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FOR PEACE IN RUSSIA

Stong Appeal to Patriots by President of the Moscow Zemstvo

New Peasants' Organization Planned to Offset Moscow Peasants' Congress--Strike Still in Force

S. Petersburg, Dec. 14.—Via Edytkuhnen, Dec. 15.—The emperor's birthday, December 19, will be signalized by an important peasant manifesto and the publication of an election law.

The president of the Moscow zemstvo, the most commanding figure among the moderate liberals, who has been consulted in the preparation of the election law, issues with a strong appeal to all who have the welfare of their country at heart, without regard to party, to unite with them to secure the peace of the nation.

Under the leadership of the law and order party an attempt is making progress to organize a counter-peasant's party in opposition to the Moscow peasants' congress.

The post-telegraph congress at Moscow is still holding off insisting that the strikers can be victorious although, unless a new development enters into the situation, their cause is apparently lost. The ranks of the strikers are being deserted and those returning to work are compelled to sign a declaration to the effect that they will not be enticed into the union again, and agree not to meddle with politics in the future. Nevertheless the strikers can cripple the postal service for an indefinite period, and, without the striking operators, it is possible for the government to secure a resumption of telegraphic communications. There are no signs of a break in the situation and business men everywhere are in despair at the outlook. Runs on banks are reported at many places in the provinces.

The strikers here continue their attacks on mail wagons and the robbery of letter boxes.

The provincial zemstvos are complaining that they are unable to collect the taxes without the aid of the federal government and they have been obliged to close the offices. Throughout the Voga and Don regions the peasants continue to cut down the wires.

The arrival of general Maximovitch, the successor of the late Sakharoff, as the emperor's representative at Saratoff, was signalized by an unfortunate incident. The peasants of the district of Balascheff had been "rounded up" by the authorities, with the aid of the Cossacks, in order to persuade them to return the property which they had stolen, when suddenly the commander of the Cossacks was shot down and fell dead, whereupon the Cossacks fired on the crowd, killing four, and wounding ten persons. General Maximovitch, who arrived on the scene immediately afterwards, was greatly distressed and in the name of the emeperor, promised to succor financially the families of the killed and wounded.

The assassin of general Sakharoff has confessed her identity to the extent that her name is Amelia Poperoff. She refuses, however, to furnish any other information to the authorities. The announcement that the identity of the assassin of general Sakharoff has been [illegible] would seem to dispose of the [illegible] that the murderer was a man disguised as a woman.

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[illegible] to be beyond question that [illegible]sions have occurred between [illegible]s and the united peasants and [illegible]en in the streets of Riga, during which machine guns were used. The situation is most serious in the country which is practically abandoned to the revolutionary bands owing to the concentration of the troops, in the cities and town. Against some of the estates, whose landlords, aided by a few faithful adherents are protecting their properties, the revolutionaries are conducting regular military operations. They reduced the garrison of the estate of baron von Loomis to submission, after a majority of the defenders had been killed, plundered and burned the buildings and carried off the baron. The survivors were made prisoners.

People here continue to talk of the probable ceremonial attending the issuing of the constitution on December 19 and much is being made of the report that the golden state carriages used at momentous ceremonies will be sent to Tsarskoe-Selo. An investigation of the rumor, however, seems to show that it is baseless, as the emperor is going to Moscow to proclaim the constitution.

The budget of 1906 is cut to make the best possible showing to the national assembly. The only items increased are the salaries of the railroad and postal employees.

The outbreak of a mutinous spirit in the Manchurian army is partly attributable to the failure to pay and especially to feed the troops. The latter problem is especially difficult, owing to the impossibility of forwarding adequate provisions from Russia on account of the practical paralysis of the railroad to Siberia, compelling the purchase of supplies from the Chinese, for which adequate funds are not available. The authorities have now hurriedly forwarded $12,000,000 to the army in Manchuria.

The reports from the provinces indicate that the country generally remains close to the boiling point. The situation in the Caucasus is again serious. The Tartars and Aremenians are murdering each other as before.

Japan has agreed to accept the decision against raising the mission at Tokio and St. Petersburg to the rank of an embassy at present. Japan accepts M. Bakhuleff as Russian minister at Tokio, and Russia accepts M. Makiao Nobaki, the present minister at Vienna, as minister at St. Petersburg.

Realizations of government holdings continued on the bourse today and imperial fours in consequence sagged to 76 1-4.

London, Dec. 15.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Telegraph in a despatch dated December 14, says: "The emperor today received a deputation representing numerous leagues of a patriotic complexion, including prince Scherbatoff and other noblemen, many of them desirous for a return of the ancient autocratic regime and are, therefore, dissatisfied with the cabinet of count Witte. Though they made no secret of their aspirations the emperor did not give them the slightest hope of there being any deviation from the promises made in the manifesto of June 30.

In a short speech, his majesty said he was convinced of their devotion to the fatherland but that he would advise them to advance by no other route than that which he had traced in his manifesto. He charged them to make known to all lovers of the fatherland that the manifesto 'is the complete and deliberate expression of my inflexible and unchangeable will and is an act which admits of no alteration.'

"The emperor then exhorted them to support and co-operate with the authorities he had appointed to execute these reforms for the speedy realization of which such support and co-operation were indispensible and by a stringent an firm exercise of their power to re-establish tranquillity and order in the land now so agitated by troubles.

"The emperor continued: 'Those whose acts and influence provoke or maintain disorders and inflame passions and mutual hate are burdening their souls with a heavy sin. May the Lord our God bless and tranquillize Russia and help all of us to discharge our duty to the end.'"

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times reports that 440 officers have been dismissed by the general staff as unworthy.

Paris, Dec. 15.—A St. Petersburg despatch to the Journal dated December 15 says: "At a meeting of engineers tonight it was resolved to demand the immediate release of Schmidt the leader of the mutiny at Sebastopol. Alarming reports are arriving concerning the troops at Moscow who appear to be thoroughly disaffected and who in addition are demanding increased pay, shorter terms of service and the liberty to read all newspapers. Fighting has occurred at Petrovo in the government of Novgorod between an armed force and the railroad officials, during which many cars were pillaged."

Vienna, Dec. 15.—An American who has just arrived here from Warsaw says: "Up to the present there has been no sign of a rebellion on the part of the troops stationed at Warsaw, who number sixty thousand, except that on several occasions they refused to fire on the people, but well informed people expect that any day they may see the troops displaying the red flag."

Moscow, Dec. 14.—Via Eydtkuhnen, Dec. 15.—The leaders of the post and telegraph strike declare they will never surrender until interior minister Durnovo and minister Mestanioff give up their posts and until their demands are satisfied. Over a thousand men have been dismissed from the post office service, which continues to be blocked, not a single telegraph wire is working out of Moscow, and the telephone lines, which are badly crippled, are the only means of communication.

