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BANNERMAN IS CAUSTIC

Declares Balfour Having Lost Public Confidence Should Resign

Ministry's Policy Marked by Vacillation, Tortuous Course and Misty Atmosphere

London, March 29.—The usual motion providing for the adjournment of the house of commons over the Easter holidays, gave the liberal leader, sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, an opportunity to make a spirited attack on the government. He caustically criticised in detail the whole policy of the ministry, which he said was marked by "indecision, confusion and vacillation; a tortuous course and misty atmosphere."

Sir Henry said that he did not think it was in accordance with the spirit of the constitution that premier Balfour should retain power when the country had shown at every opportunity that he no longer enjoyed its favor.

Mr. Balfour, replying, said he was unable to see why the government should resign while it retained the confidence of the house. He pointed out that the government's majority even now was larger than the majority with which sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's party assumed office in order to carry home rule. Sir Henry could settle the question of the government's resignation or not by a vote of censure.

Mr. Balfour concluded by declaring that the government's fiscal policy was that of real progressive free trade.

When Winston Churchill, conservative, rose and pressed Mr. Balfour for a further explanation of the government's fiscal policy, saying the vacillation of the government had caused him to become one of its opponents instead of one of its supporters, the premier and all the unionists, except ten, left the house. The incident led to protests on the part of other members against the discourtesy shown to Mr. Churchill.

The house finally adjourned until April 12th.

Mr. Balfour says that the budget probably will be introduced April 19th.

CURLERS DO THE TRICK

JOINT MEETING LAST NIGHT A GREAT SUCCESS.

A NEW RINK AND FUNDS FOR TOURISTS APPROVED.

The joint meeting of the curlers, Tourist Association and to all intents and purposes, the Agricultural society, last evening in the board of trade rooms, proved a success, and demonstrated what a "combine" could accomplish in this city along the lines discussed last night.

Some forty citizens were present including, John A. Turner, J. E. Annable, W. A. Macdonald, James Johnstone, E. B. McDermid, S. S. Taylor, E. C. Traves, P. E. Wilson, J. A. Irving W W. Beer, J. H. Wallace, Dr Morrison A V. Mason J, M. Lay, Bruce Heathcote, F. Starkey, R. F. Weir, E. Sutcliffe, H. Goodeve, T. G. Procter, J. McPhee, J, C. Fox, B. B. Mighton, W. H. Morrison, F. Tamblyn, W. Gillett and Messrs, Smyth, Jones, Carrie, Walley, Richardson, Jesse and McLeod.

P. E. Wilson president of the Curling club, presided over the first part of the meeting and after congratulating those present on the large and representative turn out said that the question to be discussed was "Where shall we curl next season?" The roof of the rink had partly fallen in, and was in bad shape; should a new building be erected, and if so,where?

J. A. Turner said that he understood there was a chance to combine with the Agricultural society and have a joint building on the recreation grounds to be used by the curlers in winter and the "farmers" in the "good old summer time." He thought the idea a good one and suggested a committee to deal with the question.

F. Tamblyn approved the idea and added that the only difficult was that some of the members thought that it was colder up where the present rink was than down on the fair grounds. He did not think there was much in the objection when all things were considered.

J. H. Wallace approved of the joint building on the recreation grounds.

Messrs. Carrie and Hodge thought that "moving down" would curtail the curling season.

A. V. Mason said the rink could not be carried on by the Tramway company without the aid of the curlers. It would mean that if only a curling rink was built on the new site that there would be no skating or hockey next season.

W. A. Macdonald made a plea for the hockey boys. The new building should be large enough for all concerned.

S. S. Taylor approved of the new site and added that provision should be made for curlers only, at least four rinks should be provided.

Secretary Smyth pointed out that if four rinks were provided the curling clubs membership would undoubtedly increase next season.

Messrs. Procter, Gillett, Beer, Weir, McDermid all favored the new site and a joint building.

After some further discussion it was moved by S. S. Taylor seconded by J. A. Turner: "That it is deemed advisable to construct if possible a curling rink of four sheets on the site of the agricultural grounds, and further resolved, that a select committee of seven be appointed to investigate the proposed site and secure rough estimates of cost of building and suggest ways and means for financing the matter by acting in conjunction with the agricultural society.'

The motion carried unanimously and the committee was then selected as follows: Judge Forin, J. A. Turner, W. W, Beer, S. S. Taylor, P. E. Wilson, J. H Wallace, and A Carrie The committee will report progress at a meeting to be called within the next fortnight

The curling meeting then adjourned and those present joyously resolved themselves into a Tourist Association gathering and J. A. Turner took the chair. He said that the Tourist Association required $1000 to open a central office and engage an energetic secretary. The city council had refused to assist the association but he thought a further application would be successful. The people of the city would support the organization once they understood fully what it had done and proposed to do for the city and district.

T. G. Procter strongly urged the meeting to back up the association. Good work had been accomplished and there was plenty of work to be done this season if the people at large would loyally support the movement and take it up heartily. (Applause.)

Mr. Beeston read a letter from a New Brunswick lawyer saying that he was coming to the Kootenays as a result of reading "the excellent, illustrated pamphlet your society published last year," and added that the letter was only one of many received.

Dr. Morrison said that every wide-awake men knew that proper advertising paid and he strongly approved of the association being supported.

G. C. Hodge mentioned one case last year where an investor had been brought here through the pamphlet sent out, and had invested several thousand dollars in the city and district.

W. A, Macdonald strongly urged that the city and district be advertised. Citizens must rise to the occasion and supply funds as the benefit would be general. This year when times were brightening up, should be made a banner year for Nelson. (Applause.)

J. M. Lay and Bruce Heathcote approved of the association's work.

John A. Irving said that if properly carried out the idea would have his support.

F. Starkey told of collecting $165 last week, but added that when the council refused aid he had stopped asking citizens for money. The meeting should unanimously approve the scheme and the council would reconsider the association's application.

James Johnstone said a wrong idea prevailed in some quarters as to the work of the association. Men of means, investors, had already been brought here by the Tourist Association and had made investments that were turning out very well. These men induced other to come to the Kootenays and invest and the association was doing an invaluable work for the city and district by bringing capitalists here and inducing them to invest. It was something that benefited every resident of the city and all should join heartily in supporting the association. He gave several instances coming under his own personal knowledge of moneyed men coming and investing here as the direct result of the association's past work.

S. S. Taylor paid a tribute to the good work accomplished by the excellent pamphlet issued by the association which he said was in itself a splendid advertisement for the city. He urged that C. P. R. methods be adopted. The big railway induced people to come west and see the country knowing that when they did they would induce others to come. Vancouver and Victoria now looked upon their tourist associations as of vital consequence and backed them up with thousands of dollars every year knowing by experience that it was money well spent, and we in Nelson should do the same. There was plenty of work for the association to do right at the present time, (Applause).

E. B. McDermid approved of the association and suggested another application to the city council.

It was finally moved by W. A. Macdonald, seconded by A. V. Mason, and resolved: "That in the opinion of this meeting of citizens, the city council should grant at least $500 towards the funds of the Tourist Association of Nelson, and that the council be requested to re-consider their previous decision in the matter and meet the views of the citizens. It was further resolved; that the chairman of this meeting be authorized to affix the signatures of the citizens present to a petition asking for such re-consideration and grant being made."

The chairman asked if any one objected to the resolution and no one rising, asked further that the resolution be approved by a standing vote. This was done, all present rising and applauding.

The meeting then adjourned.

GROVE HOTEL OPENING.

Today the opening of the Grove hotel will take place. The hotel has a fine location near the former depot of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway. There will be a fine free luncheon spread for those who attend the opening and first class music will liven the proceedings. Those who desire to participate in the opening can take the free bus which will leave the corner of Ward and Vernon streets at intervals between 7 p.m, this evening and 1 a.m. James D. Band, formerly of the Grand Central hotel, is the proprietor of the Grove hotel.

WASHOUTS ON THE RAILROADS

There has been serious trouble from washouts and slides on the prairies east of Medicine Hat, and there have been no trains from the east through Revelstoke for several days. It was expected that a train would get through as far as Kootenay landing over the Crow's Nest line some time during the night. The Crow boat was to remain at the landing until the train arrived and was expected in Nelson at 3.30 this morning, shortly after the Daily News went to press. The train from Northport on the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway is expected in at 7 o'clock this morning. A slide, which occurred after the south bound train had got by, took place in Beaver canyon which took several hours to clear from the tracks. There is a big mud slide at the Seven Devils, south of Northport, which prevented the trains bound both north and south from getting through on time. Providing the Crow boat reaches this city in time she will leave on her return trip to the landing at 7 a.m. today.

IN FIRST LAND ENCOUNTER

JAPANESE TROOPS DISPLAY GREAT COURAGE AND TENACITY UNDER SEVERE CROSS FIRE AND COMPEL COSSACKS TO RETREAT

St. Petersburg, March 29.—The emperor has received a dispatch from general Kouropatkin giving a lengthy report from general Mishtchenko, dated at 10 p. m, March 28th, which says that an important engagement took place near the town of Chong Ju, in which the Russians were defeated, retiring in perfect order. The Japanese suffered heavily, but the Russian losses are not stated. Cavalry and infantry on both sides were engaged. The Russians occupied a commanding position. The Japanese fought gallantly, but owing to their heavy losses, were unable to occupy the position that was abandoned by the Russians.

