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SITUATION ON YALU RIVER IS REGARDED AS CRITICAL

Japanese Supposed to Have 200,000 Men in the Field and News of Important Engagement May be Received any Day

LONDON, March 11.—Speculation regarding the military situation on the Yalu river is most keen, but none of a reliable character has been received. The Nagasaki correspondent of the Daily Express says that 200,000 troops have been shipped from Japan and that a portion of the second army corps is now on its way to Korea. The correspondent of the Daily Chronicle at Tokio, evidently referring to the same news, cables that the transportation to northern Korea of three divisions of Japanese troops has been completed and that these men are beginning to advance while two divisions of the second army corps have already been mobilized.

As an illustration of the curiously contradictory character of reports from the far east a correspondent of the Daily Chronicle at Kin Chau mentions Fung Wang Chang, which is about 45 miles northwest of Ah Tung, in Manchuria, as one of several points of Russian concentration, while other correspondents have reported that the Japanese have captured Fung Wang Chang. Other correspondents report that the Russians have mined all points where it is possible to cross the Yalu river. The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that the Japanese, after Port Arthur is neutralized, will move two armies to the north simultaneously, one from the southern part of the Liao Tung peninsula and the other from the Yalu river. The Russians are now moving northward on Korea, this correspondent continues, with the intention of making Wiju their defensive base.

A correspondent of the Daily Telegraph who was in Japan recently, wires from Seoul that the Japanese are making steady progress with their land movements. The roads are occupied by Japanese troops.

According to the Tien Tsin correspondent of the Standard the Russians are withdrawing all the superfluous troops from Port Arthur to Harbin and Kirin, because of the shortage of provisions and because it is doubtful whether or not they would be able to hold either Port Arthur or New Chwang against a resolute attack. The spirit of the Russian troops, who are largely recruits, has been broken by starvation, cold and harsh treatment from their officers. The Russian losses on the Yalu river are reported to reach a total of 2000 men.

Cabling from Tokio, a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says the Jiji Shimpo has received a communication from Pekin declaring that Great Britain and the United States have protested against Russia sinking junks in the channel of the Liao river at New Chwang on the ground that this prevents the egress of the warships of these powers from the river.

The Standard this morning publishes an article in which the writer points out the defenceless condition of the Amur river, Russia never profiting from the experiences of the Boxer outbreak, it says, and she is short of gunboats on the river. It is probable that when the ice disappears the Japanese will send a fleet of armed gunboats into the river and make themselves felt along its entire length.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10.—4.45 p.m.—The only piece of important news up to this hour today from the seat of war was the Associated Press dispatch from Port Arthur announcing a fresh attack on that place by the Japanese fleet. The reports that the Japanese have entered Manchuria west of the Yalu river and have reached Feng Huan Cheng on the Pekin road, which is the Russian line of communication to the Yalu, cannot be confirmed. If the information proves true a land engagement of some magnitude cannot long be delayed, as the Russians have a heavy force south of the line between Liao Yang and Mukden, and they are also occupying strong positions along the Yalu. A Japanese column between them would be in desperate straits, unless it moved by the flank to take the Russians on the Yalu, and if the rear was energetically supported by a forward Japanese movement from Korea.

PORT ARTHUR, March 10.—A message from the signal station at 11 o'clock last night announced the appearance of a Japanese squadron on the horizon. Fifty minutes later the shore batteries opened fire on the Japanese vessels. A gale sprang up and the attacking fleet soon withdrew.

The Japanese fleet appeared off this city at midnight and bombarded it intermittently until 8 o'clock this morning.

VLADIVOSTOCK, March 10.—The acting chief of staff today officially announced that the reports of a sea fight between the Russian and Japanese squadrons on Sunday last are unfounded.

TOKIO, March 10.—Russian and Japanese mounted scouts met south of Ping Yang yesterday, after a brief engagement the Russians retreating. No casualties are reported on either side.

TOMSK, Western Siberia, March 10.—A military train bound for Irkutsk, Western Siberia, was derailed today; one person was killed and a number of others were injured.

TOKIO, March 10.—It is believed in diplomatic circles here that Marquis Ito, who is to leave Tokio on March 15th for Korea, will be able to allay the doubts and imagined dangers which are reported to be haunting the Korean emperor, who has not yet published the text of the Japanese-Korean protocol in the official organ of Korea.

The Japanese government expects to realize $5,000,000 by increased taxation. The emperor and empress have donated $6,000, and the crown prince and crown princess $1,250 for the relief of the widows and orphans of Japanese soldiers. The Japanese journalistsare rejoicing at the friendly tone observable in the American papers, which have just been received in this country.

Information obtained from private sources is to the effect that the Japanese squadron has bombarded Vladivostock twice since March 6th.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10.—General Kouropatkin is busy preparing for his departure to the front on Saturday. Arrangements have been made to give him a big farewell demonstration. He will travel on a train specially fitted to be used as his headquarters, while directing the field operations. The grand duke Boris will be his aide-de-camp and will start tonight. The general will stop a day at Moscow to visit the Trinity Sergius monastery. To facilitate the working of the army machinery at such an immense distance from the war ministry, upon general Kouropatkin's recommendation important reforms will be enacted in the army administration, whereby much of the existing red tape will be abolished and commanders in the field will be allowed more authority in matters that pertain to military operations.

PARIS, March 10.—It is officially confirmed that the Russian minister at Pekin has made firm representations to the Chinese government concerning the Chinese troops along the Manchurian frontier, with a pointed intimation of the defensive measures Russia may be compelled to adopt.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10.—Russia has served notice on China that the latter must not send troops beyond the great wall, and that she must exercise her influence to restrain the Chinese bandits, who are partially under the control of Chinese officers who are interfering with the railways and telegraph lines. A refusal to heed these warnings will be considered as a breach of neutrality.

NAGASAKI, March 10.—The crews of the merchant vessels captured by the Japanese warships since the war began have just been released, and in all, 400 Russians, Chinese and Germans have been turned over to their respective consuls to be sent back to their own countries. Forty of the officers, taken at the same time, still remain at Sasebo. The coal cargo of the Norwegian steamer Hermes has been released.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10.—The czar has received the following messafie from viceroy Alexieff dated today at Mukden: "The commandant of the fortress at Port Arthur reports that at about 1 o'clock this morning the outlines of vessels, apparently torpedo boats, were seen at sea within the area swept by our searchlights. Our shore batteries opened fire upon these vessels. Our torpedo boats put to sea at about 2.40 a. m. and about 4 o'clock met the enemy west of the Liao Tshin lighthouse. After firing several shots the enemy retreated to the south in the direction of Shandi. Our torpedo boats returned to the harbor at 6 o'clock. Later, torpedo boats were again sent out to reconnoitre. They returned in half an hour, having learned that an enemy's squadron was approaching. At 8 o'clock the Japanese opened fire upon our cruisers and fortress. The enemy had fourteen ships and fired the entire time behind Liao Tshin. I have the honor to report the above to your majesty. (Signed), Alexieff."

YIN KOW, March 10.—The concentration of troops at the Russian strategical base has resulted in much suffering among the Chinese inhabitants, especially at Liao Yang, where even private buildings have been appropriated to accommodate the soldiers, and thousands of Chinese are consequently without homes. Russian troops are encamped at all the essential points along the railroad.

PARIS, March 10.—In spite of official reticence, and denials from the Japanese legation, it is again affirmed that a non-commissioned officer named Martin, who was employed in the ministry of marine and who is now under arrest, attempted to sell French naval secrets to a naval attache of the Japanese legation. The discovery of this alleged attempt came as a result of the accidental opening of a letter addressed to the non-commissioned officer by a naval captain of the same name. This letter was from an intermediary, but it indicated the principals in the affair. It is alleged that several women are implicated and that one of them has confessed. It appears now that only one document is missing from the ministry of marine, but it is possible that Martin photographed and replaced others. It is not likely that the information alleged to have been sold got beyond the intermediary, and it is said that the Japanese naval attache who is supposed to have been in direct communication with Martin sailed for home on board one of the cruisers which Japan purchased from Argentina.

LONDON, March 11.—The Times publishes a dispatch from Tokio saying the ice on the Yalu river has begun to melt. Japanese scouts have encountered 40 Cossacks, the correspondent continues, at Kazan, 58 miles north of Ning Yang, on the road to Wiju.

LIVERPOOL, March 11. Inquiries were made here today for steamships to carry coal on Russian account, and the rate to the far east rose to 50 shillings a ton. Several foreign owned ships have accepted charters. They are required to call at Kiao-Chiu, where they will receive orders to call at Port Dalny, Port Arthur or Vladivostock.

PARIS, March 10.—A correspondent of the Figaro in St. Petersburg writes that as a result of the recent letters from king Edward to the czar, in which his majesty expressed in cordial terms his desire for peace, the editors of several papers in St. Petersburg were summoned to the office of the censor and ordered to moderate their anti-British tendencies. This correspondent says also that the czar has requested the emperor of Germany to communicate to him his personal criticism of military and naval events in the far east as the news of such occurrences is received.