PROVINCIAL RAILWAY POLICY

Finance Minister Tatlow Hints at Big Things For the Coming Year

Vancouver, Dec. 15.—Hon. R. G. Tatlow has returned from the east. In an interview he said:

"Premier McBride and myself met all the big railwaymen during our stay at Ottawa. We had short conferences with sir Thomas Shaughnessy, J. J. Hill, E. W. Morse and other prominent transportation officials. No, we could not learn anything definite about the plans of the Grand Trunk Pacific. Mr. Morse was giving everybody the glad hand as usual—ourselves included.

"About the provincial railway policy? Well, that is a subject I do not feel at liberty to discuss just now. When premier McBride returns from the east, which I expect will be in about a week from next Sunday he will probably have something of interest to say on that matter.

"But there is one thing I can say," continued Hon. Mr. Tatlow, 'and that is that next year will see a lot of railway building in the province—more than most people who think they are posted really expect."

PARENT-CHOQUETTE LIBEL

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Appears as a Witness Before Supreme Court.

Quebec, Dec. 15.—The Parent-Choquette libel came before the supreme court this morning. The only witness was sir Wilfrid Laurier. In reply to Mr. Taschereau, K. C., the premier said the matter of settling the case had been left in his hands by senator Choquette, but that Mr. Parent had insisted on an apology from senator Choquette before coming to any agreement with him. He said that the appointment of Parent as chairman of the Transcontinental Railway commission had not been in any spirit of reconciliation by him and Choquette. The appointment had been supported by the Quebec delegation of the house of commons with one exception. Unless Choquette apologizes to Parent, the case will now have to go through the courts.

SOCIAL POINT OF VIEW

NEW LIBERAL ADMINISTRATION IS VERY STRONG.

SOME SOCIETY WOMEN WHO WILL ENTERTAIN FOR PARTY.

London, Dec. 15.—Enormous wealth is vested in the persons of the leading politicians on the liberal side, and during the lifetime of the next ministry liberal entertaining will recover much of the solid magnificence which characterized it in the days when Holland House was the temple of liberalism and noble families of England gave their allegiance to old fashioned whiggism.

No single commanding feminine personality will overshadow the dozen or more notable women who will essay the role of liberal hostesses. There will be many hostesses of almost equal political importance and, with a few exceptions, entertaining will be in the hands of the younger generation.

The leading liberals are men of wealth and social significance, and while the new premier will find he has not a single duchess among his following for the high office of Mistress of the Robes, which has been filled by the duchess of Buccleugh during the recent tory administration, he will have many clever young society women of lesser rank, but of almost equal social importance.

The countess of Crewe, a personal friend of the queen, will probably be made Mistress of the Robes, as the daughter of a liberal former premier and the wife of an earl of the most pronounced liberal views. Lady Crewe is a political as well as a social potentate, well trained in politics and immensely wealthy, so there can be little doubt that Lady Crewe will take her place among the foremost liberal hostesses, and the Crewe house may yet become one of the social headquarters of official liberalism.

As wife of the liberal premier, who himself enjoys the reputation of having the best cuisine and the best wines in London, lady Campbell-Bannerman will be called upon to do a certain amount of official entertaining.

As ladies of a small but very exclusive set of intellectual politicians Mrs. Asquith will shine among the liberal hostesses of the old radical stock. Mrs. Asquith is one of the best dressers in society, a brilliant conversationalist, and can be relied upon to make their roomy, old fashioned house in Cavendish square a great gathering place for the party leaders.

Lady Beauchamp will take her place for the first time among the liberal hostesses. As lady Lettice Grosvenor, her marriage to the young earl of Beauchamp was a great social event in 1902. She is the step daughter of the right hon. George Wyndham, sister of the duke of Westminster and neice by marriage of the princess of Wales' brother. Lady Beauchamp occupies a position of great importance in the social and political worlds, and is a valuable aquisition to the party. Tall, fair and good looking, she dresses well and is admirably fitted to lead what may be called the serious section of political smart society.

In the same rank with lady Beauchamp must be included lady Carrington, elder daughter of the king's friend, lord Suffield. Lady Carrington, too, stands high at court. While her husband was one of the opposition she excelled in political entertaining on a large scale, and her country house parties are quite a feature of political society. Lady Aberdeen and her daughter lady Marjorie Sinclair, provide the only example of a mother and daughter ranking among the party hostesses. Lady Marjorie Sinclair, who is keenly interested in liberalism, is cut out for the role of a great liberal hostess. She is the tallest woman in smart society.

Although Mrs. Herbert Gladstone is the daughter of a stanch tory, sir Richard Paget, she will assume her place among the liberal hostesses. She is a bright and pretty woman with a sweet voice, and during the recent sessions has often entertained her husband's friends and supporters down at their house.

One question is agitating those in the inner political circles, however, and that is the position which Mrs. George Cornwallis West will take up. Many of the leading liberals predict she will repeat her political triumphs of the eighties, this time in behalf of Mr. Winston Churchill. She is proud of her clever son, whom she expects to see leader of the liberal party some day. She has cleared the air by resigning her post as dame president of the Primrose League.

UNITED MINE WORKERS

Committee Will Soon Present Demands to the Coal Operators

Shamokin, Dec. 15—The third district convention of the United Mine Workers endorsed several resolutions today, most of which were referred to the special committee appointed to present demands to the coal operators. Delegates are reticent tonight relating to the power of their special committee. They said this committee would take up the interests concerned and that the eight hour day would be strongly fought for as well as the recognition of the union. The special committee will organize before leaving here.

It is thought the members of the committee will prepare a list of demands soon and then set out in their attempt to reach the companies. The demands to be laid before the companies will be kept secret until after the coal operators have been seen.

MERCHANT'S BANK CHANGES

Montreal, Dec. 15—E. F. Hebden was today appointed general manager of the Merchant's bank. He is replaced as chief inspector by T. G. Merrit, now manager of the New York branch. William Ramsay succeeds Merrit and is replaced as manager of the Montreal branch by D. C. Mackerren, assistant manager.

VENEZUELA WITHDRAWS

France Will Not Proceed With Her Threatened Demonstration

President Castro Declares His Settled Policy is to Have a Universal Peace--No Further Trouble is Feared

New York, Dec. 15.—A Caracas despatch to the Herald, dated Thursday, says: "President Castro withdrew on Wednesday, not only the objectionable phrase, but his counter protest, thus avoiding the necessity of answering the reply of France to the Venezuelan memorandum which would have made a settlement impossible. This action in confirmation of the announcement of the policy of president Castro in the line of resumption of universal friendship.

Trouble between president Castro and the French government arose out of the dispute with the French Cable company. The company's concession was annulled by the Venezuelan courts and a further suit was brought for alleged complicity in the Matos revolution. The company, through its resident director, M. Brun, protested. He was expelled and furthermore, president Castro ordered the company's land lines closed. Then M. Taigny, the French charge d'affaires, protested in terms derogatory of the Venezuelan courts. To this president Castro made a counter protest and the minister of foreign affairs declared M. Taigny a persona non grata, refusing to hold further communication with France through M. Taigny.