General Kouropatkin's report is as follows: "I have the honor to respectfully communicate to your majesty the report of general Mishtchenko, dated March 28th, at 10 p. m., which says: 'For three consecutive days our small outposts attempted to draw the Japanese cavalry into action, but their patrols after contact was established, retired beyond Chong Ju, about five miles northwest of Ping Yang. Having learned that four squadrons of the enemy were posted five versts beyond Chong Ju, on March 27th, six companies marched toward Kasan, and on March 28th reached Chong Ju at 10.30 a. m. As soon as our outposts approached the town the enemy opened fire from behind the walls. Two squadrons promptly dismounted and occupied the heights 600 yards distant. An engagement ensued.

"'In the town a company of infantry and a squadron of cavalry were lying in ambush. Our men were reinforced by three companies and attacked the Japanese with a cross fire. Notwithstanding this and our commanding position, the Japanese gallantly held their ground, and it was only after a fierce fight of half an hour's duration that the Japanese ceased firing and sought refuge in the houses. The Japanese hoisted the Red Cross flag at two points.

"'Soon afterward three squadrons of the enemy were seen advancing along the road at full gallop toward the town, which two of the squadrons succeeded in entering, while the third fell back in disorder under repeated volleys from our troops. A number of men and horses were seen to fall.

"'For an hour afterward our companies continued to fire on the Japanese in the town, preventing them from leaving the streets and houses. An hour and a half after the beginning of the engagement four companies were seen on the Kasan road hastening to attack. I gave the order to mount, and the entire force, with a covering squadron, advanced in perfect order and formed in line behind the hill. The wounded were placed in front and the retirement was carried out with the deliberation of a parade. The Japanese squadron, which was thrown into disorder, was evidently unable to occupy the hill which we had just evacuated and the infantry arrived too late. The detachment protecting our rear guard arrived quietly at Kasan, where we halted for two hours, in order to give attention to our wounded, Stephanoff and Androonke in the chest and Vaselvitie in the stomach. Schilnikoff was less seriously wounded in the arm, but did not leave the field. Three Cossacks were killed and 12 wounded, including five seriously. I, general Mishtchenko, bear witness to the excellent conduct of the officers and Cossacks, and especially praise the third company of the Argunsk regiment, commanded by Krasnostanoff.'"

Seoul, March 29.—5.15 p. m.—A report has reached here that 50 Japanese and 100 Cossacks were killed and wounded in a skirmish that occurred between Anju and Tinju. The above dispatch probably refers to the engagement reported last night as having occurred March 23rd but in which no Cossack losses were mentioned.

FIRST LAND OPERATIONS.

St. Petersburg Comment Upon Kouropatkin's Official Report.

St. Petersburg, March 29.—General Kouropatkin, in his first report to the emperor from the scene of the war, announced that offensive land operations had taken place against the Japanese upon the sixth anniversary of the occupation of Port Arthur by the Russians. These operations took the form of a cavalry attack yesterday by six companies of Cossacks, led personally by general Mishtchenko and four squadrons of Japanese cavalry, which the general believed to be beyond the Chong Ju, but which he found to be in occupation of that town. General Mishtchenko pays tribute to the tenacity and bravery of the Japanese under the Russian cross fire. The combat lasted an hour and a half. Before the Russians could follow up their advantage three Japanese squadrons galloped towards them, and two of them succeeded in entering the town, while the third was driven back in disorder, men and horses falling. The fire maintained on the town was so destructive that the Japanese were unable to make an effective return. Further Japanese reinforcements arrived an hour later, and in view of the superiority of the enemy general Mishtchenko determined to retire, doing so without embarrassment, although he carried with him three killed and 16 wounded. General Mishtchenko's Cossacks have been endeavoring for some days to come in contact with the Japanese patrols, but the latter refused to combat. The skirmish of today will have the effect of increasing the efforts of the Russians as much as possible to hinder the advance of the Japanese army.

General Kouropatkin's dispatch reporting general Mishtchenko's operations as published does not give the place of its origin, but it is presumed that the commander in chief is either at Liao river or en route to New Chwang.

JAPANESE VERSION.

Of the Land Encounter in Which Cossacks Were Repulsed.

Tokio, March 29.—(9 p. m.)—A mixed force of Japanese cavalry and infantry attacked and dispersed a force of Russians at Tyon Jyn, near Ping Yang, last Sunday morning.

The Russians had erected a temporary fortress, which was defended by a force of Cossacks. It is stated about 600 Japanese attacked it with considerable vigor. The Russians offered a strong resistance, but finally fell back, abandoning their position. The Japanese sustained the loss of one man and one sergeant killed, and two officers were taken prisoner. The Russians are reported to have left their dead behind but succeeded in carrying off the wounded. The Japanese entered the town, cheering for the emperor.

London, March 30.—While differing somewhat in detail, it is possible the above dispatch is another verison of the engagement at Chong Ju, which has already been reported from Russian sources. The name of the place Tyon Jyn is not given on any maps that are available.

JAPAN'S PARLIAMENT.

Enthusiastically Supports Government in Prosecution of War.

Tokio, March 29.—Admiral baron Yamamoto, minister of marine, read vice-admiral Togo's account of the sixth Japanese attack on Port Arthur in the lower house of the Japanese diet today. The report was delivered amid tremendous applause.

Admiral Yamamoto referred feelingly to the heroic death of an officer who was killed in the engagement, and dwelt on the great difficulty of bottling up Port Arthur effective.y. He said that this project was still far from completion. Continuing the minister of marine declared that the revival of the martial spirit at Port Arthur since the arrival of vice-admiral Makaroff was apparent, and he expressed the hope that the Russians would emerge boldly and attack the Japanese.

The house unanimously added a resolution encouraging the government, praising the navy and pledging itself to spare no cost in the prosecution of the war.

ADMIRAL TOGO'S REPORT.

Simple Story of Heroic Attempt to "Bottle Up" Enemy's Fleet in Port Arthur.

Washington, March 29.—The Japanese legation has received from Tokio the following official report made by admiral Togo respecting the second attempt to "bottle up" the Port Arthur squadron:

"About 3.30 a. m. of the 27th of March the 'bottling up' squadron, composed of four ships, escorted by a torpedo boat destroyer flotilla and torpedo boat flotilla, reached the outside of Port Arthur and without minding the searchlights of the enemy, steered straight toward the entrance of the harbor. At about two marine leagues from the entrance the 'bottling up' squadron was discovered by the enemy. Thereupon the shore batteries and guardships showered a hot fire upon the squadron, but in spite of the terrific fire the ships made their way into the inner roadstead one after the other.

"The steamer Chyo Maru anchored at a position about a half cable from the Golden hill, blew up itself and sunk. The Fukui Maru passed a little ahead of the Chyo Maru by its left side but in a moment, when she was lowering anchor, was shot by a torpedo from the enemy's destroyers and sunk in that position. The Hachi Hiko Maru, anchored to the left of the Fukui Maru and blew up itself and sunk. The Yoneyama Maru, colliding with the stern of one of the enemy's torpedo boat destroyers, passed between the Chyo Maru and the Fukui Maru and anchored in the middle of the roadstead. At this moment the ship was shot by a torpedo from the enemy and consequently, by reason of that torpedo she was carried toward the left side shore and sunk sideways. The result of the action being as above described, there is some space left between the Hachi Hiko Maru and the Yoneyama Maru. It is a matter of regret that the roadstead could not be completely closed up. The casualties were as follows:

"Killed—Commander Hirose Takeo, one under officer and two sailors.

"Seriously Wounded—Sub-lieutenant Shimade.

"Slightly Wounded—Lieutenant Makasimi, engineer Kurita and six sailors.

"The remainder were safely taken in by our torpedo boat destroyer flotilla. Of the torpedo boat flotilla the Oadaka and the Tsubame, while escorting the 'bottling up' squadron and about one mile from the entrance of the Port Arthur harbor, engaged in a fight with one destroyer of the enemy and inflicted serious damage on her. The enemy retreated raising an enormous column of steam, as if her boiler was broken. When all the members of the 'bottling up' squadron had been taken in and our boats withdrew to the outside of the harbor, a ship, like one of the enemy's, was seen at the foot of Golden hill, utterly incapable of navigation. Although both our destroyer flotilla and torpedo boat flotilla were subjected to terrific fire from the enemy until the dawn, not the slightest damage was done to any of the boats."

THE NEW CHWANG INCIDENT

Great Britain Will Not Protest Against Russia's Action.

London, March 29.—The Associated Press learns that the British government has no intention of protesting against the Russian action in declaring martial law at New Chwang. An endeavor will be made in the ordinary way and after the cessation of hostilities to secure compensation for such British merchants as are pecuniarily affected.

Paris, March 29.—The removal by the Russian authorities of British and American flags at New Chwang is causing a lively discussion in the press here. The general opinion supports Russia's right to administer New Chwang. The officials here share the same view. The Russian embassy points out that the negotiations following the presentation of secretary Hay's note on China left Manchuria within the zone of military operations and they say that the substitution of military for civil authority followed as a result of the military regime in Manchuria.

London, March 30.—A correspondent of the Times at New Chwang cables under yesterday's date "The Russians today ordered the American flag on the correspondents' mess to be hauled down. The proclamation of martial law completely paralyzes the whole commerce of this port."

EARLY LAND ENGAGEMENTS.

Paris, March 29.—The Echo de Paris' St. Petersburg correspondent says the war office general staff expects that the first land engagements in the far east will take place in about a week. It is estimated, he adds, that general Kuroki, commanding the first Japanese army in the Ping Yang region, has a total strength of 70,000 men, including a brigade of cavalry and ten cannon.