CANDIA, Island of Crete, March 10.—A Russian transport from Port Said has arrived here. Members of her crew say that the Russian torpedo boat No. 221 was lost while on her way to this port. The crew were rescued by the transport.

BALFOUR JARS ROSEBERY

WHO DISTURBS CUSTOMARY DECORUM OF HOUSE OF LORDS

BY FIERY ATTACK UPON "PRETTY FANNY."—NO ONE HURT.

London, March 10.—An extraordinary scene disturbed the customary decorum of the house of lords this evening. In a recent debate in the house of commons, premier Balfour had used the word "calumny" with some reference to a statement made by lord Rosebery on the fiscal controversy.

When the house of lords met today, lord Rosebery asked lord Lansdowne, the foreign secretary, what justification existed for the premier's use of such a word.

Lord Lansdowne admitted that the premier had used the word in the heat of debate. He said he thought the circumstances justified some warmth on the part of the premier but that he had consulted with Mr. Balfour who told him that he did not desire to impute to lord Rosebery a deliberate attempt to misrepresent him. After lord Lansdowne had finished lord Rosebery again rose and declaring the explanation had not been satisfactory, he fiercely attacked the premier whom he accused of being too "thin-skinned," adding: "People who live in glass houses should not throw stones; it is all very well to defend such language by saying it was due to the heat of debate and only "Pretty Fanny's" way. If a man cannot curb his tongue better than he is unfit to be the first lord of the treasury. I don't, personally, care a farthing what language premier Balfour uses about me and I only brought the matter before the house in order to point out that there are decencies of debate that should be used even by those who occupy the highest positions."

As lord Roseberry finished this tirade and sat down, a painful silence ensued, and the lords looked at each other uncomfortably.

After a long pause earl Spencer, the liberal leader, rose and said he thought lord Rosebery had not been fairly used, etc. After an awkward silence lord chancellor Halsbury asked whether lord Rosebery had any motion to make. Lord Rosebery then moved the adjournment of the house, and almost unparalleled motion in the house of lords, but he did not press the motion to a division and the subject was dropped.

FIERCE STORM RAGING

PACIFIC COAST STATES SWEPT BY STRONG GALES.

LAND AND SNOWSLIDES PUT STOP TO COMMUNICATION.

San Francisco, March 10.—A severe storm of wind and rain prevails over the Pacific coast. The telegraph wires everywhere are prostrated. The barometer here fell to 29.23 the lowest on record. The wind reached the velocity of 46 miles an hour. Some damage has been done in this city and shipping in the harbor has been considerably injured The U. S. schooner Ernest is ashore on Goat island. An abundance of rain in southern California is anticipated.

Salt Lake City, Utah, March 10.—Since early today California has been practically cut or from telegraphic communication with the outside world. A gale raged with almost hurricane violence at San Francisco and for some distance inland. Meagre reports from southern Oregon points are to the effect that the storm was almost unprecedented and was general all along the California coast. Land and snowslides, tearing out telegraph poles by the wholesale, are reported on the Central Pacific near Auburn, California, on of the west slope of the Sierras, and two on the Southern Pacific in northern California. In northern California the storm comes as a climax to a series of snow and rain storms that have caused numerous land slides and kept the railroads partially blocked for several days.

THE COPPER KINGS' WAR

HEINZE AND HIS SUPERINTENDENTS ARE ARRESTED.

CHARGED WITH DISOBEYING MANDATE OF COURT.

Butte, Montana, March 10.—F. August Heinze, president of the Montana Ore Purchasing Company, superintendent Treriz, of the Rarus mine, and superintendent L. A. Frank, of the Johnstown mine, Heinze's properties, were arraigned in the federal court before judge Knowles today on the charge of having refused admittance to the federal inspectors sent to the Rarus mine in an effort to learn whether, as is charged by the Butte and Boston Company, the Heinze miners are stealing ore from the Michael Davitt mine, in the affidavit made. Judge Knowles decided that the order of inspection covered every part of the Rarus mine, but said that the inspectors must confine their inspection actually to the purpose of their appointment.

Messrs. Heinze, Frank and Treriz were arrested early in the day on the complaint of the Boston and Butte Company because it was alleged they had disobeyed the mandate of the U. S. court.

WHEAT, CORN AND OATS.

Quantities Remaining in U. S. Farmers' Hands on March 1st.

Washington, March 10.—The March report of the bureau of statistics of the United States department of agriculture, says the amount of wheat remaining in been aboutshrdlu shrdlu shrdlu taoindm farmers' hands on March 1st was about 132 600,000 bushels, or 20.8 per cent of last year's crop, as compared with 24.5 per cent of the crop of 1902 on hand on March 1, 1903.

The co n n ia mers' hands is estimated at about 839,000,000 bushels or 37.4 per cent of last year's crop, against 46 per cent of the crop of 1902 on hand on March 1, 1903.

Of oats there are reported to be about 273,700,000 bushels, or 34.9 per cent of last year's crop still in farmers' hands, as compared with 36.9 per cent of the crop of 1902 on hand March 1, 1903.

VAN HORNE AND TAFT.

Consult as To Possibilities of Railroad Construction in Phillipines.

New York, March 10.—United States secretary of war Taft had a prolonged conference here today with several railroad and financial magnates, including sir William Van Horne, of the C. P. R.; vice-president Trumbull, of the Guarantee company; E. H. Harriman of the Union and Southern Pacific railways; J. Gilbert Smith, who is now building an electric road in Manila; colonel Edwards, chief of the bureau of insular affairs; Jas. Speyer and Chas. H. Tweed, of Speyer & Co.

After the conference secretary Taft said it had been called to consider the possibilities of steam and electric railroad development in the Philippines, that no other enterprises were discussed and that no conclusion had been reached.

IT WAS ATTELL'S FIGHT.

Hot Springs, Ark, March 10.—In a one-sided contest, that was to have gone 20 rounds, Abe Attell, of San Francisco, last night konoked out Patsey Haley, of Buffalo, in five rounds. The fight was Attell's from the start, but was clean throughout.

WOODS STOPPED THE CYCLONE

Oakland, Cal., March 10.—The police stopped the fight between Billy Woods and Cyclone Kelly at the end of the fifth round and the decision was given to Woods.

Kelly was so badly punished that the police interferred.

UNITED MINE WORKERS VOTE ON WAGE REDUCTION

Advised by Executive Officers to Accept Offer of Operators as Present Conditions Unfavorable to Successful Issue of Strike

Indianapolis, March 10.—The United Mine Workers' local unions in Indiana, Ohio, western Pennsylvania, Illinois, Maryland, central Pennsylvania, Michigan, Kentucky and West Virginia and Iowa, who are to participate in the referendum vote on Tuesday, on the proposition of accepting a reduction of 5.55 per cent in wages or closing the soft coal mines on April 1st, will receive their ballot papers tomorrow. With the ballots will be sent out the circular letter that the national convention authorized president Mitchell and other officials to issue setting out their recommendations that the reduction be accepted.

The letter says in part: "No one who is familiar with the past history of the United Mine Workers of America will charge us with being afraid to strike if in our judgment a strike would accomplish beneficial results; but when it is proposed to strike and jeopardize all that our organization has gained for the mine workers in the past seven years by means of conciliation and arbitration and strikes, when the difference between us and our employers is but three cents per ton on a run of mine basis and five cents per ton on a lump coal basis, we believe it is time to stop and carefully consider the possible consequences."

The letter then reviews the concessions secured for workers since 1897, including 75 per cent increase in wages and continues:

"It is conceded on all sides that the apex of industrial activity has been reached and we are slowly moving towards an industrial depression. The operators came into the join convention asking for a reduction of wages of 15 per cent. Their proposition was opposed by us with all the information and all the skill at our command. As an ultimatum, from which they could not be moved, they offered us a reduction from present scale prices of 5.55 per cent. We know how hard it is to be compelled to accept a reduction in wages but it is better to accept a slightly lower rate and hold your organization intact, ready to take advantage of any future movement, than to bring on a disastrous strike."

The letter then recites that there is no assurance that the situation in West Virginia outside of the Kanawaha field and a few operations of the Baltimore & Ohio could be controlled. Neither can the Irwin, Connellsville nor Klondike fields in Pennsylvania be depended upon to cease work. This would result in others weakening and returning to work at lower rates, which would have their effect on other fields and weaken the organization.

"The experiences of the past have shown us conclusively the folly of striking when the markets are going down," says the letter. "We are now upon the eve of a presidential election and these years are proverbially dark because of the commercial disturbances which they produce. A two-year contract would carry us bevond the period of the election and the unsettled industrial conditions that follow in its wake. In addition to that it would cause our contracts to expire at the same time as the anthracite award and place us then in a position to act with greater unity. When we consider that the price offered to us in a two-year contract is the highest price we have had for many years, with the exception of the present price, we repeat that it would be the most serious mistake our organization has ever made to take the chances of losing the scale we are offered."

The letter closes with an earnest plea to accept the reduction.

MULOCK IS APPEALED TO

FOR IMMEDIATE BETTERMENT OF LARDEAU MAIL SERVICE.

