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CASE ARGUED

Arbitration Board Closed Sittings Yesterday

MANY ADDRESSES GIVEN

INTERESTING FIGURES BY NELSON MERCHANTS AS TO COST OF LIVING—SOCIALISTIC SPEECH DELIVERED BY EX-M. P. P. WM. DAVIDSON.

The twenty-second and final day of the sittings of the arbitration court under the Lemieux act in the case of Consolidated Mining company and its employees regarding the rate of wages to be paid, came to an end yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The arbitrators, P. E. Wilson, J. A. Harvey and S. S. Taylor, went over the case with reference to their decision at a later hour and think it to be possible that some conclusion *may be arrived at today.* While the report itself will not be made public, being sent under seal to the Department of Labor at Ottawa, the findings will in all probability be made known as soon as they are arrived at.

Yesterday was occupied by hearing evidence given by the retailers and wholesalers of Nelson as to prices and their increase or decrease during the past eight years and by hearing the addresses given by either side in presenting their respective sides of the case. It was noticeable that while a leading retailer placed the increase in the price of his commodities as averaging 25 per cent., yet the wholesalers declared that the rise made by themselves amounted to only 10 per cent, coming less than that as a general average.

The addresses only occupied a couple of hours in the afternoon although there were seven heard. For the applicants to the court, who are the employees of the St. Eugene mine, T. Kelly, *the present secretary* of the local union W. F. of M., made a good presentation of his case, standing firmly by his conventions and placing them before the court in an orderly and convincing manner. He was seconded at shorter length by James Roberts, the former secretary, and finally the case was wound up by W. Davidson, who spoke at some length and who pointed out that the matter at issue was not the narrow one nominally presented and concerned not only the whole of the Kootenay but the world generally. Broadly the address was shaped so as to show how the principles of socialism, as understood by Mr. Davidson, applied to the matter at issue and should, therefore, be considered by the arbitrators in making their decision. For the other side W. H. Aldridge alone spoke. The general manager of the company contented himself with presenting and reading a written exposition of his case, which made the best of the material adduced in the evidence.

The first witness called at the sitting of the court, shortly before 10 o'clock yesterday morning, was H. Amas, the manager of the Bell Trading company of this city, dealing in retail groceries. Mr. Amas said that since 1904 there had been a general rise in retail prices in *this city of 25 per cent. In some cases* the rise had not been as much but in other cases it went as high as 40 and 50 per cent.

F. A. Starkey, wholesale dealer of produce and president of the Nelson board of trade, called, testified as to increases. Butter and eggs had advanced since 1900 10 per cent; smoked meat, 6; vegetables, the same. He ascribed the increase to the freight rates. As to the retail prices, Mr. Starkey could say nothing, although he understood that they were dearer here than elsewhere. Freight rates increased the cost as was shown in the case of tomatoes. Tomatoes were charged 45 cents more a case to Nelson from the east than to Vancouver, while 30 cents was a fair profit. Generally speaking, freight rates were exorbitant to this part of the country.

T. D. Stark, wholesale grocer, comparing prices between October, 1904, and December, 1907, gave the following percentages of increase: rolled oats, 30; *canned vegetables, 15; canned fruits,* 5 and less; salmon, steady; cream, steady; evaporated fruits, 5; flour, 10 (in the last two years); bacon and ham, 6; coffee and tea, steady. The general increase was between 5 and 10 per cent. Recently his firm had dealt in some lines of clothing and within the last two years the following increases had been marked: boots, 12; blankets, 3; mackinaws, 7; overalls, steady; rubbers, steady; shirts and underwear, steady.

J. A. Macdonald, wholesaler in fruit, said there had been no increase in the past four years in fruits.

I. G. Nelson, president of the wholesalers' association and manager of the Standard Furniture company, said that there had been a general raise of about 15 per cent in house furnishings between 1900 and 1907. Carpets had risen 15 to 18 per cent; common tables and chairs, steady; high grade, 20; curtains and all cotton goods, 10; mattresses, 10; iron beds, 20.

Blake Wilson, representing P. Burns and company for the interior of the province, said that there had been no increase in the price of meats, except in mutton, about 10 per cent. Choicer cuts had risen. On the other hand big contracts were cheaper than they were in the old days. The same rate was made to all hotels, mining and logging camps and sawmills where halves and quarters of animals were bought as a minimum quantity. Bacon had risen lately one cent a pound, but again this was *dropping. Half a cent had been* cut during the current month and a further drop in prices was to be looked for all round. People during the good times had been living extravagantly.

J W. Holmes, mattress manufacturer, said that while cheaper goods had gone up in price the dearer lines had been lowered by substituting inferior goods. Cheap mattresses had gone up 17 per cent, higher grades only 10; kitchen cabinets, 25; lounges, 10; cots, 25; springs, 16.

This ended the evidence and the court adjourned shortly after noon to sit again in the afternoon at 145 o'clock.

On the opening of the afternoon session it was arranged that the applicants in the matter at issue, the employees should speak first, that the company should then reply and the miners have a right to speak to that reply.

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LICENCE BAR TENDERS

WINNIPEG MORAL REFORMERS TO TAKE NEW STEP

WILL PREVENT SALE OF KNOCK OUT DROPS

Winnipeg, Dec. 20—In consequence of reports that in certain hotels in the city liquor is doped and men robbed while under the influence of "knock out drops," it was learned today that the provincial government had decided to take action which will have a tendency to minimize such dangers in future. It is understood from enquiries made that competent officers of the government have arrived at the conclusion that the hotelmen are not themselves guilty of such conduct and that if it is done the fault lies with a few bartenders of a doubtful character. Instructions have been issued it is understood to make every possible enquiry and if any doped liquor is found that the license of the hotel be cancelled at once. It is said that the government, so as to get at the bartender difficulty has practically decided to introduce a measure during the next session of the house providing for the licensing of all bartenders in the province. The new lay will require all bartenders to be properly licensed and guaranteed as to character. A bartender without a license will not be allowed to be employed in Manitoba. It is thought that such a measure will keep out an undesirable class of bartenders and thus prevent dop*ing of liquors. To poison a drink,* three drops of dope is all that is required to effectively put a man out of business for some hours, and so small a quantity can very easily be put in a glass unnoticed by customers.

Two meetings were held by the executive of the licensed hotel keepers association of Manitoba. At each of these the charges of administrating knockout drops made at a recent board of control conference, were considered. It was the feeling of the meeting that the charges should be investigated and punishment meted out if adequate proof could be obtained.

Both mayor Ashdown and Mrs. Margaret Scott have been requested to furnish the association with full details of any cases of disreputable practices that have come under their notice and on receipt of them the association will ask the government to take up the matter. Should no definite charges be forthcoming the association will take steps of it own to find out what truth is behind the allegations.

The civic authorities are about to institute a determined campaign for the extermination of the smoke nuisance in Winnipeg. Acting on instructions from the city council the health department will send an inspector to every firm and individual burning soft coal in large quantities. The inspector will present each offender with a copy of the bylaw and inform him that neglect or refusal to comply with the measure will result in an information being laid against him. The penalty for infringement of the bylaw is $50 and costs or not exceeding 21 days in jail.

The board of control decided to place the lamps secured from England for the purpose of destroying sewer gas in manholes, at once.

HOCKEY NOTES

Winnipeg, Dec. 20—It is learned on good authority that there s more than a possibility of a motion being brought up at the meeting of the Manitoba hockey league tonight barring Joe Hall, the Maple Leaf forward from playing in the leagen. *This* is a result of the Maple Leaf-Winnipeg game last night, in which Hall laid out Charlie Tobin. Last season Portage entered a vigorous protest against Hall playing and it is hinted that Joe has played his last game in the Manitoba hockey league.

