean and comfortable and every effort is made to make the inmates feel thoroughly at home by the superintendent.

Mr. Keen leaves for Kaslo this evening.

## WEST DUNCAN RAILWAY.

Survey Corps Moved to South Fork of Kaslo River.

The surveying corps of J. H. Gray, C.E., that has been surveying for the mono railway up to the west fork of the Duncan from Kootenay lake, has been moved to the south fork of the Kaslo river, says the Kaslo Kootenaian. Mr. Gray is now busily engaged in the necessary estimates as to the initiatory cost of the building of the proposed road. The terminus will be at South Fork, where large ore bunkers are to be erected, and gravity handling of the ore will, as far as possible, be utilized for the transfer to the Kaslo & Slocan railroad. The length of the line will be about twenty-eight miles and the tonnage already offered will prove a large source of revenue to the investing company without taking into consideration the many promising properties that the road will be the means of opening up and exploiting.

## NO TRUTH IN REPORT.

Lieut. Peary Has Not Secured a Vessel For Trip to the Pole.

New York, Nov. 28.—Among the passengers who arrived today on the steamer Philadelphia from Southampton and Cherbourg, were commander Robert E. Peary, lieutenant commander Sims, lieutenant Bisham, and surgeon Beyer, of the United States Naval service, who have been inspecting the barracks system of the British and German naval stations with a view of determining advisability of building similar barracks at the United States naval yards for the housing of seamen, to take place of receiving ships. Commander Peary said there was no truth in the report that he had negotiated for a ship for his next expedition to the Polar seas.

## SMALLER BOATS TO RACE.

Field Thinks a Less Expensive Type Should Be Encouraged.

London, Nov. 28.—The Field today discusses the American rating rules, which it thinks hit the scow type of yacht most severely, and doubts whether any new challenger or defender will closely resemble the Shamrock III. or the Reliance. The Field considers that the conditions will now be more attractive to British challengers and asks whether the cup challengers would not permit of a smaller vessel, seventy or seventy-five feet on the water line. Such a condition would mean that smaller and less expensive boats would be built and raced in home waters and the best one chosen to challenge for the America's cup. The new rules seem to encourage a more wholesome type of yacht.

## LOW RATES TO THE FAR EAST.

Freight to the Orient May Be Carried For One Dollar a Ton.

Vancouver, Nov. 27.—Unless the China Commercial company is prepared to throw up the sponge sooner, a $1 freight rate to the east from all Pacific coast points will come into force on January 1st, 1904. The China Commercial recently cut the rate from $5 to $3 in order to get freight for the return trip after landing coolies for the Mexican government. The San Francisco companies responded by dropping the rate to $1, and this will be made uniform by all lines if the China Commercial does not fall in line by January 1st. At present the rate from Portland, Puget Sound and Vancouver is $3 but by agreement the lines running out of these ports must stand by the Frisco people.

## JAPANESE OBJECT.

Russia Must Stop Sending Re-inforcements To the East.

Tokio, Japan, Nov. 28.—M. Oishi, a former minister of commerce and agriculture who lately visited Manchuria, has vehemently protested in a public speech against the incessant increase of the Russian forces in the far east. He declares it is necessary to suspend negotiations and demand an instant stoppage of the re-inforcements and in the event of a refusal to appeal to arms.

## DON CARLOS SATISFIED.

His Daughter's Separation From Her Husband Sanctioned.

Rome, Nov. 28.—Members of the Bourbon family have been assured by Don Carlos that he knows the true situation of his daughter, and that his relations with her are excellent. He says that he writes often to the princess and fully approves the project for her separation from her hubsand, prince Frederick. Princess Alice, after a consultation with her brother, prince James, telegraphed to a leading Rome newspaper protesting against the scandal news published concerning her.

## MINERS WILL MEET.

Plans to Render Strikes Effective Are to Be Discussed.

Denver, Colo., Nov. 28.—The executive board of the Western Federation of Miners has been called by president Moyer to meet here next week. The various strikes in which the federation is involved will be discussed and plans outlined to make them more formidable and bring them to a successful termination.

## SHERBROOKE IN DARKNESS.

Magog River Is Too Low to Operate the Light Plant.

Sherbrooke, Quebec, Nov. 27.—Sherbrooke is in darkness these nights owing to law water in Magog river, which is at the lowest point in the memory of the oldest inhabitants. The light plant is supplied from power on this river, as are several large mills, which have been compelled to either close down completely or partially suspend operations. The situation is most serious and there is no prospect of its being amended until the fall of rains. The farmers are greatly hampered by drought.

## JOHNSON TO BE SPEAKER.

Winnipeg, Nov. 28.—James Johnson, member for Turtle Mountain, will be speaker in the new Manitoba house.

## NEW YORK FASHION LETTER

New York, Nov. 28.—The day of the inexpensive gown has arrived. By this is not meant that one can get a pretty frock for a mere song, but now that the first rush of the season is over it is possible to gain several really artistic effects at a cost within the reach of the average woman.

The imitations of expensive fabrics are improving. Manufacturers have profited by early mistakes and the materials now purchaseable at medium prices no longer have the really counterfeit appearance.

For instance a very pretty albatross of nun's veiling can be had for thirty-nine cents a yard in all of the fashionable colorings of the season. Built over an imitation silk lining, though a genuine silk ruffle on the petticoat is a necessity—such a dress should not cost a great deal.

A dainty shade of eminence blue is developed upon charmingly simple lines. The skirt is a plaited affair fitting closely over the hips, with a yoke effect and a straight panel down the front. Toward the bottom it slopes outward where it falls long and full over the feet, dipping slightly at the back. Instead of the usual bodice, the waists show an Eton effect, coming to the waistline and having a deep plain yoke of the albatross laid in folds and piped with a darker shade of satin. The folds continue down the waist at the back and extend into two little tails below the belt line. The front is box plaited and comes below the waist. It opens over a full fall of heavy lace, not necessarily expensive, giving a blouse effect over a girdle of blue satin.

The sleeves are tight below the elbow becoming very full and loose at the wrist where they are caught into deep turnover cuffs.

Many of the stores are offering remnants of satin in the fashionable shades for a half dollar, that sold for twice as much at the beginning of the season and the same is true of silks. Such bargains relegate to the year the old joke about women shoppers who never buy, for such reductions are too great a temptation to let go by, and many who may not need the materials at present buy them and put them away for another season.

There are also many pretty trimmings in the shops varying from twenty-five cents a yard upward. Fagoting, which is always a pretty decoration comes at ten cents a year in all colors. This, with French knots and a few medallions of inexpensive lace makes a pretty garniture for a simple imitation volle frock. The skirt is a fifteen gored affair made with a yoke over the hips. This yoke is formed of transverse tucks alternated with bands of fagoting arranged in the same way. The scalloped effect gained by this arrangement is finished by another band of fagoting, which joins the skirt with the yoke. Fagoting, alternated with French knots trims the seams and a three-inch hem finishes the bottom of the skirt. A pretty substitute for French knots is tiny little buttons covered with the dress material or satin in a darker shade.

The bodice carries out the same idea of the skirt, but has a yoke of lace over satin. The French knots are smuggled through the pattern of the lace to add to the daintiness of the effect. Finishing the yoke is a flounce of the volle, unpretentiously finished with a tiny hem headed with a row of the fagoting.