FREIGHT RATE GRIEVANCES ALSO RECEIVE ATTENTION.

There was but a meagre attendance at the regular monthly meeting of the board of trade last night. Business of vital importance to Nelson was up for discussion and a more representative gathering should have been secured.

President Lay occupied the chair. After the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, the first matter taken up was that of the proposed C. P. R. hotel at a point on Kootenay lake.

W. E. Blakemore, on behalf of the special committee having the matter in charge, reported that some correspondence had passed between the committee and William Whyte, in which the latter had expressed himself as being favorable to the project. A letter from Mr. Whyte addressed to the secretary was read in which Mr. Whyte certainly expressed views that should ere long result in the materialization of the hotel project.

The next matter to be dealt with had to do with the execrable mail service in the Lardeau district. Communications from Beaton and Camborne were read asking the co-operation of the Nelson board of trade and embodying the views of the people of those towns.

After some discussion, in which special reference was made to the mail service in the lower Lardeau, particularly important to Nelson business men, a resolution moved by F. J. Deane, seconded by F. Starkey, was unanimously adopted that the board heartily endorse the efforts being made by the people of the Lardeau to secure adequate mail service and will do all in its power to second their efforts. As a first move in this direction it was decided to send the following telegram to the postmaster general, and to follow this up with letters to the same minister and W. A. Galliher, M. P., setting forth the above resolution and pressing for immediate action.

The telegram to read as follows:

"Owing to change in steamboat sailings mail service in Lardeau completely demoralized. Situation can best be met by immediate issuance of instructions to have mail bag made up here for lower Lardeau points to be carried by steamer Kokanee. This only temporary expedient, which should be speedily replaced by regularly daily mail service."

The vexed question of freight rates then came in for attention. This matter was introduced by the reading of an admirable report from the Wholesalers' Association, setting forth with the utmost clearness and in great detail, the grievances under which Nelson business men labor. The board heartily approved the recommendations contained in the report and on motion unanimously instructed the president and secretary to affix their signatures thereto. The report will be at once forwarded to W. R. McInnes, freight traffic manager, Montreal, and copies to William Whyte, and F. W. Peters at Winnipeg, and to the local freight agent.

The question of Great Northern freight rates will be taken up separately.

The Ymir telephone and telegraphic communication with Lardeau points, were other matters dealt with. In regard to the latter subject a resolution was adopted asking the C. P. R. for the immediate possession shrdlue shrdluh immediate provision of telegraphic communication between Nelson and Trout Lake and Poplar.

W. E Blakemore stated that he had intended introducing a resolution in re the lead bounty, with special reference to the recommendations of the Silver-Lead Mines Association but in view of representations made to him before coming to the meeting, that in the course of a few days the association would be in a position to lay all the facts before the board, he had decided not to move in the matter, but simply to ask the president to call a special meeting immediately the mine owners were prepared to report.

This plan was agreed to and the meeting adjourned.

THE FUNERAL TOMORROW

Winnipeg, March 10.—The funeral of the late archbishop Machray will be held on Saturday afternoon. The body will be in state at the parliament buildings from 12 to 2.30 p.m.

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THE LEAD BOUNTY.

The resolution adopted by the silver-lead mine owners at their meeting in this city on Wednesday evening indicates that so far as they are concerned they are prepared to approve the payment of a share of the lead bounty upon ore exported for treatment. The resolution provides certain restrictions to govern the payment of the bounty upon exported ore and also sets forth certain conditions, subject to which the principle of the payment of bounty upon exported ore, is approved

The resolution practically embodies the proposition outlined in these columns some days ago, that so long as the local smelters were protected and the producers of low grade ore were not frozen out altogether, there would be no objection to the payment of the bounty upon exported ores.

Without a fuller explanation of the scheme fathered by Mr. Blackstock, and finally unanimously concurred in by the lead miners of this district, it is perhaps not advisable to say much on the subject. The Silver-Lead Mines Association have agreed to present all the facts in the case at an early date to a special meeting of the board of trade, when opportunity will be afforded outsiders to ascertain definitely just what the effect will be of the proposed diversion of a portion of the bounty to exported ores.

We are all anxious to see the silver-lead mining industry flourish. We all want to see the smelters already established running to full capacity. We also want to see additional lead smelters established and nothing that is calculated to place obstacles in the way of the consummation of that end will be acceptable to the people generally of the Kootenays.

Mr. Blackstock claims that his scheme will inure to the advantage of the mining industry, that it will result in increased activity throughout the silver-lead districts and give our smelters an assured supply of ore. This may all be true and still the scheme may not be in the best interests of the province. It is not only for today that we have to take heed. The great desideratum is to establish the lead smelting industry in this province upon a permanently stable basis. We do not suggest that the proposal now under consideration will have, if given effect to, a deterring influence in that direction, but until some more definite statement is forthcoming we are disposed to regard Mr. Blackstock's proposition as being largely framed with a view to the immediate advancement of the interests he specially represents.

It is not at all likely that the dominion government will take hurried action in this matter. We may be sure that it will be only upon the most convincing evidence that the government will consent to apportion any of the lead bounty to exported ores. It is therefore best to wait the explanations of the Silver-Lead Mines Association before forming any too positive conclusion in the premises. It may be that there is in course of incubation a scheme that will prove of

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speedy and lasting benefit to the mining industry and if that be the case we shall all be anxious to give it every encouragement. Meantime the interests of the public are not jeopardised in any way for, as we have already intimated, the government will certainly give no snap decision in the matter.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

In reference to the agitation throughout the Lardeau district for a daily mail service, our Ferguson contemporary points out that the present wholly inadequate service deters mining companies operating properties in that section from opening offices in the towns of Ferguson, Camborne and Trout Lake, greatly to the detriment of those places.

Lardeau Eagle:—Ferguson's palmy days would seem to be not far distant, for with the completion of the big reduction works and the re-opening of the mines, this will of itself greatly stimulate the town and the camp. It is expected and promised also that more properties will be working this year then ever, so that with the large number of prospectors who will make their headquarters and supply point at Ferguson, the town ought to be full of men all summer, and money should be freely distributed.

Mr. K. Yukawa, consul for Japan in New York city, writes as follows regarding the copper mines of Japan. "The Japanese copper mines, 160 in number, are among the oldest copper mines in the world. Of these mines, 144 are copper producers only, the others producing copper ores containing gold, silver, lead, antimony, iron and other mineral values. The largest mines are the Ashio, with an output of 51,520 tons of ore, yielding 14,900,000 pounds of refined copper, or 209 pounds per ton; the Bessi, with a producion of 94,150 tons of ore and 10,300,000 pounds of refined copper, or 109 pounds to the ton; and the Kosaka yielding 41,250 tons of ore and 4,000,000 pounds of refined copper, of 97 pounds to the ton."

The gold production of Victoria in 1903 was £3,062,028, which brings the amount produced since the opening of the fields up to £263,551,229. In Western Australia the importance of the gold mining industry is shown by the fact that in a total population of 214,805, 20,476 men are engaged in it, while the value of the mining machinery is estimated at nearly £4,500,000. The value of the production of gold last year was ;7,947,662, or nearly 64 per cent of the total production of the Australian Commonwealth. The amount produced was 1,871,037 ounces, and was the highest on record. This brought the total production of the state to 8,868,340 ounces of fine gold of the value of £37,670,312. Gold mining had begun there only in 1886, although no rich alluvial fields of any extent have yet been worked.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

The Formal Opening Deferred Until Today.

Ottawa, March 10.—The house of commons opened today. Napoleon A. Belcourt, of Ottawa, was unanimously elected speaker. Lord Minto will formally open parliament tomorrow. Sir William Mulock, postmaster-general, expects to get two cent postage to Mexico.

A BOSS ROPEMAN KILLED

Fell 25 Feet and Died Twelve Hours Later.

Rossland, March 10.—Murdock McLeod, boss ropeman at the Rossland Power Company's concentrator building, fell 25 feet and died 12 hours later of internal hemmorrhage. Deceased was 28 years old and a native of Cape Breton. The coroner's jury gave a verdict of accidental death.

BRAVERY REWARDED

St. Petersburg, March 10.—The commanders of the Russian warships, Varlag and Korietz have had conferred upon them the decoration of the military order of St. George, on account of their heroic conduct in the engagement with the Japanese at Chemulpo. The other officers and crews of the vessels have been given minor decorations including crosses of the order of St. George.

JOS. MARTIN ON WARPATH.

Invites a Fellow Barrister Out of Court to Fight.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, March 10.—In the police court today Joseph Martin made a sensational witness in the charge of perjury against Guilbault, who was mixed up in the recent famous Brothier procusing cases. Hon. Joseph Martin, counsel for Brothier, went into the box to testify. He said the stenographer's account of Guilbault's evidence was not correct on the date on which the perjury is based. Mr. Bird, counsel for the prisoner, questioned Martin's veracity. The latter retaliated with one of his old time flashes of temper, which won him the name of "Fighting Joe," and dared Bird out to some place where it would not be disrespect to the court to settle the matter. The magistrate threatened to bind both to keep the peace.

