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IT RAISED A HORSE LAUGH

Comedy Enacted by Premier and Hawthornthwaite

Railways' Attitude on Assessment Bill Shown Up

[Special to The Daily News.]

Victoria, Dec. 10.—(Press Gallery, Legislative Assembly, Dec. 10.—A practical want of confidence motion is offered by Oliver (Delta), who during the discussion of the Land bill in committee this afternoon took occasion to move an amendment to the effect that the bill in operation would tend to stifle the timber industry, and that it would be so disastrous in its effect that the government should withdraw it, and submit a bill which will increase the revenue and not cripple the industry, but distribute the burden of increased taxation equitably upon those called upon to bear it. This will have the effect of prolonging the debate and permitting the public protests to find expression before the bill can be hurried through.

An inquiry from Hawthornthwaite of the premier, as to the attitude of the railway companies to the Assessment bill was so palpably pre-arranged that it caused a broad smile to mantle more than one countenance, and still further demonstrated what the member for Nanaimo seemed at no pains to conceal earlier in the afternoon, that a virtual compact had been reported between the government and the socialists. There was little opposition to Hawthornthwaite's Coal Mines bill, although his motives and his constituency were called in question more than once.

The premier and the attorney-general each submitted correspondence re the Fernie election matter.

On the second reading of the Coal Mines Regulation bill Mr. Hawthornthwaite explained that it provided for an eight-hour day in coal mines from pit mouth to pit mouth. He continued that socialists did not intend to reform the present social system. The liberals professed to do so, but the conservatives, although making little profesions, had carried out some great reforms, and, therefore, he looked to them for help.

Mr. Ross (Fernie) gave his support to the bill. He reminded the house that this rule applied at the present time to metalliferous miners, and its provisions should be extended to the coal miners as well.

The leader of the opposition expressed his thorough sympathy with the bill, which was actually in practice, he believed, in the Vancouver island coal mines.

The premier praised the measure, and said it would be necessary to safeguard the agreement in force at Fernie between the owners and the employees, by the insertion of one additional clause.

Richard Hall described the bill as one not intended to help the miner, but one levelled at vested interests. Under the bill some men would actually work only five or six hours and consume the rest of the time in passing from pit head to pit head. The government he described as one existing merely at the beck and call of the socialists.

Mr. Paterson claimed that the bill was aimed at a single corporation, viz., the Crow's Nest Coal company. It was well known that that corporation was under contract with the dominion government to sell coal at a certain price at the pit head. He did not know how the present bill would effect their position. Unless it could be shown that it was the intention to protect the company in that particular, he would oppose the bill.

The bill passed its second reading.

The Pharmacy bill was committed and reported.

On report of the bill to amend the railway assessments, Mr. Fulton offered an amendment which provides that the raising of the assessment shall not apply to railway sidings, which remain at $3,000 per mile. The amendment passed.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite arose and asked the premier what was the attitude of the railway companies to the bill.

The premier said that all railways, excepting one, had sent representatives to work against the proposed legislation. Mr. Shaughnessy, he said, had wired his protest, and described the bill as becoming necessary because of a bluder of the government in building the New Westminster bridge to allow the United States railways into British Columbia.

The bill passed the third reading.

The Evidence bill took the same course.

The Assessment bill was re-committed to permit some slight alterations, and was then reported complete.

In moving the second reading of the Land Act the chief commissioner said the clause relating to the pulp reserve was repealed. Under the reserve established by a former government there was apparently no disposition to establish pulp mills, but had they done so the clause would not have been repealed. The rentals on timber leases, he said, were increased from 15 to 25 cents an acre. He also proposed in committee to change the timber licenses fee, making it $140 west of the Cascades and $115 east of that range. He further intimated that there would be sweeping reductions of taxation on holders of crown lands, from 50 cents to 10 cents a thousand. Shingle men will be taxed 35 cents instead of 50 cents a thousand. Licenses will be made transferable, but he was not disposed to make them renewable, because it would hamper the government in any changes which might be deemed desirable next year.

John Oliver vigorously attacked the bill. He objected to the rights of licensees not being open to renewal and being subject to the discretion of the chief commissioner, considering the expense of initiating timber operations the licensees should be assured of their rights from year to year.

The government proposed a tax of 35 cents on shingle bolts, for which the millers paid only 50 cents. He prophesied that the bill would have the effect of reducing rather than increasing the revenue, as in his district it would put timbermen out of business. He moved the amendment already mentioned.

The debate was adjourned by Davidson.

The Royal Inland Hospital bill was committed and reported, and also the Trail Incorporation Act.

DESPERATE YOUNG ROBBER

TRIES TO HOLD UP A BANK IN BROAD DAYLIGHT.

TRIES TO ESCAPE ARREST BY JUMPING INTO RIVER.

New York, Dec. 10.—After having attempted to rob the First National bank of Hoboken in broad daylight, in true western style, Frank Stone, a youth of 19 years, of Youngstown, Ohio, sprang into the Hudson river today when followed by a great crowd, and would have succeeded in making his escape had not a tugboat man thrown a lassoo about his neck and hauled him in. Stone arrived in Hoboken yesterday, and the police say he last night effected an entrance into a saloon and robbed the cash drawer of its contents, including a check on the First National bank for $15. Payment on the check was stopped today and when Stone presented it at the cashier's window, cashier McKaig went out to capture the lad. The latter suddenly seized the wicket window and tried to pull it apart and seize the cash that lay in large quantities on the counter. He was still pulling at the window when the cashier came upon him and attempted to capture him. With a blow the boy managed to wrench himself loose from the cashier's grasp and made away. He made his way to the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western pier and jumped into the river.

A TALK BY CARTWRIGHT.

He Speaks Before a Toronto Reform Club.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Toronto, Dec. 10.—Sir Richard Cartwright addressed tonight a public meeting of the Toronto Reform Association. The association hall was filled to hear him, and sir Richard showed all his old-time vigor during the course of an hour and forty minutes, which time his address occupied. Sir William Mulock occupied the chair, and there were present many well-known liberals.

When sir Richard was called upon he was given an enthusiastic reception. Many things had happened, he said, since he last appeared before a Toronto audience. At that time the atmosphere at Toronto was almost blue with denunciations of the conservative journals and speakers who were reviling Israel Tarte. The prodigal son, however, had returned. They had it on the highest authority that there was joy over the repentant sinner. But on the same authority they knew that evil spirits had temporarily been cast out of a man, and after wandering around for 10 or 15 years the evil spirits had taken up their old habitation, and the last state of that man was worse than the first. His own opinion of Tarte, however, had remained unalloyed.

Sir Richard then took up the consideration of the contrast afforded between 18 years of conservative rule and 12 years of liberal rule, and he pointed out that the United States dealt so largely with Great Britain that the Chamberlain policy would be a very serious matter to the Americans, and therefore argued for an Anglo-American alliance, based on the zollverein.

EXTENSIVE SNOWSTORM.

It Takes in Most of the Eastern Portion of Canada.

Montreal, Dec. 10.—Montrealers and suburbanites had to walk to business today on account of the complete tie up of the street railways, due to a heavy snowstorm which set in last night and continued until late this morning. The streets are piled with snow, the civic authorities being unable to obtain enough men to clear the streets. The storm was general from Brockville in the west, and Ottawa in the north, and extended to Sherbrooke and Quebec. The average fall was four to five inches. Reports from the gulf of St. Lawrence indicate a severe snowstorm, and gales prevailing from river Du Loup to the Atlantic ocean.

FIFTEEN INJURED, ONE DEAD.

Result of the Wrecking of the Panhandle Flyer.

Steubenville, Ohio, Dec. 10.—Fifteen injured and one dead is the result of the wrecking of the east bound Panhandle Flyer No. 14, at New Cumberland junction this evening. The wreck was caused by a defective switch. The flyer plunged across the connecting track to the western track and crashed into a freight engine. Both engines were wrecked. The second mail car telescoped the combination and baggage car. The injured were in this car. The dead man and the injured were taken to the hospital in this city. The dead man is F. Lasalle, who lived at Indianapolis. He was caught when the mail car telescoped the smoker, and was instantly killed.

HAD A PISTOL IN EACH HAND

CASHEL MADE SENSATIONAL ESCAPE FROM CALGARY JAIL.

GOT DROP ON THREE GUARDS AND THEN WALKED AWAY.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Calgary, Dec. 10.—Just before 6 o'clock this evening constable Piper, who was on guard over Cashel in the guard room, as was the daily custom, ordered the prisoner out of his cell until he should make a search of it. On the outside were constables Leslie and Phillips. Cashel went out and sat on a bench in front of a window facing the street. Piper after the search ordered Cashel back to the cell, whereupon the prisoner suddenly flashed two shining revolvers in the face of his guards and ordered all three into the cell he had just vacated. He took their revolvers and locked them in and then walked in his shackled feet to the place where the keys were kept, unlocked the shackles, and after taunting the guards, kissed his hand to them by way of adieu and left the barracks. Fifteen minutes later the night guard came in to find the three Mounted policemen in Cashel's cell. Cashel is supposed to have scarted for the United States boundary line. He was 21 years old today.

John Cashel, a brother of the murderer visited the barracks today and has been arrested on suspicion of having furnished Ernest Cashel with the revolvers.

Ernest Cashel was to have been hanged on Tuesday next, for the murder of Rufus Bell and the news was only received from Ottawa today that a new trial had been refused.

MacARTHUR'S PREDICTION.

That He Made One Regarding Germany Is Doubted.

San Francisco, Dec. 10.—Major-general MacArthur, who is quoted in a cable dispatch from Honolulu as predicting a war between the United States and Germany, has not returned to this city. At army headquarters it was stated today that he was not expected back from Honolulu until about Christmas, though he may come on the steamer Sherman, due in a few days. Referring to the statement attributed to general MacArthur, which, it appears was transmitted to governor Carter by colonel James, of the Hawaiian militia, a high militia officer said today: "I cannot believe that general MacArthur made the prediction attributed to him. It is quite possible that in conferring with the fortifications board, which recently met in Honolulu, he may have incidentally referred to the possibility of war with some foreign power as an argument in favor of properly defending the Hawaiian islands, which, as everyone knows, are very important strategically. By way of illustration he may have mentioned Germany as a growing sea and commercial power, but he is too experienced an officer and diplomat to make the rash statement with which he is credited."

A WRECK ON THE C. P. R.

One Freight Smashes Into Another at a Siding.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Winnipeg, Dec. 10.—A serious collision between freight trains on the C. P. R. east of Rat Portage occurred this afternoon. A west bound freight was taking the siding, but the rear end of the train was still on the main line when an east bound train came along at full speed and crashed into the cars. A bridgeman named McPherson was badly injured, and one of the train crew was slightly hurt. Superintendent Brady has gone to the scene of the accident, which adjoins Scovil bridge, where such a serious tie-up occurred last summer by the sinking of trestles.

COLLIER ON FIRE.

Coal in Her Bunkers in Some Way Was Ignited.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, Dec. 10.—The collier Pennsylvania, which sailed from Nanaimo this morning for Honolulu, with 6,000 tons of coal, put back with her bunkers on fire. They were filled at Union bay. The conflagration seems to be confined to the port bunkers, a few feet under the hatch, from which considerable smoke is issuing. The officers believe they can extinguish the section by flooding.