The sleeves show a pretty effect. From the shoulders to the elbows the tops are tucked in the transverse fashion of the hip-yoke. Below this there is a graduated frill falling over a close fitting cuff of satin and lace that reaches to the elbow.

A girdle of satin pointed at the front and extending several inches up the back confines the waist.

Entire taffeta gowns have been revived with a furore hardly expected at this season. Brown is used to carry out a very dainty design. The blouse has a deep yoke smocked half way down; from this the silk falls into a high pointed girdle, which encircles the waist. It is buttoned up the back and has a smocked high stock around the neck. The sleeves have a wide row of smocking just between the elbow and top, from whence they fall very full, caught into cuffs also of smocking.

In fact the smocking is the only trimming on the dress and affords a delightful change from lace and embroidery. The skirt has a deep hip yoke of it and below the yoke falls very full all the way round, with three deep tucks running vertically around it at the bottom.

Corresponding with the dress is a big brown hat turned up a trifle at one side with a long plume shading from deep brown to white, curling over the brim. Brown satin rosettes nestle against the hair.

At the theatres there are seen some very pretty head dresses this season. With blondes, wreaths of ivy or autumn leaves are favorites, while flowers seem to be the fad among brunettes, popies, scarlet lobelia and purple pansies being selected to magnify their charms. It is almost impossible to give any particular spot in which to place these decorations, for styles of hair dressing are as varied as the shapes of faces and each must study her own style before attempting floral garniture. Wherever it is possible a flower should be nestled at the back of the ears, one on either side forming a pretty decoration.

Evening coats of white taffeta are very pretty. They are interlined with flannel for warmth and lined with inexpensive silk or imitation silk. A deep collar of lace is the only trimming required, but in many instances the coats are faced with white velvet to which tiny tails are appliqued to imitate the effect of ermine.

The long coats of walking dresses are being rounded away at the front for all the world like a man's cutaway. The manishness of the design, however, is offset by two or three circular ruffles around the shoulders finished with fancy silk braid.

The white and light shades of kid gloves which are indispensable on account of the number of light dresses worn are at once a delight and despair to the woman of fashion. While they add much to the smartness of a toilette, they soil easily even with extreme care. However, the economical woman may clean her gloves easily by putting them in a self-sealing bottle filled with gasoline; the bottle is sealed and shaken for a time; after standing for a few hours it is shaken again. When the gloves are taken out and rubbed with a flannel cloth they will be as clean as new.

Much time and thought are expended upon mourning costumes which were never so smart as this year. Flowers made of crepe are a favorite trimming, but for these the simplest blooms are selected, such as the daisy, wild rose or single violet.

Spiders of dull silk threads set in squares of crepe are also pretty. This idea may be reproduced in trimmings for colored gowns with excellent results.

Fashionable footgear will include dull leather shoes with no tips and glaced patent leather. The ornate buckles affected last winter and in the early spring will not be revived by women who wear low shoes throughout the winter. However pretty, they are not in good taste for the street and smack of cheapness.

Bands of plaid silk are pretty for simple frocks of serge or beige, especially when the skirts are arranged in tiers. These bands come by the yard and can be purchased for a nominal sum.

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# NATURAL GAS IS PLENTIFUL

## SECTION AROUND STEVESTON ABOUNDS IN LUMINANT.

## DRILLING OF DEEP WELLS HAS BEEN STARTED.

[Special to The Daily News.]

New Westminster, Nov. 28.—Natural gas has been discovered at Steveston. Yesterday drilling was started, the drills being operated by the supply of gas from a hole eight feet deep, the only collector being a small gasometer. For 12 years it has been known that gas existed in the neighborhood of Steveston, but many thought it came from the boggy land, and when steps were taken to form a company it was found that the scheme had no financial backing, and nothing was done towards further investigation of the quantity of gas to be secured. A little over a year ago a small gasometer was put in a hole six feet deep. This gasometer was fitted with 12 jets each of 16 candle power, and these have burned continuously ever since without any pressure other than a small gasometer cap.

The quantity of gas constantly coming to the surface has been found to be very large and to extend over a considerable area of Lulu island. Steveston may yet be a town of note for other than its fish, as in many parts of the world natural gas is used to generate light, heat and power.

A company was formed about a year ago with a capital of $500,000, but when things materialized and the backing secured for sure, only $8,000 was forthcoming. The company could not work on this, as credit was refused them unless they had $10,00 in the bank. This was secured about a week ago, and on Friday last derricks and drills were erected over a hole eight feet deep, from which they are securing power enough to run the drills.

The heating power of this gas has been tested, and the following shows the superior quality of the Steveston gas. In the test it took 40 minutes with a supply of 12 cubic feet of New Westminster gas to raise one gallon of water to boiling point, while on the other hand five cubic feet of the Steveston gas raised the same amount of water to boiling point in 25 minutes. This test resulted in the raising of sufficient capital to float the company and start operations. This gas has in it hydro carbon, or a compound of such C. H. 4 methane or marsh gas and other substances which as yet are not known to be serviceable. But it has become evident that this issue of natural gas is much more valuable for heating than ordinary methane. Having oxygen present as C.O.H.4 known as methyl alcohol combustion will take place giving heat and light.

The best oil and gas is found at a depth of from 2000 to 3000 feet, and if Steveston gas will produce such power near the surface, what will be the power from a well of a depth of thousands? In some of the southeastern states natural gas is piped 20 and 30 miles from their wells to large cities in pipes varying in size from small half-inch to large 24-inch diameter. Around Pittsburg the gas used daily displaces the consumption of 25,000 tons of coal. For smelting only coal supercedes gas, as the latter leads in cleanliness, cheapness and ease in handling in everything but smelting.

Let those who are interested look at the maps of this part of the country and see the coal bearing district of Vancouver island and all the coast coal belts and they will consider it only natural that around the mouth of the Fraser river coal should be found in abundance, especially as it is a well known fact that all the land in this part is alluvial and very recent.

Coal oil and gas are all liable to be found in these crests of the earth's folds as they are as a rule in the same class. Should petroleum be found in boring, then gas will no doubt be in the near neighborhood.

While plowing in a field on Lulu island last week A. M. Herring came across anthracite coal, which is also a valuable find.

### BETTER THAN A PLASTER.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the affected parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with lame back, or pains in the side or chest, give it a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. For sale by all druggists and dealers.

### WOULD NOT BE GALVANIZED.

A son of Erin, who keeps a saloon close to several of the big rolling mills down in Wilmington, has been beaten out of several liquor bills lately, and in nearly every case it has been a millman who refused to pay up on pay day. He does a big credit business, and while nearly all of the men are honest and pay up, there are some who won't pay. Among his customers from the mills are ruffers, rollers, puddlers and heaters and he has been beaten by at least one of every kind mentioned. The other day a stranger walked in and asked the proprietor, who happened to be behind the bar, to trust him for some drinks until pay day, at the same time telling him that he had just got a job at the mill. "What do you do?" asked the proprietor. "I am a galvanizer," the man replied. That was a new one on the saloon keeper, who looked the customer over from head to foot and remarked, "Look here, me boy; I've been heated, puddled, ruffed and rolled, but I'll be d—d if I'll be galvanized!"—Philadelphia Record.

### TELEGRAPHED WITHOUT BATTERY

Electricity Was Supplied from Aurora Borealis.