EXPERTS DIFFER.

Tien Tsin, March 29.—In conversation today the Russian military agent here said he did not expect a serious engagement between Russian and Japanese land forces for two months ,and that it was very improbable that the Japanese would attempt to land at New Chwang or in that vicinity.

LOCATION OF JAPANESE TROOPS.

Main Army in Korea Concentrated Between Pak Chen and Anju.

London, March 30.—A correspondent at the Russian headquarters in Mukden telegraphs that according to reports received there about 10,000 Japanese have crossed the river at Chin Changau and 5,000 have advanced north from Chin Jan.

The Chronicle's Shanghai correspondent asserts that practically the whole Japanese army in Korea, consisting of 100,000 men, is concentrated at Pak Chen and Anju, only small detachments being left in southern Korea, to maintain communications.

A St. Petersburg cable says that a Russian division of 25,000 men from southern Usuri is advancing in two columns throughout Korea. The main column coming along the east coast road has reached Pak Chan, 180 miles from the Tumen river, and the flanking column, consisting of Cossacks and mountain artillery, coming along the valley of the Tumen river towards its source, has reached the borders of lake Tadji.

This cable reports that the Japanese are advancing north from Gensan and that their advance guard is camped at Chon Ping. It is probable, however, that none of these various reports can be asserted as authentic. The Times prints a dispatch from its correspondent at Wei-Hai-Wei, received last night, which says: "I have just returned after a 100-mile cruise, and I saw nothing of either the Russian nor the Japanese fleets, though the watch reported flash signals at about 4 o'clock this morning. I was debarred from running close to Port Arthur by a heavy fog. I imagine the weather is too thick for the Japanese to remain close to Port Arthur in view of the strength of the Russians in their torpedo boat destroyers."

BATTLE FOR SATURDAY NEXT.

Expected Russians and Japanese Will Then Meet on the Yalu.

St. Petersburg, March 30.—A correspondent of the Novosti at Liao Yang under yesterday's date reports that the Japanese have moved on the Yalu river and that a conflict between them and the Russians is expected April 2nd.

Liao Yang, Southern Manchuria, is reported to be quiet. There is enormous movement of troops in progress, and trains are arriving several times daily.

General Linevitch has received a telegram from general Kouropatkin expressing satisfaction that so well trained a soldier is with the party, adding, "May God help you to carry out the most difficult of problems. I will be very happy if I find on my arrival that you will remain with the army, which so firmly believes in you, until the greatest danger has passed."

Fifty Cossacks yesterday encountered a strong band of Chinese bandits and charged upon them, killing 28 and capturing six. Three Cossacks were killed and six wounded.

TO ASSIST MAKAROFF.

Paris, March 30.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris says: "I learn that the czar intends to send vice-admiral Chouknin, director of the naval school, to Port Arthur, as assistant to vice-admiral Makaroff."

COMING FROM COVER.

Seoul, March 29.—Many Korean officials, who were formerly implicated in pro-Russian movements, and who remained in hiding during the recent stay here of marquis Ito, are reported to be reappearing. They are confident and have been assured that drastic reforms for the purging of Korean official circles are not imminent.

STRENGTHENING THE FLEET.

Paris, March 29.—The Matin's St. Petersburg correspondent says that the Russian admiralty has ordered eight 350-ton torpedo boats from the Rigia and the Newsky yards. He adds that the type of the latest Japanese torpedo boats will be copied exactly.

The Petit Journal's St. Petersburg correspondent says: "I learn that the fleet to sail to the far east about June 15th will consist of eight battleships, eleven cruisers and several torpedo boat destroyers, the number of which has not been fixed."

PRESS CORRESPONDENTS

All Expelled from Port Arthur Because of One Man's Indiscretion.

St. Petersburg, March 29.—A war correspondent of the Russ writing from Harbin, Manchuria, says he has not been permitted to proceed to Port Arthur and adds he will not be allowed to go to the front until April 2nd. All the correspondents have been expelled from Port Arthur because one of them mentioned in his dispatches important information regarding the movements of the Russian troops.

MICHIGAN AND INDIANA

SEVERE SUFFERERS BY THE RECENT UNPRECEDENTED FLOODS.

LOSS IN MICHIGAN ALONE ESTIMATED AT $5,000,000.

Detroit, March 29.—Five lives have been lost and probably upwards of $5,000,000 worth of damage to property has been done by the flood which has devasted many parts of Michigan during the past five days. Tonight the indications are that the end is in sight although condiions are still very bad at Grand Rapids, and also along the course of the Saginaw river. Near Saginaw a number of people were taken from their flooded homes by a tug today. Hundreds of cattle and horses are dead near Saginaw. At Grand Rapids the flood is receding.

Indianapolis, March 29.—All the rivers tributary to the Wabash and Ohio are overflowing and great damage has been done to farms and buildings throughout southern Indiana. At Vincennes the danger seems greatest. Every precaution is being taken to prevent breaking levees. Manufacturing plants have been forced to close and all sewers have been stopped with sandbags. The city gas, electric light and power plants are in danger. At Petersburg, the river has backed into several mines. Hazelton is completely isolated. Between Evansville and Terre Haute several levees have been broken, flooding hundreds of valuable farms. Today the east span of the big steel bridge at Bloomsfield, the only remaining bridge across the White river for a distance of fifty miles, was swept away.

HICKS-BEACH TO RETIRE.

London, March 29.—Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, writing to the chairman of his committee at West Bristol, which constituency he represents, says that while he does not anticipate any early dissolution of parliament, he has definitely decided to retire from active politics.

SILVER-LEAD INDUSTRY

Text of Memorial Adopted by the Mine Owners' Association

Smelter Question Not in Line--Whole Matter Will Be Threshed Out at Tonight's Meeting

The silver-lead miners and smeltermen met to foregather today over the proposition emanating from the St. Eugene mine management, which has been set out in these columns at length. If the agreement is arrived at today between miners and smeltermen the agreement will be brought before the board of trade meeting this evening for approval.

A formal meeting was to have been held yesterday, but W. H. Aldridge, of the Trail smelter, was prevented from reaching this city during the day and the conference was accordingly postponed until some time today. Mr. Aldridge will come over from Trail this morning.

James Cronin and D. W. Moore are at the Hume and at the Strathcona are A. C. Garde, of the Payne; Nicholas Cavanaugh and George D. Potter, of Sandon, and John L. Retallack, of Kaslo, these latter gentlemen being the committee appointed by the silver-lead association at their last meeting in this city to deal with the matter in question.

The following letter, accompanying a copy of the memorial adopted by the Associated Silver-Lead Mines, was handed to The Daily News last evening:

Editor, The Daily News:—In compliance with the promise made to the public through your columns, I hand you herewith for publication a copy of a memorial which after many conferences between our committees and the representatives of the smelters, was drafted, and has been adopted by the unanimous vote of the Associated Silver-Lead Mines of B. C.

It is anticipated that this memorial as conveying the sense of the said conferences will be also approved by the smelters, but owing to Mr. Aldridge having been unavoidably detained at Trail, the ratification of the smelters will not be known to our committee until his arrival here, which is set for tomorrow.

N. J. CAVANAUGH,
Secretary Associated Silver-Lead Mines of British Columbia.

The Hon. the Minister of Trade and Commerce:

(Re the Lead Bounty Act:)

Sir,—The following is respectfully submitted for your favorable consideration:

1.—The bounty granted on lead mined and smelted in Canada has caused the development of many mines which had been compelled to close by reason of the conditions which existed prior to the granting of said bounty. Other mines have increased their expenditures on development, and have added, or are adding, to their equipment.

2.—Many of these mines are now ready to commence production to an extent over and above the present capacity of the Canadian smelters to treat on an economical basis of smelting, refining and marketing of the product.

3.—Under these conditions the said smelters are unable to make their treatment and marketing charges on a certain class of concentrates produced from low grade ore sufficiently low to encourage the development and permanent operation of mines producing such concentrates. In many cases production therefrom is rendered unprofitable.

4.—Until the said smelters have so improved their facilities for the smelting, refining and manufacturing of lead as to command the highest price at home and abroad for their product, these low grade concentrates cannot be economically handled in their entirety by said smelters as at present equipped.

5.—A limited amount of time is necessary for said smelters to complete such facilities, to an extent as will be consistent with stable production in the future.

6.—The rates now available are excessive in comparison with rates at present obtainable from European smelters on concentrated ores of the grade described in the following paragraph.

7.—Under present conditions existing in Europe, a market is there available, at satisfactory rates, for ores in the form of concentrates of a high grade in lead and low in silver contents, and to an extent capable of absorbing the surplus output referred to in paragraph 2.

8.—A restriction of output from such mines as are immediately capable of large production will prevent their economical operation, and any interruption of the present development, or restriction of available output, will act as a serious check to the lead mining and smelting industries, and contingent industries, and thus to the general prosperity of the community, thereby neutralizing the beneficent effects of the Lead Bounty Act.

9.—The undersigned therefore respectfully request that the government take such action as will permit:

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TONIGHT'S MEETING.

The Daily News is able to publish this morning a cop yof the memorial adopted by the Associated Silver-Lead Mines in connection with the proposed application to the dominion government to provide for the payment of a certain proportion of the lead bounty upon ores exported for treatment.

The salient features of the memorial are contained in the following clauses:

"The undersigned request that the government will take such action as will permit:—

"(a) The Canadian lead smelters at present operating, to export such surplus ore under the benefits of the Bounty Act, for a period commencing April 1st, 1904, to terminate 30th June, 1905, provided that the amount of lead in ore so exported shall not exceed 11,000 tons of 2,000 lbs. per annum.