CRUISER FLORA OFF ROCKS.

Vessel Proceeded Under Her Own Steam to Union Bay.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, Dec. 10.—To the great joy of admiral Bickford and his officers, the Flora today yielded to persuasion and was hauled from Village rock, proceeding under her own steam to Union bay, where temporary repairs will be made. The damages do not appear extensive, but it is feared the ship is hopelessly strained.

HOLDUPS IN VANCOUVER.

Women and Men Daily Robbed on the Public Streets.

Vancouver, Dec. 10.—Holdups are now of nightly occurrence. Mrs. McCluskey, of Pender street, was relieved of her purse and $1.75 at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon by two men operating without masks. Later in the evening Dr. Morgan was held up by a masked robber on Hastings street. Tonight two other of the "incidents" are reported.

WHERE RUSSIA IS IN LEAD

Will Soon be the Whole Thing in Manchuria

No Encouragement for Outside Traders There

St. Petersburg, Dec. 10.—James A. Davidson, United States consul at Tamsui, Formosa, who has just passed through Manchuria on his way home, says the outlook for foreign trade throughout Manchuria is bad.

"No encouragement," he adds, "is shown to any non-Russian traders, and Americans will be the worst losers. The chief American staples to suffer will be flour, oil, lumber and cloth. The Manchurian flour mills are preparing to immensely increase their output during the coming year. Kharbin is the chief centre of this industry. The Russian Yalu river lumber concession, over which there has been so much difficulty with Japan, is proposing to kill off the American lumber trade. With the facilities granted by the banks in advancing money and preferential rates for Russian product, this is quite easy to do.

The Russo-Chinese bank is carefully fostering the Baku oil trade, which expects soon to control the whole of the Manchurian oil business.

Similar banking and railroad facilities have been extended to the products of Russian looms by the bank of Kharbit, which advanced $125,000 to a Chinaman who went to Moscow and secured an immense stock of Russian samples of all sorts, whose sale is now being pushed throughout the country."

Mr. Davidson further says that the best outlook for American trade in Manchuria is in agricultural implements, preserved meats and spirits, with which Russia cannot compete. The sales of American beer in Manchuria are enormous. America supplied 100,000 out of the 150,000 barrels consumed there last year.

THE STRANGEST OF CRIMES

ITALIAN TRIES TO SECURE FORTUNE BY MURDER.

HIS VICTIM ESCAPES AND HE KILLS HIMSELF.

Rome, Dec. 10.—One of the strangest of crimes had a most dramatic solution this morning. A young man named Beretta, a millionaire of Milan, and a famous sportsman, was invited by the chevalier Angelo Vecchio, an organizer of sporting shows, to his villa outside of Milan, on the pretext that Beretta examine some old pictures. Once there Beretta was seized and bound and compelled with a revolver pointing at his head to make a will, leaving his fortune to Vecchio, besides writing a letter saying he had committed suicide. Vecchio then left the villa, after instructing an accomplice to drown Beretta the next day in a bath and carry the body far away from the villa, so as to give Vecchio a chance to prove an alibi, but the heart of Vecchio's accomplice softened and he set Beretta at liberty, and Vecchio, who read in the newspapers that his plot had been discovered, disappeared. This morning it was learned that Vecchio had committed suicide by shooting.

THE SHIPBUILDING STEAL

WILL PLUNGER SCHWAB BE ABLE TO MAKE GOOD?

CALLED UPON TO ACCOUNT FOR SOME $20,000,000.

New York, Dec. 10.—A complaint was filed in the office of the county clerk today in which John A. C. Norris, Cyrus B. Lewis James C. Mills, James McGuirk, John Young and Adolp Seeling appear as plaintiffs, in a suit to have the United States Ship Building trust declared insolvent, a receiver appointed and an injunction granted restraining any interference with the assets of the company or payment of any disbursements by its officers.

The complaint, which contains a lengthy history of the formation and subsequent transactions of the company, says the plaintiffs are owners of stocks and bonds amounting to $75,000. It alleges that Chas. Schwab, acting as agent for J. P. Morgan & Co., received and retained without payment of value for it $20,000,000 of stock and that other stock was distributed among the shareholders of the companies acquired and Daniel Leroy Dresser, Lewis Nixon, Max Pam and others without pay or due consideration.

The plan of the organization is denounced and, in view of the small values of the properties held by the subsidiary companies, is characterized as a fraud upon the public.

ELECTED DIRECTORS.

Plans of Nicola, Kamloops and Similkameen Railway Co.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Winnipeg, Dec. 10.—The shareholders of the Nicola, Kamloops and Similkameen Coal & Railway company held a meeting here today and elected a permanent board of directors. The projected road is to be built from a point on the main line of the Canadian Pacific railway near Spence's Bridge to Nicola, and then southeast to the American boundary a distance of about 100 miles. The dominion parliament at the last session granted a bonus of $6,400 a mile for the first 45 miles, and application is being made to the British Columbia government for aid. Large coal areas are said to exist through the territory which will be opened up by the railway, which will connect with the Canadian Pacific at Midway, also with the coast to Kootenay road at Midway, and with the Vernon-Midway railway.

The following directors were appointed: E. A. Jukes, Toronto, president; Geo. A. Begy, St. Catherines, vice-president; Welland D. Woodruff, St. Catherines; W. E. Sherlock, Canton, Ohio; C. H Keefer, Ottawa; W. Dorsite Birchall, Montreal; Geo. Dawson, St Catherines; W. S. McNamara, St. Catherines, secretary and treasurer; H. Collier, St. Catherines, solicitor, and Geo. H. Cowan, Vancouver, solicitor for British Columbia.

TIME FOR CONSIDERATION

ASSESSMENT ACT SHOULD NOT BE RAILROADED THROUGH.

BOARD OF TRADE REFUSES TO ENDORSE ZINC BOUNTY.

The board of trade held its last meeting for the current year last night at which several important questions were discussed. A resolution asking the dominion government to give assistance to the zinc industry, passed by the associated boards of trade, was discussed. No notice of this resolution had been given before the meeting of the associated boards and consequently it required to be endorsed by all the local boards before receiving the full sanction of the association. The local board was not unanimous in favor of it and it was referred back to the Kaslo board, whence it originated, for further information.

The telegram received from Vancouver asking the Nelson board to insist on further time for the consideration of the new assessment act was read and a telegram was ordered to be sent to Mr. Houston, M.P.P., requesting him to insist on delay. The next meeting of the board will be held on January 7th, 1904, when officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

When the meeting opened the secretary announced that, in accordance with the terms of resolutions passed at the previous meeting, letters had been sent to W. A. Galliher, M. P. for the riding, asking him to press for the continuance of the telephone service in the customs and inland revenue offices here and also for the improvement of the mail sorting arrangements at Kaslo, which at present entail a delay of 48 hours in the mail service to Trout Lake and the Lardeau. A letter was read from the wholesale merchants' association informing the board that arrangement had been almost completed for laying before the C. P. R. authorities the demand of the local merchants for distributing point freight rates for Nelson. Another communication was from the chambers of commerce of the empire, thanking the board for photographs of Nelson and surroundings which the local board had supplied. These photos have been incorporated in a pamphlet issued by the chambers of commerce.

A letter which provoked a good deal of discussion was from the secretary of the associated boards of trade asking the Nelson board to endorse a resolution passed by the associated boards at the meeting in Rossland. This resolution, which was proposed by J. L. Retallack, of Kaslo, asked the dominion government to encourage "by bonus or otherwise," the production of zinc in British Columbia. It appears that this resolution required endorsement by the local boards on account of the fact that no notice had been given of any intention to introduce it before the meeting and, consequently there had been no opportunity to instruct the delegates.

W. W. Beer was hostile to the resolution. He thought that a limit should be placed on the bonusing system, otherwise a new demand for a bonus on copper and other fancy metals might be expected. In any event the words British Columbia should be left out of the motion. Mr. Hedley explained that before lead could be handled profitably the zinc in the Slocan ores must be disposed of. He was not in favor of the motion, however, as it stood.

T. G. Procter thought that the form of the resolution was objectionable, it ought to be much milder. He moved that it be referred back to the Kaslo board with a request for further information and a statement that the Nelson board did not care to pass it in its present indefinite shape. This motion carried without a dissenting voice.

The telegram from the secretary of the Victoria board, published in yesterday's issue of The Daily News, was then read and discussed. The telegram states that the new assessment act imposes extraordinary taxes on manufacturers and merchants and asks the local board to insist on delay for consideration. W. H. Jones explained that the clause referred to was section 93 of the act which says that the plant and appliances of a business are to be taxed at their value as a going concern and not as individual items. This meant, Mr. Jones said, practically double taxation as it taxed first the means of production and the goodwill of the business and then through the income tax, the profit derived from the business.

F. M. Black in the course of a thoughtful speech said that while he appreciated the necessity for increasing the revenue of the province the burden should be justly distributed. The whole question of taxation was an extremely knotty problem and one requiring great thought and care. He thought it was generally admitted now that taxation should be imposed as much as possible on privilege and monopoly and as little as possible on industry and those seeking to build up the country. How far the new act met these requirements and what changes were advisable was a matter for much consideration. He moved that the board, while recognizing the necessity for increasing the revenue, should deprecate any undue haste in amending the assessment act without time for full consideration.

The motion was adopted by a unanimous vote and the following telegram directed to be sent to the local member:

"Board of trade requests you urge upon government necessity for affording business interests of country time for full consideration new assessment act before passing same. H. G. Goodeve, Secretary."

The report of the delegates to the meeting of the associated boards was then received. The delegates were T. G. Procter, W. W. Beer and the president, J. M. Lay. Their report developed nothing which has not been already published. President Lay wished to correct an error which had been made as to the motion presented by the Nelson board at the meeting supporting Chamberlain's policy. He said that in the resolution as passed Chamberlain's name had not been omitted as stated in the newspaper reports.

There was some discussion as to the financial condition of the board and the meeting adjourned.

SAILORS WERE SOAKED

Insubordinate Frenchmen Got Twenty-Four Hours in Jail.

Seattle, Dec. 10.—Thirteen thirsty and badly scared French sailors marched down the hill from the county jail yesterday, wearing handcuffs and an air of melancholy, and a few minutes later they marched up the hill again with a sentence of one day each in the county jail hanging over their heads. They had a short interview with commissioner Kiefer, in which the sailors did not understand a word said by the commissioner, and the commissioner saw so many shrugging shoulders before him that he felt a creepy feeling up his own spine, and then the sentence was imposed.

The thirteen sailors were in trouble because they refused to get up when the captain of the French ship Eugene Fautrel called them Monday morning. They were angry because the captain had limited their beer money to 50 cents per head when they got shore leave on Sunday. The captain got mad and charged them with insubordination, and deputy United States marshal Crosby soon afterward tramped the deck of the ship jingling his handcuffs, and calling up the sailors to come forth and be arrested.