France considered this an attack on her foreign policy, sent warships to Martinique and prepared for a naval demonstration. The American minister tried to effect a compromise by proposing that both the protest of Taigny and the counter protest of president Castro be withdrawn, but his efforts were without avail, France refusing to recede from her position. Now president Castro takes a definite step to make an amicable settlement.

WINNIPEG NOT FAVORED

VANCOUVER HAS THE ADVANTAGE IN MANY STAPLE GOODS

NEW WHOLESALE CENTRES AT CALGARY AND EDMONTON.

Winnipeg, Dec. 15.—The following interview with Wm. Georgeson, is published in this morning's Free Press: The Vancouver World takes exception to the substance of my statement in your issue of the 9th current, "that Winnipeg has neither asked for any advantage (in freight rates) over any other point in Canada to do business in the territories," and asks me to explain away if I can, the following rates:

"The rate from Japan to Vancouver on certain classes is $7.50 per measured ton. The rate from Japan to Winnipeg on the same goods is $8 per ton. These same goods can be sent from Winnipeg to Edmonton at 57 cents per hundred cheaper than from Vancouver to Edmonton; from Winnipeg to Calgary 34 cents cheaper; to Banff, 14 cents; to McLeod, 53 cents; to Lethbridge 89 cents; to Fernie 38 cents; to Cranbrook 7 cents."

The explanation is simple. These rates are rarely, if ever, used. It would be commercially impracticable to ship goods from Japan past Calgary to Winnipeg and back to Calgary, an extra haulage of 1680 miles. The natural course is followed of shipping from Japan to Calgary direct; especially as the rates from Japan to Calgary are the same as from Japan to Winnipeg. To ship the goods back from Winnipeg to Calgary would cost from 77 cents on the 5th class to $1.66 first class.

It would, however, be much fairer if the rates for the actual commodities carried were quoted instead of some shadowy rate which means nothing. On the lines of goods with which I am most familiar, viz., rice, sago, and tea, Vancouver has a decided advantage over Winnipeg. Rice is shipped from Japan to Vancouver for 25 cents and from Vancouver to Calgary for 91 cents; total, $1.16. But from Japan to Winnipeg the charge is 75 cents.; Winnipeg to Calgary 77 cents; total $1.52. Difference in favor of Vancouver 36 cents

Sago—Japan to Vancouver 41 cents; Vancouver to Calgary, 91 cents; total $1.32. Japan to Winnipeg, 90 cents; Winnipeg to Calgary, 77 cents; total $1.67. Difference in favor of Vancouver, 35 cents.

Tea—Japan to Vancouver, 70 cents; Vancouver to Calgary, $1.34; total $2.04. Japan to Winnipeg $1.25; Winnipeg to Calgary $1.66; total $2.91. Difference in favor of Vancouver 87 cents.

If the intention is to suggest that Winnipeg is given special consideration in these transcontinental rates then that idea also is a wrong one. On Oriental goods and all goods taking the transcontinental rate the freight is the same to Winnipeg, Toronto, Hamilton, Montreal and even the lower provinces. As previously stated, Winnipeg has no special return rates, but pays the regular mileage charge. She has no advantage in freights over any point in Canada, and if Vancouver desires to make any arrangement with any railroad as to rates, it should do so on its own merits without misrepresenting the position of Winnipeg. Beyond this Winnipeg has no interest in the controversy. I still adhere to the original statement that, in any event, it will only be a very short time before the wholesale houses of Calgary and Edmonton will control the business in their respective districts. If Vancouver expects to do any considerable proportion of that trade it is probably reckoning without its host.

A BIG STRIKE EXPECTED

NEW YORK DAILIES AND MAGAZINES ARE INVOLVED.

TYPOTHETAE LAY DOWN LAW TO TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION.

New York, Dec. 15.—An announcement that preparations to handle a big printers' strike have been completed by the employing printers of New York, was made today by the Typothetae of this city. The eight hour workday, which the International Typographical Union has decided shall go into effect on January 1, 1906, is declared to be the cause for issuing this statement, which, in part is as follows:

"The close shop and the eight hour day demand by Typographical Union No. 6 cannot and will not be granted.

"The members of the Typothetae are prepared to install competent non-union machine operators and other printers in their various composing rooms. The printers have been obtain d by a canvass of the various parts of the United States and also by graduates of the schools for machine operators in New York City, Philadelphia, Boston, Chicago, Kansas City and elsewhere.

"The publishers of the leading magazines of the country have completed most of the magazines for two or three months ahead, in anticipation of the strike and will therefore be subjected to no inconvenience.

"There will be no lock out in the printing trades. Competent men entering our employ after January next will be paid full wages according to the union scale, whether they are union men or not."

WANT DOMINION EXPOSITION

Calgary Will Make a Fight to Get it For Year After Next.

Calgary, Dec. 15.—The city council and board of trade will at once commence a most vigorous campaign with the object of bringing the dominion exposition of 1907 to Calgary. Charles W. Peterson, secretary of the board of trade and manager of the Inter-western Pacific exposition, has already communicated with Hon. Frank Oliver, minister of the interior, in reference to the dominion exposition of 1907. Calgary has exceptional advantages to offer in favor of the scheme and will no doubt land the prize.

FITZMAURICE WAS SLIGHTED.

But Amende Honorable Has Been Made By the Premier.

London Dec. 15.—London Dec. 15.—Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice was today appointed under scertary for foreign affairs. It is thought that he will be sent to the house of lords.

A curious incident in connection with the appointment of lord Edmund who is a brother of lord Lansdowne, the late foreign minister, is that on December 12 he issued a formal farewell address to his constituents at Wales, in which he reproached sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman for overlooking him in the making of the cabinet and announced his intention to retire from politics.

WATERWAY COMMISSION

Indiscriminate Use of the Waters of the Sault Ste. Marie

Washington, Dec. 15—To prevent international complications growing out of the indiscriminate use of the waters of Sault Ste. Marie by Canadian and American power companies, an effort will be made in the near future to secure the adoption by the two countries of an agreement recommended by the international waterway commission to withhold the issue of any further rights or privileges for the diversion of the waters. The commission has collected enough data to formulate joint rules that regulate the disposition of the water.

Rival power companies on both sides of the river are trying to extend their plants and the commission has pointed out to the war department that the future navigation of this great artery of commerce may be seriously jeopardized unless some regulations are adopted that shall be binding upon both sides.

MICHEL HAPPENINGS

(Special to The Daily News)

Michel, Dec. 15 — John Perry, C. W. Huycke and T. J. Cooper have been elected school trustees.

Thomas Morgan, inspector of mines is paying this camp an official visit.

The electric light system is to be extended to the portion of the town lying beyond the creek, which will be a great convenience to the residents.