Montreal, Dec. 20—Ernie Russell, denies that he will leave the Montreal hockey team to join the Wanderers in their trip to Winnipeg. The Montreal hockey club will attempt to have Glass and Johnson expelled from the eastern hockey league. Glass and Johnson have left Montreal before the Wanderers so they will not have to appear at the meeting. It is also stated that Small will accompany the Wanderers west when they leave tomorrow morning.

BURNS AND PALMER

London, Dec. 20—February 1 has been fixed as the date for the fight between Tomy Burns, the champion heavyweight pugilist of the world and Jack Palmer of Newcastle. The battle will be fought at Wonderland, Whitechapel and besides the title, it will be for a side bet of $5000.

San Francisco, Dec. 20—Squires was knocked out in the sixth round here tonight by Jim Flynn.

HELD SECRET

Proceedings in Camera Against Eulenberg

PRESS IS NOT ADMITTED

SCANDAL SESSIONS IN THE HARDEN-VON MOLTKE LIBEL SUIT IN BERLIN—DEFENDANT SO FAR HAS HAD NO CHANCE TO REHABILITATE HIMSELF.

Berlin, Dec. 20—Emperor William who is following the evidence taken in the Harden-von Moltke libel suit with the utmost attention, today sent to the court house, lieutenant Proetnel Vonder Hoelle of the fusiliers, as a special representative, in order to secure a full and impartial report of the proceedings.

The judges decided to permit the lieutenant to remain in court when the remainder of the public was excluded and he was thus enabled to obtain the details of the trying ordeal which Philip Zu Eulenberg underwent during the secret session this afternoon, when he remained three hours on the witness stand. Owing to the utter exclusion of the press and the public from the session and the close secrecy observed by all persons connected with *the trial, no statements on which reli*ance can be placed are obtainable, regarding the testimony adduced.

Frau von Elbe was also on the witness stand for an hour and a half. When she entered the court she was pale and nervous but when she left her face was flushed and she seemed to be excited. It is understood that she was much more reserved in her statement today than at the former trial.

Count Kuno von Moltke, who was present throughout the session and who is said to have been examined, when he left the court room looked far more cheerful than hitherto had been the case.

The reports in circulation that all further proceedings of the suit will be held in Camera, have caused general disapproval for the opinion prevails that count Kuno von Moltke should be given an opportunity to rehabilitate himself before the public, which heard the terrible charges brought against him at the previous trial. It is possible that the judges, in whom *lies the decision to have public or secret* hearings, may decide at a later period to reopen the court to the public. The case is expected to continue until Dec. 24.

CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS

SCHOOL FIGURES IN DETAIL FOR DECEMBER

WILSON BANNER IS WON BY MISS MILLIGAN'S CLASS

The city schools closed at noon yesterday for the Christmas holidays and will reopen on Jan. 6.

At the public school the class rooms were decorated for the occasion by the pupils and during the morning many visitors, including the school trustees, were present and inspected the classes. Principal Sullivan was presented with a handsome dres*sing case by the pupils of his class and* all the teachers received mementoes of some sort from the pupils.

The Wilson banner for ahe month was won by division 7, Miss C. Milligi's class

The enrolled attendance for the month was 528, and the actual average attendance was 486.08. These figures include the high and public schools and Hume school.. The figures for December in detail are as follows:

HIGH SCHOOL

	Enrol.	Att.	P.C.
Division 1	20	18.30	91.50
Division 2	20	18.63	93.15
Total	40	36.93	92.32

PUBLIC SCHOOL

	Enrol.	Att.	P.C.
Division 1	24	22.80	95.00
Division 2	30	27.20	90.60
Division 3	38	35.17	92.55
Division 4	41	39.17	95.53
Division 5	52	47.06	90.50
Division 6	44	40.97	93.11
Division 7	35	33.73	96.37
Division 8	51	47.96	04.04
Division 9	35	29.95	85.43
Division 10	51	47.73	93.59
Total	401	371.75	92.70

HUME SCHOOL

	Enrol.	Att.	P.C.
Division 1	30	28.00	93.22
Division 2	57	49.40	84.91
Total	87	77.40	88.96

The list of those who attended perfectly at the public school throughout December is as follows:

Division 1 A., Sullivan, principal—Lottie Annable, Mabel Astley, Bertha Barker, Beatrice Ebbs, Clyde Emory, Enid Etter, Ermo Ferguson, Hugh Fletcher, Harry Gibbs, Arthur Gilker, Hugh Gunn, Willie Gunn, David Hardie, Charles Pearcy, Harry Pitts, Maud Simons, Mabel Steele, Bina Taylor, Camson Waters.

Division 2, Miss K. Scanlan, teacher—Ruth Williams, Paul Bard, Elsie Beck, Ida Zuehlke, Mary Donaldson, Marion Wade, Anna Palmquist, Edna Graves, Mabel Mahnstrom, Hester Pierre, John Ferguson, Bert Donaldson, Fred Morice, Clifford Irving, Frank Pcgue, Francis Garde, Keith Kettlewell, Francis Garde, Howard Drewry

Division 3, Miss Edith S. DeBou, teacher—Beatrice Amas, Gertrude Annable, Arthur Alban, Frank Ebbutt, Amy Ebbutt, Waldo Ferguson, Ada Helstrom, Elizabeth Ingram, Louis Johnstone, Alfred Manson, Arthur Marks, Gladys McDonald, Helen McArthur, Lula McVicar, George Norman, *Milton Newitt,* Grace Patrick, Almida Palmquist, Alice, Swannell, Emma, Svoboda, Clifford Steeper, Edmund Traves, Mary, Taylor, Rachel Wilson, Edward Murphy, Alex Wadsworth, Beulah Thomson, Lorne McCandlish.

Division 4, Miss Thomas, teacher—Laurence Amas, Esther Bard, Donald Black, Lelia Buggins, Berenice Cummins, Annie Donaldson, Hardlo Francis, Maud Heppell, Mildred Irvine, Mata Kreyscher, Ruth Manhart, May Manson, Earle Marks, Vernon Montgomery, Kathleen Montgomery, ery, Edna Murphy, Rita McCutcheon, Bruce Macdonald, Edgar Mitz, Hilda Palmquist, Nellie Richardson, Maud Riley, Charlie Riley, Edith Ross, Frederica Starkey, Hazel Thomson, Charlie Traves, Esther Williams, Louise Waters, Fergus Park.

Division 5, Miss L. Wade, teacher—Mabel Allen, George Amas, Ray Alban, Eric Beeston, Marjorie Black, Helen Boyd, Charles Bradshaw, Everett Brusch, John Craig, Stella Dynes, Gwenllian Cummins, Norman Hall, Carl Hamilton, Lillian Hamilton, Kathleen Irving, Jack Leslie, Alex. Lidgate, Charles, Lucia, Clarence McKeown, Alice McGregor, Rebecca McDonald, Hazel Newitt, Hilton Nagle, Myrtle Palmquist, Violet Ross, Arthur Simons, Helen Walker, Nellie Wadsworth, Bertie Whitehead, Charles Wilkinson, William Goulding.

Division 6, Miss M. L. *Moffatt, teacher*—Fred Burchell, Esmer Cavanaugh, Myrtle, Darough, Robert Dinwoodie, Isabel Devlin, John Ebbutt, Isabel Forin, Joseph Goulding, Clifton, Hodge Leslie Litchfield John Lawson Aggie Leslie, Muriel Marks, Gladys McKeown, Eileen McKenzie, Victor Mastberg, Hamilton Neelands, Esther McCoy, Jeannie Robb, Bernard Schermerhorn, Frank Siemens, Isabel Thomson, Lottie Taylor, Marion Waldie, John Waldie, Jasper Wolverton.