The examination yesterday was conducted through an interpreter, and it was brief and to the point. The sailors were eager to answer any and all questions, and they received the sentence of one day in jail as graciously as if it were an invitation to dinner. The handcuffs clicked again, and the procession started up the hill. The men will return to the ship today.

JAPAN SPOILING FOR FIGHT

LOWER HOUSE DISPLEASED WITH SPEECH FROM THRONE.

IT FINDS FAULT WITH CABINET FOR TEMPORIZING.

Tokio, Dec. 10.—The emperor opened the diet today. The speech from the throne, according to the custom was delivered in the upper house and is as follows:

"My lords and gentlemen:—It gives us profound cause for rejoicing that the friendly relations between our empire and other powers ever continue to grow.

"As regards negotiations concerning the important diplomatic matter of maintaining peace in the orient and of our rights we have instucted our ministers abroad to carefully attend to their duties. We have furthermore instructed the members of our cabinet to formulate a financial scheme and to introduce a budget, and other bills. You are requied to discharge your duties and are required to discharge your duties and discussions."

The brevity of the allusion by the emperor to the crisis in the far east caused much disappointment.

Soon after the speech from the throne was delivered in the upper house the house of representatives met for the purpose of considering a reply. The reply was almost immediately formulated and was rushed through the house with unusual expedition. It was as follows:

"Your majesty has been gracious enough to personally open the diet and to deliver a cordial message, which the house has received with great gratitude. The empire of Japan is now at its zenith. Its position in one unparalleled in the last thousand years. The members of the house of representatives profoundly regret at this juncture, so critically involving the fate of the nation, the course pursued by the cabinet as ill adapted to the needs of the situation is one unparalleled in the last thousand out national influence. The policy of the ministry has been shown to be incompatible with the progress of the empire and to be purely domestic and temporizing. The diplomacy of the cabinet is a failure and we humbly appeal to your majesty to review the situation. Our solicitude for the progress of the empire dictates this reply, which represents the aspirations and expectations of the nation."

It is understood that this reply was adopted at the instance of the lower house and is a complete surprise to the government and its supporters, who had not time to oppose the adoption of the reply, which was approved amid a scene of great enthusiasm. The members of the government party in the house have vainly tried to persuade the president to consider the reply to the emperor's address. After the adoption of the reply an interpellation was introduced in the house of representatives declaring that the delay in the settlement of the negotiations with Russia concerning the far east was a source of regret to the nation and an element of danger to its peace, and demanding a statement of the progress of the negotiations.

The situation is regarded as extremely critical and is likely to involve the prorogation if not the dissolution of the parliament.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.

National League in Session Now at Baltimore.

Baltimore, Maryland, Dec. 10.—The National Civil Service Reform league began a twodays' session in Lyric hall began a two days' session in Lyric hall ing of the organization. President D. C. Gilman presided and among those present were representatives of more than 30 local civil service reform organizations throughout the country.

The marvellous growth of civil service reform sentiment in this country during the existence of the league is felt by the members to have been due to a very large extent to the educational work first undertaken by the organization under the leadership of the late George William Curtis, aided by Theodore Roosevelt, Charles J. Bonaparte, William Dudley Foulke and others prominently identified with the early work of the league. Hence the people in attendance at this meeting overflow with a spirit of congratulation. Mr. Foulke and several other prominent civil service reformers are scheduled to address the meeting tonight.

WILL TAKE BACKWARD STEP.

St. Louis, Dec. 10.—Dr. H. J. Waters, dean of the Missouri college of agriculture at Columbia, Missouri, fears that the United States may experience a revival of the feudal system which oppressed many countries in Europe in the middle ages. Vast areas of the best farming land are being bought by capitalists, he believes, and as a result a tenant system is arising which causes apprehension in some quarters. The holdings of hundreds of thousands of acres by "lord" Scully in Kansas and western states, the immense ranches of C. P. Dewey, which cover broad acres in the same stated owned by F. Rockefeller, brother of the oil Croesus, the Vanderbilt estate at Baltimore, North Carolina, covering 115,000 acres, and the big preserve of John D. Rockefeller in New York are instances.

He believes this will ultimately lead to a result similar to the feudal system.

ATKINSON IS A BIG LOSER

Just Missed Making Forty Million Dollars

Unready to Proceed His Case Was Lost

Vancouver, Dec. 10.—Tristram Blan Atkinson, barrister, of Kaslo, has lost $40,000,000—which he never had—also the costs of a suit. Mr. Atkinson discovered a forgotten statute under which incorporated companies are required to make annual returns to the government or earnings and expenditure, heavy penalties being provided and half the same being payable to the informer. He proceeded against the Rossland & Red Mountain railroad, the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway, Slocan Star Mining company, Nelson Tramway company, Colonial Goldfields, Ymir mines, Athabasca-Venus, Minnesota Silver company and a score or more other wealthy companies, seeking penalties aggregating forty million dollars and seemingly having a clear case.

When the test case was called today in the supreme court here it was discovered that evidence necessary, to be had only from Ottawa, was not yet obtainable. C. C. McCaul, for the defence, saw his advantage, and pressed for immediate trial, and the plaintiff being unready to proceed, the judgment went against him.

DISCOVERY NOT HEARD FROM.

No News of Passengers on Ill-Fated Steamer Yet Received.

Seattle, Dec. 10.—Nothing as to the number or personnel of the passengers on the ill-fated Nome steamer Discovery was learned by the officers of the Alaska Commercial company's steamer Bertha, captain C. A. Knudson, which arrived yesterday afternoon from Cook inlet and Copper river. The Bertha made three ports at which the Discovery put in before she went down. These were Kadiak, Valdez and Yakutat. How many, if any, passengers the Discovery took on at these ports captain Knudson and purser Parmelee did not ascertain. It is known that the Discovery put off passengers at both Kadiak and Valdez, and the probabilities are that she took on one or more from each port.

When the Bertha spoke the Rush at Yakutat, December 1st, the cutter had not completed her search for Discovery survivors. However, the report of the cruise of the Rush was received several days ago, upon the cutter's return to Sitka.

FOUGHT THREE DUELS.

French Islands the Scene of Exciting Election Contest.

St. Johns, Nfld, Dec. 10.—Three duels were fought in St. Pierre and Miquelon during the past fortnight, as a result of the issues in the campaign for the election of a representative from the colony to the French chamber of deputies, which takes place December 27th. The report that the islands were to be sold to the United States forms one of the important issues of the campaign.

The French foreign office has denied the report that the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon were to be sold to the United States.

PROTEST FROM KASLO.

Interests Affected by Assessment Act Should Be Heard.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Kaslo, Dec. 10.—The Kaslo board of trade sent the following message to hon. R. F. Green today: "This board emphatically protests that time for consideration of the proposed assessment act be given, in order that the interests affected may be heard."

MAY USE WELSH COAL.

Toronto, Dec. 10.—The executive of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association today considered the possibility of using Welsh coal for manufacturing purposes. The Welsh colliery owners intend sending out samples of 200 pounds each for the purpose of enabling the manufacturers to experiment with them. The C. P. R. will carry these free.

BARON DE ROTHSCHILD DEAD.

London, Dec. 10.—A dispatch to a news agency from Monte Carlo announces the death there today of baron Arthur de Rothschild. Baron Arthur de Rothschild lived in Paris and at Cornay, La Ville, France.

BENNETT NOMINATED.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Calgary, N. W. T., Dec. 10.—R. B. Bennett, M. L. A., was nominated today by Calgary conservatives as candidate for the commons for the new district of Calgary.

DENMARKS FALLS IN LINE.

Copenhagen, Dec. 10.—King Christian, of Denmark, following the recommendation of his ministers has recognized the republic of Panama as an independent state.

PERLEY NOMINATED.

Lachute, Que., Dec. 10.—Argenteuil conservatives today nominated G. H. Perley as their candiate for the dominion house.

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SCHOOL OF MINES.

Beginning on January 6th the winter course of the school of mines of the university of Washington opens at Seattle. The course, which is largely practical, is principally intended for those who are in the field during the early spring, summer and fall and who only have time in the winter to acquire that knowledge which, when allied to practical experience, results in the finished, well-informed and successful mining man. The expenses of the course, which lasts for three months, are limited to the cost of the text books and the fees for the laboratory course, which are not large. All of the provileges of the library, dormitory, gymnasium and other accessories of the university, as well as the general lecture course, are open to the mining students. The announcement of the opening of the course was sent to The Daily News asking that as wide a publicity as possible be given to it. It is, therefore, a cordial invitation to those who live in British Columbia to attend the school, if they so desire. A course even for one winter would be of advantage to those engaged in either prospecting or mining, while an attendance for two or three winters, coupled with reading of suitable books in the interim between courses, and the observation which comes with practical experience, would equip one for successfully following the business of mining. It is an opportunity which should be taken advantage of by those who are in a position to do so.

WEAK AND INCOMPETENT.

If there needed additional proof of the utter incompetence of the government at Victoria it is to be found in the manner in which they have conducted themselves in regard to taxation legislation they introduced into the house with such a grandiose flourish at the beginning of the session. The government organs pointed with pride to the fact that though the government had only been in office a matter of a few months, and had successfully carried on an election campaign, they had nevertheless found time, aided by their superior intellectuality, to master the financial situation of the province, evolve a method for redeeming it from the slough of despond, and to prepare a number of intricate measures with this end in view. How far these enconiums were deserved is best shown by the sequel.

Subjected to the light of intelligent and dispassionate criticism the crudities and insufficiency of the hastily prepared and immature legislation stands revealed in all its imperfection. The first proud self-sufficient bearing of the ministers has given place to one of illconcealed agitation and uncertainty. They are by no means sure of their ground. They admit that they had no idea how to meet some of the difficulties that confronted them, and trusted to the patriotism of the opposition to help them out of the hole they evidently expected to find themselves in. Had the opposition been made of inferior stuff, or even of men of equal calibre only to themselves, the government would have patted themselves on the back and held up their heads more erect than ever.

Not only have they admitted their incompetence to deal with the more vital of the questions they had to deal with but they have shown a weakness, a vacillation that is far from reassuring. They have abandoned their ground in more places than one. They were firm in their insistence upon keeping to the mineral tax, but now they have abandoned the original idea altogether and say they will deal with it in a special act. Point after point has been wrested from them and whenever the shoe pinched they have given way with a promptitude scarcely to be expected of a government led by the man with "the firm hand," an expression held in high favor by the McBride worshippers during the campaign.

The meaning of this easy compliance is not far to seek. It is simply a case of holding on to office at any price. The government have no fixed policy, else they would have stuck to their original measures and have either stood or fallen by them. They would have summoned their allies to their aid and forced the bills through the house or attempted to do so. But they did nothing of the kind because they had not the stamina to do it. They feared the result and perhaps with a certain amount of reason. At any rate here is the whole secret of their easy compliance with the demands of the opposition and outside influences alike. Weak in policy and moral courage they have given way where a strong ministry would have stood firm. At the first danger signal they have hauled down their flag and incontinently capitulated. So long as they can hang on to office what do they care for policy, province or aught else? Weak, incompetent and vacillating there is no knowing to what lengths they may not go in order to retain their hold upon the portfolios they prize beyond all other things.

MILLION TONS IN 1904.