H. Weber of the Trites-Wood company, is leaving Michel at the end of the month to take charge of a Frank mercantile firm.

A Hungarian wedding took place here this week at the home of the bride, Miss Julia Pardie, who was united in marriage to Charles Thomas. A number of friends and neighbors assembled to witness the ceremony and the occasion was celebrated in true Hungarian style. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas will occupy the house formerly occupied by W. Austin.

TROUBLE OVER HOTEL LICENSES

(Special to The Daily News)

Grand Forks, Dec. 15 — An adjourned meeting of the city license commissioners was held here yesterday afternoon to consider the application of the Windsor, Alberta, Victoria and Club hotels. Considerable consternation was manifested when mayor Hammer announced that the board had decided to grant licenses to the Windsor and Alberta hotels, rejecting the other applicants. An intensely bitter feeling exists here among the hotelmen who are now put out of business.

L. A. Manly, in an interview yesterday said that this action of the licensing board had altered his plans considerably and that it is now altogether likely that he will personally contest the mayoralty election at the approaching civic campaign. He spoke in strong terms against the licensing board granting two different licenses to a Traunwiser, owner of the Yale and Alberta hotels here.

MURDER WAS MOTIVELESS

Joe Bennett Hangs for the Killing of Squaw Betsy Jacobs

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 15—Joe Bennett, who murdered Betsy Jacobs, an old squaw, was hanged at 5 o'clock this morning. The crime for which Bennett paid the penalty was most brutal. On July 9th last, with her head badly bruised and marks of the murderer's fingers on her throat, Betsy Jacobs, an Indian about 50 years old, living alone on one of the reservations in Brant county, was found dead. She was a cripple and unmarried. Bennett was at once suspected, a letter which he had received the night before having been found beside the body. Bennett skipped out and after a chase lasting several days, was captured in the bush about 50 miles from the scene of the murder. There were no valuables in the house and Bennett's motive for committing the crime remains unsolved.

C. P. R. BRAKEMAN KILLED

(Special to The Daily News)

Revelstoke, Dec. 15—A sad accident occurred at Beaver on Wednesday. While setting out a car of rails at that place some of the rails fell over and killed brakeman Davidson. He was a general favorite with his crew and order and is deeply regretted by a large circle of friends.

W. Jaffray, teller of the Imperial bank, leaves Sunday morning for a six weeks' holiday in the east. His place will be filled by Mr. Watt, teller.

The B. of R. T. gave a most enjoyable dance in the opera house Tuesday evening. W. Cowan's chivaree was the event of the week. Congratulations.

S. Wood, foreman of the Murray Lumber company left for a three weeks' visit to the coast cities today. The mill is now shut down.

Work is progressing on the new mill of the Revelstoke Sawmill company at the Big Eddy and their camps are going again for a big cut for next spring.

FIRE IN WINDSOR

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 15—Fire started tonight in the second storey of the Crawford block, over the store occupied by the Consumers' Paper company and before extinguished did damage to the extent of $15,000, which is partially covered by insurance. The paper company is the heaviest loser. The Thompson Electric company and the Singer Sewing Machine company suffered loss from water. The guests in the Crawford house were forced out by smoke. They ran into the cold air in their night clothes but returned when they found they were in no danger.

LEAD AND ZINC PRODUCTION

The total production of lead in British Columbia up to November 31 was 28,600 tons. This is an increase of 8600 tons over that of last year and but 3000 tons less than the record year of 1900.

Twelve thousand tons of zinc ore were also produced averaging 45 per cent zinc, being an increase of 5000 tons over that of 1904.

HELPS TRAIL SMELTER.

(Special to The Daily News)

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—The railway commission has issued orders permitting the Columbia and Western to construct two short lines in Rossland to connect it with the Red Mountain company's line by way of Third avenue.

CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING

New York, Dec. 15.—B. H. Hendrickson, of Long Island city, one of the best amateur shots in New York, won the clay bird championship of America yesterday with a score of 94 out of a possible 100.

PARKER WINS FROM MULLIN

Spokane, Dec. 15.—The Mullin-Parker lightweight contest before the Twentieth Century club this evening resulted in a win for Parker in the eighth round.

VICTORIA SEAL CATCH

Victoria, Dec. 15—Cable advices to the Victoria Sealing company from Lampson, London, here today state that Behring sea skins brought $24; B. C. coast, $25 and Cape Horn $6. The price of the British Columbia catch is 40 per cent better than last year, and the highest on record.

DECLARED UNCONSTITUTIONAL

Kingston, N.Y., Dec. 15—The mortgage tax law which went into effect July 1, last, was declared unconstitutional today by supreme court justice Betts, who handed down a decision in the first proceedings in which the constitutionality of the law had been questioned.

LOBSTER PACKERS' COMBINE

Halifax, Dec. 15—A sensation has been caused among the lobster fishermen of Nova Scotia by the formation of a combine among the lobster packers. The fishermens' union will implore the government to revoke the cannery license law which makes monopoly possible.

FIREMAN'S SUDDEN DEATH

Winnipeg, Dec. 15—Engineer H. Scott of the city fire brigade dropped dead in a street car tonight as it was passing the C.P.R. subway. He was the oldest fireman in the city.

ROBBED WHILE ASLEEP

Winnipeg, Dec. 15—O. Duhamel, agent for the Massey-Harris company at St. Annes, Man., was robbed of $300 here while asleep in an hotel.

DROPPED DEAD

Lethbridge, Dec. 15—Albert Benani, a pupil at the Roman Catholic convent here dropped dead today while playing pullaway at the morning recess.

HERMAN DEFEATS HANLON

Los Angeles, Dec. 15—Kid Herman of Chicago tonight got the decision over Eddie Hanlon of California in a 20 round fight.

NOVA SCOTIA CONSERVATIVES

Halifax, Dec. 15—The convention of Nova Scotia conservatives was held here today. The indemnity grab was condemned.

INVESTIGATE LOAN COMPANY

Toronto, Dec. 15—The provincial government, it is understood, will investigate the York Loan & Savings company.

BOUNDARY'S ORE OUTPUT

Will Run Close to Million Mark by the End of Present Year

Second Furnace to be Blown in at Boundary Falls Smelter--Output of Dominion Copper Co.'s Mines Increased

(Special to The Daily News)

Phoenix, Dec. 15.—Early this year it was anticipated confidently that Boundary mines in 1905 would pass the million ton mark in ore output, but when the Brooklyn group closed in May, on account of the trouble of the Montreal & Boston Consolidated, the certainty of this was less bright. Since the Brooklyn group, however, started shipping in November, being worked by the Dominion Copper Co., Ltd., and the Granby Co., is outputting now from 65,000 to 75,000 tons of ore monthly, the 1905 output is sure to pass one million tons for the calendar year 1905, if no unforseen contingencies occur in the next two weeks, the total now being over 870,000 tons, and running over 3000 tons daily.