Division 7, Miss C. Milligan, teacher—Christina Allen, Alexnader Ballam, Helen Baillie, Joy Cummins, Bernice DeWitt, Gladys Dinwoodie, Marjorie Ingram, Dan Jones, Agnes Lawson, Ethel McGregor, Charles Middleton, Claude Miller, Lydia Murphy, Lillian McPherson, Guy Patrick, Joseph Riley, Ruby Richardson, Ruth, Taylor Clayton Walley, Arthur Wilkinson, Catherine Wallach, Frank Wallace, Rose Garde Violet Garde, Lilly Larson, Francis Wolverton, Laura McEachren.

Division 8, Miss M. Taylor, teacher—Violet Boyes, Gordon Bradshaw, Harry Burchell, Edith Cavanaugh, Tony DeFerro, Allan Dille, Earl Hall, Emmet Hamilton Margaret Hamilton, Ethel Hodge, Harold Hodge, Newton Powell, Herbert Jordon, Irene Laughton, Ronald Lidgate, Frank Lucia, Mary Mills, May Ratcliffe, Mabel Stevens, Charlie Tidy, Gregg Thomson, *Francis Whitehead, Willie Wilson, Gladys* Young, Lillie Devlin, Hannah, Westpath, Ingold Schermerhorn, Edith McPhee, John Ballan, Pauline Devlin.

Division 9, Miss McVicar, teacher—Nelson Ball, Jack Dinwoodie, David Douglass, Carlton Duck, Douglas Forin, Ira Hall, Jennette Hannah, Roy Hodge, Stewart Houston, Percy Marks, Lillian McDonald, Bessie McKenzie, Muriel Monroe, Teddy Thurman, Willie Wallach, Wilfrid Wilde.

Division 10, Miss Thom, teacher—Charlie Ades, Chester Bradshow, Hector Blakey, Isabel Blackwood, William Craig, Bessie Wolverton, Hugh Davidson, Kate Darough Ella, Donaldson, Howard Duck, Norman Douglas, Jack McPhee, Emil Fletcher, Reggie Gallagher, Freda Hume, Elsie Hodge, Fred Irvine, Eva Irwin, Fred Johnson, Constance Joy, Howard Murphy, Edward McGregor, Mary Shaw, Albert Skelton, Leonard Thompson, John Wallach, Audrey Moe.

HUME SCHOOL

The following pupils at the Hume school were perfect in attendance during the month of December:

Division 1, Miss Bate, teacher—Freda Bullock, Helen Balding, John Balding, Roy Hadges, Tony Habegarde, Nelson Jackson, Arthur Maurer, Murdo McLeod, Rhoda McGregor, Edith Gilchrist, Ruby Gilchrist Elizabeth Lynch, Bruce Gilchrist, Charlotte Ringrose, Telesphore Marquis, Thorvald Hansen, Mary Williamson, Leslie Bealby, Norah Hopkins.

Division No. 2, Miss McLennan, teacher—Frank Bridcot, Ella Brown, Syd Desireau, Leo Desireau, Vera Gilchrist, Esther Habegarde, Freddy Hartwick Doris Heddle, Farquhar Hodgin, Earl Jackson, Leonard, Jackson, John Jerome, Tommy Jerome, Angus McLeod, Gladys McPhee Myrtle McPhee, Grace Maurer, James Ringrose,, Walter Rynan, Aline Weber, Gladys Randall, Willie Reid, Lawrence Hopper, Stanley St. George, Charlie Peterson Carrie Hopkins, Florence Hopkins, Lizzie Hopkins.

HIGH SCHOOL AT HOME

The pupils and scholars of the Nelson high school were At Home to their friends last evening and the reputation of the school for the providing of an entertaining evening was certainly upheld at this annual event. The atentdance was a record of such functions and the program was unprecedentedly varied. Of the daintiness and wealth of the decorations, if ever before equalled, they certainly were never surpassed.

This year the parents of all the pupils were invited and many of them showed their interest in the younger generation *by attending. The guests began to arrive* shortly after 8 o'clock and despite the juvenility of the party they had not done coming at an hour long after ten p.m. Several literary contests were in full swing and the winners, Miss Vera McLeod and Frank Nott received great credit as did also the musical contestant.

Principal Fraser gave an illustrated lecture in the upper halls while the lower were filling up with a dancing crowd. Cards and games of chance followed. Refreshments were served shortly after 11 o'clock and at a little after midnight the guests departed, the attendance being nearly 200.

NO COERCION

Roosevelt Orders Troops From Goldfields

W. F. M. WILL KEEP PEACE

MINERS' ORGANIZATION REPUDIATED BY OPERATORS—ARRIVAL OF NON-UNION MEN IN CAMP IS ATTENDED WITH LITTLE TROUBLE—ANXIOUS SITUATION.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—President Roosevelt today directed the withdrawal *of the United States troops stationed at* Goldfield, Nev., on Monday, December 30, next.

Goldfield, Dec. 20.—President Roosevelt's order removing the federal troops from Goldfield on Decemebr 20 today, caused consternation among the mine*owners and residents of Goldfield.* The news was received at noon and during the afternoon conferences were held by captain Cox, the representative of governor Sparks in Goldfield, colonel Reynolds, commanding the federal troops, and representatives of the mineowners. The people of Goldfield are greatly apprehensive that trouble will come when the troops depart and there will be great pressure brought to bear on the president to countermand his order as to at least a portion of the troops.

The union leaders say they will do their utmost to maintain peace.

The Goldfield mineowners' association refused today to recognize the Western Federation of Miners as a labor organization, or to deal with the local miners' union as a body.

Fifty strikebreakers arrived frim California today. They were in charge of detectives and guides, ano were taken to the temporary boarding house which has been erected at the mine for them. Many members of the Western Federation of Miners were gathered at the station, but beyond the passage of some uncomplimentary remarks, nothing occurred.

TRADE FOR THE WEEK

WHOLESALERS HAVE DONE A GOOD BUSINESS

MONEY SITUATION SHOWS SOME IMPROVEMENT

Montreal, Dec. 20—Bradstreets tomorrow will say:

Holiday trade is now the feature of all retail business and the spirit of the season is proving an important stimulation Wholesalers of holiday goods have done a good business and are now awaiting the retail distribution. General wholesale busines is naturally quiet as the stock marking season approaches. A large trade has been done in grocerise, which are now quiet. Building is inactive and and materials quiet. The money situation shows some easing but there is still great room for improvement. Collections also might be better. Business failures for the week number 40 against 50 last week and *26 in this week last year.*

The weekly bank clearings for the week ending Dec. 20 are as follows:

		Inc.	Dec.
Montreal	$28,207,000	....	24.7
Toronto	23,923,000	....	13.0
Wnnipeg	14,123,000	14.0	....
Vancouver	3,479,000	3.5	....
Ottawa	3,036,000	....	7.0
Halifax	2,004,000	....	2.1
Quebec	2,247,000	2.5	....
Hamilton	1,680,000	....	24.3
St. John	1,341,000	5.6	....
London	1,248,000	...	10.0
Victoria	1,146,000	....	1.8
Calgary	1,297,000	....	10.6
Edmonton	887,000	....	1.8

MURDER AND SUICIDE

NEW YORK BROKER KILLED BY A CLIENT

ASSAILANT THOUGHT HIMSELF WORTH MILLIONS

New York, Dec. 20.—James H. Olyphant, senior member of the stock exchange firm of James H. Olyphant and company, was found dying at his of*fice today from* a bullet wound inflicted by Charles A Geiger, a customer from Beaufort, S. C., who, after firing upon Olyphant, killed himself.