The correspondent of The Daily News at Greenwood in a dispatch, which appears in another column, states it is anticipated that the Boundary output of ore will reach a million tons in 1904. This is not putting the tonnage too high even when allowing for all contingencies. The Boundary output for the year up to the end of last week was 617,800 tons. This leaves three weeks and five days yet to be accounted for in the year, and in this period the output should at the least calculation be 40,000 tons. This would bring the grand total up to 657,800 or only 342,200 tons less than a million. As the facilities of the Granby company have recently been enlarged both in the production and reduction of ore to the point where it can output and smelt 2,000 tons of ore a day, it should easily mine and smelt 630,000 tons during the coming year, leaving only 350,000 tons for the other Boundary mines to produce in order to make up the 1,000,000 tons spoken of by our correspondent. At a low estimate this ore should yield at least $5 to the ton; that is taking the high and low grades and averaging them, and making every possible allowance, and even then the output of the Boundary mines will in 1904 be $5,000,000. This is a large sum, but it is certain that it will be greater than this, to add to the wealth of the country. The large bodies of low grade ore in the Boundary, now that it has been demonstrated by the Granby that they can be made to yield a good profit when operated on a large scale and in a business like manner, will come more and more into demand, and the output of ore will go on increasing with each year till the showing will be simply enormous.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

A new and terrible disease has been playing havoc in Africa. During the past three years it has claimed 68,000 victims and of this number 10,000 have died during the past three months. The victim when attacked sleeps constantly until death ensues. Physicians have inquired into the cause and claim that it is a result of the bites of flies.

A big deal has just been put through for coal lands in Alberta, mainly by Nelson people, much to their advantage and to the advantage of the place in which they reside. The future of Nelson depends upon how her residents reach out and utilize the natural advantages which lie so profusely around them, and that they have the enterprise and the energy to do this is shown by the number of large and important enterprises which have their headquarters in this city. Each and every enterprise of this sort conducted with Nelson as a headquarters redounds to its material betterment. The promoter is a valuable citizen in a place like this, and all should rejoice when he has successfully put through a deal, because it puts money in circulation, starts a new enterprise and leads to the development of the country. Here's to the Nelson promoter, long may he flourish and assist in pushing Nelson to the front.

DOCTOR AGAINST BATHING

SAYS IT PRODUCES PNEUMONIA AND OTHER ILLS.

TO WASH, HE DECLARES, IS TO BE DIRTY.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—"When people leave off bathing, there will be little or nothing for the doctors to do. Pneumonia colds, and a hundred other ills result from the foolish habit of bathing the body. To bathe is to be dirty, for you thereby make a sewer of the skin. Blood, attracted by the skin, gives up products that should be left to seek a natural outlet, and soils the skin."

The foregoing declarations, made by professor John Dill Robertson at the annual meeting of the Chicago Electric & Surgical Society at the auditorium, has aroused the interest of members. Professor Robertson asserts that the assumption that the closing of the pores of the skin would result in death is false and that all physiologies which make such an assertion are wrong. The habit of taking "dry" baths was also denounced. The rubbing of a rough towel over the skin, according to Dr. Robertson, removed the natural scales of the skin, or the "false skin." This, he said, induced the growth of bacteria on the skin.

The doctor concluded with a touching incident of a poor Esquimo, brought from Greenland to Boston, who had never been ill in his life. He was given a bath, contracted pneumonia, and died in two days.

WILL COST $100,000.

State Department Estimate of Cost of Delimiting Boundary.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The state department estimate for $100,000 to continue the more effective demarcation and mapping of the boundary line between the United States and the Dominion of Canada along the 49th parallel and west of the summit of the Rocky mountains was transmitted to the house today by the treasury department.

HERBERT SPENCER DEAD.

London, Dec. 9.—Herbert Spencer, the famous author, died yesterday morning at his home in Brighton. His health has been failing for some months. He was born in 1820.

HARTLEY TO BE HONORED.

Rome, Dec. 10.—The congregation of the propaganda today decided to submit to the pope, for the appointment as archbishop of Columbia, the name of the Rev. M. J. Hartley, of Steubenville, Ohio.

BOOTH TUCKER RETURNS.

New York, Dec. 10.—Commander Booth Tucker of the Salvation army, his daughter Mote, and his secretary, returned from England on the Oceanic today.

SPENCER'S BODY TO BE CREMATED

London, Dec. 10.—The body of Herbert Spencer, who died on December 8th, will be cremated on Monday next.

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IMPORTANT COAL LAND DEAL

BLAIRMORE PROPERTIES SOLD TO A FRENCH SYNDICATE.

CONSIDERATION IS UNDERSTOOD TO BE $175,000.

A deal of more importance than has been consummated for some time in Nelson was closed up on Wednesday when T. J. Procter sold for himself and associates the 7,500 acres of coal lands in the immediate vicinity of Blairmore, Alberta, to a French syndicate represented in this country by J. J. Fleutot. The properties in this transaction have been known as the Blairmore coal property, and Mr. Fleutot having already acquired the Grassy mountain and Byron creek collieries in the immediate vicinity, the aggregating of them makes a combination of very great importance. A large amount of capital has already been expended on the Grassy mountain portion to which a branch railroad has been constructed and fully equipped with rolling stock, etc. Another branch railway is under construction to Byron creek.

The property just acquired by M. Fleutot is immediately adjoining the Canadian Pacific railway, and near the present station of Blairmore. Operations will at once be gone on with to open up and develop the coal measures and to ship the output. It is also intended to immediately begin the construction of a number of coke ovens.

With such active expenditure it will not be long before these coal fields will be among the most important in western Canada.

The town of Blairmore seems more than likely to become a very important business centre. In addition to the trade which will be done locally with the large number of men employed in the coal mines it is adjacent to a rich section of farming and grazing country and will doubtless be the central distributing point for the neighborhood. There is already the nucleus for a good town at Blairmore, there being three hotels and several good stores, and a number of residences, etc. The population is about 500, and the general opinion is that the spring will see this one of the most active business points on the Crow's Nest railway, east of the Rockies.

Mr. Procter has had associated with him in the acquiring of the valuable coal field V. Hyde Baker, of Cranbrook, and R. E. Fishburn, who has been acting for Chicago capitalists.

While the properties are outside of the province of British Columbia, there will doubtless be considerable connection between them and this city, and the exploiting of them is mainly due to Nelson and Cranbrook enterprise.

It is understood that the price paid was a cash consideration of $175,000.

CATTLE BARONS INDICTED.

Charged With Conspiracy and Fencing United States Land.

Omaha, Dec. 10.—The United States grand jury this afternoon brought in true bills against former state senator Elliott Lowe, of Harlan county; Bartlett Richardson, a cattle baron of the west, and all of the officers of his company known as the Nebraska Land & Feeding company, former state senator Frank Curry of Custer county and about fifteen other indictments. Senator Curry, of Custer county, is charged with conspiracy to bribe senator Dietrich in connection with the appointment of a postmaster at Alma, Nebraska, and the other indictments are for fencing government land, with the exception of a few unimportant liquor selling cases.

WILL CALL ON ROOSEVELT.

German Ambassador Will Deliver Message From Emperor.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Baron Speck Von Sternburg, the German ambassador, will call on the president tomorrow afternoon to announce formally his return to Washington and to present to the president a personal message he bears from emperor William.

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BOUNDARY IS AMBITIOUS

EXPECTS TO EXTRACT A MILLION TONS IN 1904.

GREAT ACTIVITY AT PRESENT IN SUMMIT CAMP.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Greenwood, Dec. 9.—Considerable activity prevails in Summith camp at present. About 80 men are employed by the two properties there working, the Emma and the Oro Denoro. The Hall Mines smelter company is operating the Emma and are shipping about 700 tons weekly. With enlarged facilities about completed the output will be materially increased. The character of the ore makes it very desirable for smelting purposes. This property has the misfortune with several others in the Boundary, notably the Brooklyn and Stemwinder and Rawhide, in Phoenix camp, to be owned by McKenzie & Mann and associates who, however, worthy and wealthy they may be, are rather railway than mining men and whose great ambition it appears to be to own and not operate mines. This at least, however, can be said in their favor, they have the discrimination and the good judgment to load up with the best of everything in sight. Their mineral holdings are no exception to the rule. Some day the Emma will be a big mine, and to the end that that day may soon arrive it is to be hoped that McKenzie & Mann will let go of it to some concern, the one at present operating it, or others, that will place it where it belongs in the rank of large shippers.

The Oro Denoro is being operated by the Denoro Mines company, whose vigor is pushing is fast to the front. Only scarcity of shipping facilities and railway cars prevents a vastly increased output over the present—about 600 to 900 tons weekly. At present foreman Curtis has 13 men at work in the "glory hole" and they are getting out 150 tons of ore daily. It is an ore that commands competition among the smelting concerns, on acount of its desirability for fluxing purposes.

In the lower tunnel nine men are pushing the work at the rate of 45 feet per week. The company expects to reach the ore body at a depth of about 265 feet in the course of two or three weeks. The "glory hole" work practically on surface ore, is paying the expenses of the entire operations at present. The ore exposed is at least 120 feet in width and the entire body has not yet been explored so as to form a definite idea of its ultimate reach.

Already the need of more railways is felt on every hand. Not only the town boomers and the lot holders cry out for railway building in order to scatter money but the producing properties of the country—the mines—need more railway facilities to do effective business. Just here your correspondent begs to express the belief that taking into consideration the mileage of main track, branches and spurs between Cascade and Midway, an aggregate, say, of 60 miles, no equal trackage of the entire Canadian Pacific equals it in earnings. This notwithstanding president Shaughnessy's alleged statement that he would build no more road in this direction until what the company was already operating paid.

Business generally in the Boundary is steadily improving. The long slack in the business rope incident to the dullness following the activity of 1899 and 1900 appears about all take up and the business body again moves normally and at a satisfactory pace.

Every day adds to the earned wealth of the country. No longer we are doing business on money borrowed for building or development purposes. The visible supply is steadily increasing and it comes from a new source—the ground. Nevt year promises to be a red-letter one in the history of the Boundary—the Boundary is billed to extract a million tons of ore in 1904.

B. C. SYNDICATE.

Development Has Shown Up Large Ore Bodies.

The report of the British Columbia (Rossland and Slocan) syndicate for 1902, presented at the meeting of the 23rd, states that the Snowshoe Gold and Copper Mines, Ltd., in which this syndicate is the largest shareholder, has during the year been further extensively developed. Its development has shown up large bodies or ore, and during the year 20,000 tons have been shipped to the local smelters. Additional machinery has been installed and shipments upon an increased scale have since been steadily maintained. The directors have been considering how best to develop some of the other properties, owned by the syndicate, or to acquire interests capable of development in such a manner as to yield substantial profit, and in this connection considerable work has been done in various directions, which it is hoped it may be able to turn to profitable acccount, as was done in the case of the Snowshoe. Many business proposals, some industrial and some for railway construction under government charters, have been put before the directors and investigated, and one or two of these are being further looked into on the spot. The profit and loss account shows a balance of £63, after writing off depreciation on furniture, office expenses, directors and auditor's fees, etc. The reserve funds consists of 79,000 shares in the Snowshoe Gold and Copper Mines, Ltd., valued at £79,000. The nominal capital of the company is £100,000, and of this amount at 31st December last 90,000 shares were issued. Of these 78,648 shares were fully paid and 13,352 were 12s 6d. paid, leaving a balance of 10,000 shares unissued.