"(b.) The producers of said ore to receive the full benefit of the bounty, provided a sufficient amount remains available after the producers of lead ores both mined and smelted in Canada have received the bounty to which they are now entitled at the full rate of $15.00 per ton: otherwise at such reduced rate per ton as will absorb the unearned balance."

At tonight's meeting of the board of trade the whole subject will be discussed from the point of view of the general public. The publication of this memorial will enable business men interested in the movement to approach the subject with a clear knowledge of what the mine owners desire. So far the local smelter representatives have been unable to concur entirely in the views set forth by the mine owners but they express a willingness to fall in with any well digested scheme that offers a reasonable prospect of permanently benefitting the industry without jeopardising the important interests they specially represent.

The endorsement of any scheme affecting the distribution of the lead bounty by the Nelson board of trade will doubtless carry great weight at Ottawa. The government will certainly require assurances that any proposed changes in the regulations originally issued have the approval of the communities at large chiefly affected. Consequently it is imperative that the board of trade deal with this matter in the most judcious manner. Whilst it must be the desire of every resident in Kootenay to assist in any movement having for its object the encouragement of the silver-lead mining industry, care is essential that approval be given only to such requests of the government as can be unmistakeably shown to be in the best interests of the industry as a whole, having in mind prospective developments as well as present conditions.

There should be a thoroughly representative gathering at the meeting tonight to hear the explanations of the mine owners and to decide upon the course the Nelson board of trade shall take in the premises.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

A bill is now pending before the Iowa legislature, which provides $5,000 annually for instruction in roadmaking in the state. Provision will be made not only for giving instruction to students, but it is proposed to offer a short course once a year, intended especially for farmers, road commissioners and township authorities, from every part of the state. In addition to lectures and instruction by experts in engineering and agriculture, all the latest and best types of road building machinery will be shown in operation and practical demonstration will be given of the best methods of constructing roads. Special attention will be given to road drainage. Road experts will also be sent to different parts of the state to make a study of local conditions and problems.

There have been 1,847 petitions presented to parliament in favor of a Sunday observance law, consisting of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, ten trades and labor councils, sixty-three trades and labor unions or P. W. A. lodges; 903 churches, including Roman Catholic, Anglican, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, Congregational and Evangelical Lutheran; 371 fraternal societies and lodges and 500 branches of the L. D. A. These petitions claim to represent 377,090 persons.

The board of trade of St. John, New Brunswick has in preparation a synopsis of the New Zealand Arbitration Act, with modifications adapted to industrial conditions in that province. The New Brunswick act contemplates the creation of two sets of industrial unions, one of employers and the other of workmen. Any society of not less than two employers may be registered as a union of employers, and one of not less than seven workers may register as an industrial union of workers. The registrar is a government officed. Unions so registered are subject to the jurisdiction of the act, and become corporate bodies. Members may be sued for fees, dues and fines; the union may own property, sue or be sued in its corporate name. Industrial agreements may be made between industrial and employers' unions, or betewen the former and individual employers. They shall not be for a longer time than three years, and shall be binding on the original parties, and on every member of the union which is a party. There shall be one court of arbitration for the whole province for the settlement of industrial disputes, having three members. These are to be appointed by the government. The president must be a judge of the supreme court; one of the others is to be recommended by unions of employers the other by unions of workers. This court has jurisdiction to hear and determine industrial disputes, where application is made, the parties being industrial unions or associations, employers' or employees' unions. Employers or their union may appear in person or by agent; the industrial union of workmen by its chairman or secretary or agent. When a case has been referred to the court, neither of the parties concerned shall resort to a strike or lockout, or discontinuance of employment or work on account of the dispute. Penalty for default in this case shall not exceed $250.

A CONSTABLE IN TROUBLE.

Acting chief constable Young has received a formal complaint against constable Forrester of Ymir. The complainant is a prominent citizen of Ymir and alleges that Forrester while under the influence of liquor arrested him and locked him up all night in the Ymir jail. Next morning Forrester preferred a charge of being drunk and disorderly against the citizen, but P. J. Gleazer, the magistrate, dismissed the case. The Ymir citizen is now after Forrester's scalp in consequence of the arrest and subsequent proceedings. Mr. Young will enquire fully into the matters complained of and report the whole matter to headquarters.

BUBONIC PLAGUE RAVAGES.

Bombay, March 29.—The latest available bubonic plague returns for the whole of India for the week ending March 19th, shows the appalling mortality of 40,527, an increase of 7,000 over those of the preceding week. In the Punjab and the northwest provinces each, there is a death rate of ten thousand weekly; in the Bombay province the deaths number ,500 and in Bengal 5,000.

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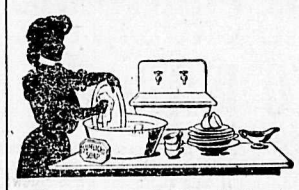

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TERMINAL CITY TRILBYS

DISCLOSURES MADE BY GEORGIANA HEWITSON TO POLICE.

RESULT IN VISIT TO PHOTOGRAPHER CHRISTOPHER'S STUDIO

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, March 29.—Georgiana Hewitson, who pleaded guilty to an attempt to poison her mother, was today handed over to the Children's Aid Society.

Chief justice Hunter said he would not release her and he did not want to send the young girl to jail and so ruin her life. Therefore he put her in the charge of the philanthropic society.

In this connection the girl Hewitson gave the police evidence that a number of Vancouver girls had had their photographs taken in the nude at John Christopher's studio.

The police have arrested Christopher and secured 300 photos.

HANDY FOLDING CANOE.

Messrs. Taylor & McQuarrie are fond of hunting and fishing and are constantly adding something new to their outfits for these sports. Yesterday they received a folding canoe, which is something of a curiosity. It is made of painted canvas stretched, small but strong steel ribs, with light wooden floor and wooden holders for the rowlocks. The boat can be folded up and put into a canvas bag in 15 minutes. Its entire weight is only 55 pounds and it has a carrying capacity of 700 pounds. The intention of the owners is to use it during summer cruises. Where there is a chain of lakes, or a lake that can be reached by a few miles trip over a trail such a boat would be just the thing to use. The boat cost $40 duty paid and laid down in this city.

MARCONI IS ILL

New York, March 29.—A cable to the Sun from Milan says that Marconi, the wireless telegrph expert, is seriously ill with fever.

WINNIPEG BUILDING UP.

Winnipeg, March 29.—The city has issued permits for the erection of 215 buildings this season to date, valued at $719,000.

COL. OTTER'S CONDITION.

Toronto, March 29.—Lieut.-Col. Otter is still partially unconscious but is reported to be somewhat improved.

Take the free bus at corner of Ward and Vernon streets for the Grove Hotel and return tonight.

OUR SPRING LINE OF CARPETS ARRIVING DAILY

Come and see our many new patterns to select from.

D. McArthur & Co.

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Our new spring stock has arrived. No previous collection has contained such attractive features, as that we now ask you to call and examine. As we are the only exclusive Wall Paper dealers in Nelson, we are, therefore, able to offer you better prices than can be obtained elsewhere.

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Ladies' Easter Kid Gloves, all shades.
Latest Novelties in Ladies' Silk and Embroidery Ties, Stock Collars and Fancy Silk Belts.
Ladies' Silk Skirts and Jackets, White Organdie Suits and Fancy Cream Alpaca Costumes.
Ladies' Silk Waists in all the latest up-to-date styles, $5.00 to $20.00.
Ladies' Shirt Waists, a large assortment from $1.00 up.

WHITEWEAR DEPARTMENT.

White Long Cloth Drawers, Embroidery Trimmed, from 50 cents up.
White Underskirts, Embroidery Trimmed, from $1.00 up.
Ladies' Night Dresses, Embroidery Trimmed, from $1.00 up.
White Cambric and Nainsook Corset Covers, Lace and Embroidery Trimmed, from 45 cents up.

Special sale of Ladies' Raincoats, Short, Three-Quarter Length and Long, plain and fancy colors, at $5 to $22.50.
Special Sale of Lace Curtains at 75c., $1, $1.50 and $2.50 per pair.

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Bar in connection with all the choicest wines, liquors and cigars.
Bus meets all trains and boats.

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APRIL 1 TO 5

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Something New for Easter

There is a tradition to the effect that luck attends the wearing of something new on Easter Sunday. Especially for this occasion we have provided a line of footwear, dainty, stylish and durable enough to please the most fastidious. Shoes for brother, sister and the baby, all at reasonable prices. You'd better come in early. You won't have another chance to buy luck for a year.

Fred L. Irwin

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No Chinese employed.

August Thomas

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Clarendon Saloon

The finest of Wines, Liquors and Cigars.
RUN BY
MESSRS. HEAVENER & McARTHUR.

Mr. Heavener was for four years a resident of Neilson and is always pleased to meet his old Nelson friends.

Madden House

Baker St. Nelson.

Do you need a comfortable home? If so try the Madden House. Well furnished rooms, lighted by electricity; first class board. In the bar you will find all the best domestic and imported liquors and cigars.

THOMAS MADDEN, Proprietor.

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Meals at all hours. Open day and night.

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NELSON, B. C.
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Lighted by Electricity. Heated by Hot Air.
RATES $2.00 PER DAY.

First class Dining Room. Large and Comfortable Bedrooms. Sample Rooms for Commercial Men.