RESCUED NINE MEN.

A British Steamer Had a Perilous and Eventful Voyage.

New York, March 10.—The British steamer Cape Corrientes, has arrived in port from an eventful vogage, during which she rescued nine men from the Russian schooner Emilija, of Riga, while dismasted in mid ocean. Two days later a tremendous explosion occurred on the steamer which severely burned the third engineer Neil McArthur. A hose was turned on the fire and all the crew and shipwrecked men working with buckets soon had the fire under control. The injured engineer and the shipwrecked crew were land at St. Michael's, Azores.

CANNOT ESCAPE DEATH.

The Law and Pneumonia Have Strangle-Hold on Dunn

St. Joseph, Mo., March 10.—Facing death from pneumonia and death by the gallows, Mark Dunn, murderer of Alfred Fenton at Nashville, Mo., was landed in jail here today after a capture almost as sensational as his escape from behind the bars here last Monday. He is in a dying condition, but unless his demise intervenes Dunn will be hanged in the jail yard here tomorrow. Dunn's capture took place at Guilford, Mo., where after an exciting run he had taken refuge in an hotel, too weak to offer resistance.

PANAMA CANAL SUIT.

It is Declared That Columbia Has No Standing in Court.

Paris, March 10.—The arguments in the case of Colombia against the Panama Canal Company were continued before the first chamber of the tribunal of the Seine today. Maitre Duboit in behalf of the company, declared that Colombia is not in actual possession of territory embracing the canal route and, therefore, how could Colombia ask to exercise the right of governing the concession. Panama, he added, is now exercising complete sovereignty. The case was adjourned to March 16th.

BANKER KILLS HIMSELF.

Lost Several Million Marks in Private Speculation.

Berlin, March 10.—Albert Jaffe, a partner in the Frankfort banking firm of A. Jaffe & C. Trier, shot and killed himself today. Jaffe lost several million marks in private speculation and his financial ruin was completed by the depression following the outbreak of the war.

DOMINION FAIR BUILDINGS.

Contracts For Them Let—Will Cost $33,000.

Winnipeg, March 10.—The exhibition board has awarded contracts for the buildings for the dominion fair at a cost of $33,000.

REVERSE FOR MAD MULLAH.

Berbera, Somaliland, March 10.—General Manning succeeded in surprising the Mad Mullah's adherents on February 26th, killing 100 of them and capturing 3000 camels.

FOUR MEN BURNED TO DEATH.

Pittsburg, March 10.—Four unidentified men were burned to death in a box car containing gasoline, which caught fire at a point ten miles east of this city today.

RECEIVED QUEEN OF BEAUTY.

Paris, March 10.—Rain interfered with the mid-lent celebration today, but crowds thronged the boulevards. The main feature of the procession was a representation of the "Emperor of the Sahara." President Loubet and his wife received the "queen of beauty" and her attendants at the Elysee palace.

MAY NEED THEM ALL.

St. Petersburg, March 10.—An imperial ukaze has been issued prohibiting the exportation of horses from Russia until further notice. Even for the exportation of single horses with pedigrees, permission from the head of the remount department must be obtained.

HONORS FOR CHOATE.

Glasgow, March 10.—The senate of Glasgow university has resolved to confer the degree of the honorary degree of L.L.D. on Jos. Choate, United States ambassador to Great Britain.

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A general meeting of the Kootenay Fruit Growers' Association will be held on Saturday, March 12th, at 8 p.m. in the Board of Trade Rooms.

O. NEWLING, Secretary.

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NOTICE

KOOTENAY LAKE GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY.

Tenders for the supply of Drugs, Meat, Groceries, Bread and milk, also for washing, for six months from May 1st for the above institution will be received by the secretary up to March 15th. Specicifications for drugs and groceries may be seen at the office of the secretary.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

GEORGE JOHNSTONE
Secretary.

YMIR LICENCE DISTRICT.

NOTICE is hereby given that James D. Band, of Nelson, has made application under the provisions of the "Liquor Licence Act. 1900," for an hotel licence for the Grove Hotel, at Fairview, and that a meeting of the Board of Licence Commissioners will be held to consider such application at the Court House, at the City of Nelson, on Tuesday the fifteenth day of March, 1904, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

C. W. YOUNG,
Acting Chief Licence Inspector.
Chief Constable's Office, Nelson, B. C., February 29th 1904.

RICH GOLDFIELDS OF THE LARDEAU

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The free gold belt is one of the largest yet found in Canada, extending as it does from the head of Kootenay Lake to beyond the head of Arrow Lakes. In only a few places, like along Fish Creek, the Lardeau River and the Duncan River, has the ground to any extent been prospected and exploited. The results at Ferguson, Camborne and Poplar have demonstrated the great mining worth of the district.

At first silver-lead ledges were looked for and exploited. The lack of transportation, which is now provided, acted as a handicap, but still the ledges are so marvelously rich, that large profits have been made, even where it was necessary to pack the output over long distances to the point where it could be put on board boats to be sent to the smelters.

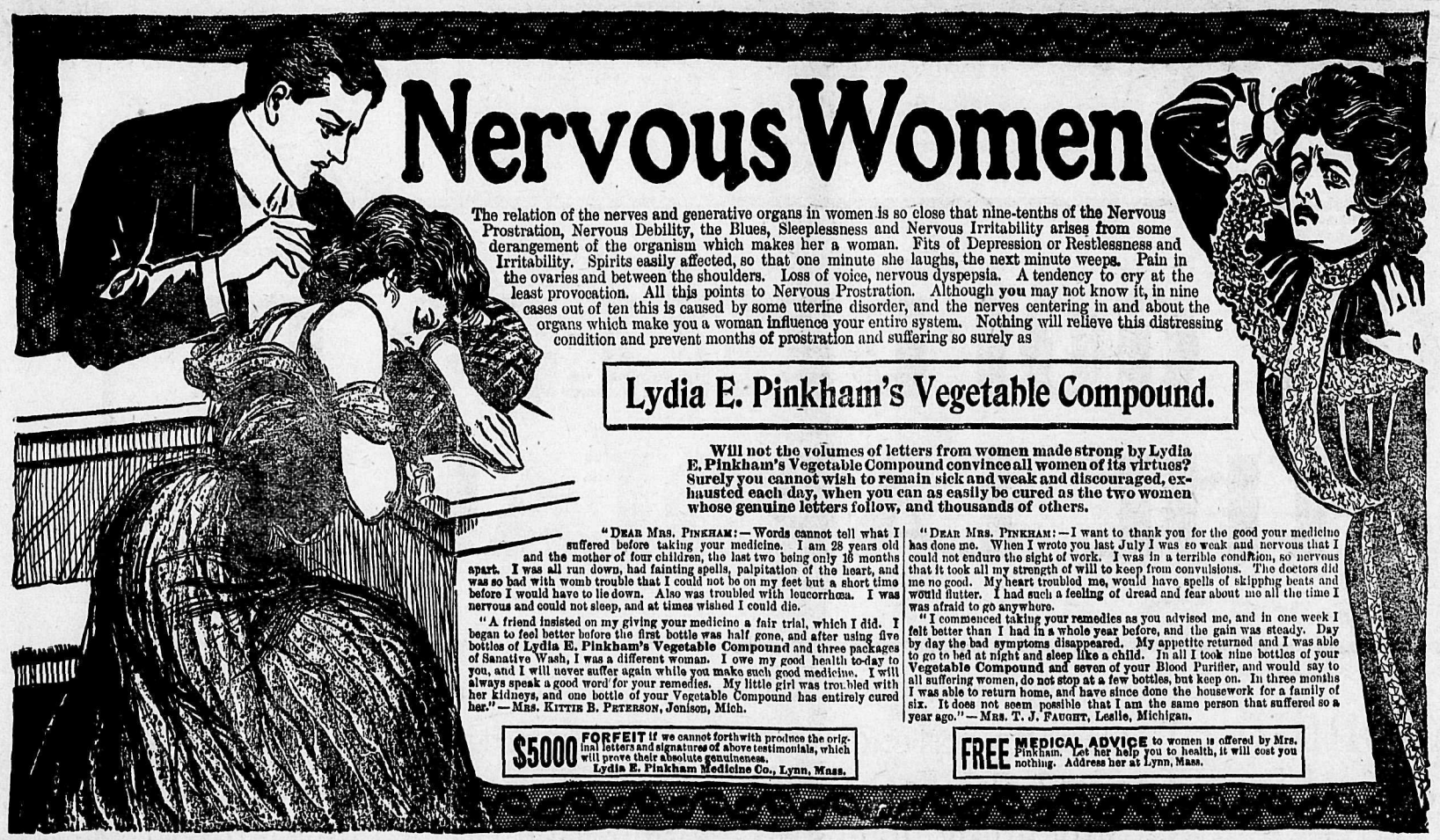
Latterly attention has been drawn to the free milling gold ledges, and a number of lodes containing this character of ore have been opened up.