The men were closeted in Olyphant's private office at the time, and all that is known of what immediately preceded the shooting was learned from the lips of the dying broker. Olyphant said that his refusal to extend credit to Geiger caused the trouble.

The reason is believed, however, that Geiger had become mentally irresponsible. A note book found upon his person contained computations by which the writer had apparently figured he would be worth $2,000,000 on January 1, 1908. He actually possessed, so far as his personal effects showed, less than $11. Geiger owed the Olyphants $5,000 and had been called on for a settlement. He called at their office today and after explaining that he could not meet his obligations, asked that further credit be extended to him to carry 1,000 shares of a certain stock until a rise in the price should yield him a profit. The proposition was refused and the shooting followed. The offices of James H. Olyphant and company are at 20 Broad street, in the centre of the financial district, and the shooting caused a sensation in the street and temporarily interrupted the business of the curb brokers.

Beaufort, Dec. 20.—C. A. Geiger, who shot J. H. Olyphant in New York today, lived here *for two years.* He was uncommunicative, never drank and seemed to live an abstemious, simple and regular life. He spent many years abroad and on coming back to Beaufort in January, 1906, he told friends here that he was at one time court physician to King Menelik of Absyinnia.

FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICE

LABOR MEN TO MEMORALIZE THE PREMIER

ASK THAT CIVIL SERVANTS MAY BE CANDIDATES

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, Dec. 20—The local Trades and Labor council has decided to memoralize sir Wilfrid Laurier, askin that no difficulty be placed in the way of government *employees running for municipal offices* and that the heads of departments be allowed to settle all questions which might arise in the event of civil servant becoming candidate for an office in civic government.

The question arises out of the candidacy of P. M. Draper, secretary of the Dominion Labor congress, for the controllership. He is employed in the government printing bureau.

AFTER MONETARY TIMES

VANCOUVER CITY COUNCIL WANT A RETRACTION

PLANTERS REFUSE TO ACCEPT HINDU LABOR

(Special to The Daily News)

Vancouver, Dec. 20—The city council tonight directed their solicitor to immediately demand retraction of the alleged libelous article appearing in the current issue of the Monetary Times, as well as publications copying the same. The article consisted of a leading editorial dealing with the recent sale of Vancouver debentures.

Alexander and Baldwin, sugar planters, controlling 20 plantations in Hawaii, have notified local parties, making approaches for shipments of Hindus in the province for plantation work, stating that such class of labor would not be acceptable. The low standard of living and the uncleanly habits of the Hindus made them disliked. The owners will probably replace the Japanese coming into Canada ths year with Spaniards or Portugese labor.

GREATEST DEPOSITORY

HALDANE REFERS TO THE BANK OF ENGLAND

BRITISH FINANCIAL SYSTEM BEST IN THE WORLD

Edinburgh Dec. 20—In a speech tonight Richard Burden Haldane, secretary of *state, compared the British and American* credit, having reference to the prophesies of a few years back that within measurable time the centers of the money market and the sources of credit would migrate to New York.

Mr. Haldane said that the Americans had just shown an instinct for hoarding with the result that the banks had no reserves. In Great Britain, on the contrary, all money was placed in banks and thence with the Bank of England, creating a reserve on which the credit of the whole world could depend. That was a remarkable outcome of a remarkable instinct, he declared. Perhaps it was just because the British government did not superintend the country's credit arrangements, that the arrangements were the most successful of any of the nations. The bank of England, the speaker added, was a private concern, yet it always succeeded in maintaining its universal character of being the greatest depository in the whole civilized world.

BRITISH SQUADRONS

Old Story About Fleet Coming to Esquimalt Again Revived

London, Dec. 20—According to the Standard, the admiralty has decided to establish next May, the Pacific and North Atlantic squadrons, the base of the former being at Esquimalt.

COMING TO B. C.

Portage la Prairie, Dec. 20—John R. McDonald, one of the old timers of the plains who is leaving with Mrs. McDonald to reside in British Columbia, was given a banquet at the Albion hotel by his many friends and presented with a gold locket and chain, accompanied by an address.

EX-M.P.P. DEAD

Quebec, Dec. 20—Felix Carbray, a prominent citizen and consul for Portugal, died this evening. He at one time represented Quebec in the legislature. He was a harbor commissioner. He leaves three sons and three daughters.

DEBENTURES SOLD

Prince Albert, Dec. 20—The sale of the $100,000 of city debentures to the Imperial bank was concluded today at 84 1-2.

A JAP HAGUE

Mikado Declares Peace With all the World

NEW IMMIGRATION VIEWS

JAPS MAINTAIN THAT WITH AN EXPOSITION IN SIGHT THERE CANNOT BE ANY FOUNDATION IN THE RUMOR THAT THEY ARE DESIRIOUS OF WAR.

Tokio, Dec. 20—At the banquet tonight of the American Friends' association, of which count Kaneko is the head and which leads the movement for an international exposition, to be held here in 1912, count Kaneko made a declaration of Japan's desire to pursue peace with the Asiatics and all countries in the world. If Japan entertained the least idea of warlike preparations, the nations would not be invited to participate, as preparations for war and *an international* exposition at the same time were incompatible, the one working for the destruction of peace and the other in the pursuit thereof. "President Roosevelt," said the count, "is the warmest and greatest friend of Japan."

Ambassador OBrien's reply was interpreted as an important pronouncement: "The United States," he said "had *nothing* that Japan cares to take by force. On the other hand, the United States had no wish to own any of the fair acres of Japan. The purpose and plans of the Japanese people, no one can question and it ought not be necessary to continue the repetition of denials from sources of the highest authorities in both countries that nothing exists between them except harmony and good will."

The delay in closing the emigration negotiations between Japan and Canada was due to the claim of the Canadian government through commissioner Lemieux, that prior to Canada becoming a party to the treaty of alliance it was specifically guaranteed by a representative o fthe Japanese that emigration of laborers to Canada should be limited to 600 yearly. The Japanese government it is said now repudiates this action.

DISTRESSING OCCURRENCE

Lipton, Sask., Dec. 20.—A deaf and dumb couple, resident here, are plunged in grief over a most distressing occurrence. They awoke in the morning to find that their infant child had been smothered during the night in some manner. Both parents being deaf, the noise, if any, made by the little victim could not arouse them.

BRITISH IMMIGRANTS

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—The English immigrant was the subject of a debate by the St. George's society tonight. A resolution was passed and sent to the English papers expressing confidence in British immigrants for farm work, but *denouncing interested agent's sending* winter or fall shipments of unfit newcomers.

GLACE BAY REFORM

Sydney, Dec. 20—A report is current that an investigation into the financial affairs of the town of Glace Bay will shortly take place and that the Burchill Coal company, which is the largest tax payer in the town will be the parties who will ask for the enquiry. It is thought the whole period since the town became incorporated will be covered by the proposed inquiry.

BORN ON TRAIN

Torontoi, Dec. 20.—On the train from Cobalt to Toronto which arrived here this morning, Mrs. P. H. Fullerton, of New Liskeard, who was coming to the city, gave birth to a child in the stateroom of one of the Pullmans There was a physician on board, and mother and child were doing well when the train reached the city.

STRIKE OF NITRATE MINERS

Santiago, Dec. 20.—The strike of nitrate workers continues to grow and today every another plant is shut down. The nitrate business being one of the principal resources of the country, serious complications are likely to follow the paralysis of this industry.

FOR LABELLE

Ottawa, Dec. 20—Captain H. H. Cameron, has retired from the nominees for liberal candidate for Labelle leaving only C. B. Major as the definite candidate at present. The probabilitie are still unknown in the constituency though the nominations are on Monday. It is still thought Mr. Bourassa may run.