November's output from Boundary mines was not quite as large as that for October, there being a difference, however of less than 5000 tons. Following are the figures in detail for November, as reported:

	Tons
Granby mines	67,246
Mother Lode	14,524
Brooklyn-Stemwinder	1,830
Rawhide	930
Sunset	360
Emma	380
Oro Denoro	30
Providence	100
Last Chance	45
Skylark	63
Crescent	30
November total	85,540

It is now the expectation of W. C. Thomas, superintendent of the Dominion Copper Co.'s smelting works at Boundary Falls, to blow in the second furnace at those works in about two weeks' time. Two weeks ago the first furnace was placed in blast by Mr. Thomas, and since then has been doing very satisfactory work, it is understood, unofficially. Approximately 350 tons of ore per day have been smelted, the ore all coming from the Company's Brooklyn Stemwinder and Rawhide mines in Phoenix camp, and from their Sunset mine in Deadwood camp, the latter being used as a flux.

A number of improvements have been made by Mr. Thomas since he assumed charge at the smelter, and with his force of some 60 men he is getting excellent results. The matte from the Dominion Copper Co.'s smelter is converted at the converting works of the British Columbia Copper Co., at Greenwood, a carload being treated every two or three days.

With the blowing in of the second furnace at this smelter the daily output of the company's mines in this camp will also be doubled. At present the company has about 160 men all told on its payroll, which number will be materially increased with the increase of output, soon to take place. The monthly payroll of the company in this camp which took place this week, distributed about $10,000 in wages alone here from this one company. With that of the Granby Co. here, which also took place at the same time, between $50,000 and $60,000 was paid out here to miners for November payroll.

TO PROTECT BALLOTS.

Close Contest in Prince Albert District Calls for Police Intervention.

(Special to The Daily News)

Prince Albert, Sask., Dec. 15.—Later returns from Prince Albert district say that Donaldson (liberal) is three ahead with 3 northern polls to hear from yet. These will not be received before Tuesday or Wednesday next.

An alleged conservative conspiracy to waylay these boxes was unearthed here last night and a detachment of mounted police was despatched at once to protect the deputies and ballot boxes.

ALONGSIDE C. P. R. TRACKS

New Location is Granted to the Grand Trunk Railway.

(Special to The Daily News)

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—The minister of railways has sanctioned a route change in the proposed G. T. P. through Port Arthur and Fort William. By the change the road will run alongside of the C. P. R. tracks from Port Arthur to Fort William and touch the lake front. It will also do so on the Indian reserve, south of Kaminisqua river.

NOVEL DIVORCE CASE

(Special to The Daily News)

Victoria, Dec. 15.—An action is being brought here by Maynard Forbes Macdonald, of this city, against his wife, for a nullification of marriage on the ground that she has never been confined nor have they cohabitated. It is alleged that A. L. Belyea exercised duress on Macdonald, compelling him to marry the girl on pain of action for seduction and abortion. The case comes before Mr. justice Irving on Monday next.

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ANNUAL MINING REVIEW

The Daily News annual review of the mining industry in southern British Columbia will be issued on December 31.

A special effort is being made to do full justice to this very important subject. So far as possible the review will be based upon authoritative data supplied by the mine and smelter managers. In this connection, we desire to reiterate previous requests for prompt attention to circulars issued from this office asking for specific information. The Daily News expends several hundred dollars every year in the preparation of this review. Mine owners and smelter managers are not asked to pay for the "write-up" of their properties. All that is asked of them is to cooperate in the work of preparing such data as will convey to the world at large a fair idea of what is doing in the mining districts of southern British Columbia.

We all look for a marked improvement in the mining industry in 1906. Signs of betterment are already evident and the prospects appear favorable to a general renewal of activity in the near future. It is therefore most opportune that at this juncture a comprehensive statement of the present situation and the outlook for the immediate future should be published and circulated widely. In the past The Daily News has made it a practice to distribute several hundred copies of the annual mining review among the leading mining journals of the world and among mining engineers of repute in eastern Canada, the United States and Great Britain. The review to be issued on December 31 will be similarly distributed.

In publishing this review The Daily News is endeavoring to do its part in the work of attracting attention to southern British Columbia as a field for investment and it confidently anticipates the cordial cooperation of all those who believe that wise publicity is one sure means of attaining that end.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

But seven days remain in which Christmas shopping can be done. In spite of past experiences and firm resolutions there will no doubt be the usual rush during the last day or two, with the inevitable result of making what should be a pleasurabe occupation a vexatious one alike to purchaser and salesman.

Nine times out of ten the purchaser will get better value for his or her money by making an early round of the stores in search of Christmas presents.

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Nelson storekeepers have made lavish preparations for the holiday trade. No effort has been spared to cater for the varied requirements of the public at this season of the year, and, judging by the reports of a number of merchants interviewed, Nelson people are making their holiday purchases to a greater extent than ever before of their home merchants. A very desirable state of affairs.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Apologists for the Lord's Day Alliance Sunday observance law should study the proposed measure carefully before rushing to the conclusion that it will not be an altogether too drastic enactment. If a duck or a grouse be an object, then shooting on Sunday will be a criminal offense. The poor man, who cannot afford to keep a carriage, will be debarred from giving his family a cheap outing by street car, steamboat or train It will be unlawful to hire a boat, a buggy, or a horse. The purchase of a cigar or a newspaper may land a man in jail. We hope the various provisions of this proposed law will be carefully studied and that as a result there will be a unanimous protest from the west against its enactment.

Under present conditions zinc ores containing 40 per cent zinc with no silver values are unmarketable in the Slocan, says the Sandon Mining Standard. Usually such ores contain a certain considerable percentage of lead, and it is out of the question to ship to the United States because of the duty on the lead and the many deductions. Our producers have found out that even 44 to 47 per cent zincs do not pay well because of the long hauls and drawbacks. Such ores are now marketable in Canada. The plant of the Canadian Metals Co. will handle them and at a fairly good figure. They will be treated at home and the profit received from this output in mining will go a long way towards paying the expense of further development. Along the K. & S. line such ore is abundant, and it behooves the railway to encourage the entrance of the Frank plant to provide a market. The ore will not stand much of a freight rate, as it is not worth much more than anthracite coal.

WAGE PROBLEM FOR C. P. R.

All Employees East of Fort William Want Increase in Wages.

Winnipeg, Dec. 15.—The Canadian Pacific railway management is confronted with the far reaching labor problem that it has had to face for the last four years. Every branch of the C. P. R. employees between Fort William and St. John, N.B., conductors, brakemen, trainmen, yardsmen, etc., intend to frame a schedule which is to be presented to the company demanding increases of wages revision of hours of labor.

A committee has been formed which has given notice to the company of their intention to call for revision, but beyond that, the negotiations have not advanced to any marked degree.