The Northern Pacific telegraph department has telegraphed a distance of 650 mines without batteries, says the St. Paul Tribune. Recently, when the aurora borealis display was on, electrical waves were noticed as early as 7 o'clock by superintendent Green and assistant superintendent Dildine, of the system. They decided to experiment with the atmosphere as a current and accordingly had the lines opened from St. Paul to Dickinson, North Dakota, with the batteries along the line removed. The electricity was taken from the atmosphere during the disturbance, which lasted 20 hours and was the greatest since 1875. Superintendent Green says:

"The greatest range shown was 370 degrees swinging from the negative to the positive polarity. The greatest pressure at any time was 300 volts registered by the voltmeter. Both millimeters and voltmeters were used in the experiments. We found that the electricity from the overcharged atmosphere registered from 23 millimeters positive back to the same figure negative. A wire leading to Dickinson, North Dakota was cleared of all battery and other artificial current and subjected to the atmospheric tests. This line is 666 miles long and was successfully operated numerous times by using only the electricity which descended from the skies.

"A pale green light shot forth at stated intervals toward the earth. Each time these points descended it charged the electric wires all over the country to such a degree that communication was stopped for a time and disturbed for many hours.

The electric waves came with the regularity of pendulum movements. They lasted about three minutes each. They swung from negative to positive polarity, in almost perfect rhythm, and our instruments showed a maximum intensity of 370 volts. When the current was at its maximum, positive polarity, we could talk to Dickinson very easily by using the regular Morse code. As the pendulum swung back to the negative pole the sounds from the instruments became fainter and fainter until the pressure came back. Our voltmeter was not of a high register, 300 volts being its limit. How much higher it would have registered can only be conjectured. The disturbance commenced at 2 o'clock Saturday morning and lasted until midnight on Sunday, a total duration of 20 hours. It was one of the most remarkable atmospheric disturbances that has come within my knowledge for thirty years."

### WAKEFUL CHILDREN.

For a long time the two year old child of Mr. P. L. McPherson, 59 N. Tenth St., Harrisburg, Pa., would sleep but two or three hours in the early part of the night, which made it very hard for her parents. Her mother concluded that the child had stomach trouble, and gave her half of one of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, which quieted her stomach and she slept the whole night through. Two boxes of these Tablets have effected a permanent cure and she is now well and strong. For sale by all druggists and dealers.

### PLACER SILVER.

Account of the Only Deposit Known to Mining Men.

Placer silver is a doubted material, many experts believing that there is no such thing as placer silver. However, there is owned by W. M. Johnson, of Chicago, a specimen of silver that has every appearance of being of placer origin, and furthermore, Mr. Johnson holds reliable proofs that what he claims for his specimen is correct. Near Moreles, Sinola, Mexico, 20 years ago, a couple of Englishmen opened up a bed of silver at the base of a foothill, and for a distance of 250 feet with a width varying from 2 to 18 inches, in what was properly the bed of a small stream, lay the silver. The silver was mostly native and songey and all the treatment necessary was that it was thrown into barrels half filled with water, the barrels shaken, and the silver was separated from the gangue. It is said that inside of six months this deposit netted its discoverers over a million dollars in silver. That this was a silver placer property is most evident, and is doubtless the only one ever discovered. Here was the silver spread over the bed of an ancient stream, right on and near the surface, and the method of mining was similar to gold placer, viz., washing to separate the heavier metal from the foreign substance. That the deposit was a freak of nature is permissible, and that more data pertaining to the find is not to be had is a deplorable fact.

### SPENT OVER $2,000 DOCTORING.

Mr. Joseph Pominville, of Stillwater, Minn., after having spent over $2,000 with the best doctors for stomach trouble, without relief, was advised to try a box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. He did so, and is a well man today. For sale by all druggists and dealers.

### ALL ABOUT BREATH.

An extraordinary essay on breath is quoted as having been written by a schoolboy who has attended a course of lectures in physiology:

"Breath is made of air. We breathe with our lungs, our lights, our livers, and our kidneys. If it wasn't for our breath we should die when we slept. Our breath keeps the life going through the nose when we are asleep. Boys that stay in a room all day should not breathe. They should wait till they get outdoors. Boys in a room make carbonicide. Carbonicide is more poisonous than mad dogs. A heap of soldiers was in a black hole in India and carbonicide got in that black hole and killed nearly every one afore morning. Girls kill the breath with corsets that squeeze the diagram. Girls can't run and holler like boys because their diagram is squeezed too much. If I was a girl I would rather be a boy, so I could run and holler and have a good big diagram.—Ex.

### A TIMELY SUGGESTION.

This is the season of the year when the prudent and careful housewife replenishes her supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is certain to be needed before the winter is over, and results are much more prompt and satisfactory when it is kept at hand and given as soon as the cold is contracted and before it has become settled in the system. In almost every instance a severe cold may be warded off by taking this remedy freely as soon as the first indication of the cold appears. There is no danger in giving it to children, for it contains no harmful substance. It is pleasant to take—both adults and children like it. Buy it and you will get the best. It always cures. For sale by all dealers and druggists.

### WILL IMPROVE SANTIAGO.

Santiago de Cuba, Nov. 27—The Cuban congress has passed a measure providing for the expenditure of $5,000,000 for the drainage and sewering of Santiago.

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### A DESPERATE HIGHWAYMAN.

Williamsport, Pennsylvania, Nov. 27.—H. L. Haner, a Pennsylvania railway brakeman, was held up and robbed by a masked man near Wilcox today while his train was running at the rate of 40 miles an hour. He was covered with a revolver in the hands of a man on a box car and compelled to give up his watch and money. The robber escaped by jumping from the train.

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The machinery can be seen in the said sawmill at Fernie, B.C., or intending purchasers may see blue print of said mill at the office of the Waterous Engine Works Co., Ltd., Molson's Bank Building, Vancouver, B.C., or at the head office Brantford, Ont.
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Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next sittings of the board of license commissioners for the city of Nelson, to be held after the expiration of thirty days from the date hereof, for a license to sell intoxicating liquors at the Kootenaland Hotel, Vernon Street, Block 66, Lot 10, in the city of Nelson.

J. V. O'LOUGHLIN.

Dated this 5th day of November, 1903.

## THE GREATEST GOLD MINES

BIGGEST IS THE HOMESTAKE IN SOUTH DAKOTA.

NEXT LARGEST IS THE ALASKA-TREADWELL.

The biggest gold producing mine in the world is at Homstake, in South Dakota. It is one of the poorest, relatively, as the ore yields only about $3.60 per ton; but against this the costs are only $2.40 per ton. At present the quantity of ore treated in a year is 1,400,000 tons, that is, with 90 stamps, but 200 more are going to be added. The output from Homestake now is over 20,000 oz. fine gold a month, but in a year or two it should be a great deal more.

There are a number of mines which earn better profits than the Homestake, but none approach it in size. The next largest is the Alaska Treadwell, on Douglas island, Alaska. The mine has 540 stamps, but all of these can only run for part of the year, owing to the scarcity of water. We may place the average yearly output at 600,00 tons. This ore yields barely $2 a ton, which shows the Alaska Treadwell to be the lowest grade of the world's gold mines, but owing to exceptional facilities the total working costs are only $1.20 a ton. As an actual producer of gold the Treadwell stands far down the list, but the mine is today probably in a far sounder condition than ever before. It has paid $5,000,000 in dividends.