RECORD TRIP

St. John, Dec. 20—The C.P.R. steamer Empress of Ireland, broke the record for the trip from Halifax, when she arrived here today, having gone the distance in 14 1-2 hours. Forty-nine minutes later, the Overseas train left with the mail, another record.

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MAKE A STUDY OF MINING

J. B. Tyrrell, the well known explorer, in a recent address before the Canadian Institute in Toronto, put up a strong plea for greater attention being paid to the mineral resources of the country. The present United States production of mineral is about twenty times greater than that of Canada, and Mr. Tyrrell hopes to see this inequality overcome before the close of the century if Canadians wake up. In the course of his remarks Mr. Tyrrell said that probably one-half of Canada was limited to mineral ores for the possible production of wealth, and consequently our national progress depended very largely on their discovery and development, while it became the positive duty of all good Canadians to take an intelligent interest in mining affairs.

Those who invested in mining company shares merely to play the market were not acting as the friends of the mining industry, but were simply introducing into what was a very considerable industrial enterprise, the worst methods of the real estate agent.

If they wished to be true friends of this great industry, they should give a *reasonable amount of time to the care*ful study of the subject by reading standard works and magazines on mining. The readers in the public schools should also contain authoritative descriptive articles, in order that the children might learn something of the great heritage of mineral wealth awaiting them for development. Lectures on mining should be regularly delivered in the cities and towns, and in the university summer schools.

Ignorance of the first principles of mining made possible the sale of worthless mining stocks, and enough had been lost in this manner in the last 12 months to pay for such educational courses during the next 20 years. Both the Dominion and the province should *establish information bureaus,* where the general public could freely obtain *reliable information regarding the char*acter of our mineral wealth, while the government should arrange for low railway fares for both students and prospectors; in this way prospecting might be even made fashionable and popular among those who were taking their holidays.

If prizes were offered for the best collection of minerals, many new localities might be made known. To make a beginning Mr. Tyrrell offered $100 as a prize for the best collection of Ontario's *minerals* obtained next summer, and a gentleman of his acquaintance, *whose name he could not yet give,* was prepared to offer as much in connection with the mineral development of northern Ontario. He hoped before the end of the year to hear of three or four more similar offers.

EDITORIAL NOTES

What is the meaning of the persistent set which the liberal associations and the liberal newspapers are making *against the lieutenant-governor?* Asks the Victoria Colonist. We have not noticed any very persistent set against the lieutenant-governor on the part of either liberal associations or liberal papers, at any rate nothing like as persistent an attack as the case against him warrants. The Colonist knows that lieutenant-governor Dunsmuir is the active president of the Wellington Colliery company and that in that capacity he entered into a contract to import by wholesale Japanese to supplant white men in his employ, well knowing that in so doing he was acting in defiance *of the will of the people of British Co*lumbia and the recognised policy of the government that appointed him to office and of the government whose advice he continues to accept. Knowing these facts, the Colonist should be in no doubt as to the cause of liberal opposition to his retention in office. We frankly concede the Colonist's point that he ought never to have been appointed to office. But the Colonist knows as well as we do how his appointment came about. The job had gone begging for months, no one competent *to fill it properly* wanted it as the expense connected therewith entailed too heavy a financial burden, especially if much entertaining had to be done. It was known that the governor-general was to visit the province and that his entertainment would involve very heavy outlays. Dunsmuir wanted the job, or, rather, was persuaded by his family that he did, and he had the money to spend on entertaining visiting celebrities, hence his appointment.

SPECIAL TIMBER LICENCES.

Petition for Renewals to be Presented to the Provincial Government.

At the meeting of the British Columbia Timber and Forestry Chamber of Commerce held in Vancouver recently, it was *decided to present* the following petition to the provincial government:

"To the honorable the speaker and members of the legislative assembly of British Columbia—

The humble petition of the undersigned showeth as follows:

Whereas under sub-section 3, section 53, of chapter 113 of the Consolidated Land Act of British Columbia, 1906, special timber licences are annually renewable for twenty-one successive years only.

And whereas a very large proportion of the merchantable timber of the province of British Columbia—*variously estimated* at from 70 million to 140 billion feet and without doubt constituting the most valuable timber asset of the province—has already been placed under special timber licence.

And whereas under present legislation the *holders of special timber licences* must log their lands within twenty-one years (and in many cases much earlier) on pain of losing title to the timber.

And whereas the forced logging of this timber within the present time limit for renewal would be exceedingly detrimental (a) *to the revenues of the government;* (b) to the prosperity of the logging and saw-milling industires, and (c) to the best interests of every citizen as a consumer of wood, and of every industry which requires wood for its continued development.

In particular: (a) The annual licence *fees which now constitute* a very large proportion of the timber revenues would cease to be paid as rapidly as the limits were culled and abandoned. The government would also lose half its equity in the royalty by the destruction by fire of the lower grades of timber left standing on the *hastily culled lands.* These losses to the provincal revenue would undoubtedly amount in the aggregate to many millions of dollars.

(b) The operators—loggers and millmen alike—would be forced into the keenest possible competition in the disposal of their products. There would be a twenty-year struggle with over-production in all lines, greatly to the detriment of legitimate profits on the invested capital.

(c) The spoliation of more than half of the provincial forest assets within two decades would be nothing short of a provincial and even a national calamity. The twenty-year period of timber slaughter would be followed by a much longer period of timber scarcity and *famine* prices, with no prospect of relief by timber importations.

And whereas there is some doubt as to whether the present rate of annual dues on special timber licences is statutary for the present renewal term of twenty-one years.

Your petitioners therefor humbly pray:

1. That at the expiration of the present renewal period of twenty-one years special timber licences be made annually renewable for a further period of twenty-one years.

2. That the present rate of annual rental for special timber licences be declared to be statutary for the present renewal term of twenty-one years.

And your petitioners will every pray, etc.

The annual Christmas entertainment of the Baptist church Sunday school will be given next *Monday evening* at 8 o'clock. A collection will be taken up for the enlargement of the library.

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CASE ARGUED

(Continued From First Page)

T. Kelly opened for the miners by stating that it had evidently been the trend of the whole investigation to take the old schedule of wages as a basis from which to work. This Mr. Kelly thought was not just, as the old scale was merely a living wage and had been protested again and again; the wage was only a starvation wage. Hence it could not well be taken as a basis upon which to arrive at any conclusion. Mr. Kelly made a special point in that regard as to the hammermen. These were only getting $3.25 under the old scale while the machine men got $3.50. The hammermen had practically been forced into accepting this injustice. The old rate was $3.50 a day for machine or hand miners alike. At Moyie the rate for muckers had been increased to $3 but for a long time the rate had been but $2.75. This was not a living wage. No man could take a risk and try to bring up a family on any such pay.

As to the contention that the eight-hour law had increased wages, Mr. Kelly asserted that its operation should not be taken into consideration, inasmuch as the competitors of the employers had to meet exactly the same conditions. There had, therefore, been an increase in the cost of living but none in wages. Yet the old schedule was based on the cost of living. If then, the cost of living was to be the basis of a wage, taking the argument of the employers, and if the old schedule was the cost of living, if the cost of living had increased ing, if the cost of living had gone up then should also the wage scale. That the cost of living had increased was shown in the figures published in the Labor Gazette in August last. This showed that in Ontario there had been an increase of 34 1-3 per cent. The Spokane Evening Chronicle of Nov. 13, last, quoting Bradstreet, than whom there does not exist a more reliable authority, said there had been an increase in the cost of living since 1896 of 54 1-8 per cent. The case was the same in this province. The hotel men at Moyie had raised the cost of board $5 a month. H. Amas, of Nelson, had said that there had been an increase of 25 per cent since 1904 and there had been increases before that. Now Amas had given some very valuable figures and evidently knew what he was talking about, a most reliable witness. Moyie merchants admitted that they had paid more proportionately for their goods in the early days than they did at present.