The number of employees affected by this movement runs into several thousand. What reply the company will make is impossible at the present to ascertain.

The reasons for this combined movement on the part of the organizations is that the cost of necessities of life, food, clothing, house rents, have greatly increased and conditions of service have changed since the present working schedule came into operation.

The amounts of increase to be asked for have not yet, as far as is known, been decided upon.

MYSTERIOUS POISONING CASE

Suspicious Circumstances Surrounding Death of Jackson.

(Special to The Daily News)

Vancouver, Dec. 15.—A light of an extraordinary nature is thrown on the Jackson poisoning case by a letter received by the World, though as a light it serves chiefly to deepen the darkness of that tragic mystery. The letter, written by a man whom the World has ascertained to be a man of reliability and good repute, states that Fisher, who figured so largely in the evidence given at the inquest, is a brother of Mrs. Jackson and a son of Mrs. Jones, the mother-in-law of the deceased.

The letter is in part as follows: (The name of the writer being omitted.)

"Editor World: In reading the Jackson poison case I think they are trying to defeat the justice of the law. Knowing all the parties well, the man that calls himself Fisher is not his name, only an assumed name, his name is Jones. He is brother to Mrs. Jackson. Mrs. Jones is his mother. As I have known them ever since they came to B.C. I think I can throw some light on the mystery."

This is, as remarked, a most extraordinary state of affairs. That some mystery surrounds the man Fisher is evident, for never once at the inquest on the deceased Jackson did any one of the three, Mrs. Jones, the mother, or Mrs. Jackson the alleged sister and daughter, or Fisher, the alleged brother and son, let slip any expression showing any other relationship that that of cousin. In fact Mrs. Jones is stating who Exell and Fisher, dwellers in the house were, said: "Mr. Fisher and Mr. Exell are boarders," and toward the end of her evidence speaking of Fisher, she made the direct statement: "He is my nephew."

It will be remembered that Jackson died recently of strychnine poisoning after drinking a dose of salts in beer. Mrs. Jackson, his wife, apparently took sick at the same time, but soon recovered. At the time the only persons in the house were Jackson, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Jones and Fisher. Exell, who is not in the family, was away.

CANADIAN REPORT.

Holiday Trade is Active—Bank Clearings For Past Week.

New York, Dec. 15.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: Retail and holiday trade in Canada is active, while wholesale business feels the seasonable quiet. Stock taking results, where ascertained, are favorable. The volume of wholesale trade is possibly a little larger than in 1904, but prices have been better and results generally have been satisfactory. More snow would help retail country trade. Collections are still a subject of complaint in some sections. About half of the western wheat crop has moved to market. There is a special scarcity of hogs noted at leading dominion points. Dressed hogs bring $8.30 at Toronto, while live animals bring $6.37 1-2. Cattle are in good demand. Montreal salesmen speak very hopefully of spring trade prospects. The country districts are said to have never been so prosperous.

Failures for the week number 32 as against 31 last week and 37 in this week last year.

The following are the weekly bank clearings as compiled by Bradstreet's for the week ending December 14th, showing percentages of increase and decrease, as compared with the corresponding week of last year:

		Inc.	Dec.
Montreal	$27,552,122	4.6	....
Toronto	24,563,883	43.3	....
Winnipeg ...	10,176,684	27.5	....
Ottawa	2,336,489	15.6	....
Halifax	1,962,086	7.5	....
Vancouver ..	1,995,615	36.3	....
Quebec	1,732,115	1.3	....
Hamilton ...	1,543,066	9.2	....
St. John	1,047,604	4.1	....
London.. ...	1,118,304	15.5	....
Victoria	785,442	12.1	....

FOR THE HOLIDAYS

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The Canadian Pacific railway announce a low round trip excursion rate, first class, from Kootenay to Montreal and all eastern Canadian points, except points north of Gravenhurst and west of Pembroke. Rate from Nelson to Montreal and points west $74.20; Kaslo, $74.20; Sandon, $78.40; Rossland and Trail, $75.60; Phoenix and Greenwood, $79.50; Midway, $80.30; Grand Forks, $77.70; Moyie, $65.10; Cranbrook, $63.50; Fernie, $58.40, with corresponding rate from Kootenay stations to all eastern points. Tickets will be on sale from December 4th to 31st inclusive, with transit limit of ten days going and fifteen days returning with final limit of three months from date of issue, and good to stop over within limits east of Port Arthur. Routes, all rail through Winnipeg and Port Arthur, or *Soo Pacific, via Portal, St. Paul and Sault* Ste Marie; or go one route, return the other. For complete information, tickets, tourist car or standard sleeper berth reservations, etc., apply to your local agent, or write J. S. Carter, District Passenger Agent, Nelson.

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES CONSIDER REDUCTION OF CLASSES

The question of increasing the staff of the Nelson high school, which was decided in the affirmative several months ago, will be reconsidered and a different decision may be reached. The members of the board of trustees feel that the present cost of high school education is quite high enough considering that it benefits less than 50 pupils. While the work of the staff is appreciated and there is no disposition to ask of Messrs. Fraser and Baird more than they can satisfactorily perform, it is likely that relief will now be sought in another direction, by reducing the number of classes.

The board met last evening in the office of the secretary, R. J. Steel, there being present G. Ritchie, in the chair, Dr. E. C. Arthur, R. J. Steel, Dr. Hall and F. W. Swannell. Minutes of the last regular and special meetings were read and adopted.

A letter from Harper's History club of New York, acknowledged the receipt of an order for books and announced that the order was being filled.

Applications for positions on the staff were read and the question of an appointment arose.

F. W. Swannell wished to go on record as being opposed to the addition to the high school staff which was expected to create a vacancy on the public school staff. He pointed to the already very high per capita cost of high school education, which was three times that of the public school.

Dr. Hall was disposed to agree with the objection.

W. J. Baird was summoned and explained that the pupils taking university work took an insignificant share of the time of the staff, but that the work was therefore incompletely done. He thought that four classes might fairly be attended to by two teachers.

Dr. Arthur suggested that multiplicity of classes might be avoided by substituting matriculation courses for the intermediate grade of the education department curriculum. After further discussion Dr. Arthur moved that the question of adding to the high school staff be left over for further consideration at a special meeting, which was accepted.

The payroll for December, amounting to $1050, was passed. The board then adjourned.

HARRIMAN IS JOCULAR

EXPLAINS SOURCE OF GOV. ODELL'S POLITICAL INFLUENCE

IS NOT SATISFIED WITH T. F. RYAN'S PURITY OF MOTIVE

New York, Dec. 15—Another chapter was added to the chronicles of a series of what Thomas F. Ryan called "strenuous" interviews between himself and E. H. Harriman. Mr. Ryan gave his version of the conversations to the Armstrong investigation committee a few days ago, when he said that Mr. Harriman, at the time of the acquisition of the James H. Hyde stock, demanded an equal share of the Hyde stock of the Equitable Life Assurance society, and threatened to use his political influences against Ryan if he did not surrender the shares demanded.