I have made out an approximate estimate of the world's 30 biggest gold producers as at present, and this is given in the accompanying table:

Greatest gold producing mines, their locality and monthly yield:

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| Homestake, South Dakota | $425,000 |
| Simmer and Jack, Transvaal | 390,000 |
| Boulder Perseverance, W. Aust. | 315,000 |
| Robinson, Transvaal | 310,000 |
| Golden Horseshoe, W. Australia | 300,000 |
| Champion Reef, India | 300,000 |
| Rose Deep, Transvaal | 290,000 |
| Mysore, India | 275,000 |
| Waihi, New Zealand | 255,000 |
| Golden Huis Deep, Transvaal | 255,000 |
| Portland, Colorado | 250,000 |
| Mount Morgan, Queenstown | 250,000 |
| Great Fingall, West Aust. | 240,000 |
| Crown Reef, Transvaal | 235,000 |
| Village Main Reef, Transvaal | 230,000 |
| Crown Deep, Transvaal | 250,000 |
| City and Suburban, Transvaal | 230,000 |
| Great Boulder, West Australia | 225,000 |
| Ferreira, Transvaal | 220,000 |
| Oroya-Brownhill, West Aust. | 220,000 |
| Ivanhoe, West Australia | 220,000 |
| Ferreira Deep, Transvaal | 210,000 |
| Golkenhuis Estate, Transvaal | 205,000 |
| Angelo, Transvaal | 190,000 |
| Langlaagte Estate, Transvaal | 180,000 |
| Robinson Deep, Transvaal | 175,000 |
| Camp Bird, Colorado | 170,000 |
| New Primrose, Transvaal | 170,000 |
| May Consolidated, Transvaal | 165,000 |
| Glen Deep, Transvaal | 160,000 |

—J. H. C. in Kamloops Sentinel.

### WEALTH AND BIRTH.

An English Duke Has a Money Value in the United States.

The London Daily News: "The scene in New York at the wedding of the duke of Roxburghe and Miss May Goelet shows that an English duke still has his money value as a show in the United States. We are often told by Mr. Carnegie and others who live in England in order to lecture to us on our institutions, that the Americans are very superior to the English in regard to matters like snobbery. But it would seem to distant English onlookers that the chief difference lies in the fact that our American cousins have a double dose of snobbery, which extends both to wealth and birth. This double current comes to a meeting point when an English duke marries the daughter of an American millionaire. It is all very well for Mr. Carnegie to say that it is only a small set in New York that goes in for this form of worship. But we read in the telegrams of 'great crowds' watching the bride and bridegroom off, and of hosts of women fighting to get into the church. We cannot say that such exhibitions reflect any more credit on New York life than the return of Tammany at the recent elections. The prodigious display of lavish luxury, the immense expenditure on rare flowers, the outlay of £250,000 on presents—all these are the outward and visible signs of capricious and irresponsible wealth. Mr. Carnegie bids us contrast the manners of the two nations—the respect for mere birth in the one, and for efficiency in the other. But every nation has its idols. If England has an excessive admiration for ancient lineage, America has an equally passionate devotion to wealth. We both have our virtues, but it is best not to boast over one another. America is just as likely to be ruined in the long run by her worship of the almighty dollar as we are by our picturesque but comparatively innocent passion for old families."

### MINING FAIRY STORIES.

A Few of the Brands Kept in Stock by Fakirs.

Because mining is remunerative; because it is safer than industrials, don't be deceived into believing that all advertised mines are what they are supposed to be.

For example: There are the mines that were discovered by old Indians, who had more knowledge of roots and tomahawks than they had of ore.

There is the mine that has ore running $90,000 per ton on the average and can be quarried like a sand pile.

Then there's the mine that has a vein 2000 feet wide and that is nothing but ore—no waste rock in it.

There is also the mine that can be developed in two months.

Theer is also the mine that contains some metal that has never been found in that district before.

And there are other mines with equally romantic stories about them.

There is just one kind of mine that is safe to invest in, and that is the one that has been located by men who understand their business, and that is being opened in a manner that will produce results. In other words, there must be the property and the men back of it. Those men must be in the business to produce wealth from what the mine yields.

Ignorant old Indians are not discovering mines. If they were gifted that way a great many properties would have been developed before the white man spoiled things. The natives that did find gold got it from placers, and then only from the surface.

Don't be deceived by pretty stories. It is as unreasonable to expect mining to be remunerative except through hard work and knowledge as it is to look for a millionaire to build a factory and give it to strangers. There must always be "value received," and if the investor will look well to securing his dues he may rest assured that the company will not be defrauded. Investigation is the most harped on and the least heeded course in deciding upon investment.—Consolidated Mining Reports.

## ACROSS GREAT SALT LAKE

A ROADWAY THAT COST THIRTEEN MILLION DOLLARS.

ONE OF THE WONDERFUL ENGINEERING FEATS OF THE AGE.

The announcement published in the press dispatches that the last rail had been laid on the Great Salt lake cutoff brings to mind the fact that this has been one of the greatest and most daring feats in modern railway engineering, says the Butte Miner.

The Ogden-Lucin cutoff consists of 106 miles of new track, nearly half of which extends across the Great Salt lake, the mysterious dead sea of Utah, and is part of the scheme of president E. H. Harriman for the rectification of the main line of the Southern Pacific. Invitations have been issued to the shareholders of the Harriman system of railroads to inspect this stupendous piece of work on November 20th, when it is proposed to haul a train across the inland sea, and, incidentally, furnish an object lesson in what can be done by up-to-date railroad engineers.

When the last pile has been driven and the last rail laid, the wonderful cutoff is yet by no means complete. The amount of work to be done will take possibly eighteen months more, and when it is eventually completed it is estimated that the Southern Pacific will have put the sum of $13,000,000 into the new line. Within another six months, however, the running time between Ogden and San Francisco will have been cut down by fully two hours, for heavy passenger trains that now spend more than four hours in covering the 146 miles mountainous road around the north end of the lake from Ogden to Lucin, will reach the same destination over a railroad which is laid straight across the lake, 40 miles shorter, almost level, and to all intents and purposes straight.

MOUNTAINS CUT DOWN.

In order to accomplish this feat, mountains have been removed and dumped into the lake, until today the grade extends from shore to shore and is wide enough for the accommodation of a double track if necessary. This grade rises out of the water to the height of from 14 to 16 feet. Below the water there are from three inches to thirty feet hidden, the grade sloping away easily on either side to the bottom. For almost the entire distance piles were driven and temporary and permanent trestle work erected. Modern engineering methods have been revolutionized in building this wonderful cutoff. Huge piles 60 feet long have been driven into the bed of the lake, spliced four on top of each other in order to get through the false bottom. The problems encountered have been stupendous. Places have been encountered in the lake where there seemed no end at all to the ooze and no solid foundation on which to build the grade. In one place a great sinkhole was encountered which has been named the "bottomless pit." A veritable mountain of rock was dumped into the lake at this point; then a cribbing of sawed ties was tried, but the quagmire swallowed up 40,000 ties before the scheme was abandoned for another. The track continues to settle, but the engineers believe that they have mastered the problem.

WORK DONE IN SECRECY.