The men who had to face an increase of 25 per cent in the cost of living were justified in asking for a similar increase in their old rate of pay, which was based on the cost of supporting life. They had, however, only asked for an increase which amounted to about 12 per cent, taken all round.

There was the question of the ability of the mines to pay the addition asked. They were guaranteed by the lead bounty. They were the most favored individuals on the whole continent. They had cheaper power and more efficient machinery than in 1899.

Schedules had been produced by the company as to the rate of wages elsewhere, but such schedules had little to do with the matter inasmuch as in those other places the cost of living was less.

J. Roberts supplemented Mr. Kelly's arguments by pointing out that the muckers' wages had been reduced to 75 cents below that of the miner when the schedule now sought to be reinstated was imposed, whereas before that time the difference in wages had been only 50 cents. There was no distinction at all in the Coeur d'Alene districts, which had been quoted as a model for this province. The Labor Gazette of August last showed that during the last ten years industries everywhere had raised wages. The only industry lagging behind was that of the miners. Butte had risen in figures and so had the Boundary, the St. Eugene was the one mine that was behind at the time of application.

W. Davidson, ex-M. P. P., for the Slocan, a working miner, said that the two parties before the board were not merely the Moyie union and the Consolidated Mining company but were really the classes, that old struggle which had fought its way down through the ages in one form or another. On the one side was the class owning the machinery of production and of distribution and on the other side was arrayed the great working class. The history of society showed that the social institutions, the press, all were on the side of the capitalist class and against the men on whose exploitation the capitalist class existed. The company had gone all over the continent to adduce arguments in support of their side of the case. The men had followed He would follow: at Goldfields today the United States army was assisting the capitalist class to force the workers to take a lower wage That was not peculiar to the United States. It had been seen in Russia, nay, it had been seen in Canada itself. The mailed hand of the government was uplifted to force the labor class to take a lower wage.

Descending to the facts of the case Mr. Davidson said that it was admitted that prices of commodities had increased and then, it was only fair, that wages should also go up. Now the only fair wage for the working man, the only wage the workingman would really accept, although he might take something less—under protest—was the full value of that which he produced and not allow four fifths to be filched from him by the exploiting class. Of course, Mr. Aldridge was a good man, and was entitled to his share, but to no more. In this connection the speaker asserted that the witnessees for the company were the company's employee and had to be posted as to their evidence openly from the floor of the court room.

Mining in this province, Mr. Davidson went on to assert, was a profitable venture, but the higher the profit the less the workingman gets. That was why he had asked for the books of the St. Eugene mine to be produced, so that the real figures could be got at. If one believed what the company said there was no profit in mining in British Columbia. British Columbia was a good field for capital to invest in. If the books were produced that would be shown. But the board in its good judgment had not thought fit to order their appearance.

In conclusion, Mr. Davidson said that the Slocan scale of wages, the scale which was in operation up till quite recently, had been forced upon the men by unlawful importations of labor from the United States. The men had to go work or leave the country. R. C. Clute had come here as a royal commissioner and had enquired into the matter and found that carloads of men had been brought into the province in contravention of the Alien Labor act. The government had afterwards amended that act making it any or everybody's business to see that it was enforced but in the meantime the mischief had been done. The men had been forced to accept a starvation wage and so could save no money. Now a period of depression had come when it was more profitable to close the mines than to keep them open. What were the men to do? What was to become of the great mass of unemployed?

This ended the addresses for the men, and before replying W. H. Airridge put in as a witness in rebuttal on the point of the importation of alien labor during the Slocan strike, S. A. Blaylock, who had recently perused the blue book on the subject, containing the report of R. C. Clute. Mr. Blaylock stated that according to this report there were few men brought in, certainly not carloads. Twelve was the greatest number in any one party and of these two had been employed in the Slocan.

Mr. Davidson retorted that the carloads had been brought in just as soon as the commission had risen and two carloads of men had been put to work on the Payne mine.

Mr. Blaylock said, "Two men, not two carloads," and then referred the board to the blue book, a copy of which is in the city.

W. H. Aldridge, speaking on behalf of the company, of which he is general manager, prefaced his remarks by referring to the manner in which the case was opened. On July 9, 1907, the secretary of the Moyie union had written to the superintendent of the St. Eugene mine, saying: "I have been instructed to inform you that our board insits upon this union demanding the Boundary scale of wages, feeling that

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your company is in a position to pay the same equally as well as the companies in the Boundary country and also the Sullivan mine." On April 5, the miners of the Snowshoe, in the Boundary, asked the superintendent of that mine for an increase of wage on the ground of "the general prosperity of the country, the increase in the cost of living, the high price of copper," and the further fact that wages of mine workers have not been increased. It followed from these facts that the demand made at Moyie was based on the assertions made in this letter of April 5. Mr. Aldridge went on to deal with these assertions seriatim:

As to the assertion that the St. Eugene was in a position to pay equally well with the mines of the Boundary the speaker pointed out that the mines of the latter had large ore bodies, involving low mining costs. A miner in the Boundary averaged from three to five tons a day to one or one and a half tons in the St. Eugene. There was little timbering in the Boundary and the development was principally in ore bodies instead of being country rock, as at the St. Eugene. Moreover, the gross value of the ore at the St. Eugen, after considring the losses in concentration, was very little more than that of the Boundary. Hence it was plain that the St. Eugene was not equally able, with the Boundary mines, to pay the same scale of wages.

Taking the next point, that of the general prosperity of the country, Mr. Aldridge submitted that he had proved this did not exist but that on the contrary a very acute general business depression had followed the wave of prosperity in the mining and smelting industries. The Boundary country which has been mining and smelting from 5000 to 7000 tons of ore a day, was entirely closed down. The 10,000 ton plant at Anaconda of the Amalgamated Copper company was also closed. *All the mines of that company* at Butte with the exception of the Boston and Montana had closed and there *were only 2 per cent of the men usually* employed working there. Here again the speaker held that he had established his *point and that there was not that general* prosperity on which the miners had advanced their claim for higher wages.

As to the third point, that of the price of copper, it was claimed that it had already been shown the board that the price had dropped from 24 cents to 13 cents a pound, that a large accumulation existed in consequence of which many heavy producers had either closed down or curtailed operations. Silver had fallen from 71 to 52 3-8 cents an ounce and lead from £21 5s. to £13 17s. 6d. a ton. Copper could not well be marketed under 12 cents a pound and the St. Eugene could not make any material profit, if worked under present conditions, with London lead at £16. The profits therefore would be in direct proportion to the excess of the market price above 12 cent copper in the case of the Boundary and other copper ores and £16 lead in the case of the St. Eugene. *During the high price of metals* the producing companies naturally tried to produce as largely as possible in order to take advantage of the market. *Hence* they were willing to pay high wages.

Referring to the next point made by the *miners, namely, the increase in the cost* of living, Mr. Aldridge claimed that it had been shown that the cost of living had *not materially increased. He referred to* the evidence tendered by many of the witness to elaborate this point. The cost of board for single men at Moyie had not varied except in one or two of the smaller hotels, the others declaring that they had not altered their charges for six years. With reference to married men some articles had shown an increase, and others no change and still others a decrease. The following items, probably constituted 85 per cent of the cost of living of both single and married men, had either not varied, or decreased: Board, rentals, beef, flour, pork, sugar, eggs, butter, potatoes coal oil, canned milk, canned vege*tables, coffee* tea underclothing, rubbers and many other minor articles. Of the other 15 per cent the increase, according *to the Moyie merchants, substantiated that* morning by the Nelson men, did not amount to 15 per cent. Fifteen per cent *of fifteen per cent would be 2 1-4 per cent* an increase quite accounted for by the increase in the standard of living.