GOLDFINCH CLEANUP.

Gold Brick Worth $2,500, After Seven-day Run of the Stamp Mill.

As a result of a cleanup at the Northwestern stamp mill on Monday, a gold brick valued at $2.500 was turned out, being the fourth brick turned out by this mill, says the Camborne Miner. The amount of ore run through was 175 tons and seven days was the actual time the mill was in commission. The ore treated being that which was in the ore bunkers at the time of the close down last summer. The mill is a ten stamp, driven by electricity.

Much satisfaction is evinced locally at the cleanup, as it proves that the Goldfinch, from which the ore was taken, is a splendid property and it is hoped that after the development drafted out by the new management is completed, the Goldfinch will again commence sending ore to the mill and take its place with the Eva and Oyster-Criterion at the task of turning out a gold brick every month.

George Young and John Powers have been awarded a contract this week to drive 50 feet of tunnel on the Goldfinch. The tunnel will be driven on the lead, and will be a continuation of the work started by ex-manager Blackwell shortly before the property closed down.

The lead that is to be drifted on is of rich free gold quartz, and measures eight feet across. The letting of this contract is a sign that active operations will be resumed in the near future and the property under the management of A. T. Vogler, thoroughly exploited and developed, so that when the stamp mill is again put into commission it will continue running instead of at intervals, as was the case under the former management.

PHYSIQUE OF THE BRITISH

They are the Finest in Development of European Peoples.

A writer in the Manchester Daily Dispatch points out that the recruiting returns afford no criterion as to the physique of the nation. The British army is fed from the poorest and most physically inefficient section of the community. On the other hand continental armies are recruited from the whole of the national manhood, and consequently represent a better class of men. It is only by comparing the whole of the British nation with the whole of other nations that the truth of the matter can possibly be arrived at. Statistics prove that the British are the finest in development of European peoples. Here are some national average standards: Scotch, 5 feet 10 in.; Irish, 5 feet 9 in.; Welsh, 5 feet 7 in.. Average about 5 feet 8 3-4 inches. Norwegians and Swedes, 5 feet 8 in.; Germans, 5 feet 6 1-2 in.; Dutch and Belgians, 5 feet 7 in.; French, 5 feet 6 1-4 in.; Italians, 5 feet 4 in.; Spaniards and Portuguese, 5 feet 3 3-4 in; Swiss and Austrians, 5 feet 5 1-2 in. In brain weight we also head the list. The figures are as follows: Scotch, 50 oz.; English, 49 oz.; Germans, 48 oz.; and so on. And moreover, no nation is increasing in height and weight so rapidly as the British nation.

THE BEST REMEDY FOR CROUP.

(From the Atchison, Kan., Daily Globe)

This is the season when the woman who knows the best remedies for croup is in demand in every neighborhood. One of the most terrible things in the world is to be awakened in the middle of the night by a whoop from one of the children. The croup remedies are almost as sure to be lost, in case of croup, as a revolver is sure to be lost in the case of burglars. There used to an old fashioned remedy for croup, known as hive syrup, but some modern mothers say that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is better, and does not cost so much. It causes the patient to "throw up the phlegm" quicker, and gives relief in a shorter time. Give this remedy as soon as the croupy cough appears and it will prevent the attack. It never fails and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all druggists and dealers.

AMERICAN NAVAL STATION.

Guantanamo Was Formally Turned Over to the United States.

Guantanamo, Cuba, Dec. 10.—Four hundred United States marines and 400 blue jackets were landed here today and formally occupied this place as a United States naval station and installed the station ship. The Cuban and American flags were saluted with 21 guns.

AN ATTACK OF PNEUMONIA WARDED OFF.

"Some time ago my daughter caught a severe cold. She complained of pains in her chest and had a bad cough. I gave her Chamberlain's Cough Remedy according to directions and in two days she was well and able to go to school. I have used this remedy in my family for the past seven years and have never known it to fail," says James Prendergast, merchant, Annato Bay, Jamaica, West India Islands. The pains in the chest indicated an approaching attack of pneumonia, which in this instance was undoubtedly warded off by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It counteracts any tendency of a cold toward pneumonia. For sale by all druggists and dealers.

GAS MACHINE EXPLODES.

A Porter Was Killed and a Hotel Badly Wrecked.

Deloraine, Man., Dec. 10.—The gas machine in the Revere hotel exploded this morning. Robert McKibbon, the porter, was killed and the building badly wrecked. Luckily it was got under control early and little damage was done the building.

GAINED FORTY POUNDS IN THIRTY DAYS.

For several months our youngest brother had been troubled with indigestion. He tried several remedies but got no benefit from them. We purchased some of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and he commenced taking them. Inside of thirty days he had gained forty pounds in flesh. He is now fully recovered. We have a good trade on the tablets.—Holley Bros., Merchants, Long Branch, Me. For sale by all druggists and dealers.

IS IN THE FIELD EARLY.

Steamship Company Organized to Run Through Panama Canal.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—A despatch to the Tribune from New Orleans says: The board of trade of New Orleans, is organizing a $5,000,000 company to run a line of ships between here and the Orient by way of the proposed Panama canal.

Sore and swollen joints, sharp shooting pains, torturing muscles, no rest, no sleep—that means rheumatism. It is a stubborn disease to fight but Chamberlain's Pain Balm has conquered it thousands of times. One applicaton gives relief. Try it. All druggists and dealers sell it.

TRAINS BLOCKED BY SNOW.

Utica, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Twenty inches of snow fell in the Mohawk Valley last night. The railroads in all directions are badly blocked and all trains are reported either abandoned or several hours late.

BOX FACTORY BURNED.

Troy, N. Y., Dec. 9.—The Commerce Box and Lumber company's factory was burned late tonight. Loss $35,000.

Wash greasy dishes, pots or pans with Lever's Dry Soap a powder. It will remove the grease with the greatest ease. 36

JOHN BURNS

CARPENTER AND JOINER.
JOBBING DONE.
STORM SASHES AND DOORS.
Silica Street, corner of Stanley, Nelson.

TIMBER NOTICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a Special Licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, viz.:

Situated on the West Fork of Cultus Creek, Kootenay Lake, beginning at a post marked J. M. Lay's North East corner running thence West 160 chains, thence South 40 chains, thence East 160 chains, thence North 40 chains to point of commencement. J. M. LAY.
Nelson, B. C., Nov. 10th, 1903.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a Special Licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, viz.:

Situated on the South Fork of Cultus Creek, Kootenay Lake, and beginning at a post marked J. G. Billings's North East corner about three miles above the Forks, running West 40 chains, thence South 160 chains, thence East 40 chains, thence North 160 chains to the point of commencement. J. G. BILLINGS.
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Nelson, B. C., Nov. 10th, 1903.

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Situated on the South Fork of Cultus Creek, about 3 miles above the Forks, and beginning at a post marked R. J. Coleman's North West corner and running South 160 chains, thence East 40 chains, thence North 160 chains, thence West 40 chains to point of commencement. R. J. COLEMAN.
Nelson, B. C., Nov. 10th, 1903.

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Situated on Corn Creek, Kootenay River, and beginning at a post marked W. A. Boultbee's South East corner post about 3 miles up the creek and running North 40 chains, thence West 160 chains, thence South 40 chains, thence East 160 chains to point of commencement. W. A. BOULTBEE.
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Situated on Corn Creek, Kootenay River and beginning at a post marked John W. Malcolm's North East corner, about 3 1-2 miles up the river, running West 80 chains, thence South 80 chains, thence East 80 chains, thence North 80 chains to point of commencement. JOHN W. MALCOLM.
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OYSTER CRITERION MILL

EVERYTHING ABOUT IT IS NOW WORKING SMOOTHLY.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF PLANT AND TREATMENT.

The Oyster-Criterion stamp mill, which was put into commission last week is daily pounding away tons of rich quartz, and gold is piling up on the plates in very satisfactory quantities, and it is estimated that the clean up about the end of the month will be a valuable one, says the Camborne Miner.

The Oyster mill, which is operated in conjunction with the Oyster-Criterion-Rossland properties is owned by the Great Northern Mines, Ltd., as are also the properties mentioned.

A Riblet aerial tram carries the ore from the mine to the mill, where it is dumped automatically on to a grizzly; the smaller pieces of quartz go through to the stamps, while the larger portions are put through a crusher and from thence to the battery of ten stamps. The stamps next pound the ore into a pulp, which is forced by a stream of water through a fine wire mesh and over quicksilvered plates, that catch all the free gold. The pulp then flows through sizers, which are graduated, allowing the heavy particles to settle in the first compartment while the finer are carried on to the next, and so on. From the sizers the residue is transferred to the Frue vanners, of which there are three, where with the aid of flowing water the waste matter is carried off, the mineral being heavier clings to the oscillating and slowly revolving vanners and is deposited as concentrates in receptacles provided for the purpose. The concentrates are then shipped to smelters, where the gold not saved on the plates is gotten.

In addition to the mill, vanners, etc., there is a half section of a Rand tendrill air compressor which supplies power for working machine drills at the mine, a boiler for heating purposes and a complete water system with appliances for protection from fire. Power for operating the whole plant is supplied by two turbine wheels driven by a 250-foot head of water that is obtained from Pool creek by means of a pipe line over a quarter of a mile in length.

The mill building is a well built and substantial structure, sheeted with galvanized iron, and the falling of the stamps causes very little vibration. Twenty more stamps can be added when conditions warrant, with little trouble. It is the intention to instal a dynamo for lighting purposes, at an early date.

On the whole, the mill as it stands reflects much credit on A. G. Street, who designed the plans of construction, and has embodied therein many good points that came under his notice during a milling experience of many years in South Africa, New Mexico and other countries. George Lemon was in charge of construction of the mill building and James Lade superintended operations.

The entire plant is working splendidly, and will doubtless render a good account of itself in the first gold brick turned out.

A force of men was put to work at the Oyster mine this week. One of the machine drills is now in operation and more will be started as soon as some preparatory work in progress is completed.

GOLD IMPORTS.

The gold engaged for import from London has passed the $10,000,000 mark and new engagements are reported daily. It is evident that we are going to see the heaviest movement of gold across the Atlantic in this direction that has occurred since 1899, says the Toronto World. Of course this importation of gold is a relief to the New York money market and may encourage more active dealing in the stock market.

People are accustomed to consider the importation of gold an advantage and its exportation a loss. We should suppose that that would depend on how the gold is paid for. The heavy importation of three or four years ago that came to pay for our goods or for investment in American securities were undoubtedly a gain. It does not seem to be considered that the present movement is of that nature, though there have been heavy exports of cotton, and London has picked up some cheap investment stock. The impression is conveyed rather that the gold is coming here as a loan, made on rather hard terms, and that the movement marks distinctly the reappearance of the United States in Europe as a debtor nation.