CARPENTER AND JOINER

I am prepared to do all kinds of carpenter and cabinet work. Pianos and furniture repaired and repolished, upholstering and carpet laying. B. W. MICEWICZ, corner Stanley and Victoria streets.

Atlantic S.S. Sailings

C. P. R. ATLANTIC S.S. LINE
(From St. John)
L. Champlain.April 2 Lake Erie....April 16

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(From St. John)
Ionian.....April 2 Bavarian.....April 9

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(From Portland)
Dominion.....April 2 Southwark.....April 9

AMERICAN LINE
New York....April 9 St. Louis.....April 2

RED STAR LINE
Finland.....April 2 Vaderland.....April 9

CUNARD LINE
Etruria.....April 2 Lucania.....April 9

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Lv. 8.30 a.m...SANDON..Ar. 4.25 p.m.
Ar. 10.45 a.m....KASLO...Lv. 2.00 p.m.

STEAMER KASLO.

Lv. 1.30 p.m.....KASLO...Ar. 11.00 a.m.
Ar. 4.30 p.m...NELSON....Lv 8.00 a.m.

P. H. WALSH, Superintendent.

RICH GOLDFIELDS OF THE LARDEAU

A Splendid Field for the Mine Operator, Miner, Prospector, Mechanic, Merchant and Professional Man

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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CLOTHING HOUSE

Spring Arrivals

PARTICULAR DRESSERS WILL APPRECIATE THE BEAUTIFUL COLLECTION. ATTENTION IS CALLED TO THE SMART FIT AND EXCELLENT TAILORING.

Prices for Suits are $7.50, $10.00, $12.50, $15.00, $17.50 and $20.00.
Prices for Raincoats are $5.00, $7.50, $10.00, $12.50 and $15.00.
Prices for Top Coats, $7.50, $10.00, $12.50 and $15.00.
Every price set for this sale is distinctly SPECIAL.
Prices for Boys' Knee Pant Suits, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $3.50, $4.00, $5.00 and $6.00.
Extra Special Values, Good Quality, Finely Tailored.
Our $2.50 and $3.00 Hats are splendid value, showing exclusively the smart styles of renowned makers, in Black, Brown, Nutria and Pearl. You will recognize quality and character equal to $5.00 agency Hats. See them.
Exceptionally special value for this week in Men's Shirts, Underwear, Gloves, Mens' Neckwear, Braces, Sweaters, Men's and Boys' Hosiery, Men's and Boys' Shoes.

Excellence of Quality
Lowness of Price

BROWN & CO.

You get what you pay for
when you buy Blue Ribbon Tea and
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Only one best tea. Blue Ribbon's it.
Try the Red Label.

FIRE VALLEY PIONEER

TALKS OF ONE OF THE PROVINCE'S GARDEN SPOTS.

WHERE DEER, BEAR AND GROUSE ARE ABUNDANT.

J. Bangs, who has been a resident of Fire Valley for the past twelve and a half years, is in the city on a short visit. He is well known to many of Nelson's pioneers and is particularly well known to W. P. Tierney, the railway contractor. For 40 years Mr. Bangs was a fur buyer on the Ottawa river, and Mr. Tierney was his friend at that time as he is now. Their friendship dates back for nearly 40 years. The veterans had a long talk over old times yesterday in Mr. Tierney's office on Baker street.

Mr. Bangs has a farm in the Fire Valley, where he and a number of others are engaged in mixed farming and cattle raising. The soil is fertile for vegetables and fruits. Apples, pears and plums do well and Mr. Bangs says he raises some first class Bartlett pears. For a long time the settlers only raised sufficient vegetables and fruit for their own use, but lately owing to the mining and logging operations considerable of a market has developed and the outlook is that this will be enlarged. There was considerable logging in the valley last year. The logs are cut along the banks of Inonoaken creek and driven down that stream to lower Arrow lake and towed to the sawmills.

The timber in the valley is excellent, consisting principally of cedar, with some fir, tamarack and white pine. There is considerable open rolling country outside of the valley and at a somewhat higher altitude. This open country furnishes excellent pasturage in the summer and fall. Here the cattle would do well during the open season and in the winter they could be taken to the valley and fed. Mr. Bangs thinks in time the section will be considerably utilized for cattle ranges. The snow, however, gets very deep in the mountains in winter. The winters in the valley are mild; for instance, this winter the thermometer has not once registered below zero.

When Mr. Bangs first went into Fire Valley game was plentiful and it was a veritable hunter's paradise. It was seldom that he had to go off his farm to kill all of the deer, bear and grouse that he wanted. Since then the number of farmers has increased, loggers have come in as well as prospectors, and the game is not as plentiful in the valley as it was. Back a very little ways, however, he says, there is just as much game as there ever was. If any of the Nelson nimrods desire a few day's sport Mr. Bang's says he could take them to places where they could really have a royal time. There is probably no portion of British Columbia which has more game, or where it is easier to get on account of the country being open.

TO PHONE ACROSS THE GULF.

Vancouver and Victoria to Be Connected By the Hello System.

The International Telephone Company has completed arrangements whereby Victoria and other places on Vancouver Island are to be placed in telephonic communication with points on the mainland, as far south as Portland, Ore.

The company has sent to London for a first class four-ply telephone cable, which will be laid between the island and the mainland, as soon as it arrives.

The company is an amalgamation of all the long-distance telephone companies operating in British Columbia, and as it is about to traverse the American islands in the gulf of Georgia and at the mouth of Puget Sound, it was necessary to make it an international company, embracing the systems now operated throughout Washington and Oregon.

The new company is capitalized at considerably over $150,000. The service will be cheapened as far as possible, to compete with the telegraph companies. A minute conversation between Victoria and Vancouver will cost 50 cents; between Victoria and Seattle 60 cents, and between more distant points at a corresponding ratio.

The cable will arrive from England about the end of April, or the beginning of May, and it is expected to open the service before the fall.

LUMBER RATES.

C. P. R. and Mountain Lumbermen Unable to Agree on Mutual Reduction.

The C. P. R. have offered the Mountain Lumber Association to reduce the freight charge on lumber between Swift Current and Broadview 2 cents per 100 lbs. if the lumbermen will reduce their price of lumber $1 per 1,000 feet to all customers east of McLead. The C. P. R. also offered to increase the rates on American lumber coming into Canada. Over the Soo line the rate would be raised 3 cents per 100 and probably a similar raise would be made over the Canadian Northern. The lumbermen declined the railway's offer and made a counter proposal agreeing to reduce their price as requested if the C. P. R. would reduce their rates 2 cents over the territory east of McLeod. There the matter stands at the present time. F. W. Jones of the Columbia River Lumber Co., of Golden is acting on behalf of the Mountain Lumber Association, and further efforts are being made to come to some understanding with the C. P. R. Possibly after F. W. Peters reaches Winnipeg again and reports the situation to headquarters something may be finally accomplished.

EGGS FOR EASTER.

Grocers Say Supply Will Be Ample For the Holiday.

On Easter Sunday the custom in many households is to give everyone in the house all the eggs they can consume. The eggs are often colored in various hues in honor of the holiday. More eggs are, therefore, consumed on Easter than on any other day in the year and grocers are compelled to provide large supplies in order to meet the demand. This year eggs are scarce and consequently rather higher than usual, commanding 30 to 40 cents a dozen. The cold storage eggs have completely disappeared from the market. The principal supply is now drawn from Washington, although there are a few Kansas eggs in the market. The local ranchers are bringing in a few eggs, but these are not in sufficient quantity to cut any very great figure in the market, and are sold directly to the retail grocers. Several grocers were seen yesterday and asked if there were sufficient eggs in the market to supply the Easter demand and they stated that there would be no trouble on that score, but they thought none would be sold under 30 cents a dozen.

FATAL "HARMLESS MIXTURE."

Rochester, N. Y., March 29.—Dr. Charles E. Marshall of this city, was arrested today charged with manslaughter in the first degree for causing the death of Karl Terheggen. The latter died in the Homeopathic hospital shortly before noon. Dr. Marshall has prescribed for the man for insomnia and shortly after taking the medicine Terheggen became seriously ill and was taken to the hospital where the doctor diagnosed his case as morphine poisoning. Dr. Marshall admits giving the medicine but says it was a harmless mixture.

FOR GROCERY DEALERS

A SHORT TALK ON PROFITABLE ADVERTISING.

BY JOHN C. KIRKWOOD, IN THE CANADIAN GROCER.

In looking through a goodly number of Canadian newspapers for examples of advertising, I was struck with the absence of grocery advertisements. There were drygoods announcements in abundance, but comparatively little grocery advertising. Just how to explain this condition of affairs is hard. It would seem, however, to indicate that the grocery dealers belittle the value of advertising; that is, so far as their business is concerned. I cannot do otherwise than consider it short sighted and a misuse of opportunity for a grocery dealer of any pretension or ambition not to advertise. Accordingly, I desire at this particular time to talk over very briefly this subject.

With a good many, the question of cost is the barrier that stands in the way of their advertising. The uncertainty of its "paying" is a sufficient reason for them to refuse to spend money on advertising. The intangible character of the transaction is so present with them in their consideration of the subject that they think of advertising as nothing more or less than a gamble. Others, again, are unable to judge the value of newspaper space, and are inclined to think any proposal by a publisher as being decidedly too profitable for the publisher, and dislike exceedingly to enter into any contract where the profits are so enormous.