From time to time reports of the work have leaked out, but the Southern Pacific has taken every precaution to keep the outside world from knowing just what has been going on during the past eighteen months on the Great Salt lake. Time and time again reporters in the guise of laborers have attempted to get work, but they have been detected and turned back. Every precaution has been taken to prevent the press from publishing anything concerning the work. The reason for this was the uncertainty of the ultimate success of the huge undertaking that has existed in the minds of the promoters since the first month after they began to delve into the mysteries of the conquest of the Dead sea of America.

TWENTY-EIGHT MILES OF PILING

To attempt to give figures of the cubic yards of rock and feet of timber that go to make up the grade of the Ogden-Lucin cutoff would be impossible. Beneath the false bottom of the lake are hills, canyons and dales that have been filled with salt of ages from the Bear and Jordan rivers that flow into the lake. Once the thin upper crust is cracked a rock weighing tons slowly sinks, more follow, until the grade is built to the required height, and then the rock train moves on and repeats the operation while the grade continues to steadily sink. It can be readily seen that there is not another filling proposition anywhere of like magnitude. For 14 miles it extends out into the lake from the east shore, until the water reaches the depth of 25 feet. Out from the west shore the filling extends for some three miles, to where the water is of a depth too great to permit of further filling. The intervening space is closed up with strongly built open trestle work. In all, 28 miles of piling have been driven.

FORESTS TRANSPLANTED.

Veritable forests have been transplanted in the lake, and for over a year past seven huge steam shovels, each lifting five cubic yards of dirt at a dip, have been working night and day, loading up the grading trains that dump their contents over either side of the temporary trestle. The immense weight of these long trains made it imperative that the temporary trestle be built in a manner that would not permit it to buckle under the strain. This has all been filled in so that the roadbed is absolutely solid.

Shipwrights were brought from the lakes and the Pacific coast to build the necessary stern wheelers and tugs for the towing of the huge rafts of lumber and material. At stated intervals storms have arisen on the lake and washed the gigantic piles out of the booms, setting them adrift and turning them into huge battering rams that played havoc with the work and the floating bunkhouses of the men.

3,000 EMPLOYEES.

About 3,000 men have been given constant employment on the cutoff since it was first started. These men earned on an average $2.50 a day, which means a monthly payroll of $25,000. They consumed daily two carloads of provisions. The laborers earned every dollar they made, for, owing to the excessive saline properties of the water in which they worked, the slightest scratch would have become a festering sore. Rubber boots were of no avail, for they speedily rot under the action of this water.

Despite the fact that a number of engines, cars and even several trains have been dumped accidentally into the lake during the progress of the work of construction, the loss of life has been exceedingly small. The great engineering feat has been an assured success and will be a lasting monument to chief engineer Hood, of the Southern Pacific, and Horace G. Burt, president of the Union Pacific, who first planned the huge undertaking and then persuaded E. H. Harriman to allow them to go ahead with the daring scheme to shorten up the line from east to west on the Harriman transcontinental system.

## CRUDE PLANTS IN MEXICO

ANCIENT AND MODERN WORK SIDE BY SIDE.

VERY GOOD WORK DONE BY THE PATIO PROCESS.

One of the most marked features of the Mexican mining districts is the constant recurrence of crude plants constructed by Mexicans and Indians for the treatment of gold, silver, lead and copper ores, says A. W. Warwick in the Mining Reporter. Many of these plants are of fair size and from all obtainable evidence they do good work. Made out of local material, with perhaps not a nail or piece of iron in the plant, it is little short of marvellous that such excellent work is done. Rough and crude as these appliances may be, yet we must remember that they are adding $20,000,000 to $30,000,000 per annum to the wealth of the world and that keen, progressive business men are using the old appliances (improved, perhaps, in construction) side by side with strictly first-class modern machinery. Let us concede, then, that the processes have a possible field of utility and that it is worth while to at least investigate them. Let us take first the patio process.

I suppose that most of my readers know how the patio process is conducted. Briefly sketched, it is worked by grinding the ore in arrastras, stamps of Chilian mills. The crushed material is collected in large settlers and conveyed, usually in hand barrows, to a large paved courtyard (the patio). In the patio the mud is spread out thinly (about nine inches) in a more or less circular shape, reaching sometimes 50 feet in diameter, but usually 30 to 40 feet. In fact a gigantic mud pie is made.

Blindfolded animals are turned on the pile and are gently trotted around in a circle, a barefooted peon hopping around with them. Magistral or copper sulphate is added, together with mercury. Men with shovels are turned loose on the pile and vigorously turn it over, and in well regulated patios they "work." Mules horses or oxen are again trotted over the pie, or, as the Mexicans call it, the torta (the cake) until the chemicals are incorporated. The torta is allowed to rest a day or so, is again turned over and tramped, and so on for about three weeks. When the azoguero judges the work is complete, the mud is washed, the amalgam recovered, retorted and the bullion shipped.

A crude process is it not? Yet we modern metallurgists can not work it without an apprenticeship! Nor can we excel it by any modern method of treatment when it comes to saving the metallic contents of ores. Crude as it seems, it has added possibly seven or eight billions of dollars to the wealth of the world.

But it may be urged such a process is an anachronism and is too slow. Do we not see anachronisms every day in the week right here at home? I suppose most of us have laughed at the sight of a gilt and lacquered automobile being hauled away to a repair shop by a couple of horses. Similar ridiculous sights (apparent, not real) may be seen in Mexico. Imagine going into an hacienda where the patio process is in operation and finding the plant brilliantly illuminated at night by the arc light; to see the ore being crushed by a modern California stamp mill, which is operated by a high class Corliss engine, and to see finally a splendidly equipped machine shop to take care of repairs! People who go in for high class modern machinery are not fools and if they retain the the patio it is prima facie evidence that it is because it has merits no other process possesses.

Nor is one's amazement lessened at learning that a modern custom leaching mill can not compete with the patio. For in the same district a fine Runel process mill is standing idle more than half the time whilst the patio works every day in the year. Finally, in the district the smelters have reduced charges in order to get ore. So we see that in a locality where excellent transportation facilities exist, close to smelters and custom mills, the patio can and does survive.

In other parts of Mexico the arrastras and Chilian mills, grinding ore for the patio, can even be seen driven by electric motors.

Finally, we are driven to admit that the Mexican, simple and ignorant as we may deem him, knows a thing or two when it comes to treating ore. In some things we can learn from him, and miners and metallurgists who intend to operate in Mexico can do very much less foolish things than to study how the Mexican miner and metallurgist does his work.


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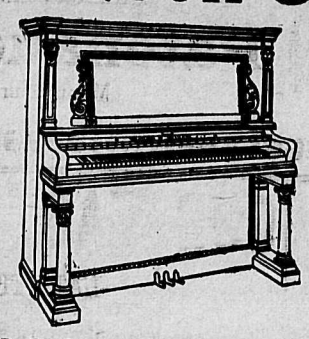

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### ANOTHER OPEN LETTER.

Messrs. W. A. Macdonald, P. Lamont, R. W. Hannington, T. F. Stoddart, H. G. Neelands, J. Elliot and R. S. Lennie:

Gentlemen,—Your open letter of the 26th inst. received, and I regret you have seen fit to withdraw your names from nomination as members of the executive committee of the association.