We do not hear so much as formerly about New York being the financial centre of the world, though we find it said with some complacency that New York "is now in virtual command of the English gold supply." The plain meaning of this seems to be that New York needs real money so badly that her borrowers are able to offer better terms for it than those of other financial centres.

ONE OF BISHOP POTTER'S WORST.

"Years ago," when I was living in Boston, colonel Higginson was running for congress," said bishop Potter in a lecture in New York the other day. "On election day I met a negro whom I knew well and I said to him: 'I suppose you are on your way to vote for colonel Higginson?" To my surprise, he said he was going to vote for the other man. Now, colonel Higginson had been the lieutenant-colonel of the negro regiment of which Robert Shaw was colonel, and after Shaw was killed in the charge at Fort Wagner he led the regiment. So I said to Tom that I thought every consideration of chivalry and honor should lead him to support the man who had given the negro race its greatest opportunity in the civil war. Tom replied: 'I don't see it dat way, sah. I think chivalry and honor constrain me to vote for the gentleman what gave me $5 this morning.'"

AN OLD STORY NEWLY APPLIED.

Henry Clewes came down from Saratoga on the special a little time ago when the bears were doing things to stocks on 'change, says the New York Times. Mr. Clewes was in a hurry. The train made its 60 miles an hour all right, but the financier thought it the slowest train on earth.

He said so to the conductor. That dignitary, as usual, took the remark as a personal insult. He didn't know the financier.

"If you don't like the speed of this train, mister," he said, "you can get out and walk!"

Mr. Clewes was not crushed. He countered with this:

"I would, only they don't expect me till this train gets in!"

DENIES MAKING THREATS

ST. PETERSBURG DISCREDITS THE STORY OF AGGRESSION.

SUCH COURSE WOULD INFLAME JAPAN AND CAUSE WAR.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 10.—In the first place it is denied that M. Pavloff, the Russian minister at Seoul, has served a warning on Corea. According to the latest informatio nreceived here, he asks whether and under what considerations Yongampho would be opened and Corea returned an evasive reply. Then, it is not likely that admiral Alexieff, the Russian viceroy of the far east, knowing the great powers with which he is closely connected, would take such a serious step without consulting the St. Petersburg authorities. The report is equally discredited in diplomatic circles, where it is pointed out that such a move at this stage by inflaming Japanese sentiment, might force what both powers are anxious to avoid.

No word has yet been received from baron Derosen, the Russian minister to Japan, or admiral Alexieff, who are exchanging views on the modifications. But it is expected that this will not require more than a few days. When the formal reply is sent to Japan, it may be that baron Derosen and admiral Alexieff will decide not to submit matters informally to the Japanese negotiators. The tone of the papers here continues pacific, but the Novoe Vremya saying that in spite of the alarming reports from the east, "a settlement will be reached which will not hurt Japanese pride."

GRANBY ADDING TO HOLDINGS

Bonded the Victor and Thirty-Seven Claims.

The Victor and Thirty-Seven claims in Summit camp, have been bonded by the *Granby Consolidated from J. B. Henderson*, of Grand Forks, for $20,000. The group adjoins the Senator claim, which the same company recently bonded from Chris Tobiassen. Both claims have a big surface showing of iron ore, which the Granby company will use as a flux at the smelter. Mr. Henderson located the claims in 1896. They are of full size and have a lead 150 feet wide.

The Burns boys, who are working on the *May Queen, in the Boundary*, have a tunnel run in a distance of forty feet. They have encountered some good stringers of ore. They will continue work on the property all winter.

The Betts and Hesperus group, on Hardy mountain, Boundary, is exceeding expectations in good ore showings. At a depth of sixty feet the shaft is in solid ore, carrying good values. That this property will prove to be a mine there is but little doubt *from the present outlook. Adjoining properties* are being sought after, and good prices are offered for claims in that vicinity. Indications of a mining boom in the spring are growing stronger every day.

AMERICAN CROP REPORT.

Condition of Winter Wheat Is Below the Average.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Returns to the chief of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture indicate that the newly seeded area of winter wheat is about 32,000,000 acres, a decrease of six per cent from the area estimated to have been sown in the fall of 1902. The condition of winter wheat on December 1st was 66.6, as compared with 99.7 in 1902, 66.7 in 1901, and a nine-year average of 92.7. The newly seeded area of winter rye is provisionally estimated at 98.0 per cent of the area sown in the fall of 1902. The condition of winter rye on December 1st was 92.7 as compared with 98.1 on December 1st, 1902, 89.9 on December 1st, 1901, and 96.0, the mean of the averages for the last nine years. The final estimates of the total average production and value of the principal crops of 1903 will be issued on December 18th, at 4 o'clock.

MORGAN OUT FOR THE CASH.

It is beginning to dawn upon the public that Mr. Morgan is precisely like all of his predecessors in Wall street. He is not a philanthropist, seeking the public good; he is not in business for his health; he is working for Morgan six days out of the week and a good part of Sunday. He is no better, therefore, than Daniel Drew, Jay Gould or Commodore Vanderbilt. During the height of the speculative boom, ardent admirers of this eminent financial authority, who was then floating his steel stock at nearly par for the preferred and 50 for the common, were fond of telling the public that Mr. Morgan had money enough and was exploiting great industrial and railway enterprises because of an ambition to accomplish great things for the public good. The peculiar and remarkable fact about it all is that some persons were foolish enough to believe this sort of thing.—Jasper in Leslie's Weekly.

SLOCAN MINING NOTES

The following mining notes are culled from the New Denver Ledge:

Five men are employed on the Myrtle.

The Neepawa has a car of ore to ship when the snow permits of rawhiding.

A shipment of half a car of ore will be made from the Kilo as soon as rawhiding begins.

The first of a five carload shipment of ore from the Comstock is being packed to the Silverton wharf this week.

After the first of January, the Alamo concentrator will be again in operation, and shipments from the Idaho will be resumed on a large scale.

Messrs. Snyder, Lea and McNichol, who are working the Port Hope, Slocan, under lease, are taking out a shipment of very rich ore.

The owners of the Mollie Hughes are getting out some of the richest ore the property ever produced, and a shipment will soon be made.

Silverton's mines are working small forces. The Wakefield is employing 18 men, the Comstock 8, the Fisher Maiden 7, and the Hewitt 6 to 10.

A FEMININE RAID.

Chinese humorous literature abounds in references to henpecked husbands, and professor Giles told one of these stories in a recent lecture. Ten henpecked husbands resolved to form a society to resist the imposition of their wives. The ten wives heard of the plan, and while the meeting for organization was in process entered the room in a body. Nine of the rebellious husbands fled, but the tenth one retained his place, apparently unmoved by the unexpected visitation. The ten wives after smiling contemptuously on the one man who remained, went back to their homes well content with the success of their raid. The nine husbands thereupon returned to their meeting, resolved to make the heroic tenth man the president of the society. When they entered the room, however, to inform him of the honor, it was found that he was dead! He had died of fright.

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LAWYER GRIGG'S PLEA.

Says Securities Co. Has Same Right as Individual.

Washington, Dec. 10.—A brief was filed in the supreme court of the United States today by John W. Griggs, as counsel for the Northern Securities company in the proceeding of the United States against the company for the violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. He contends that the formation of the Securities company and the purchase by it of the majority of the stock of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railway companies were perfectly legal and natural acts, and he urges that the Securities company has as much right to acquire the stock of the two railroads as an individual would have.

IT CAUSED EXCITEMENT.

A Fire in the Queen's Bedroom at Sandringham.

London, Dec. 10.—A fire occurred today in queen Alexandra's bedroom at Sandringham. It broke out in the chimney flue and considerable damage was done before the fire was extinguished. The outbreak caused considerable excitement at Sandringham where the queen and a number of guests are staying.

King Edward is enjoying the shooting on lord Iveagh's estate at Elveden, Suffolk.

YMIR UNION GRATEFUL.

It Tenders the St. Andrew's Society a Vote of Thanks.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Ymir, Dec. 10.—The Ymir Miners' union, No. 85, W. F. M., at its regular meeting tendered the local St Andrew's society a vote of thanks for their kindness in furnishing a ward in the new hospital and at the same time wishing the society a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. It also decided that the secretary of the society be instructed to have the vote of thanks tendered through the columns of the Daily News.

NOMINATED FOR THE HOUSE.

Walkerton, Dec. 10.—J. J. Donnelly, has been nominated by the conservatives of Bruce county, for the dominion house at the next elections.

Knowlton, Que., Dec. 10.—Brome conservatives have nominated E. P. Stevens of this place to oppose Hon. Sydney Fisher at the next general elections.

K. OF P. INITIATIONS.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Ymir, Dec. 10.—On Monday night Gus Erickson, C.C., of Nelson lodge, No. 25, K. of P., visited the Ymir lodge, No. 87, K. of P., where he assisted in initiating ten new members into the mysteries of Pythianism. Ymir lodge, the baby lodge of the province, has a very good beginning and the officers and members have taken hold with a vigor that bids fair to land the lodge in the *front rank in a very short time.*

SENT UP FOR LIFE.

A Woman Who Killed Her Brother With *Poison Sentenced.*

Cadillac, Mich., Dec. 10.—A jury today found Mrs. Mary McKnight guilty of the murder of her brother, John Murphy, by poisoning Mrs. McKnight, was sentenced to life imprisonment.

RESULT IN DEATH

X-Rays Are Very Harmful to the Spleen and Brain.

New York, Dec. 10.—The Sun this morning publishes the following despatch from Leipsic: Dr. Heincke has proved by experiments with animals that systematic exposure to X-Rays, already known to be harmful to the brain, is also very damaging to the internal organs, and especially *the spleen, resulting in death after emaciation*, fear, langor and prostration.

BALFE'S SON DESTITUTE.

New York, Dec. 10.—A despatch to the Sun from London says: The son of Balfe, the composer, has made an appeal for assistance. He hopes to secure money enough to buy a barrel organ upon which he can play his father's compositions in the streets

C. P. R. TRAFFIC RECEIPTS.

Montreal, Dec 10.—C. P. R. traffic receipts for week ending December 7th are $944,000; for the same week last year, $875,000.

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LARGE CANALS OF THE WORLD

SUEZ IS CONSIDERED THE MOST IMPORTANT OF ALL.

WATERWAYS CONNECTING THE GREAT AMERICAN LAKES.

The renewed attention being given to the proposed isthmian canal at this time lends especial interest to a discussion of the great canals of the world, presented by the department of commerce and labor through its bureau of statistics says the Scientific American. The ship canals of the world, it says, are nine in number, as follows:

1.—The Suez canal, begun in 1859 and completed in 1869.

2.—The Cronstadt and St. Petersburg canal, begun in 1877 and completed in 1890.

3.—The Corinth canal, begun in 1884 and completed in 1893.

4.—The Manchester ship canal, completed in 1894.

5.—The Kaiser Wilhelm canal, connecting the Baltic and North seas, completed in 1895.

6.—The Elbe and Trave canal, connectinmg the North sea and Baltic, opened in 1900.

7.—The Welland canal, connecting lake Erie with lake Ontario.

8 and 9.—The two canals, United States and Canadian, respectively, connecting lake Superior with lake Huron.