On the other hand the evidence of several witnesses showed that there had been no increase in wages. It was self evident within certain limits, that the work performed by a machine man is proportional to the number of hours worked. This in itself is a 25 per cent increase. Wages were also shown to have increased in other instances, amounting to as much as 50 per cent, particularly at the St. Eugene.

Then the speaker dealt with the contention that other industries in the same district pay less than the company was asking its men to accept. He showed this to be the case in the coalfields where the men, except under contract, did not earn anything like as much as did the metal workers. Evidence had also been tendered to show that the wage paid on the C.P.R. was less than the miners were asked to accept. Metal miners in other and enormously profitable districts where the cost of living was approximately the same as at Moyie, were paid the scale of wages he was recommending to the board. At Butte, the richest mining camp in the world, the Western Federation of Miners had accepted the scale of $3.50 a day and at Anaconda mills the scale was only $3 a day, 50 cents less than the company was asking its mill men at the St. Eugene to accept. *Great Falls mill* had the same standard as the Anaconda. Mr. Aldridge here referred in the highest terms to the *men of Rossland and Trail* who had voluntarily returned to the old wage scale which is practically the same as the com*pany wishes to reinstate at Moyie. Again,* the wage of the Kootenay had been largely governed by that paid in Butte and in the Coeur d'Alenes. *There the mine owner got* a larger return for his lead than did the Canadian and yet the employees of the St. Eugene were asking for a higher wage than that paid in the Coeur d'Alenes. The United States producer was able to market his product in his own country whereas Canada had to market half of its product in the orient in competition with lead produced in Europe where the wages were much lower than here. Again, the United States was protected by a duty of $42.50 per short ton, while the duty in Canada only amounted to $7 or $8.

As to the hammersmen, Mr. Aldridge explained that the reason they received 25 cents less than did the machinemen, was because if they misdirected their efforts the company was at the loss of their labor whereas, if the machinemen did the same the company lost the labor and the powder the company lost the labor and the powder

In conclusion Mr. Aldrdge pointed out that the decision might mean the working or non-working of many properties. Mr. Kelly had placed a fair wage at $4 a day. If such were a fair wage then there would be no mines working here. It would be far better for the country if it were developed rather than that one or two rich properties should be worked while the rest *remained idle with thousands of* men out of work.

T. Kelly, in reply, stated that he did *not think there were any large stocks of* copper and that the panic was merely a gamble of some Wall Street speculators. *As to the recent drop in the price of metals* he wished to remind the board that the application had been made in July last when prices were high and that ought to be taken into consideration by the board in making a decision. As to the increase in the cost of living Mr. Kelly maintained that he had shown this to be an undoubted fact. Mr. Amas had conclusively proved this. Where prices had been shown to decrease or to remain the same it was by decreasing the value of the material used. The price of shoes might have remained the same, but if three pairs were now wanted where two had sufficed before there had been really an increase in the cost. As to the contention that the St. Eugene cost more to work than did the Boundary mines, the argument proved too much because if there were another mine with worse conditions than the St. Eugene, did the board expect the miners to work for a dollar a day. As for himself, he had never dared to marry, the wage scale being too near the line. He would not take the risk.

J. Roberts declined to use his right to reply, thinking that Mr. Kelly had sufficiently covered the ground.

W. Davidson made three points in his reply. Machines occasionally wasted powder, any man *could make a mistake*, but this was the exception and not the rule. Mr. Aldridge had not even guaranteed he would *keep his mine open if* the award were in his favor. Mr. Davidson presently admitted, however, that such a guar*antee could not be expected*, especially if silver were to keep on falling. The third point was addressed to the board, Mr. *Davidson reminding* the chairman that it would be on his shoulders that the decision would rest as the other arbitrators would *naturally* lean to the side which appointed them.

This closed the proceedings at a little after 4 o'clock, the chairman announcing that the aribtrators would sift the evidence and come to a conclusion as rapidly as they could, possibly within the next two or three days. Whether that decision would or would not be made public judge Wilson did not feel inclined to say just at present.

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1st Prize: $10 in Advertising.
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The judges will be three prominent citizens, whose names will be announced in the issue of The Daily News for December 25, together with the names of the prize winners.

The judges will make their decisions, quietly and unknown to any of the merchants, on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, 21st, 23rd and 24th. One judge will not know who his associates are, and each will reduce his decision to writing and send it to this office in time for publication in the issue of December 25th.

Mention will be made in this paper of creditable holiday display windows which do not win a prize.

Photos will be taken of the window receiving first prize and a cut will be published sometime *in January.* Prize winners must have been advertisers in The Daily News some time during November or December, 1907.

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The new organizer is J. Lehaney, of Coleman. To the Albertan he stated that candidates would assuredly be placed in the field in the ridings of Calgary, Edmonton, Macleod, and Medicine Hat. He was not certain about the other three, but will make a study of conditions.

The meeting for organization was held last week. Delegates were present from the Society of Equity, Trades and Labor Unions, and other labor organizations in the province.

After some discussion the platform of the socialist party was adopted. The vote upon this was 37 to 9.

The leading planks are as follows:

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There were 35 resolutions passed, the most important being those favored by the miners, including the eight hour day., compensation to miners for injuries. The Society of Equity also brought forward some important resolutions.

An organization was effected taking the *form of an executive of seven members.* A local quorum of four includes Messrs. Henderson, Harrison, Howell and Brown. *The other three are Messrs. Springford* of Edmonton, McCormack of Lethbridge, and Evans of Tabor.

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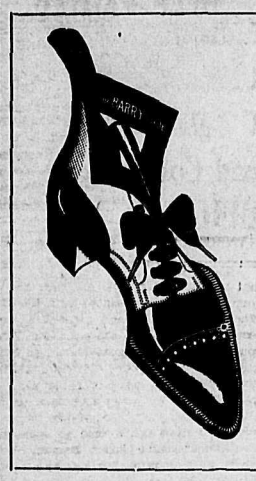

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NELSON NEWS OF THE DAY

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Mrs. C. H. Allison will receive on the first and second Monday of each month at 714 Carbonate street.

W. McCarter, a prominent real estate dealer, and building contractor of Victoria, is spending a few days in the city on business.

Tomorrow being the festival of St. Thomas, the Apostle, there will be a celebration of the holy communion in St. Saviour's church at 10:30 a.m.

The Sandford Dodge company will present Ingomar at the matinee today and will conclude their engagement this evening with Romeo and Juliet.

Several Baker street merchants are industriously setting to work to capture The Daily News first prize for the best dressed window during the next four days, the particulars of the contest are set out in another column of this issue.

The public is notified that two money order books have been stolen in Seattle. The numbers are 35,033 to 35,200 and 20,106 to 20,200. Merchants are specially cautioned in the matter as some of these orders have been fraudulently filled out and cashed.

From the office of the Montreal Family Herald and Weekly Star comes Vol. 1 of the Canadian Red Book, a handbook of the dominion of Canada. A very careful compilation of facts of interest to every Canadian and a veritable mine of useful information for non-residents who may be anxious to know something of the dominion, its laws, government resources and potentialities. A particularly useful little publication to send to friends abroad.

The manager of the senior hockey team, M. R. McQuarrie, would like to have the names of all the hockey players handed in to him before Christmas ,so that two teams can be picked out for a game on Christmas day between the hours of 2:30 and 3:30. After the game the names of the players to represent Nelson for the coming season will be given out. The management of the team has had an unofficial offer for a series of games at Edmonton and Strathcona with a guarantee of at least $600. They are also trying to arrange a number of games in the following towns: Fernie ,Lethbridge, Pincher Creek, Coleman, Medicine Hat, Calgary, Wetaskiwin and Regina.