Your resignations are accepted, although the excuse given seems very flimsy, considering that Mr. Elliot, presumably in the interests of the signers of this letter, asked that the hatchet be buried and that eight of his friends be allowed on the executive committee. This proposal was thought by those who fought and won the election, without any assistance from, and with the active opposition of some of the signers of this letter, to be unreasonable, unless at the open meeting it was found you had the confidence of the party. Your present action would seem to show that you think the Liberal-Conservative Association have no wish to place you in any position of trust in the party; yet I am satisfied that had you explained your position at the meeting showing you were willing to let bygones be bygones and worked in future to the best interest of the liberal-conservative party in Nelson, you would have received your full share of the "responsibilities of office.

Yours truly,
FRED A. STARKEY,
President Lib.-Conservative Assn.

### CHURCH SERVICES TODAY.

Anglican—St. Saviour's church, corner of Ward and Silica street. Rev. F. H. Graham, rector. Advent Sunday: 8 a.m. holy communion; 11 a.m. morning prayer and holy communion; 2.30 p.m., Sunday school; 7.30 p.m., evensong.

Catholic—Church of Mary Immaculate, corner of Ward and Mill streets. Low mass at 8 a.m., high mass at 10.30 a.m., evening service at 7.30. Rev. Father Althoff, priest.

Methodist Church—Corner of Silica and Josephine streets. Morning service at 11; evening service at 7.30; Sunday school at 2.30 p.m. Rev. W. W. Baer will preach at both morning and evening services. Subject of morning sermon "Repelling the devil," subject of evening sermon "Faults of the church.

Emmanuel Congregational Church—E. H. H. Holman, pastor. Services 11 a.m.; 7.30 p. m.; Bible school 12 noon.

Baptist Church—Stanley street near Mill. Morning service at 11 a.m.; evening service at 7.30; Sunday school at 2.30 p.m. Rev. J. Walker will preach at both services.

Presbyterian—St. Paul's, corner of Victoria and Kootenay sts. Services at 11 a.m. 7.30 p.m.; Sunday school at 2.30 p.m.

Salvation Army—Barracks on Victoria street, west of Josephine. The following services will be held today: Knee drill 7 a.m.; holiness meeting 11 a.m.; a praise meeting at 3 p.m.; Salvation meeting at 8 p.m.

### MINORITY DISAGREES.

Plenty of Labor in South Africa Without Importing Chinks.

Cape Town, Nov. 28.—The report of the minority members of the labor commission contends there is sufficient labor in Central and Southern Africa to meet all requirements and that the so called shortage is due to temporary causes.

## THE HUNTER V DEAL OLOSED

GROUP OWNED BY B. C. STANDARD MINING CO.

THE CONSIDERATION $50,000.—AN ALLURING PROPOSITION.

The final payment has been made on the famous Hunter V. group of seven claims, and that property has passed into the hands of the B. C. Standard Mining Co. The group was bonded a year since by William Davis to the Standard Development Syndicate, which was organized by J. J. Campbell. The bond given was in the nature of a working bond with payments at intervals. The B. C. Standard Mining Co., however, took over the property from the Standard Development Syndicate and now, by paying the several sums due in payments running for a year, has acquired the property. The entire consideration was $50,000.

The Hunter V. group is located near Ymir and has a large ledge. Four hundred tons of ore from the property was shipped to the Hall Mines smelter last winter and that from the Hunter V. claim averaged 20 1-2 oz. in silver and a little gold, while the ore from the Double Standard went 32 oz. in silver and $3 in gold to the ton.

The ledge on the group is an immense one carrying a vast quantity of ore. The ledge on the Double Standard, where considerable work has been done, is 80 feet wide, and on the Hunter V. it is 60 feet in width. It is believed by quarrying and underground development that the ore from wall to wall can be shipped to the smelter without sorting it. It is anticipated that the cost of mining, tramming and smelting will not exceed $4 or $5 per ton, on account of the high percentage of lime that it carries.

From the upper shaft, which is inclined, the ore will be taken out by means of a gasoline engine. It will be sent from here in a two-bucket tramway a distance of 1800 feet to the upper terminal of the larger aerial tramway. This tramway is two and a half miles in length and will deliver the ore to the railway. The intention is, just as soon as the aerial tramway is completed, to begin the shipments at the rate of 100 tons of ore per day. This quantity will be increased from time to time, as the development progresses.

The capital of the B. C. Standard Mining Co. is $200,000, divided into $1 shares. Of the entire stock, 76,000 shares are still in the treasury. No stock has been offered to the public. What funds required have been obtained by selling shares to the friends of stockholders. These include almost all of the mining engineers in this neighborhood and a number of the prominent business and professional men of Nelson, and some well known mining and smelting men of other places. There are some large shareholders in Toronto, England and Scotland. A good deal depends on the success of the B. C. Standard Mining Co., for if it turns out profitably it will result in a considerable renewal of confidence on the part of foreign investors in the mines of this province.

The officers of the company are: President, James Johnstone, late general manager for the Crow's Nest Coal company; J. J. Campbell, managing director, who is also the business manager of the Hall Mining & Smelting Co. Directors: J. Laing Stocks, manager of the Highland-Kootenay B. C. Mining Co.; Norman Carmichael, M. E., manager of the Highland Mining Co.; S. S. Fowler, M. E., general manager of the L. & B. C. Goldfields and other mining companies. A. D. Wheeler is superintendent. Mr. Wheeler was formerly the superintendent of the Whitewater mines and is one of the oldest residents of the district.

With such large ore bodies of a pay grade, cheap mining, cheap transportation and cheap smelting, it looks as though the Hunter V. is an alluring proposition and one which, if properly managed, should prove a source of profit to its shareholders. The names of the officers, directors and superintendent, are sufficient to guarantee the best and most careful management. Under their care the affairs of the company should soon be placed on a profit yielding basis.

### TREATY TO BE RATIFIED.

Delay Was Caused by Junta's Fear of Ridicule.

Panama, Nov. 27.—The slight opposition to the ratification of the canal treaty between the republic of Panama and the United States, which prevailed on the isthmus a day or two ago, now appears to have been overcome if not altogether. This opposition existed only among a few government officials. The plan by which the treaty was to be signed and dispatched to Washington on the day of its arrival here has been abandoned because it is feared that such rapidity of action might give the impression that the treaty had been hastily considered and thus lay the members of the junta open to criticism. It is absolutely certain, however, that the treaty will be ratified without the slightest opposition. In government circles here it is now said that the junta, as soon as the treaty has been ratified, will address a note to United States secretary of state Hay asking that $2,000,000 be paid in cash to the Panama government, and that $8,000,000 shall be transferred in such manner that it can be invested, the interest being payable to the Panama government.

It can be authoritatively said that the junta is still firmly opposed to undertaking the responsibility for any portion of Colombia's foreign indebtedness.

### DISLIKED A NICKNAME.

Admiral John G. Walker, president of the isthmian canal commission, wears long Dundreary whiskers, which give him a familiar nickname in the navy. One day a young ensign entered his office, and in a cheerful tone addressed the colored messenger: "Hello, Bones, where's old Whiskers?" Before the conversation could proceed any further the admiral stepped out from behind the screen, drying his hands upon a towel, and remarked quietly to the young officer: "Take a seat; I'll be with you in one moment." As the floor did not open to swallow him up the ensign sank into the nearest chair with a heavy and remorseful heart. He had come to ask a favor of the man who assigned all officers to duty and had the power to send him to either a pleasant or a painful berth as he pleased. When the admiral reappeared and took his seat at the desk the young officer, with shaking limbs and flushed face, began to explain that he did not intend to be impertinent. "For you know, admiral," he stammered, "that the boys often call you 'Old Whiskers.' I hope you don't mind it." "Oh, no," answered the admiral, "I don't mind it, but if it's just the same to you I'd rather you'd call me John."