There are now stamp mills in several places and others in contemplation. For instance, Camborne has three ten-stamp mills and there is a twenty-stamp mill near Ferguson. Poplar will add a couple to the list this summer and soon hundreds of stamps will be thundering away and pounding out wealth from ore from the free gold ledges.

There are still large areas to prospect. The free gold discoveries at Poplar and Gold Hill last summer are the wonder of the mining world.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Address the Mining Department of The Daily News, Enclosing Stamps for Reply.



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The relation of the nerves and generative organs in women is so close that nine-tenths of the Nervous Prostration, Nervous Debility, the Blues, Sleeplessness and Nervous Irritability arises from some derangement of the organism which makes her a woman. Fits of Depression or Restlessness and Irritability. Spirits easily affected, so that one minute she laughs, the next minute weeps. Pain in the ovaries and between the shoulders. Loss of voice, nervous dyspepsia. A tendency to cry at the least provocation. All this points to Nervous Prostration. Although **you** may not know it, in nine cases out of ten this is caused by some uterine disorder, and the nerves centering in and about the organs which make you a woman influence your entire system. Nothing will relieve this distressing condition and prevent months of prostration and suffering so surely as

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"A friend insisted on my giving your medicine a fair trial, which I did. I began to feel better before the first bottle was half gone, and after using five bottles of **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** and three packages of Sanative Wash, I was a different woman. I owe my good health to-day to you, and I will never suffer again while you make such good medicine. I will always speak a good word for your remedies. My little girl was troubled with her kidneys, and one bottle of your Vegetable Compound has entirely cured her." — MRS. KITTIE B. PETERSON, Jenison, Mich.

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"I commenced taking your remedies as you advised me, and in one week I felt better than I had in a whole year before, and the gain was steady. Day by day the bad symptoms disappeared. My appetite returned and I was able to go to bed at night and sleep like a child. In all I took nine bottles of your **Vegetable Compound** and seven of your Blood Purifier, and would say to all suffering women, do not stop at a few bottles, but keep on. In three months I was able to return home, and have since done the housework for a family of six. It does not seem possible that I am the same person that suffered so a year ago." — MRS. T. J. FAUGHT, Leslie, Michigan.

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IN THE LARDEAU CAMP

EVA AND OYSTER-CRITERION SHIPMENTS FOR FEBRUARY.

LUMBERING ACTIVITIES ON FISH RIVER.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Camborne, March 9.—Andrew F. Rosenberger is here in connection with the affairs of the Goldfinch mine, of which he assumed the active management. For the time being, at least, he is particularly reticent in discussing the proposed development of the mine, contenting himself with merely affirming the general impression that his visit ha to do with the future operations of the property on which for some time past contract work has been in progress. There is one thing certain, the mine will be properly exploited and ore-bodies opened with a view to continuous output before the mill is started. Mr. Rosenberger's handling of the mine will be watched with keen interest by all who are familiar with the property, and know the deplorable mismanagement that attended it when owned by the Northwestern Development company. He certainly has a chance to add to his laurels as a company promoter in securing sufficient capital from the sale of stock, to thoroughly develope the mine, and as everyone in camp sincerely trusts, in placing it on a dividend paying basis. The Goldfinch, as a big possibility, has a host of admirers, and in the present practical hands should do well.

With reference to the gold quartz mines both the Eva, the property of the Calumet & B. C. Gold Mines, Limited, and the Oyster-Criterion-Rossland group, owned by the Great Northern Mines, Limited, have sent their respective gold bricks for the February run to the outside. At present the correspondent of The Daily News can obtain no reliable information regarding the values. The gossip of the camp is to the effect that the Great Northern Mines clean-up for last month will be at least double that of any previous run.

Most satisfactory news comes from the Mammoth group on Goat mountain, seven miles from town. This property is owned by the California syndicate, composed principally of Rossland investors who have from all indications secured a bonanza galena proposition. James Hill, an employe of the syndicate reports the incline shaft down a depth of about 40 feet, with fully 18 inches of clean, high-grade silver-lead ore showing throughout this distance. The shaft is an incline, following the dip of the vein. A considerable quantity of ore has been sacked, but until a trail is built, the property has no facilities for getting it out. Meanwhile development will be continuous. The ore is extremely rich in silver, samples assaying from 1 200 to 2,000 ounces. As soon as possible a trail to the Mammoth will be completed from the proposed Camborne-Boyd creek wagon road.

Adjoining the Mammoth group to the west, and on the same vein is the Scout group, owned by Winnipeg, Cranbrook and Beaton people. George Johnson one of the owners, is authority for the statement that work will be resumed early in the spring. The owners intend developing the Scout, which has already a considerable quantity of high grade ore in sight, throughout the summer so that by next winter it will be on a shipping basis. The trail will also be finished to connect with the Camborne-Boyd creek wagon road so as to be able to rawhide the ore down to the wagon road.

In connection with the Camborne-Boyd creek wagon road the information has been give nout that the Harbor Lumber company, with headquarters at Comaplix has an arrangement with the government to build the road. A conditional sum of $2,000 has been provided for in the estimates to build the wagon road, which will be paid over to the lumber company on its completion. It is also stated that the road will traverse the west side of Fish river and a bridge will be built across Fish river below the mouth of Boyd creek. Prospectors are urging that the road be built as early as possible, so that no delay may be had in taking in supplies for the development of the numerous prospects on Sable, Boyd, Lexington and McDougall creeks, all tributary to Fish river.

George Johnson has sold a half interest in the Condor claim to Cranbrook people who are to supply funds for development. The claim is situated on Goat ridge and has a strong, well defined vein of argentiferous mineral. In places the vein measures 18 to 20 feet in width with a filling of quartz heavily impregnated with galena and copper. Assays give values of 70 ounces per ton, in silver and 65 per cent lead. In other places samples of copper pyrite, averaging 5 per cent have been had.

A letter from George Goldsmith, who at present is in England, conveyed the welcome intelligence that he had been successful in placing some of his mineral interests with old country associates. He is expected back early next month.

Pete Leveque, mine host of the Eva hotel, and one of the most popular citizens is spending a few weeks at the Halcyon Hot springs recuperating.

The lumber business along Fish river is adding a substantial payroll to the town. The drive this spring will run fully 20,000,000 feet. The coming summer should witness the establishment of many big camps further up the river. The Harbor Lumber company, it is rumored has bought a mill for this point.

LADIES OF KASLO.

Will Give a Grand Musical Entertainment in Aid of Local Hospital

Kaslo, March 10.—The ladies of the K. D. C. of Victorian Order of Nurses are busily engaged with preparations for a musicale to be given under the direction of Mrs. R. V. Bishop, assisted by Mrs. McCannaughy and Mrs. Minion. The program will consist of choice selections from the great masters, two choruses from the well known opera Chimes of Normandy, the Serpolette, and the Legend of the Bells, will give variety to the evening's entertainment. The ladies are sparing neither time nor money in their efforts to make this event the greatest success of the season in the Kootenay. The stage decorations although on a large scale, will be exquisitely dainty and beautiful needing only the presence of the children in their fairy-like costumes and the chorus of music from such old masters as Mendlessohn, Mozart, Hayden and others to complete the fascinating picture. Mrs. Bishop's well known ability as a musician, together with the fact that the performers are mostly her own pupils and have been practicing for the past four months, assures a great success. The date of the entertainment has been set for April 4, Easter Monday, and the ladies confidently promise all lovers of music an evening's enjoyment long to be remembered.

IT'S AIMS ARE ALL HIGH

WHAT THE SUCCESS CLUB IS DOING IN THIS CITY.

AN INSTITUTION OF WHICH THE CITIZENS ARE PROUD.

The Success club has come to be recognized through its usefulness as one of the beneficial institutions of the city. When its ends, aims and ambitions are understood it is easy to recognize why this is so. Its object first of all is to provide a comfortable meeting place for young men, who have no homes in the city. Everey effort is made to make the club comfortable for its members. In the first place it has the best equipped gymnasium in the interior of the province. This consists of a room of 75x50 feet provided with parallel bars, trapeze, rings, dumb bells, Indian clubs, foils, masks, etc. There is a piano in the gymnasium so that those who like music can indulge in it. This is also used to furnish music when dances are given.

There is a room provided with newspapers and books so that those who care to read or study can do so. Besides there are smaller rooms where members can take their friends if they desire a private talk. The rooms are all finely furnished.

One of the features of the winter's entertainment is the mock parliament. In this many of the leading citizens take part and participate in the debates. Young men who desire to prepare themselves to take part in regular debates or to make public speeches find in this mock parliament an excellent preparatory school.

The membership of the club includes both ladies and gentlemen. Regular fortnightly dances are given during the winter season. These have been extremely popular, being attended by from 150 to 200 persons. One of the attractive features of these dances is their democracy. They are sociable and pleasant as it is possible to make them and they are attended by the judge as well as the clerk of his court, by the mine manager as well as the miner. Every effort is made to make those who attend feel that they are welcome and make the occasions pleasant for them. These dances have proven a strong cohesive force for the club.

That the good and benevolent offices performed by the club are recognized by the city officials is revealed by the fact that the aldermen have seen fit to grant the club free lights and to make only a nominal charge for water.