This question of the cost of advertising is very apt to be viewed in a very wrong and narrow way. No newspaper publisher can guarantee that an advertisement in his paper will be profitable, yet this is just what many a merchant wishes the publisher to do. A publisher sells space, nothing more, nothing less. He offers space in his paper, three inches deep, six inches deep, one column wide, two columns wide, three columns wide. He sells space and this space is worth money; how much money depends upon the extent and character of the circulation. He gives merchants an opportunity through the use of space in his paper to tell the community what to buy, and where to buy. This opportunity varies in worth. If the newspaper has a circulation of 1,000, it is worth so much; if the circulation be 2,000 or 5,000, the opportunity is worth a good deal more. That is, space in a paper with a large and choice circulation is worth more than space in a paper with a small circulation. An opportunity to tell 500, 1,000 or 3,000 families, a large portion of whose money is being spent daily for groceries, why this money should be spent at one store rather than at another, is worth no small sum to a wideawake, aggressive, ambitious retailer. Such a man has every week several excellent reasons for inviting these families, the heads of households to his store, and there is no cheaper, speedier, better way to acquaint buyers with his offerings than by engaging space in a local paper.

This leads me to say that the burden of sale is not on the publisher, but on the merchant. The publisher sells space, but the profitable use of space sold lies with the merchant. If a grocery dealer, for example, who buys space, neglects to use it intelligently, brightly, persuasively, he cannot expect his advertising to be profitable, and, if he be honest, he will blame himself for the failure. Having an opportunity is one thing; the right use of an opportunity is quite another thing. We all have known men to own horses which stand idle in their stalls most of the time, or else wander about a big pasture field. They do no work; yet we do not say the horses are no good. It is their owners whom we censure. So is it with much advertising. Some advertisements stand unchanged week after week, using up space which must be paid for; and some ramble so that they fail to sell a penny's worth. Such advertising is costly, because it represents waste.

The dealer who advertises, or, rather, who thinks he is advertising, by engaging space in his local paper and then giving neither time nor attention to a right use of this space, might just as well cancel the contract.

In dismissing this question of the cost of advertising let me say that a better question is: What will advertising yield? Advertising can yield, will yield, and does yield a most profitable return on the money spent—if done rightly. I know grocery dealers in towns where conditions are much the same as those that exist in almost every community this whole country over, who are ready to say that they could not do business without advertising. The cost of advertising doesn't concern them; the necessity of advertising was long ago admitted. The business producing power of advertising is daily perceived. But these men put their whole thought into their announcements to the public and fill the space they employ with news that throbs with the activity of a busy store.

SCHOOLBOYS AND INDIA.

Royal Asiatic Society Promises Annual Prizes to Youngsters.

The Englishman (Calcutta, February 1st):—"Most people are by this time aware that the Royal Asiatic Society has promised an annual prize to eight of the public schools of England, the authorities of which have undertaken to give instruction in Indian history. It also offers a medal to the best of the eight prize winners. At the last anniversary meeting of the society one member somewhat despondently said that many seem to think that there will be no results; but, putting it at the lowest, some boys will every year learn that there is such a country as India, and that it has a history.' 'But,' he hastened to add, 'the cry is ever that the students of the orient, its language and its learning, are not forthcoming. Who knows on what ground the seed of the sower may fall, what trivial accident may divert the current of a man's whole future life; and a casual schoolboy competition for one of our medals may be the starting point of some great oriental scholar's career.'

"This pious hope seems to have been made in ignorance of the fact that in at least one gerat public school an Indian essay is, or quite recently was, rewarded, by an annual prize. In that case experience showed that it was most commonly competed for by the sons of Anglo-Indian parents, by boys who were born in India, boys whose first spoken speech was one of the Indian vernaculars, boys who, if they knew nothing else of Indian history, knew of Clive and Warren Hastings, of the Lawrences and Nicholsin. There are few public schools in England which have not a sprinkling of such boys, and it is largely from them that the Indian services are recruited. Every schoolboy who is worth his salt has a sentimental regard for the country which had the honor of giving him birth and in which he spent the happy and impressionable days of his childhood. And thus the Anglo-Indian boy has romantic memories of a land flooded with sunshine, a land of palm trees and Himalayan snows in absurd juxtaposition, an Oriental dreamland to which his fancies revert untrammelled when the time comes for him to decide where he shall earn his living. Thus the Asiatic society need not fear that schoolboy recruits for its competition will be lacking. There will always be the Anglo-Indian boys, and ambitious rivals of these who would like to beat them on their own chosen ground. Possibly the knowledge which these young scholars of Indian history and geography will display will be shallow and superficial. But is that altogether to be regretted? We often hear complaints that India is little known in the British islands. Well, those of us who are in India are aware that a real practical and living knowledge of even one province is a thing to be acquired only by years of experience. From books a man may, indeed, learn facts statistical and facts historical and facts sociological, and on these he may build his theories. Books have been specially written with this object. Any man or boy who shall carefully master sir William Hunter's 'Indian Empire,' or, say, volume VIII. of the 'Nouvelle Geographie Universelle,' will know more about India as a whole, and will be in a better position to build up plausible theories on Indian government, than most men whose knowledge of India has been derived at first hand from the rule of thumb routine of administration, or commerce, or journalism. We have purposely quoted a French work of reference, because the French are past masters of the art of logically and systematically arranging such information as the schoolboy is expected to acquire for the purposes of an examination. Far be it from us to decry the value and importance of such information in its own time and place. But these swift and summary surveys of all India are apt to develop a spirit of 'parti jris' and to encourage those who read them to argue 'a priori.' Similarly, it is quite possible for a lawyer to make a useful and intelligent study of the Indian codes. But a perusal of these, unchecked by local experience, will assuredly convey a misleading impression of the unity and uniformity of Indian life."

DEFINITION OF ORE.

The definition of the word "ore" depends a great deal upon the purpose for which such definition is made. In our notes, we find that the word "ore" has been defined by the Colorado courts, although we cannot place our hands upon the name of the judge or the case, says the Mining Reporter. The Colorado definition of "ore" is: "Mineral that can be mined and reduced to a useful material at a profit." It must be obvious that this definition is not complete. There are large bodies of ore now known, which at present are not workable at a profit. For example—a great deal of the material that is thrown over the dumps at Tonopah will run much higher than the average grade of ore mined at Cripple Creek. As we understand it, $50 ore is worthless at the present moment at Tonopah. To say this is not ore is ridiculous, because it is perfectly certain that in the very near future conditions will be so changed as to make this material valuable. The miner recognizes this distinction by referring to "ore" as "high" or "low" grade, or often "pay" ore. If an ore is a mineral that can be mined at a profit, the term pay ore is unnecessary, but the fact that the term "pay" ore has been coined, only goes to show that the miner does not regard the word "ore" as implying a mineral that will pay a profit. "Ore" might better be defined as a mineral which contains a metal that can be mined at a profit, either now or at some future time. For example—iron pyrites, while often an ore of gold, is not an ore of iron, although it contains over 50 per cent of the latter metal; owing to the sulphur that it contains, it is exceedingly unlikely that it will ever be worked, for iron.

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ROMANCE IN CONFECTIONERY.

A Pennsylvania Girl Finds Her Affinity in This Province.

Under the heading "Candy Factory Girl's Mischievous Prank Brings Her a Rich Western Wooer," the New York World of Sunday, March 6th, has the following amusing account of an affair in which a well-known Grand Forks smelter employee plays a star part:

Philadelphia, March 5.—It remained for Miss Daisy Armpreister to devise the sweetest of all methods for making new acquaintances, and in her case it has resulted in disclosing her affinity. Miss Armpreister is one of the many employees in the American Caramel Co.'s factory in York, Pennsylvania.

During the busy times preceding the Christmas holidays this young lady, presumably partly in a spirit of fun, wrote her name and address upon a card, with the request that if the finder was one of the male persuasion to make himself known to her by letter. She placed the card in a box of confections known as "sweetheart kisses,' which, as it now develops, found its way to Grand Forks, B. C., where the missive, nestling among the sweets, fell into the hands of Aaron Sweezey, a prosperous bachelor 28 years old.

The writer of the note had forgotten the box of "sweetheart kisses" and the missive it bore until she received a letter from Sweezey, who asked her the privilege of corresponding with her. Letters have since passed between the two and Sweezey proposed marriage, and in his last letter expressed his intention of making a trip to York to visit the girl who puts the final touches to "sweetheart kisses."

If there be no parental objections—Miss Armpresiter is but 18 years old—the romance which had its beginning in the candy factory may end at the altar.

THE VOICE OF A CLOCK.

Why do we always regard a clock as saying "tick, tock," and not "tick, tick," like a watch? Is there really any distinction between the alternate sounds, or is it a matter of psychology? Attention to the problem has recently been given by Dr. Rosenbach, a Berlin psychologist, whose conclusions are thus quoted in The American Inventor:

"The general opinion seemed to be that it was merely a matter of chance whether the 'tick' accompanied the left and the 'tock' the right beat of the pendulum or vice versa. The first important discovery Dr. Rosenbach made was that the 'tick' always marks the moment when the pendulum reaches the extreme point of denotation from the perpendicular on its beat to the right, while the reaching of its swing limit to the left is marked by the 'tock' in pendulums of all lengths. He found that owing to the fact that the anchor of the escapement mechanism is above the rotating escapement-wheel and in the same plane with it, the conditions under which its arms strike the cogs of the wheel are not the same for both arms. One of the arms of the anchor strikes against a cog of the wheel moving upward, in a direction opposed to that of the anchor, while the other arm strikes against a cog while it is moving downward, nearly in the same direction as the anchor. The result of the unequal conditions which the two arms of the anchor engage the cogs of the escapement-wheel is, naturally, an acoustic difference in the sounds produced by the contact of the parts."