### ASKS FOR DISQUALIFICATION.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Toronto, Nov. 27.—A petition has been filed at Sault Ste Marie today against the return of Charles N. Smith, liberal M. L. A. The petition asks for disqualification.

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## NELSON'S NEWS OF THE DAY

Mrs. Melville Parry and Edgar Mason, of Nelson, will take part in the Scottish concert which is to be given at Ymir on Monday evening by the St. Andrew's society.

The St. Andrew's Day banquet takes place at the Strathcona hotel tomorrow evening. Tickets can be secured at the Strathcona by any who have not got them from the committee.

The corner of Ward and Vernon streets is probable one of the busiest in the city in the evening yet it is allowed to remain in pitch darkness except for such illumination as it gets from the lights of the post-office and the Hume hotel. An electric light is urgently needed at this point.

The liberal-conservative party held a meeting last evening for the election of the executive committee. The following were elected: S. S. Brydges, W. Blakemore, J. W. Holmes, J. Hepburn, J. A. Irving, W. Irvine J. A. Kirkpatrick, A. J. Marks, W. E. McCandlish, W J. McNab, A Thomas, R. Weir, W. Walmsley, A. T. Walley and W. Gosnell. The meeting was quiet and no business beyond the election was transacted.

A flying squirrel flew down F. C. Parkes flue in Fairview yesterday and caused considerable excitement in the house before it was captured. This is the third denizen of the air that has mixed up with Nelson real estate to its undoing. The first was a grouse, the second a pigeon and now comes a flying squirrel. Next in order would be a silver tip, but it is doubtful if a bear would venture into a C. P. R. town like Nelson for fear of being skinned.

Farewell meetings will be held in the Salvation army hall today, on the occasion of the approaching departure of ensign and Mrs. Wilkins for Victoria. On Monday evening there will be a social and musical meeting at the hall, and on Wednesday, the ensign and his wife will leave for their new post of work. They have been stationed at Nelson over a year, and during that time have made many friends, who will regret their departure.

At the Athabasca-Venus on Monday the sinking of a shaft from the No. 2 tunnel, about ninety feet from the surface will be begun. This shaft will be on new ground, following up a promising lead. An upraise was driven from the tunnel, about one hundred feet in, to the surface, where a hoisting plant has been installed. The shaft will be started immediately below this upraise. Work on the other portions of the mine is progressing most satisfactorily, and the outlook for the winter is very bright.

Some method should be devised during low water to prevent the sewer at the foot of Cedar street overflowing in the spring and backing up over the flat between the railway trestle and Front street. This has constituted a nuisance each year in the past, but since the flats are being used to store slabs it will be far worse in the future. If the thousands of cords of slabs that will be piled there by spring are allowed to soak in sewage for a month or so, all the disinfectants and deodorisers in town will not drown the smells that will arise from there in summer.

On Friday afternoon the menus for dinner were left lying on the office counter of one of the city hotels, where a well known business man who was feeling rather frisky at the time happened to notice them. Under the heading "Cold Meats" was written "Ham," and by the addition of the word "raw," on each menu he gave a very different meaning to the line. The writing was so skilfully imitated that the alteration was not discovered till the menus were placed on the tables, when the author of the mischief was the subject of some vigorous and expressive language.

The Relief society will be glad to receive contributions of money, provisions or clothing to enable it to carry on the winter's work. Anyone knowing of deserving cases should notify the president of the society, Mrs. J. Laing Stocks, or any of the members of the committee, Mesdames W. J. Wilson, Rutherford, W. O. Rose, P. Shaw, J. Sturgeon, H. Bird, H. Gouchier, A. L. McCulloch, W. W. Beer, and P. Lamont. The system used so successfully by the society last year will be used again this, the objects being to see that no deserving case is neglected and to prevent overlapping. While there are few people in the city needing assistance of this sort, it occasionally happens that destitute families drift in from outside points, and need temporary help through sickness or other cause.

### PLACER MINING.

Theis Company Sinking a Shaft, Putting in Wire Cable, Etc.

Considerable interest has been aroused at Perry creek, by the Theis company, who are now engaged in sinking a shaft to bedrock, says the Fort Steele Prospector. The placer ground in the vicinity of "Old Town" is known to be very rich in yellow gold.

It is planned by the Kootenay Perry Gold Mining company to continue exploratory operations on their property all winter. A wire cable is now being extended from the wagon road to the camp, and will be used in the transportation of supplies and machinery.

Several Chinese outfits who have been working in the bed of Wild Horse creek, this summer have done well. It is said that the average pay has been about $5 per man.

The Ban Quan company, who have been operating on Wild Horse creek, only made a partial clean-up this fall owing to the sudden cold wave, which filled the boxes with ice.

Wild Horse and Perry creeks have been worked to their fullest capacity during the past summer.

The numerous companies operating in southeast Kootenay, on Wild Horse, Perry creek and Bull river, intend making extensive preparations during the winter months, so as to have in readiness all supplies, etc., so that when next season's operation begin there will be no delay.

JEWELRY

WE have a very large selection of all kinds of small Jewelry in Sterling and Gold. Prices ranging from 30 cents up. We guarantee all to give entire satisfaction, These lines are finding great favor with the children. Come early as we are already being pressed.

Patenaude Bros.
Manufacturing Jewelers.

In order to have satisfactory results when Baking, the ingredients that are used must be good, must be pure.

To be forewarned is to be forearmed, and to insure success let us have your order for Raisins, Currants, Peels, Spices, etc., and everything that is necessary in the formula of Xmas mysterious preparations.

T. S. McPherson
Groceries and Provisions.
Telephone call No. 10.

NOTICE

S. B. HODGSON

Wishes to notify the people of Nelson that he has opened a shoe store next door to G. Stanley's on Baker street.

Boots and shoes made to order, repairing neatly done.

$2000

WANTED to borrow $2,000 for two years on Nelson real estate security. Apply to or address John Houston, Nelson, B. C.

### BRYAN IN EUROPE.

He Will Interview Tolstoi—May Speak in Berlin.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 28.—Wm. J. Bryan has written from London to arrange an interview with count Tolstoi.

Berlin, Nov. 28.—At the annual meeting of the American chamber of commerce held here today, former United States consul-general Herman Kreissmann was re-elected president, and it was decided to invite William Jennings Bryan to address the chamber upon the occasion of his visit to Berlin in January.

### CAPTAIN WILLIAMS SUSPENDED

British Seaman Found Guilty of Negligence by Board.

London, Nov. 28.—The board of trade inquiry into the stranding of the British steamer Monterey, off the island of Miquelon on July 15th has resulted in the suspension of captain Williams' certificate for six months on the ground that he failed to verify the position of the Monterey by the use of the lead line and continued going ahead at full speed in a dense fog.

### ROSSLAND ORE SHIPMENTS.

Rossland, Nov. 28.—Ore shipments from Rossland camp for the week ending tonight were:

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| Le Roi | 4,740 |
| Centre Star | 1,380 |
| War Eagle | 1,140 |
| Le Roi No. 2 | 250 |
| Le Roi No. 2 (milled- | 350 |
| Jumbo | 120 |
| Kootenay | 240 |
| Total for the week | 8,260 |

Total for year to date 367,140 tons.