The club rooms is also the home of the University club of Nelson, to which upwards of 40 college graduates belong and of which A. L. McKillop is the president. This shows that the Success club has an intellectual side of considerable importance.

F. M. Black is president of the Success club. There is a board of managers which meets every Tuesday evening and devotes the entire evening to supervising the business of the club.

The Success club fills an unique place in the social life of a western town, where such advantages are rare. It is doubtful if such a club, non-partizan and non-sectarian, exists anywhere on the western slope of the continent. In some respects it is similar to the Young Men's Christian Association with the sectarian feature removed. It has and will continue to be of much advantage to the young men of the community, furnishing as it does a place where they can improve themselves both physically and mentally, and profitably spend their spare time. With such a good foundation constructed as it is on broad lines, there is every reason to think that its sphere of usefulness can be prolonged and considerably enlarged.

It is an institution of which the citizens may well feel proud and one which they should all be willing to assist in supporting. The fee charged members of 75 cents per month is merely nominal. At present the membership is 110, and it should be increased to at least 350. With a membership as large as this latter number new and more useful work could be taken up and the club made to play a much more important part in the social life of Nelson than it does. As this is the case it would seem that it is nothing short of the duty of everyone who has the best interests of the city at heart to aid in supporting what is really a beneficient institution and one which reflects great credit on the city.

LARDEAU MAIL SERVICE

CAMBORNE TRADES COMMITTEE WANTS DAILY SERVICE.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED AND LETTER SENT TO GALLIHER M.P.

The Daily News has been asked by the secretary of the Camborne Trades committee to publish the following resolution and letter re Lardeau mail service. The Lardeau people have a grievance and it is one in which Nelson business men are directly concerned. There should be united effort put forth at once to secure the daily mail service between Nelson and all Lardeau points.

The resolution and letter referred to above, read as follows:

At a lengthy attended public meeting held in Camborne on Saturday February 27th, 1902, to devise ways and means for procuring a more satisfactory mail service throughout the Lardeau district, the following resolutions were unanimously indorsed:

1.—That as the growth of the district has rendered the present tri-weekly system wholly inadequate, the postoffice department be, and is hereby petitioned to provide us with a daily mail service.

2.—That the co-operation of the neighboring towns of Ferguson, Trout Lake Beaton and Comaplix be requested in the effort to obtain the above reform.

3.—That the Revelstoke and Nelson boards of trade and liberal association be asked to use their influence in our behalf.

THOS. P. DAVEY, Chairman.
G. R. NORTHEY, Secretary.
Dated at Camborne 1st March, 1904.

Camborne, B. C., March 1, 1904
W. A. Galliher M. P., Nelson, B. C.:

Sir—At a largely attended public meeting held in Camborne on the 27th ult, resolutions were passed that you be approached on our behalf to secure a daily mail service, petitioned for last year, and which was shelved without an explanation from you; the reasons for the desired change were set out at length in the petition which we desire you to reconsider.

The population, commercial importance, and postoffice business in the district have more than doubled within the past year and the daily mail service is much more necessary now than at that time No great expense will be entailed by the increased service, as a daily boat and stage is run in connection with all points asking for the change.

With the present system nearly a week elapses ere a reply can be received from outside points, even though the distance be a matter of forty miles or less, and business men and corporations are therefore working at a great disadvantage, which could, by your assistance be easily remedied; we, the residents of Camborne therefore, approach you, believing you will see the justice of our request and will do all in your power to procure the desired service.

THOS. P. DAVEY, Chairman.
G. R. NORTHEY Secretary.

COUNTING THEIR CHICKENS.

San Francisco, March 10.—Young Corbett and Jimmy Britt signed an agreement today for a new division of their share of the receipts of their fight on March 25. According to the new articles, the winner is to receive 65 per cent and the loser 35 per cent.

Lifebuoy Soap—disinfectant—is strongly recommended by the medical profession as a safeguard against infectious diseases.

VALUE OF WILD LANDS

COURT OF REVISION HEARING RAILWAY APPEALS.

ASSESSOR RENWICK'S FIGURES ATTACKED VIGOROUSLY.

Commissioner W. A. Jowett held another long session of the provincial court of revision at the court house yesterday. The proceedings commenced at 10 a.m. and it was after 5.00 p.m. when the court adjourned for the day.

So far only two minor appeals have been disposed of, the commissioner having reduced the assessed values of James Dancy's lands from $1100 to $1000 and those of Charles Jeszenowitz from $500 to $400.

Practically for two days the entire time of the court has been taken up in the hearing of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway appeal against the assessment by provincial assessor R. A. Renwick, of 800,000 acres of land at $1 per acre valuation, the taxes on the lands being five per cent or $20,000. The lands along with others, were given the railway under the act subsidizing the road. Some of the lands originally granted the railway have been disposed of to private parties but over half a million acres still remain. The company's contention is understood to be that most of the land is practically worthless, that for the most part the timber where it is still standing cannot be taken out at a profit and hence it has no commercial value and that generally from five to ten cents an acre would be a fairer valuation than the $1 an acre fixed by assessor Renwick. In addition the company alleges that portions of the lands are exempt from taxation and they raise several legal points concerning the construction of the provincial statutes governing the questions involved.

The assessor's side of the question has not yet been reached but for two days witness after witness has been testifying as to the value or want of value of the lands in question and the timber thereon. The railway people are making a determined fight. A. H. MacNeill, K.C., of Rossland, is appearing for them, with Charles Scott, the local land agent of the company, close at hand. John Elliot on behalf of assessor Renwick, has been retained by the government and so far has cross-examined the company's witnesses at length. Later evidence will be called to support the assessment valuation made. All the evidence given is being taken down by court reporter Playle, and an appeal to the supreme court eventually is not improbable. The evidence given is not of an exciting nature but occassionally some amusement is created by the answers given. A witness, who described himself as a member of the dominion geological survey party, who inspected some of the lands some years ago, testified at length as to values, etc., but just as he was leaving the stand a stray question from the court brought out the fact that the position of the witness on "the staff" had been that of camp cook. Another of the witnesses made the sweeping assertion that none of the lands contained in the grant had any commercial value whatever.

Yesterday the witnesses examined on behalf of the N. & F. S. railway were James A. Wood, timberman of Slocan Junction, H. B. Smith, Dominion land surveyor, Rossland, who has practically done all the surveying on the lands in question; John W. Moore, of Slocan Junction, Frank Fletcher, P.L.S., of this city, H. P. Renwick, P.L.S., Rossland, and John R. Stussi, lumberman, also of Rossland. Generally speaking the evidence went to show the destruction of timber by forest fires in some portions of the lands, the difficulty in getting timber down the creeks, and hence its want of value, and the fact that practically little of the land can be used for ranching or agricultural purposes.

The court will sit again this morning at 10 o'clock and it will probably take the balance of the week to hear all the remaining appeals.

THE SURPLUS OF LEAD

T. G. BLACKSTOCK'S METHOD OF DISPOSING OF IT.

CLAIMS HIS PLAN WOULD BENEFIT ALL CONCERNED.

In an interview had with T. G. Blackstock yesterday he expressed himself as pleased with the progress already made in securing the adoption of the resolution by the silver-lead miners as a forward step in the direction of securing a market for the surplus lead in Canada. It was a move in the right direction, but he said considerably more would have to be done before it was a actual accomplished fact. The dawn of better times has commenced in British Columbia and if the people worked in harmony together for the common good the better times would abide with us for a long time to come.

In giving his views as to what he considered a solution of the lead problem he said, in his judgment, a good plan would be to export the surplus over what the local smelters can handle. The local smelters could reduce from 30,000 to 35,000 tons or perhaps 40,000 tons per annum and this would leave about 15,000 tons per annum for export. Under the plan the country would get rid of the increased output of lead and the money that came in from the sale of the increased product and for the additional outlay in the shape of wages will go a long way toward re-establishing the credit of the province. In the meanwhile the manufacturers of lead are kept busy in turning out product. The existence of the home made pig lead naturally will lead to the mining of white lead and other products of lead and by the time the five years bounty has expired by limitation the mining of lead, the smelting of lead ores, the making of pig lead and the manufacturing of the several products of lead will have become so firmly established that they will then be reckoned among the permanent and profitable industries of the country.

In the meanwhile, he declares, some plan must be devised to get rid of the surplus lead, which this country is capable of producing, in order to bring the lead industry up to its proper level.

Mr. Blackstock said that his proposition in brief was: First—That the local smelters shall have all of the lead ore that they want. Second—That the present bounty must be paid on all ores smelted in Canada. Third—If any of the government bounty on lead is left it must be paid on ores exported.

This latter lead, Mr. Blackstock declares, cannot interfere with the sale of the lead produced in Canada. It is recognized better, he contends, to have the surplus exported than to have it produced and retained at home where it would depress the market, cause a depreciation in the price to so low a point as to take away what little profit there is remaining for the lead producers.