Mr. Harriman today recited to the committee his version of the affair. He said he learned of the sale of the Hyde stock on the day Mr. Ryan bought it. I went to Mr. Ryan's office and he told me he had decided to buy the Hyde stock and said it was time for him to make a name for himself. He said he had decided to buy the Hyde stock provided he could get his nominee elected chairman of the board. He said he had made a good deal of money and had done nothing to make a name for himself.

"I told him," continued Mr. Harriman, "that if I was satisfied that he was acting from a pure and unselfish motive in the interests of the Equitable. I would help him. He told me his plan. I did not tell him then that I wanted a share in the Hyde stock. I assisted him to get his nominee elected."

"Why did you, if you are not satisfied as to the purity of his motives?" asked Mr. Hughes.

"I became satisfied that with Mr. Morton in charge and Mr. Ryan sincere the affairs of the Equitable would be safe, but I was not satisfied that Mr. Ryan would be sincere. I did not then think that Mr. Ryan would share the stock with me. At the next interview Root and Cravath were present.

"I said to Mr. Ryan 'You want my cooperation?' He said 'Yes.' I said, 'I will take half your stock if you will let me name two trustees.' Ryan refused and told me I had promised to help him if I were satisfied. I do not remember what else I said. I may have said what these gentlemen say I did. I intended unless I were satisfied of his motives to oppose his control of the society and thought it ought to be stopped. I knew whom he had selected as trustee but did not know his plan to divest himself of control of the stock."

Mr. Harriman said he was instrumental in preventing bills from being introduced into the legislature to aid one faction in the Equitable to get control of the society.

"It has been openly charged," said Mr. Hughes, "that you get your political influence through your relations with governor Odell."

"I should say that governor Odell gets his political influence through his relations with me," was the reply. Mr. Harriman afterwards said to the Associated Press that the remark was meant in a jocund sense.

Mr. Harriman declared to the committee that he did not confer with Mr. Odell about the advisability of legislative action and that he had not taken any action to thwart Mr. Ryan's plans. Last spring, Mr. Harriman said, when the management of the Equitable was divided into two factions, the one headed by president J. W. Alexander, and the other by J. H. Hyde, an attempt was made by the Alexander faction to induce the legislature to mutualize the society. Mr. Harriman said he asked members of the legislature to watch for any legislation favorable to the Alexander faction and to report to him if it appeared. He was averse to disclosing the names of the men to whom he had made this request and only consented to do so after repeated urging on the part of senator Armstrong, chairman of the committee, and by Mr. Hughes, and after he had been allowed to consult with his counsel. He then said that it was governor Higgins and speaker Nixon whom he had asked to watch for Alexander legislation. He added that no such legislation was introduced and that he took no steps through governor Higgins and speaker Nixon to prevent it.

Senator Armstrong said tonight just before finishing the investigation, that about Dec. 20, the committee may go to Albany to examine the state insurance department, holding sittings at the capital.

JUNIOR HOCKEYISTS

Organized and Elected Officers last Night—Arranging for Games

The Nelson junior hockey club met for organization last night at the home of Bert Blackwell, one of the members. The following officers were elected: Secretary-treasurer, Albert Gigot; captain, Bert. Blackwell; executive committee, H. Manhart, Lloyd Jackson and D. Forteath.

The executive committee was instructed to interview J. G. Bunyan manager of the senior hockey team, lessees of the hockey and skating rink, and try to secure the use of the rink for two nights each week. Another meeting will be held next Tuesday evening. The club has already received several communications and arrangements will be completed as soon as possible for games with junior teams from other towns.

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ANNUAL MINING REVIEW

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Advertising rates for this number will be as follows:

Whole Page $80
Half Page $50
Quarter Page $35
Less than quarter page $1 per inch.

EDITOR EDWARDS HITS BACK

Calgary, Dec. 15.—Robert C. Edwards, editor of the Eye-Opener, has given instructions to his solicitors to at once commence proceeding against J. S. Dennis, C. P. R. land commissioner, and R. B. Bennett for alleged libel contained in a communication in which Mr. Edwards is said to have unsuccessfully attempted to blackmail the C. P. R. and Mr. Bennett.

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	Interest Income	Death Claims Paid	Interest Exceeded Death Claims Pd by
For last year, 1904	$351,944.21	$220,304.50	$131,639.70
Past five years	$1,411,375.77	$1,116,070.97	$295,304.80
Past ten years	$2,277,227.20	$1,882,985.68	$394,241.52
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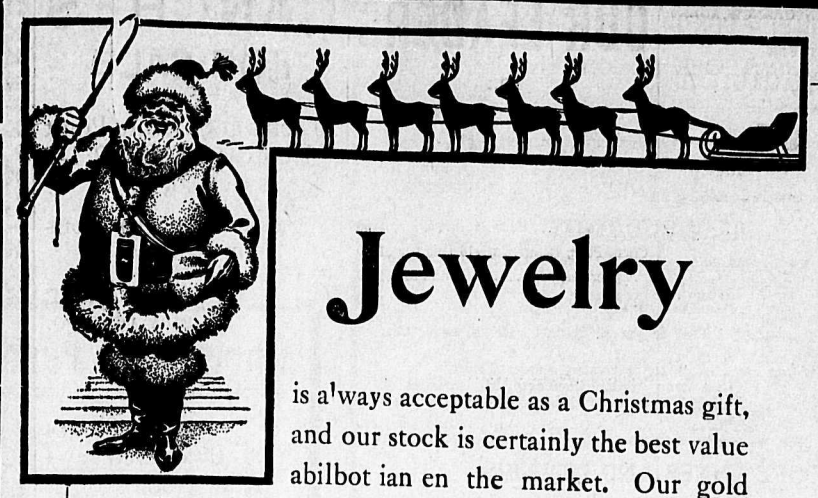

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BRACELETS—$1.50, $1.75, $2, $2.50, $4.
CUFF LINKS—50c, $2.25, $2.50.

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BROOCHES—$1.80 to $350.
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PRICE OF METALS.

New York, Dec. 15—Bar silver, 65 5-8; casting copper, 17 1-8; electrolytic copper, 18 1-2 to 18 7-8; lead, $5.35.
London, Dec. 15—Silver, 30 5-16; lead, £17 1s. 3d.

NELSON'S NEWS OF THE DAY

D. V. Mott, editor of the Fernie Ledger, arrived in the city last night and is at the Hume.

The lot that was not for sale the last time you enquired about it, may be advertised today.

A. M. Tyson and Mrs. Tyson are visiting the latter's sister, Mrs. George Ferguson, Carbonate street.

It is a poor plan not to know whether or not there is anything in the advertisements of importance to you.

The Lilliputians beg to warn all grown-ups that their presence is not requested at rehearsals as it "spoils the fun."