### FIVE MILLION DEPOSIT.

Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Has Not Yet Put It Up.

Ottawa, Nov. 28.—According to rumors in political circles there is some hitch in connection with the five million dollar deposit required to be made by the Grand Trunk Pacific company as provided for in the act of incorporation. It was semi-officially announced a few days ago that the deposit had been made in London, but a cablegram from that city says the Grand Trunk agent there positively denied that the deposit had been made. The premier refuses to be interviewed on the subject.

Raffle, gold watch, benefit for the Catholic church, will take place Monday night, November 30th, 1903, in the parlors of the Madden House. All ticket holders please take notice.

OUR EAST END STORE

LATE TEETZEL & CO.

Is now opening up a swell line of Confectionery in special holiday packages in

RONTREE, York, Eng. WEBB'S, Toronto, Ont.
LOWNEY, New York.

Canada Drug & Book Co.

Corner Baker & Josephine Streets.

Are You Buying?

I told you a few days ago that you could buy jewelry until next Tuesday, December 1st, at greatly reduced prices. Many are taking advantage of the opportunity. ARE YOU? Christmas goods are as good—yes, the selection is better— if bought this month then next, and

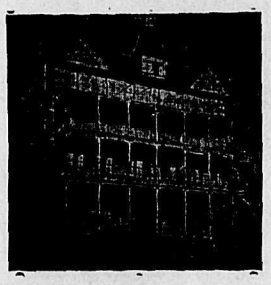
You Can Save Money

J. J. Walker The Leading Jeweler

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Hume—C. M. James, Vancouver; J. Simon, Ottawa; J. H. Freeman, Victoria; Mrs. Dale and two children, Cranbrook; G. W. Thompson, Cranbrook; Dr. J. M. Barrett, Winnipeg; Geo. Strachan, Toronto; J. H. Bulmer, Winnipeg; C. O. Douglas, Toronto; C. D. Crandall, Miss M. Eagan, Miss Cusie, Spokane; Louis Cleghorn, Toronto.

THE STRATHCONA
(FORMERLY HOTEL PHAIR.)



Strathcona—E. Durant, Rossland; A. C. Garde, Payne mine; Charles W. Busk, Kokanee; Alf. Carmichael, Atlin; G. Cruickshanks, J. W. Bulmer, Henry Ewert, Rossland; R. A. Brown, Spokane; J. H. Jennings, Spangle, Wash.; A. P. Lucus, Davenport, Wash.

Bartlett—L. C. Stewart, W. H. Hamilton, Venus mine.

Tremont—R. J. Harlan, Spokane; G. Kelly Ymir; B. Clifford, Kalispell; W. F. Thompson, R. B. Dinon, J. Greig, A. McLellan, Nanaimo; P. Paddin, Missoula.

Madden—Mrs. Meacher, Slocan City; H. Lewis, J. Hope, R. Patrick, Moyie.

Grand Central—G. West, P. West, A. Lindquist, A. Frihdon, Minneapolis; D. Key, Sandon; R. Holburn, D. R. McGillivray, F. Carabin, G. Benner, Vancouver.

Having purchased the entire stock of Messrs. Foubert & Co, wines, liquors and cigars, Vancouver, we are now offering the same at greatly reduced prices. Pither & Leiser, Victoria. Agent for Nelson, Chas. Burt, P. O. Box 711.

A beautiful 8 x 10 Sepia enlargement FREE with one dozen Cabinet Photos at the QUEEN STUDIO

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PETERSON'S PATENT WELL PIPE
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G. B. D. IN ALL SHAPES.

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OUR HOLIDAY GOODS ARE ALL IN

Cabinet Cigar Store
G. B. MATTHEW, Prop.
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

DANCING CLASSES

Professor Louis A. Hepburn, of New York, and late associate instructor of Beaman's Conservatory of Dancing in Montreal, who has conducted classes in Medicine Hat, Edmonton, Calgary and Revelstoke, begs to announce that he will shortly organize a class in dancing, etc., in Nelson.

Special attention given to training children.

Mining Stocks For Sale

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| 2000 American Boy | 4 1-2 |
| 2000 Atlin (Ymir) | 4 |
| 2500 Black Tail | 2 1-2 |
| 500 Calumet & B. C. (Eva) | |
| 2000 King (Denora) | 6 |
| 2000 Giant (Rossland) | 2 3-4 |
| 1000 Juno | 6 |
| 2000 Morrison | 2 1-2 |
| 20 North West Coal & Coke | $3.50 |
| 100 Ruth | |
| 500 St. Eugene | 50 |
| 5000 Venus | Snap |

McDermid & McHardy.
BROKERS, NELSON, B. C.

Wedding Gifts

BE CAREFUL IN SELECTING YOUR GIFT. IT WILL BE VIEWED AND CRITICIZED BY MANY. THOSE WHOSE OPINIONS YOU MOST ESTEEM WILL SEE IT. BY IT MAY BE JUDGED YOUR GOOD TASTE AND JUDGMENT, MAYHAP YOUR FRIENDSHIP AND LIBERALITY. SAFEGUARD YOURSELF BY MAKING USE OF US IN THE SELECTION. WE HAVE THE GOODS THAT SUIT. WE KNOW THE LATEST STYLES, BEST MAKES AND MOST SUITABLE GIFTS.

Cut Glass
Silverware
Art Goods
Clocks

SPECIAL PIECES THAT SHOW REFINEMENT, NOVELTY AND RICHNESS AT SURPRISINGLY MODERN PRICES.

EWERT BROS.
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Our Delayed Shipments of OATS Have Arrived

Now have large stock of Elevator Grain and can fill any sized order promptly. Also have full stocks of No. 1 Timothy, Cow Hay, Bran and Shorts, Wheat, Cracked Corn, Barley, Chop Feed, etc., etc. Send us your orders.

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Smoke the Best

A MORENA or INTERIOR CIGAR Fills the bill.

TRY THEM

Try a Shipment of

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They cost you 6 cents per pound less than Hams, and in many cases will take their place.

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Branch Markets in Rossland, Trail, Nelson, Kaslo, Sandon, Three Forks, New Denver and Slocan City.
Orders by Mail to any Branch Will Have Prompt and Careful Attention.

The HALL MINING AND SMELTING COMPANY, Limited
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| Regular $12.00 Suit now | $ 8.50 |
| Regular $15.00 Suit now | $10.00 |
| Regular $16.00 Suit now | $12.00 |
| Regular $18.00 Suit now | $14.00 |
| Regular $21.00 Suit now | $17.00 |
| Regular $22.00 Suit now | $18.00 |

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BAKER STREET, NELSON

M'LAREN'S IMPERIAL CHEESE

Direct Shipment
Individual, Small, Medium and Large Jars. Also Roquefort.
Fancy Old Cheese, in Canadian, Edam and Swiss.

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL GROCERS

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Now is the time to select your Xmas goods. New Table Linens, New Napkins, New Stamped Linens, New Stamped Novelties, suitable for Xmas gifts. New Laundry Bags, New Cushion Tops, New Belts, New Collars, New Blouse Sets, New Leather Goods, New Side and Back Combs. Everything new, and useful Xmas Gifts.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Fancy Linen Handkerchiefs, all the very newest designs.

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