It is Mr. Blackstock's contention that there are plenty of examples on the part of other countries which make good precedents for his proposition. For instance, he says that France, Germany and Austria for several decades have been paying bounties on the production of raw sugar. This sugar has been exported to other countries where it was refined. This class of foreign sugar, he declares, has kept many of the refineries of Canada, Great Britain and the United States and other countries built during that time. Ninety per cent of the sugar refined in Montreal up to last year was produced in Germany, Austria and France where a bounty was paid to those who produced it. It is manifest that these countries would not have kept up the system for so long a period if it was not profitable. If it has proved profitable for these countries to pay a bounty on raw sugar and then to permit its exportation to foreign countries to be refined and consumed why would it not be profitable to all concerned for Canada to send a small portion of her lead ores, either in the shape of raw ore or concentrates to be refined and marketed abroad. He is certain that it would result in benefiting Canada.

Mr. Blackstock says he realizes that his plan cannot be carried out if it meets with the opposition of the silver-lead mine owners and of the smelter companies. As for the former it will not if any w'se affect them so far as the bounty is concerned, and it will result in the creating of a new and a consequently competing market for their product. They will also be benefited by having what would be a competing lead removed from the Canadian market. The smelters would be benefited because the would be given under his plan considerably more ore than they receive at present, which will be of much help to them. The industry generally and the country will be aided by the increased number of men employed, in mining, concentrating, and in the haulage of the ore. His plan, he claims, will benefit all the interests concerned and will result in harm to none.

HEARST A FAVORITE.

The Young Napoleon of the Press May Win Democratic Nomination.

New York, March 10.—An alliance between Wm. J. Bryan and Wm. R. Hearst with the view to dictating the democratic presidential nomination, is said to be a certainty, says a despatch to the World, from Washington. In fact it is asserted by a man very close to Mr. Hearst himself that the present arrangement is that Mr. Bryan will put Mr. Hearst's name to the St. Louis convention. Among visitors at the White House, whose gossip is about the probable action of the democratic convention, the name of Hearst is heard as often as the name of any other man with the possible exception of Cleveland.

JOHN CHARLTON, M.P., TO RESIGN

Tilsonburg, Ont., March 10.—It is reported here that the resignation of John Charlton, M.P. will be in the hands of the speaker of the house of commons before the end of the week and that a writ for a new election will be issued almost immediately. Mr Charlton's continued illness gives his friends cause for much anxiety.

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WILL HAVE TO PAY UP OR BE SUED BY THE CITY.

ESTIMATES TO BE READY BY NEXT MONDAY.

No fresh light was shed on the question of the disposal of the city's power debentures in London, at the regular fortnightly meeting of the city council last night.

The mayor and all the aldermen were present and only the usual routine matters were disposed of.

The police commissioners reported that the city goal was clean and well kept but that the flooring needed some repairs, and this will be attended to.

City clerk McMorris drew the attention of the council to the fact that many of the business firms of the city had not taken out traders' licences as required by by-law, and instructions were given to notify the delinquents at once and in default of prompt payment proceedings to collect the dues will be instituted.

At the request of the Nelson Trading & Transfer Co. two new electric lights will be put in on Kootenay street at the corner of Stanley and further along.

G. K. Tackabury made a request that the city make some alterations to the city wharf which would insure the safety of the Kaslo and other steamers tying up there at night. The cost of the additions wanted would be about $60.

Ald. Selous said that with unusual liberality the city of Nelson had provided a free dock for the steamers of both lines.

Ald. Smith—Then let them put in their own improvements.

Ald. Selous—The free dockage which the steamers now enjoy is all that is necessary. What Mr. Tackabury wants to do is to provide further accommodation which will enable the steamers to lie up comfortably at night. I think if we give free wharfage we should not be asked to "tuck them up at night" as well.

The mayor said that at low water only the end of the wharf could be used.

The city clerk will notify the steamer owners that they should supply any further needed accommodation.

In reply to a query, the city clerk said that the civic estimates for the year would be ready for the meeting of the finance committee on Monday next.

A lengthy discussion followed on the questing of granting the library association an extra $250 this year in addition to the usual grant of $500. Some of the aldermen thought it might be as well to take over the library altogether and submit a by-law for the purpose.

Ald. Smith favored the extra grant provided the library was made free.

It was finally decided that the chairman of the finance committee—Ald. Bird—be empowered to advise the library board that the additional grant would be forthcoming, subject to certain conditions which must meet with his approval.

By-law 139 to prevent the tapping of city electric wires, and by-law 140, road tax by-law, were finally considered and adopted.

Ald. Smith moved, seconded by Ald. Kirkpatrick, that the city clerk be ordered to have printed the financial statement of the city for the year ending December 31, 1903, and that he cause a copy of such statement, when printed, to be mailed to every person whose name appears on the city's voting list. The motion carried.

Ald. Smith gave notice that at the next regular meeting of the council he would introduce a by-law to amend the licence by-law.

The mayor reported that owing to a recent case of infectious disease in the city he had obtained a lease of a building to be used as an isolation hospital and the house had been fitted up. The council concurred in his worship's action and the building will be retained by the city for the present.

The council then adjourned until Thursday, March 24th.

MINERS COMPLETE THEIR LABORS

W. F. M. District Convention Elects Officers and Adjourns.

The annual convention of district No. 6, of the Western Federation of Miners, which has been in session since Tuesday, finished its labors yesterday and adjourned.

A large grist of routine business was transacted yesterday, the publication of which would not be interesting to the public.

The convention elected officers as follows: president, E. Mills, of Greenwood; vice-president, Frank Phillips, of Nelson; secretary-treasurer, A. Shilland, of Sandon.

It was decided to hold the next annual meeting in Nelson.

The delegates to the convention speak enthusiastically of the many courtesies shown them by the people of Nelson. They also desire to return thanks to Rev. E. H. H. Holman and to those who assisted him in the reception tendered them on Tuesday evening in the Congregational church.

CONFERENCE WITH SMELTERMEN

Lead Miners Say That Satisfactory Arrangements Have Been Made.

The executive council of the Lead Miners Association met yesterday morning and appointed John L. Retallack and George D. Potter a committee to confer with the smelter men and the owners of the St. Eugene mine anent the resolution passed at the association's meeting the night previous respecting the exporting of ore by the mining company mentioned.

The committee held prolonged conferences with J. J. Campbell, of the Hall Mines smelter and D. W. Moore, of the Trail plant, yesterday morning and afternoon and as a result it is said that an understanding was arrived at satisfactory to all concerned but until manager Aldridge, of Trail, is consulted personally, no definite information will be given out.

T. G. Blackstock left for the east on the Crow steamer yesterday morning and most of the silver-lead men are expected to return home today.

WILL HELP REPUBLIC CAMP.

Cyaniding Process a Pronounced Success There

Republic, Wash., March 10.—Now that it is demonstrated, after many thousands of dollars spent in experiments and in plants, that the Hendryx process is perhaps better suited to the reduction of the ores of Republic and vicinity than any other than has been so far tried, the entire section feels that a new era of prosperity will set in for the camp. The news of the success of the method has spread and a number of mining men from adjoining mining centres in British Columbia and Washington have come here to examine the plant in which the method is being used with a view to adopting it in other places.

Dr. W. A. Hendryx in a recent interview stated that in treating the ore of the Mountain Lion he used only .994 of a pound of cyanide of potassium to the tons of ore. This, he says, is a less quantity than he had anticipated using, and the average duration of the treatment was only eight hours. Dr. Hendryx says that sulphides of iron, copper, lead, etc., would offer no obstacles to the treatment under his method. It is claimed with the expense of mining and treatment not exceeding $4 to $6 per ton that Republic and vicinity can produce about 1000 tons of ore per day, and that there is no chance for diminution of this quantity for several years to come.

CHAMBERLAIN'S HEALTH.

Disquieting Rumors Current in London.—He is Now in Egypt.

London, March 10.—Considerable anxiety regarding Jos. Chamberlain's condition is manifested on account of the circulation of reports among members of the house of commons. The former colonial secretary is touring Egypt and the rumors are given little credit among his friends. Persons opposed to his fiscal policy are regarded by them as chiefly responsible for the circulation of the story. One report says he is suffering from softening of the brain.

Austen Chamberlain, the chancellor of the exchequer, authorizes the statement that there is absolutely no foundation for the report that his father is mentally afflicted. Austen Chamberlain added that his father's health was quite satisfactory and that he was receiving much benefit from the change and rest.

KING'S 41ST WEDDING DAY.

London, March 10.—From relatives in Denmark, Germany and other parts of Europe and from relatives and friends in all parts of Great Britain, a flood of congratulatory messages and numerous presents poured in upon king Edward and queen Alexandra today on the occasion of their forty-first wedding anniversary.

Albert Edward, prince of Wales, (now king Edward VII.), and Alexandra, eldest daughter of king Christian IX. of Denmark, were married in St. George's chapel, Windsor, March 10, 1863. The royal bridegroom was twenty-two years old and the bride nineteen.

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Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at $10 per acre for soft coal and $20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quartz.—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miner's certificates may obtain entry for a mining location.

A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of $7.50 per annum for an individual, and from $50 to $100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A free miner having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1500x1500 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lode or vein.