ROSS' CLOSE CALL.

Toronto, March 29.—The legislature sat all night and adjourned at 8.20 this morning, when the arrival of trains brought in members, which enabled the government to vote down by a majority of 3, a motion of Nesbitt's, conservative, making two cent passenger fares compulsory for the new railways. The fight was prolonged to the limit because government business takes precedence for the rest of the session.

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Synopsis of Regulations for Disposal of Minerals on Dominion Lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and the Yukon Territory.

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 on 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 of 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 locator 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 a Royalty of 2 1-2 per cent of the sales of the products of the location.

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 are 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 beds 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 $1 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.—Sixty leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miners for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged beds 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 or gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 250 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 a mining recorder's office. One extra day is allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

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

The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 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.

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 discoverer 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, February, 1904.

JAMES A. SMART,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

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OUTLOOK AT TROUT LAKE

THE TOPIC TELLS OF PRESENT FAVORABLE CONDITIONS

AND PREDICTS BIG THINGS FOR THE FUTURE.

There never was a time in the history of Trout Lake that prospects looked brighter than they do at the present time. In fact we might say they are realities instead of prospects, says the Topic.

From all over the continent inquiries are coming relative to openings for business and mining ventures. These inquiries are being followed by the inquirers at such a rate that there are now some dozen of families looking for dwellings. The Canadian Timber and Sawmill Co. have a large force finishing up the construction work on their big plant, which when completed will give employement for over 100 men.

The logging camps in connection with the mill will employ another 50. The Lucky Boy people are now employing 20 men which force will be doubled as quickly as the new hoisting machinery can be installed. The Horseshoe is opening well and will soon have a good payroll. The offices of the big Miller combination will be located here which will add another 40 or 50 men to the town's payroll.

It has been demonstrated also this winter that it is possible to keep the lake open the year round which adds materially to the convenience and well-being of the residents. A port of entry will also be opened at an early date. Real estate is beginning to move and there are big openings for people to invest in this way who do not care to invest in mining.

Trout Lake is the town of the Lardeau. It has banking facilities, school accommodation, government offices where all have to come to record, the terminal point of the C. P.R., churches to suit all creeds, a climate that makes all who left for winter feel like a cheap copper cent. The centre of the great gold belt which runs and has been opened up from Poplar to Camborne.

For those who are looking for investment it cannot be beaten. To those who are looking for health we would point out the fact that people never die here except from acicdent or by extreme old age. To those who look for pleasure we have the finest fishing, shooting, and the most magnificent scenery on the continent.

Don't forget Trout Lake is the place where all have to come to do their banking, recording, law business, and is the terminal for all traffic. We have first class hotels, up-to-date merchants. In fact everything that goes to make life a joy.

GENERAL KOURPATKIN.

An Incident in His Career That Will Forever Blacken His Character.

Gen. Alexel Nicolaevitch Kourpatkin, the famous soldier, upon whom Russia depends for the success of her army in the far east, is said to be the most popular officer of the Russian service, and is recognized as the czar's best general. He was a boy of 18 when he began his military career under Skobeleff and participated in all the brilliant engagements in the war against the Bokharans. Kourpatkin did not become well known in the Russian army, says Ernest Haskell in the New York Evening Post, until years afterward, when he was Skobeleff's favorite captain and chief of staff at Plevna, Turkestan, in the conquest of Khokand. Here is a picture of Kourpatkin as presented by the Indianapolis Journal.

"It has been twenty-two years since the capture of Geok Tepe; perhaps Kourpatkin has become somewhat less sanguinary with age. But if he should live to be a hundred, and in that time should become as mild mannered and soft hearted as any humanitarian of the age, he could never live down the memory of that dreadful day. Geok Tepe was a fortress in Central Asia held by the Turkomans and besieged for a month by Russian forces under Skobeleff. Kourpatkin was the active comander, and when at last the stronghold fell he gave orders to give no quarter on acount of age or sex. And here he added the crowning touch to the unlovely reputation as a human tiger which he had gained in the Russo-Turkish war.

"The words of an eye-witness give a faint idea of the glories of civilized warfare as exemplified by this famous general. He says: 'The whole country was covered with corpses. The morning after the battle they lay in rows like freshly mown hay, as they had been swept down by the mitrailleurs and artillery. Hundreds of women were sabred, and I myself saw little babies bayoneted or slashed to pieces. Many women were dishonored before being killed. The troops, mad with drink and the lust of fighting, were allowed to plunder and kill for three days after the assault.'"

REVERSAL OF CHILD'S EVIDENCE

Saved Five Men From Conviction on a Charge of Murder.

Chicago, March 29.—A child's testimony reversed, saved five men today from the gallows. The result was the striking parallel to the case in which a fortnight ago millionaire Peter Van Vlissingen practically demonstrated that under police pressure a boy named Wiltrax had given false testimony leading to the conviction of the boy's father for murder.

Today's instance of youthful unreliability under oath was in the case of Wm. McCarthy and four Polish young men on trial for murder. The witness being a little girl, Appollina Starosta, who first gave direct straightforward eye witness testimony, apparently establishing beyond question the guilt of the men and then repudiated her sworn evidence.

In explanation of the remarkable change of front, the child declared that she had been instructed how to testify by the widow of the murdered man.

Charges against the prisoners were withdrawn on the spot by the state's attorney, the five men being set free.

THE PAYNE MINE.

It Holds the Record Among the Silver-Lead Producers.

Alfred C. Garde, manager of the Payne Consolidated Mining Co., arrived in town yesterday bringing with him two splendid specimens of ore from the Payne mine for the Tomkins cabinet at the Strathcona. One of these was from No. 8 tunnel and assays 800 ounces in silver and 75 per cent lead. The other was from No. 5 tunnel and assayed 1000 ounces in silver and 84 per cent lead.

The Payne hold the record among the silver-lead properties of the province. It was discovered in the fall of 1892 and ever since has been in continuous operation. Since that time it has shipped 50,000 tons of silver-lead ore of a gross value of $3,865,000 and an average value of $77.30 per ton. In the same period the mine has paid $1,438,000 in dividends. The company owns and operates a 200-ton concentrating plant, as well as a power plant to which a magnetic separating plant has recently been added. The Payne mine is at present producing at the rate of 3000 tons of zinc concentrates per year, averaging about 55 per cent in zinc, and 10 ounces in silver, and low in lead, iron and impurities.

LOST CONTROL BY FRAUD.

Ritchie Sues Administrators of the Late Senator Payne.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 29.—A suit for $741,873 has been commenced in the court of common pleas by Samuel J. Ritchie against Charles Bingham, Stevenson Burke and Henry P. McInnis, as administrators of the estate of the late United States senator Henry B. Payne. Ritchie and the defendants were, the petition states, interested in the Canadian Copper Company, the Anglo-American Iron Company and the Central Ontario railroad, all corporations with millions of capital stock.

Ritchie claims that in the operation of the various companies he was induced to part with different stocks by fraudulent means and the control of the entire property passed out of his hands into those of the International Nickel Company through the methods of the defendants.

BURTON IS FIGHTING HARD.

The Senator is Trying to Keep Out of the Penitentiary.

St. Louis, Mo., March 29.—Counsel for senator Burton, convicted of accepting payment for the Rialto Grain and Securities Company, of St. Louis, for the use of his influence with the United States postal department, today filed a motion in arrest of judgment. This, and a new motion for a new trial, will first have to be disposed of before sentence can be passed. If sentence is finally passed upon senator Burton and his case is appealed he will be released on bond pending the hearing of the case by the court of appeals.

EMBEZZLER SENTENCED.

Sent Up For a Long Term For Stealing $250,000.

Boston, March 29.—Wallace H. Ham, formerly Boston manager of the American Surety Company of New York, was sentenced today to serve not less than 15 nor more than 20 years in the state prison at hard labor. Ham last week pleaded guilty to two indictments, charging him with the embezzlement of nearly a quarter of a million dollars from the company and from St. Luke's home for convalescents in Roxbury.

GOOD NEWS FOR ROSSLAND.

Operations to beResumed at the Velvet and Portland Mines.

Rossland, March 29.—Definite announcement was made today of resumption of operations at the Velvet and Portland mines on Sophie mountain. Andrew G. Larson will have charge of the mines under direction of William Thompson, consulting engineer.

AN IMPROBABLE STORY.

Toronto, March 29.—It was rumored here yesterday that owing to ill health sir Wm. Mulock will accept the chief justiceship of the high court of Ontario. The rumor is not confirmed.

FAVOR CHURCH UNION.

Winnipeg, March 29.—The Methodist ministerial association at its session today passed a resolution favoring organic union with Presbyterians and Congregationalists.

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IS APPARENTLY CHIEF JUSTICE HUNTER'S RULE.

RIDICULES CHARGE OF PERJURY AGAINST A CHINAMAN.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Vancouver, March 29.—A great sensation was caused in the assize court today when chief justice Hunter declared that if a Chinaman, brought before him on a charge of criminel libel, had been a white man he would never have been arrested.

His lordship intimated that the Mongolian was not guilty and that it was utterly ridiculous to suppose that if he had been white the grand jury would have returned a true bill.

The crown lawyers hastily consulted and decided to withdraw the case.

"You are acting wisely," was his lordship's grim comment.

The chief justice awarded costs against the private prosecutor, a policeman named Keeler Fulton.

MULOCK'S LATEST SCHEME.

Registered Letters Can Be Insured up to Twenty-Five Dollars.