THE SUEZ CANAL.

The Suez canal is usually considered the most important example of ship canals, though the number of vessels passing through it annually does not equal that passing through the canals connecting lake Superior with the chain of great lakes at the south. In length, however, it exceeds any of the other great ship canals, its total length being 90 miles, of which about two-thirds is through shallow lakes. The material excavated was usually sand though, in some cases, strata of solid rock from two to three feet in thickness were encountered. The total excavation was about 80,000,000 cubic yards under the original plan, which gave a depth of 25 feet. In 1895 the canal was so enlarged as to give a depth of 31 feet, a width at the bottom of 108 feet and at the surface of 420 feet. The original cost was $95,000,000, and for the canal in its present form slightly in excess of $100,000,000. The number of vessels passing through the canal in 1870 was 486, with a gross tonnage of 654,915 tons; in 1875, 1,494 vessels, gross tonnage, 2,940,708 tons; in 1880, 2,026 vessels, gross tonnage, 4,344,519 tons; in 1890, 3,389 vessels, gross tonnage, 9,749,129 tons; in 1895, 3,434 vessels, gross tonnage, 11,833,637 tons; and in 1900, 3,441 vessels with a gross tonnage of 13,699,237 tons. The revenue of the canal is apparently large in proportion to its cost, the statesman's yearbook for 1901 giving the net profits of 1899 at 54,153,660 francs and the total amount distributed among the shareholders 51,538,028 francs, or about 10 per cent of the estimated cost of $100,000,000.

The canal is without locks, being at the sea level the entire distance. The length of time occupied in passing through the canal averages about 18 hours. By the use of electric lights throughout the entire length of the canal passages are made at night with nearly equal facility to that of the day. The tolls charged are 9 francs per ton net register, "Danube measurement," which amounts to slightly more than $2 per ton United States net measurement. Steam vessels passing through the canal are propelled by their own power.

THE CRONSTADT AND ST. PETERSBURG CANAL.

The canal connecting the bay of Cronstadt with St. Petersburg is described as a work of great strategic and commercial importance to Russia. The canal and sailing course in the bay of Cronstadt are about 16 miles long, the canal proper being about six miles, and the bay channel about ten miles, and they together extend from Cronstadt, on the gulf of Finland, to St. Petersburg. The canal was opened in 1890 with a navigable depth of 20 1-2 feet, the original depth having been about nine feet; the width ranges from 220 to 350 feet. The total cost is estimated at about $10,000,000.

THE CORINTH CANAL.

The next of the great ship canals connecting bodies of salt water in the order of date of construction is the Corinth canal, which connects the gulf of Corinth with the gulf of Aegia. The canal reduces the distance from Adriatic ports about 175 miles, and from Mediterranean ports about 100 miles. Its length is about four miles, a part of which was cut through granite soft rock and the remainder through soil. There are no locks, as is also the case in both the Suez and Cronstadt canals, already described. The width of the canal is 7 feet at bottom and the depth 26 1-4 feet. The work was begun in 1884 and completed in 1893 at a cost of about $5,000,000. The average tolls are 18 cents per ton and 20 cents per passenger.

THE MANCHESTER SHIP CANAL.

The Manchester ship canal, which connects Manchester, England, with the Mersey river, Liverpool, and the Atlantic ocean, was opened for traffic January 1st, 1894. The length of the canal is 35 1-2 miles, the total rise from the water level to Manchester being 60 feet, which is divided into four sets of locks, giving an average to each of 15 feet. The minimum width is 120 feet at the bottom, and averages 175 feet at the water level, though in places the width is extended to 230 feet. The minimum depth is 26 feet, and the time required for navigating the canal from five to eight hours. The total amount of excavation in the canal and docks was about 45,000,000 cubic yards, of which about one-fourth was sandstone rock. The lock gates are operated by hydraulic power; railways and bridges crossing the route of the canal have been raised to give a height of 75 feet to vessels traversing the canal, and an ordinary canal whose route it crosses is carried across by a springing aqueduct composed of an iron caisson resting upon a pivot pier. The total cost of the canal is given at $75,000,000. The revenue in 1901, according to the Statesman's Yearbook, was £621,128, and the working expenses £483,267. For the half year ending June 30th, 1900, the canal yielded £16,488 toward paying the £112,500 of interest which the city of Manchester has to pay on the capital invested in the enterprise. The freight-paying tolls on the canal amounted to 1,487,841 tons in the half year, an increase of 12 per cent over that of the corresponding period of the preceding year.

THE KAISER WILHELM CANAL.

Two canals connect the Baltic and North seas through Germany, the first, known as the Kaiser Wilhelm canal, having been completed in 1895 and constructed largely for military and naval purposes, but proving also of great value to general mercantile traffic. Work upon the Kaiser Wilhelm canal was commenced in 1887 and completed, as above indicated, in 1895. The length of the canal is 61 miles, the terminus in the Baltic sea being at the harbor of Kiel. The depth is 29 1-2 feet, the width at the bottom 72 feet, and the minimum width at the surface 190 feet. The route lies chiefly through marshes and shallow lakes and along river valleys. The total excavation amounted to about 100,000,000 cubic yards, and the cost to about $40,000,000. The number of vessels passing through the canal in 1900 was 21,571, with a tonnage of 4,282,258, and the dues collected amounted to 2,133,155 marks.

CANALS CONNECTING THE GREAT LAKES.

Three ship canals intended to give continuous passage to vessels from the head of lake Superior to lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence river are the Welland canal originally constructed in 1833 and enlarged in 1871 and 1900; the St. Mary's Falls canal at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, opened in 1855 and enlarged in 1881 and 1896; and the Canadian canal at St. Mary's river, opened in 1895. In point of importance, measured at least by their present use, the canals at the St. Mary's river by far surpass that of the Welland canal, the number of vessels passing through the canals at the St. Mary's river being eight times as great as the number passing through the Welland, and the tonnage of the former nearly 40 times as great as that of the latter. One of the important products of the lake Superior region, iron ore, is chiefly used in the section contiguous to lake Erie, and a large proportion of the grain coming down from lake Superior passes from Buffalo to the Atlantic coast by way of the Erie canal and railroads centering at Buffalo. The most important article in the westward shipments through the Sault Ste. Marie canals—coal—originates in the territory contiguous to lake Erie. These conditions largely account for the fact that the numebr and tonnage of vessels passing the St. Mary's river canals so greatly exceed those of the Welland canal.

The Welland Canal.—The Welland canal connects lake Ontario and lake Erie on the Canadian side of the river. It was constructed in 1833 and enlarged in 1871 and again in 1900. The length of the canal is 27 miles, the number of locks 25, the total rise of lockage 327 feet, and the total cost about $25,000,000. The annual collection of tolls on freight, passengers and vessels averages about $225,000, and the canal is open on an average about 240 days in a year.

The Sault Ste. Marie Canals.—The Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan and Onario, are located adjacent to the falls of the St. Mary's river, which connects lake Superior with lake Huron, and lower or raise vessels from one level to the other, a height of 17 to 20 feet. The canal belonging to the United States was begun in 1853 by the state of Michigan and opened in 1855, the length of the canal being 5,674 feet, and provided with two tandem locks, each being 350 feet in length and 70 feet wide, and allowing the passage of vessels drawing 12 feet, the original cost being $1,000,000. The United States government, by consent of the state, began in 1870 to enlarge the canal, and by 1881 had increased its length to 1.6 miles, its width to an average of 160 feet, and its depth to 16 feet; also had built a single lock 515 feet long and 80 feet wide, with a depth of 17 feet on the sills, which was located 100 feet south of the state locks. The state relinquished all control of the canal in March, 1882. In 1887 the state locks were torn down and replaced by a single lock 800 feet long, 100 feet wide, and a depth of 22 feet of water on the sills. This lock was put in commission in 1896. The canal was also deepened to 25 feet. The Canadian canal, 1 1-8 miles long, 150 feet wide, and 22 feet deep, with lock 900 feet long, 60 feet wide, with 22 feet on the miter sills, was built on the north side of the river during the years 1888 to 1895. The number of vessels passing through the United States canal in 1902 was 17,588, and through the Canadian canal 4,204. In 1900 the number of vessels passing through the United States canal was 16,144, and through the Canadian canal 3,003, showing an increase of 1,200 in the number of vessels passing through the Canadian canal, with a slight decrease in the number through the United States canal, the increase in the number passing through the Canadian canal having been due to the development of the Michigan district. The tonnage passing through the United States canal in 1902 was: Registered tonnage, 27,408,021 tons; in 1901, 22,322,234 tons, against 20,136,782 in the year 1900; the freight tonnage in 1901 was 25,026,522 tons, against 23,251,539 tons in 1900. The Canadian canal shows: Registered tonnage in 1902, 4,547,561 tons; in 1901, 2,404,642 tons, against 2,160,490 in 1900. A marked contrast between the business of the St. Mary's Falls and Welland canals is found in a comparison of their figures for a term of years. The number of vessels passing through the Welland canal in 1873 was 6,425, and in 1899, 2,202, a reduction of more than one-half in the number of vessels. The number of vessels passing through the St. Mary's Falls canal in 1873 was 2,517, and in 1902, through the Canadian and American canals, 22,659.

AIM TO PREVENT STRIKES

A NATIONAL FEDERATION OF ALL EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATIONS

ORGANIZATION DISTINCTLY HOSTILE TO UNIONS.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—Preliminary steps were taken in Chicago today to organize a national federation of local employers' associations in the building lines. In the opinion of those well informed as to the purposes and scope of the movement its importance can scarcely be overestimated. In plain words it aims to curb the excessive exactions of the labor unions, from which the building trades have suffered of late perhaps more than any other line. Other objects, such as the standardization of material and the suppression of unfair competition, will be kept in view by the new organization, but all of these will be of secondary importance in comparison with the main purpose of advancing and protecting the interests of the contractors in their relations to the labor unions.

The idea of the National Association of Employers, under which name the federation is to be known, had its inception in the formation of the Building Trades Employers' association in New York last spring. Nothing of the kind on so large a scale has ever been achieved in any city in this country, and all cities which had been disturbed by labor conflicts watched the outcome. Soon similar associations were formed in other cities and the idea of a national federation was the result. Represented in the federation are the following trades: Architectural iron, elevator building, plastering, house drainage, mantel and tile work, masons and builders, plumbers, steamfitters, carpenters, stone cutters, marble manufacturers, painters, decorators, mosaic work, and electrical work.

The objects of the association are as *follows:*

To advance and protect the interests of the contractors.

To secure equitable treatment in their dealings with their employes.

To encourage organization and the formation of associations of contractors.

To regulate conditions among the building contractors.

To maintain peace and harmony between the employer and employe.

The basis of settlement of all disputes should be conciliation and arbitration.

The sympathetic strike should be absolutely prohibited.

Where conditions are proper and employes' associations exist, agreements to be made with them.

A uniform form of agreement be adopted and used in making joint agreements, wages being adjusted according to local conditions.

All agreements to embody the following principles:

There shall be no restriction of the use of machinery or tools.

There shall be no restriction of the use of any manufactured material, except prison-made.