The claim shall be recorded, within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is $5.

At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When $500 has been expended or paid, the locater may upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the minister of the interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon territory, of an area not exceeding 160 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of royalty on the sales not exceeding five per cent.

Placer Mining Manitoba and the N.W.T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—Placer mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entry fee, $5, renewable yearly. On the North Saskatchewan river claims for either bar or bench, the former being 100 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—A free miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the minister of the interior.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars of the river below low water mark; and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive entries for bar diggings or bench claims except on the Saskatchewan river, where the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease one dredge for each fifteen miles or fraction is sufficient. Rental $10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of two and a half per cent collected on the output after it exceeds $10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory.—Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, $100 per mile for first year, and $10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory.—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the base line or general direction of the creek of gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 200 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notices. Entry must be obtained within ten days, if the claim is within ten miles of mining recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company staking a claim must hold a free miner's certificate.

To discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1500 feet altogether, on the output of which no royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

Entry fee, $10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and free miners may work their claims in partnership by filing notice and paying fee of $2. A claim may be abandoned, and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least $200.

A certificate that work has been done must be obtained each year; if not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notices in the Yukon Official Gazette.

Hydraulic Mining, Yukon Territory.—Locations suitable for hydraulic mining, having a frontage of from one to five miles, and a depth of one mile or more, may be leased for twenty years, provided the ground has been prospected by the applicant or his agent; is found to be unsuitable for placer mining; and does not include within its boundaries any mining claims already granted. A rental of $150 for each mile of frontage, and royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent on the value of the gold shipped from the Territory are charged. Operations must be commenced within one year from the date of the lease, and not less than $5,000 must be expended annually. The lease excludes all base metals, quartz and coal, and provides for the withdrawal of unoperated land for agricultural or building purposes.

Petroleum.—All unappropriated Dominion Lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and within the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospected, an area of 640 acres. Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well and such other land as may be determined, will be sold to the discovery at the rate of $1.00 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by order-in-council.

Department of the Interior, Ottawa, Sept 1903.

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NELSON'S NEWS OF THE DAY

A. C. Garde leaves for Sandon this morning on the early boat.

J. O. Patenaude, jeweler, has gone to eastern Canada on a business trip.

Gold commissioner E. E. Chipman, of Kalso, returns home this morning.

K. Strachan & Co., plumbers, have moved into new quarters in the Scott building, on Baker street, below Josephine.

H. Y. Telfer, of Collingwood, Ont., arrived in the city last evening on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Lawrence, of Carbonate street.

News agents having copies of The Daily News of February 7, 12, 14, 21 and 28, are requested to return same uncut to this office.

Charles A. Waterman & Co., will continue the Ward sale today. There will be an extra good lot offered today. Corner of Victoria and Josephine streets.

D. W. Stevens, of Kamloops, one of the best known railway men on the Pacific division, passed through town yesterday on his way to Grand Forks. After visiting Boundary points he will go east over the Crow branch.

H. B. Smith, D.LS., H. P. Renwick, P. L.S., and John R. Stussi, of Rossland, who have been in attendance on the provincial court of revision here for the past two days returned to the Golden city last evening.

According to advices received from Spokane last evening the condition of S. F. Parrish, superintendent of the Le Roi, was somewhat improved yesterday and it is now thought that he will recover. Yesterday his temperature decreased and other symptoms showed that he was on the mend. His many friends in this city will be pleased to hear of the change for the better in his condition.

City Clerk McMorris said last night that the barometer at his residence had been dropping rapidly for the past few days and had almost dropped out of sight last evening. Mayor Hamilton received a wire yesterday from superintendent Marpole saying the barometer at Vancouver was lower last night than it had been for the past four years, so that probably we are in for some stormy weather.

J. Wilson, superintendent of the C.P.R. telegraphs, on his return to the coast from his recent visit to the Kootenays tells of the troubles the company has in the interior with animals. At the snowsheds on Rogers' Pass a mountain rat had got into the cable box and chewed the insulating material off four wires. At the north terminal of the cable across Arrow lake, a chipmunk got into the cable box and similarly destroyed the insulation.

G. M. Annable, M.L.A., of Moosejaw, N.W.T. H. P. Simpson, of Winnipeg, and B. C Parker, of Morden, Man., arrived in town last night and are guests at the Hume. These gentlemen have heard of British Columbia's wealth of timber and have travelled this far in the hope of securing something in that line which will repay them for their time and trouble. Mr. Annable is a brother of J. E. Annable, of this city, and aspires to represent western Assiniboia in the next federal parliament as a conservative. His ambition is a worthy one and though it is little likely of fulfilment it will not be because the candidate is not personally a very estimable gentleman.

Dudley Blackwood, mining recorder, returned to the city yesterday after journeying to Ingersoll, Ontario in charge of the remains of his deceased father who died at Vancouver three weeks ago. The interment took place at the old home of the deceased. Mr. Blackwood said that the weather in Ontario was severe in the extreme during his short visit there and he was glad to get back to the mild even climate of the Kootenays.

At the mining recorder's office on Thursday, a certificate of work was granted P. J. Nichols on the main mineral claim for work done thereon since 15th March, 1903. T. Livingstone of Hall siding transferred an undivided whole interest in the Blue Jay mineral claim, three-quarters of a mile from Hall siding on the north side of Hall creek to J. R. Cranston of Rossland, consideration nominal. J. R. Cranston, transferred a half interest in the Blue Jay above mentioned to W. C. Reed, of Rossland, consideration nominal.

The Aaron Johnson Dramatic Company produced at the opera house last evening Charles Townsend's Irish comedy drama "Finnigan's Fortune," before a good sized and appreciative audience. Aaron Johnson, as Lawrence Finnigan, proved himself a finished actor. The honors of the evening were shared with Mr. Johnson by Barton Edwards who ably enacted the role of Count de Morney. The ladies of the company acquitted themselves well, and the play was considerable of a success. The specialties given were good. Aaron Johnson's recitation "The Creed of the Bells" was spirited and artistic. Mr. Van Wegen gave rope exhibitions which showed that he is an expert with the riata when in the saddle. Mr. Warriner's mandolin solos were well received. The company desires to express its sincere thanks for the many kindnesses that have been shown its members in Nelson.

SITUATION IN THE BALKANS.

St. Petersburg, March 10.—A special despatch to the Viedomosti, paints the Balkan situation in dark colors. The correspondent declares that a collision between Bulgaria and Turkey may occur any day and says the sultan has refused to sign the draft of the agreement submitted by M. Natchvitch, the Bulgarian diplomatic agent at Constantinople.

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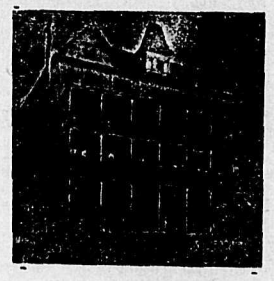

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Queens—W. E. Mullin, Trout Lake; T. McNeill, Slocan; A. Cavi, Kaslo; Charles Cameron, city.

Bartlett—J. J. Pearson, W. Hartpool, England; R. A. Myers, Winlaw; G. M. Multy, Walla Walla; K. Make, J. Sintula, Minneapolis; J. Phillips, Nakusp; W. Burnham, Venus mine.

FRASER STIRRED THEM UP.

Provincial Government Will Have Roads Around Phoenix Repaired.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Phoenix, March 10.—This winter the government wagon roads in and around Phoenix have been in the worst condition known for years, owing to the excess of snow and the continual bad drifting. On one occasion the Phoenix-Greenwood stage overturned and eight passengers were dumped into the snow, including two women and two children. The Grand Forks-Phoenix-Greenwood stage has had the hardest possible time in making connections, and has had mishaps several times, though none of a serious nature. A number of times loaded teams have overturned, and last Sunday three teams of P. Burns & Co., with heavy loads of beef, on the way to Greenwood, were upset just below the city.

Several times W. G. McMynn, government agent at Greenwood, was appealed to to have repairs made so that traffic could be carried on over these well travelled thoroughfares with some degree of safety, but that official has so far done nothing whatever. A few days ago J. F. Royer, of the Grand Forks stage line, interviewed Mr. McMynn, saying that he would have to discontinue if the roads were not repaired. Even then nothing was done. So Mr. Royer made a final appeal to G. A. Fraser, M. P. P., for Grand Forks riding, and he in turn wired the government at Victoria. An answer promptly arrived that the roads would be repaired at once. E. Spraggett, road superintendent for this section, was sent to the scene of the trouble with some men, and the repairs are now being made.

The Royer stage has several times been forced to reach Phoenix from Hartford Junction via the C. P. R. tracks, a distance of two miles, on account of the impassable state of the wagon roads, but using the railway track is not a desirable method, in view of the heavy ore traffic constantly going on from Phoenix.

CZECHS AGAINST GERMANS.

Vienna, March 10.—The university here has been closed in consequence of threats of disturbances among the students. The German students were much incensed at the demonstration of the Czechs against their German comrades at Prague, Bohemia, and threatened retaliation.

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