Postmaster Gibson has received a notification from R. M. Coulter, deputy postmaster-general, that registered letters can be insured. It is stated in the circular that inland registered letters, posted at and addressed to a postoffice in Canada, may be insured against loss for amounts not exceeding $25 on payment of the following fees in addition to the full postage and registered charges:

Ins. fee	Limit of compensation.
3 cents	$10
4 cents	15
5 cents	20
6 cents	25

A letter tendered for insurance must be enclosed in a strong envelope or cover properly sealed with gum or wax. No letter will be accepted for registration or insurance if it seems possible to get at the contents without either breaking the seals or tearing the cover.

Coins, articles of gold and silver, precious stones, jewelry and other articles of value must be enclosed in a sufficiently strong box to be put up in accordance with directions furnished by postmasters. This law went into effect on March 28th all over Canada.

IDENTIFIED.

Dr. Nicholas Senn, the distinguished Chicago surgeon, to whom has been offered the superintendence of the surgical department of the Japanese army, traveled in Wyoming several years ago, and in the small town of Sundance an ton. Do you know him?"

He had a letter of introduction to a rancher called Walton, and, stopping the first man whom he met in Sundance he said:

"I'm looking for a chap named Walton. Do you kno whim?"

"Well," said the stranger, "there's a good many Waltons hereabouts. Which Walton might you be lookin' for?"

"John Walton," said Dr. Senn.

"There's four John Waltons in Crook county," said the native.

"This one keeps very fine stock."

"All the Waltons keep mighty fine stock."

"This Walton," Dr. Senn pursued, "is rather tight—you know what I mean—rather close fisted."

"Close fistedness, sir, runs in the Walton blood."

"Well, I am informed," said Dr. Senn, "that this particular Walton—I don't suppose the story is true—but they say that this particular Walton once stole a lot of chickens from his sister."

The other smiled faintly. "I reckon I'm the man you want," he said.

THE FIVE-MILE POWER PLANT.

At Five-Mile the water has been turned into the big flume and the power plant of 310 horse-power is running full blast. This enables the whole plant to be lighted by electricity and will greatly facilitate the completion of the mill. It is expected that the whole plant will be ready for operation about the 20th of April. This will mean the resumption of work on the Nettie L. and Silver Cup mines with a large force of men.—Trout Lake Topic.

WILL TAKE OVER CANAL.

New York, March 29.—The members of the Panama canal commission sailed today for Colon on the steamship Alliance. They will inspect the route of the canal and looke over some of the documents of the canal company preparatory to the delivery of the property to the United States government. They will probably remain on the isthmus about two months.

HORSES FOR RUSSIAN ARMY.

Oskaloosa, Iowa, March 29.—One hundred head of draft horses were sold to an agent of the Russian government here today.

The spring term of the Nelson Business College commences on Tuesday, April 5th, when a special three month's course will be given for the benefit of those who cannot remain to graduate. Students, however may enter at any time.

GETTING BUSY AGAIN.

Aylmer, Ont., March 29.—East Elgin liberals have nomiated H. F. Hepburn to oppose A. Bigram, conservative, the sitting member.

TROUT LAKE NEWS NOTES.

[Special to The Daily News.]

Trout Lake City, March 29.—Engineer Menbenick and purser Mullin, of the steamer Victoria, who have been to the coast on a holiday, are at home again. F. E. Weir, of Nelson, who has acted as purser during Mr. Mullin's absence, returned to Nelson on Monday.

E. L. Vipond is engaged in filling his ice house with the best ice that has been taken from the lake this winter.

Ore is being rawhided from the Horseshoe and Lucky Boy. The latter promises to be a heavy shipper during the next few days.

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Winnipeg, March 29.—Archbishop Langevin leaves for Rome on April 15th.

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London, March 29.—Lead, £12 5s.

NELSON'S NEWS OF THE DAY

J. L. Duncan, of the American Tobacco Co., is registered at the Hume.

A. R. Walker, of the Wakefield mine, Silverton, is a guest at the Hume.

Sam Neelands has gone to Rossland to take a position in the Windsor hotel.

John Elliot, barrister, of this city has been re-elected a bencher of the British Columbia Law society.

In this city at the residence on Latimer street, on Tuesday, March 29th, the wife of W. J. Collins, of Westley, of a daughter.

At the mining recorder's office on Tuesday a certificate of improvements was granted Patrick Daly, W. M. Coffey, J. Hughes and John Ryan on the Yukon fractional mineral claim.

T. Cunningham, of Seattle, but formerly a resident of this section, is at the Madden. He is en route for the Lardeau, where he goes to look after his mining interests at Poplar and elswhere.

The provincial court of revision—W. A. Jowett— will hear argument this morning at 10 o'clock on the railway appeals. A. H. MacNeill, K.C., will appear for the railways and John Elliot for the government assessor.

On Friday next (Good Friday) there will be a service of song in the Presbyterian church at 8.30 p.m. A program of anthems, solos, etc., will be rendered under the direction of Mrs. Melville Parry.

Hon. R. F. Green, chief commissioner of lands and works, was at the Strathcona last night on his way back to Victoria after a brief run through his constituency. The minister met a few of the faithful in consultation last evening and this morning will go south if the line is opened up.

D. J. A. Armstrong, dominion veterinarian, will soon be installed in a comfortable office in the Federal building. The order for the furniture for his office has arrived from Ottawa and the furniture will soon be installed. The veterinarian's office is on the ground floor, next door to the appraiser's office. Dr. Armstrong's official jurisdiction extends all over West Kootenay.

According to the Ymir paper, a boy found a knife at the street crossing where the encounter which terminated fatally last week occurred between Campbell and McDermaid. There is as yet nothing to show who owned the knife or if the instrument actually figured in the assault case. Probably something will be heard of the knife when the case comes up for trial at the assizes in May.

Kerr & Co., The Fred Irvine Company and the Enfield Company all held successful millinery openings yesterday. The millinery departments in each instance were crowded with ladies yesterday, especially in the afternoon and although the first day is usually taken up simply viewing the new goods, a great many sales took place yesterday. The openings will continue today and tomorrow.

A. N. Winlaw, of the Winlaw sawmill at Winlaw Siding, is in the city on a short business visit. The mill which has a capacity of 30,000 feet of lumber a day, has been run steadily all winter sawing lumber for export to the Northwest territories. There has been a good many enquiries from east of the Rocky mountains lately for lumber, which he takes to indicate that the spring trade will soon open and when it once gets started there will be a big demand for lumber, larger than it was last year. A new carriage and a gunshot feed are being added to the equipment of the mill and this will increase its capacity.

The parlor social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Laing Stocks, in connection with the Baptist church last night was a distinct success. The program submitted was a very good one, and included selections by the Methodist orchestra, instrumental duets by the brothers Marks, organ solos by Mr. Laird, readings by Miss J. Newcombe, solos by Miss E. Ellis, Mr. Chadbourn and pastor G. Merton Walker, trio by Mr. and Mrs. Stocks and pastor Walker, while games were also indulged in and prizes awarded. Refreshments were served at the close of a successful evening.

J. E. Houghton, farmer of Crawford Bay, was in the city yesterday. He reports that there are now five families on the shores of the bay engaged in the cultivation of the soil. Mr. Houghton says he marketed considerable small fruit last year and expects to ship considerably more to Nelson and elesewhere this pear. It is thought that work will be resumed on the mines that are situated several miles back from Crawford Bay this summer. When this is done it will be a great help to the farmers, as it will furnish them with a nearby market for their products.

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Apples	per lb. 12½c
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Peaches	per lb. 15c
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SILVER-LEAD INDUSTRY

(Continued From Firt Page.)

(a.)—The Canadian lead smelters at present operating, to export such surplus ore under the benefits of the Lead Bounty Act, for a period commencing April 1st, 1904, to terminate 30th June, 1905, provided that the amount of lead in ore so exported shall not exceed 11,000 tons of 2,000 pounds per annum.

(b.)—The producers of said ore to receive the full benefit of the bounty, provided a sufficient amount remains available after the producers of lead ores both mined and smelted in Canada have received the bounty to which they are now entitled, at the full rate of $15.00 per ton: otherwise at such reduced rate per ton as will absorb the unearend balance.

10.—We respectfully submit that great benefit will result from the working of the low grade lead mines, which condition will be brought about by the granting of our request. Expenditures on this class of mines exceed those necessary on the smaller high grade mines now active. More expensive equipment is usually required, more men are employed, the tonnage produced and consequent transportation business created are larger, and resulting therefrom the benefits derived by the community generally are proportionately increased. An immediate and sufficient supply of ore will be obtained to enable our lead smelters to be operated at their fullest capacity, and on the most economical basis, and, as the development of the said low grade mines will give the strongest assurance of a continuous and stable supply of ores, the smelters will be better able to take up the question of providing facilities necessary to the economical treatment of Canadian ores on a stable basis of production and manufacture in Canada of lead in various forms produced from such ores.

11.—The foregoing statement of facts, and deductions therefrom, are the result of the most careful consideration of existing conditions, by the undersigned, as representing the lead mining and smelting industries, and in our deliberations we have viewed the subject from a broad standpoint, with a view not only of conserving and advancing our own interests, but with them the interests of the mining industry in general, its dependent industries, and of the communities which are dependent wholly or in part on said industries.

Messrs. J. J. Campbell and D. W. Moore, upon being interviewed upon the subject of the above memorial, expressed regret that any form of memorial should have been submitted to the public without their consent, and before an agreement had been reached between all the parties interested.

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