The choir of St. Saviour's church is practising part of Handel's Messiah for special Christmas music. At the choir practise last evening nearly 40 members were present.

Dr. Hugh Watt of Fort Steele, arrived last night from Victoria, where he spent several weeks visiting his son, Dr. A. T. Watt of the dominion quarantine station at William Head.

"House hunting" and "hunting for work" used to mean "walking around." Nowadays the want ads reduce this "walking around" to the simple matter of "going somewhere."

Mrs. H. George Neelands and children have arrived from Wetaskiwin and are at Mrs. Whittet's. They will spend the winter in Nelson. Mr. Neelands will probably arrive for Christmas.

Lead declined another point on the London market yesterday, but is still above £17. Silver showed no change from Thursday's quotations. Copper gained in firmness, the variation on electrolytic copper being reduced to three points.

Ed. Mason, Nelson's leading amateur comedian, has received a flattering offer from manager W. Cranston to join the Roscian company at the coast at the beginning of the year. He has not decided yet, but will probably accept.

The funeral of the late Miss Minnie Morris will take place this afternoon at 1:45 from the Standard Furniture company's undertaking parlors to St. Saviour's church where the funeral service will be read by Rev. F. H. Graham.

F. C. Gamble, chief engineer of the department of lands and works, returned from the Boundary yesterday, and leaves for Cranbrook this morning. He states that his trip is merely for the purpose of the annual inspection of provincial public works.

Last evening a lady complained to The Daily News that she had been violently knocked and severely bruised and hurt yesterday afternoon by a boy coasting on the sidewalk on Ward street, below the Roman Catholic church. A valuable ice cane saved her from a broken leg, receiving the first force of the impact and being smashed into pieces. The boy thought he was perfectly justified as he had called out "track." She thought that an example made of an offending boy would stop the already forbidden coasting on sidewalks.

T. A. Ker of the Brackman-Ker Milling company of Victoria, was in the city last evening on his way home from Edmonton where he has been visiting the company's branch. He reports northern Alberta as growing very rapidly and prosperity general. He says that Edmonton is experiencing a real estate boom.

The Kaslo Kootenaian states that work has commenced on the lease of the Whitewater and Whitewater Deep mines which has been taken for two years by S. S. Fowler and W. E. Koch of Nelson and John L. Retallack of Kaslo. The lowest level of the Whitewater is to be driven ahead and a contract will shortly be let to drive the main tunnel of the Deep mine. There are two or three sets of sublessees in the old workings and the outlook for continued and profitable working of this old producer is very favorable.

H. M. S. PINAFORE

To be Performed by the Lilliputian Opera Company on Thursday Next

The Lilliputian opera company, directed by W. A. Jowett, stage managed by M. S. Parry and assisted by a chorus of ladies will appear for their first operatic effort before an audience on Thursday evening next. The mere words, for which W. S. Gilbert is responsible, have been learned by heart long since and Sullivan's music has also been mastered. Nothing remains but the histrionics and these were begun yesterday under the dramatic eye of Mr. Parry, who is again taking a class of the young stars this afternoon. Everything will be in readiness when the eventful night comes to which the youngsters are looking forward with glee as a good foretaste of Christmas. So young are some of the chorus that the words had to be learned orally as the singer could not yet read.

The cast has ben assigned as follows: Admiral sir Joseph Porter, K.C.B., Lewis Johnstone; captain Corcoran, Ed. Choate; Ralph Rackstraw, Jim. McCandlish; Dick Deadeye, Norman McLeod; Bill Bobstay, Alick Walmsley; Bob Beckett, Cecil Grizzelle; Tom Tuckett, Mildred Irvine; Josephine, Lola Bennett; Hebe, Hilda Richards; Buttercup, Grace Smith.

NEW YORK BUILDING TRADES

New York, Dec. 15—About 80,000 mechanics in the building trades will start work under a new agreement going into effect on Jan. 1, instead of May 1, as heretofore. Conferences between half a dozen unions and trade associations of employers were going on all day yesterday and it will take ten days to complete them all.

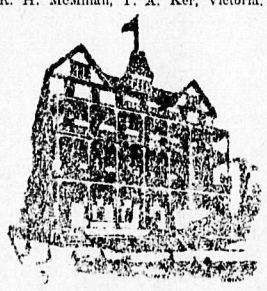
GOODENOUGH READY TO SHIP

There are 60 tons of zinc ore and 30 tons of lead ore ready to ship at the Goodenough, says the Kootenaian. The new exploratory tunnel to tap the ore at depth is in 170 feet and is being run through the Grey Copper to reach the main ore body under the Goodenough.

Twenty-four live turkeys will be raffled at the Athabasca saloon this evening.

WANTED—Young lady to act as a lady help, to assist in work of small house and in taking care of one child. Address G.B.C., care Daily News.

HUME—A. McDonald, W. J. McDonald, J. McDonald, Eholt; J. L. Duncan, R. S. Pyke, Vancouver; H. Watt, Fort Steele; Mrs. J. N. Vanderburgh, and son, Moyie; P. A. Paulson, Spokane; D. V. Mott, Fernie; Miss M. E. White, Miss M. A. Taft, Calgary; Miss G. Wilson, Edmonton; R. H. McMillan, T. A. Ker, Victoria.



STRATHCONA—F. C. Gamble, Victoria; A. L. Ruff, Seattle; G. Hallett and wife, Long Beach; W. Lambert, Hamilton; C. Collins, Dundee; Mr. Wyndham, Toronto; L. Crawford, Pilot Bay.

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MADDEN—M. Carroll, Nakusp; G. McPherson, Sandon; T. Watt, Ymir; J. McKlan, Cranbrook; M. Beadle, Westport.

NELSON—A. J. White, C. E. Curtis, Spokane.

SHERBROOKE—A. Covert, N. Card, Ymir; R. Henderson, Moyie; J. Ken, Fernie; H. G. Evans, Revelstoke.

ROYAL—J. W. Foster, Grand Forks; S. H. Caldwell, Winnipeg.

BARTLETT—E. R. McDermid, Sandon; T. S. Parkin, Midway.

QUEENS—E. Foot, F. Robinson, Winnipeg; J. W. Bennett, Peachland; H. M. Larty, Ymir; Mrs. Volan and daughter, I. C. Stuart, J. Ingram, G. Ingram, J. Craik, Vancouver.

TREMONT — P. Roberts, T. Marrow, Bonnington; W. A. McMillan, Moyie; Miss Green, Fort Steele; E. McCarty, Grand Forks.

LAKEVIEW—C. W. Berry, Duluth; R. Cameron, Midway.

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Raspberries, 2s ..... 6 tins for $1.00
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Pineapples, 2s ..... 7 tins for $1.00
No. 1 Salmon 1s ..... 8 tins for $1.00
B. C. Clams, 1s ..... 8 tins for $1.00
Laundry Soap ..... 25 bars for $1.00
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