No person shall have the right to interfere with the workman during working hours.

The use of apprentices shall not be prohibited.

The foreman shall be the agent of the employer.

All workmen are at liberty to work for whomsoever they see fit

All employers are at liberty to employ and discharge whomsoever they see fit.

The last clause is a plain declaration for the open shop. Union men have always contested that a successful movement to establish the open shop meant the end of organized labor. For this reason it is predicted that the new association will have the antagonism of the unions from the very outset. Foreseeing the probable aim of the new association, the American Federation of Labor, assembled in annual convention in Boston last month, gave extended attention to the open shop issue and formulated a report strongly opposing it. The action of the two organizations, one representing three-fourths of the organized workmen of America, and the other representing the building trades of the entire country, portend a conflict, the extent and results of which can be but faintly imagined.

The organization of the building trades is the first great step in the movement urged by president Parry of the National Manufacturers' association to organize all employers of the United States in a fight against the alleged unjust demands of the labor unions. The success of this first effort, so far as the work of organization is completed, is such as to gratify its promoters. The extent to which it has "caught on" is evidenced by the fact that nearly 50 cities were represented among the delegates present when the conference opend this morning. Among the cities are New York, Chicago, Pittsburg, San Francisco, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Topeka, Cedar Rapids, Cincinnati, Newark, East St. Louis, Detroit, Indianapolis, Cleveland and Erie.

MEMORIAL TABLETS UNVEILED

One to Surgeon Walter Reed, the Yellow Fever Expert.

Gloucester Court House, Va., Dec. 10.—Several marble tablets in memory of distinguished sons of Gloucester county were unveiled today in the presence of a distinguished gathering. Among the memorials was one to Surgeon Walter Reed, U. S. A., who, by demonstrating in Cuba that mosquitoes transmit yellow fever, gave to man the control of that scourge in the western hemisphere

RIOT IN CHICAGO.

Non-Union Crew of Street Railway Attacked and Beaten By a Mob.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—As a result of the recent strike on the Chicago street railway, a car was wrecked by sympathizers, who attacked the non-union conductor and motorman, badly injuring both. The crew of the car escaped into a nearby building where they were guarded by the police. The riot occurred on the Halsted street line near Archer avenue.

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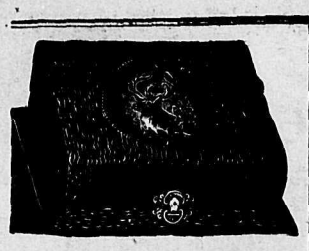

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NELSON'S NEWS OF THE DAY

The next dance under the auspices of the Success club will be held on the evening of Wednesday, 30th inst. Next Wednesday the club will give a concert in which some of the best local talent will take part.

Curlers are still anxiously awaiting colder weather so that they may be able to play their favorite game. In Rossland, and the Boundary towns curlers have had good ice for several days, but here the cold has not been sufficient to permit the devotees of the game to play.

A number of scholars of St. Saviour's Sunday school commence practicing next Monday for the big entertainment which will be given on December 30th under the auspices of the school. Some entirely new and interesting drills and tableaux are promised by those who have the affair in hand.

The lack of snow for sleighing and rawhiding is now delaying operations considerably throughout the Slocan and Lardeau districts. In East Kootenay snow is anxiously awaited to put the roads in good shape for hauling logs. At the same time every effort is being made to have as much timber as possible cut before the snow arrives.

Although the date for the municipal elections is now only a month off there is still practically no manifestation of interest by the citizens generally. A couple of names have been mentioned on the street as likely candidates for office, but beyond this there seems to have been nothing done. The entire lack of civic issues so far accounts for the lack of interest.

Neil McKechnie, who was found unconscious at the Silver King mine last week, suffering from severe cuts and other injuries apparently inflicted by a falling rock, is able to get around again, and is now in Nelson. He is still unable to remember what happened, everything being a blank from the time he was working in the tunnel till he recovered his senses in the bunkhouse.

On Saturday next there will be an exhibition of the work taken up in the manual training course which has been conducted for the past six weeks at the Nelson schools under the direction of H. Dunnell, provincial superintendent of manual training. The mayor and aldermen of the city have accepted the invitation of Mr. Dunnell to attend the exhibition. A general invitation is given by the superintendent to the parents of the pupils and all interested in the work to attend. Brush drawing and modelling will be the subjects taken up.

A deal is on which will probably result in the building of another sawmill at Nelson, besides the big one projected for One Mile point. This third mill will not be as large as that of the Kootenay Rived Lumber company, but will employ about a score of hands. If the arrangements now pending go through successfully it is possible that the new mill will be started within a week. There are no new developments regarding the big mill but the arrangements are apparently progressing satisfactorily.

Among the arrivals in the city yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. Walter P. Dockerill, of Rossland. They are guests at the Strathcona. They were married on Wednesday in Rossland by the Rev. John A. Cleland, rector of St. George's church. Mr. Dockerill is a rising and popular lawyer of Rossland, where he has resided for the past seven years. His bride was Miss Nellie Sutton, an accomplished young lady of Grand Forks. After a few days tour of Nelson and other points, Mr. and Mrs. Dockerill will take up their permanent residence in Rossland.

The drill shed of the Nelson company of the Rocky Mountain Rangers is one of the best and most up-to-date in the province. The completion of the offices and other rooms will furnish a splendid opportunity to the men of the company to develop its strength and efficiency to the highest point, as besides the hall for drilling they have a practise hall for rifle shooting, recreation room, and the commencement of an excellent gymnasium. The company is not yet up to its full strength, although recruits are coming in steadily, filling up the vacancies caused by the removal of some of the old members to other points. An effort is being made to have a complete turnout on the occasion of lord Dundonald's visit next week, and those wishing to join should make application at the armory tonight.

The second cleanup at the Eva mill last Thursday resulted in the production of another set of gold bricks believed to be even more valuable than the last lot, which netted the company operating the mine, $8,500. The bricks were shipped from Arrowhead by superintendent Knox, and are now on their way to Chicago. The exact value of the bricks is not yet known and it will probably be a week before the assayer's returns are received. Work at the property is progressing most satisfactorily, both tramway and mill operating steadily in handling the product of the mine. As the ore is shipped direct from the mouth of the tunnel to the mill by tramway and so the condition of the roads do not make any difference in the shipments, except for getting in supplies. These are hauled in from Comaplix by wagon.

GEN. TZONTCHEFF'S VIEWS.

Says War Between Turkey and Bulgaria is Certain.

Vienna, Dec. 10.—General Tzontcheff, the Macedonian leader, left tonight for Paris. He will go to London and it is possible that he will visit the United States. When interviewed today the general said he considered that a war between Turkey and Bulgaria next spring was inevitable and he expressed the belief that Servia would co-operate with Bulgaria. He said that the scheme of reforms in Macedonia, formulated by the Austrian and Russian governments and formally consented to by the Porte, was doomed to be a failure.

General Tzontcheff said the belief prevailed in Servia that Austria would outwit Russia and that Austria was preparing to occupy Macedonia. Meanwhile Bulgaria, the Macedonian leader said, was preparing for war and had recently received 50,000 Mannlicher rifles and large quantities of ammunition and military stores.

NOBEL PEACE PRIZE.

It Was Awarded to Cremer, Publisher of The Arbitrator.

Christiana, Norway, Dec. 10.—The Norwegian parliament has awarded the 10 Nobel peace prize, $39,150, to William R. Cremer, M.P., publisher of The Arbitrator, of London, for his work in behalf of international arbitration. The prize for physics is divided between Henry Becquerel, of Norway, and M. and Mme. Curie, of Paris. The chemical prize goes to the Swedish professor, Arrhenius, the medical prize to Dr. Finzen, of Denmark, and the prize for literature to Bjornstjerne Bjorsen, the Norwegian poet. These latter prizes amount to about $4,000 each.

A REIGN OF TERROR

Idaho Timber Thieves Drive Settlers From Their Homes.

Butte, Montana, Dec. 10.—Investigations by the government officers show that a reign of terror exists on the forks of the Couer d'Alene river in Idaho. The settlers have been driven from their homes and settlement discouraged, while millions of feet of fine pine have been taken from government lands and sold to the mills. A special agent of the general land office was sent there and warrants for the arrest of the thieves have been issued.

ATTENDED BY THE KING.

Lisbon, Dec. 10.—A state banquet was held in the Ajuda palace tonight which was attended by several hundred guests, including king Alfonso, king Carlos, queen Amelia and all the members of the Portuguese royal family with their suites. The city is brilliantly illuminated to night.

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SYMPHONY CLUB TONIGHT.

That "Wise old city," Montgomery, Ala., was delighted with the performance of the Schubert Symphony club and Lady Quartette on February 16th, '97, and from the collection of testimonials from the most excellent people we clip the following from that sterling gentleman and scholar, Rev. Dr. W. Dudley Powers, rector of St. John's chapel: "Your entertainment was very satisfactory to all who saw it, and has received warm compliments from all to whom I have spoken. I regard it as a refined, artistic and pleasant entertainment. To me your company gave exceptional pleasure, and I shall always be glad to give any word of commendation that may be of service to you." The best people are always the best pleased with the Schubert's The club appears at the Nelson opera house this evening.

SIX-DAY RACE SCORE.

How the Riders Stood at Midnight.—One Contestant Retires.

New York, Dec. 10.—The score at 10 o'clock this evening of the six-day bicycle race stood as follows: Contenet and Breton, Leander and Butler, Krebs and Peterson, Newkirk and Jacobson, Bedell brothers, Root and Dorlan, Bowler and Fisher, Walthour and Monroe, were tied with 1,606 miles 1 lap; Moran and Keegan, 1,605.0; Sampson and Vanderstuyft, 1,604.7; Krebs and Gougoltz, 1,604.0; Dove and Hedspeth, 1,590.0.

Root and Dorlan were officially declared out of the race at 11.30 tonight after having made 1,626 miles and 7 laps. Dorlan was found physically unable to ride as the result of a fall on Monday.

At 12 o'clock the seven leading teams were at 1,633 miles and 2 laps; Moran and Keegan had 1,633 miles and 1 lap to the credit, while the others stood: Samson and Vanderstuyft, 1,631 miles and 6 laps; Krebs and Gougoltz, 1,629 miles and 2 laps; Dove and Hedspeth, 1,617 miles and 1 lap.

Tonight Frank Kramer, the world's champion unpaced rider, broke the indoor record for a half mile, making the distance in 53 2-5 seconds.

REVENGEFUL BURGLARS.

Set Store Afire, Because They Secured Small Booty.

Montreal, Dec. 10—Burglars broke into the fish and game store of Henry Catehouse last night, and after wrecking the cash register and finding only a few cents, set fire to the building. A big storm was raging at the time and delayed the arrival of the fire brigade, and before the blaze had been extinguished considerable damage had been done. The loss is several thousand dollars.

MINING INSTITUTE MEETING.

Toronto to Be the Place Instead of Montreal.

Toronto, Dec. 10.—The executive committee of the Canadian Mining Institute held a meeting here last night and decided to fix the meeting place of the annual gathering to be held in the first week of March for Toronto. The usual meeting place is in Montreal.

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