For prompt delivery of your Christmas and New Year's presents ring up phone 44 or any messenger call box in the city. Full staff of boys on hand. Office open day and night Christmas week.

The Poole-Longhurst company will have ice cream for sale for holiday parties from now until Christmas. Get your orders in early.

There will be a turkey raffle at the bar of the Queen's hotel on Christmas eve. There are 30 live turkeys in stock.

Look them up now. You save money, get comfort and convenience by having your boots repaired by W. J. Habgood, near postoffice. Good material, neatness, security. Terms cash. 127-26

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NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that a Court of Revision for the purpose of correcting and revising the Voter's List for the year 1908 will be held in the Council Chambers, City of Grand Forks, B. C., on Saturday, December 21st, at 2 o'clock p.m.

Grand Forks, B. C., December 10th, 1907.

J. A. McCALLUM, City Clerk.

MUNICIPALITY OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PHOENIX

Notice is hereby given that the annual sitting of the Court of Revision for revising and correcting the Voters' List for 1908, will be held in the City Office, Dominion avenue , on Saturday, the 21st day of December, 1907, at 2 o'clock p.m.

M. M. STEPHENS, City Clerk.

Dated at Phoenix, B.C., this 5th day of December, 1907.

CITY OF SLOCAN

COURT OF REVISION.

Notice is hereby given that a Court of Revision will be held in the City Hall, Slocan, B. C., at 10 a.m. on the 21st day of December for the purpose of revising the Voters' List of the Municipality of the City of Slocan.

December 12, 1907.

N. MORRISON, C. M. C.

CITY OF CRANBROOK

NOTICE OF COURT OF REVISION

TAKE NOTICE that the Court of Revision of the City of Cranbrook, will sit at the Council Chambers in the City of Cranbrook on the 21st day of December, 1907, at the hour of 9 a.m. in the forenoon, legal time, (10 o'clock local time) and will continue to sit if requisite from day to day at the said place and hour, to receive and determine all applications to strike out the name of any person which has been improperly placed on the Voters' List of the said City of Cranbrook, or to place on such list, the name of any person improperly omitted from such list, pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Elections Act and Amending Acts.

Dated this 6th day of December, 1907.

T. M. ROBERTS, Clerk of the Council of the Municipality.

CITY OF SANDON

Take Notice that a Court of Revision will be held on Saturday evening, December 21st, 1907, at 8 p.m., in the City Hall, Sandon, for the Revision of Voters' List for the Municipality of City of Sandon for the year 1908.

W. F. LAWSON, City Clerk.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the first sitting of the Annual Court of Revision, to revise and correct the Municipal Voters' List for 1908, of the corporation of the city of Rossland, will sit in the Council Chamber at the City Hall, at 10 o'clock a.m. on the 21st day of December, 1907.

Of which all persons are hereby required to take notice and to govern themselves accordingly.

Rossland, B. C., December 11th, 1907.

J. F. COLLINS. Clerk of the Municipality of the City of Rossland.

Corporation of the City of Greenwood

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a Court of Revision will sit at the City Hall, Greenwood, B. C., on Saturday, 21st day of December instant at the hour of 10 a. m., for the purpose of correcting and revising the Voters' List and hearing any application that may be made relating thereto.

Dated this 6th day of December, 1907.

G. B. TAYLOR, Clerk Municipal Council.

Municipality of Trail

COURT OF REVISION.

The Municipal Court of Revision of the Voters' List of the Municipality of the City of Trail, for the year 1908, A.D., will be held in the City Offices, Helena Street, on

DECEMBER 21, 1907.

The Court of Revision shall correct and revise the said Voters' List and shall hear and determine any application to strike out the name of any person which has been improperly placed thereon.

H. DES BARRES, City Clerk.

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PAUPERISM IN ENGLAND

THE AGRICLTURAL COUNTIES MAKE WORST SHOWING.

A TREMENDOUS GROWTH IN PAST FEW YEARS.

An exhaustive report has just been issued by the local government board of England, dealing mainly with pauperism and public health, but also touching other subjects, such as education, which have gradually come within its jurisdiction. The local government board, presided over by John Burns, has become, as the London Times says, the ministry of the interior in all but judicial matters. It comes in contact with the people at more points *than any other branch of the government* and is therefore of great importance from a political point of view. A bad local government board can wreck an administration, just as a good board may rescue an otherwise unpopular government.

The present board appear to be a good board in that it has resisted socialist pressure. At the same time, its statistics show a very unsatisfactory condition as regards pauperism, due, not so much to trade depression, as to the greater readiness with which hundreds of local guardians permit their constituents to live on the rates. In one case, for example, a guardian asserted to his board that he was elected to give out relief to his friends and relatives. Others are known to have exchanged promises of relief for votes. The Poplar scandals are still fresh in the public mind. For these the local government board is in a sense responsible; but on the whole it seems to be making a *courageous, if unpopular,* stand against the tendency of guardians to load down the rates with friends who desire to be supported without work.

Although trade has been flourishing and the necessaries of life extraordinarily cheap in England, and not a really hard winter for ten or twelve years, the number of paupers, while slightly less than in 1905 and 1906, is enormously greater than in any one of the previous thirty years. Between 1901 and 1907 the total pauperism has increased by nearly 120,000, or more than one-seventh. Until about 15 years ago London's average of pauperism was always below the average of the whole country; but since then it has been just *as markedly above it. Defoe's description* of the city as "the needy villain's general home" has come true; but it is rather the excellencies of London than its defects that gives it such bad eminence. Its hospitals and its charities draw to it the unfit from all parts of the British Isles.

Making this allowance, the statistics of the board go to show that the agricultural counties have most pauperism and manufacturing counties the least. In Dorset 41 persons out of 1,000 are supported by the other 959; and in Norfolk and Hereford the condition is almost as bad. The West Riding shows only 18 per thousand, and some other have less than half the pauperism of Norfolk. The difference is partly explained by the fact that life is much longer in the agricultural counties, and that the young and active habitually migrate to the towns, leaving behind them those past work. Moreover, the wages paid in manufacturing districts are larger than those paid elsewhere; so that, on the whole, the unfavorable showing made by the agricultural counties is inevitable.

In Cornwall pauperism is on the wane owing to the recent revival of tin mining, it being now profitable to mine the tin that for a generation has been permitted to lie in the ground. In Leicester, on the contrary, in the boot and shoe trade, American machinery has been driving thousands of workers out of employment. The process has been going on for some years, and matters have not yet been adjusted. In five years poor relief there has doubled, so that the people who profit by the labor-saving devices have to support many of the families at whose expense *the saving is effected. The report indi*cates that the workhouse school has almost disappeared, for the number of pauper children has greatly fallen off.

The public health grows steadily better, and not only are such diseases as smallpox and scarlet fever more uncommon than formerly, but less virulent. Closer supervision is exercised over the milk supply; and as for the utilization of poisonous chemicals in the adulteration of the food, it has been discontinued. Equally dishonest, but less dangerous, adulteration continues to flourish. The sale of margarine for butter appears to be almost irrepressible; but the swindle is not often carried on in such an elaborate *fashion as in an instance reported by the* public analyst for Birmingham:

"The vendor lived in a small house in the city, but dressed as a farmer's wife and carried round butter and eggs packed in hay in a farmer's basket; occasionally she asked for orders for pork from her "own pigs." She bought margarine at 6½d. per pound., made it up in imitation of farmer's butter, and sold it as 1s 2d per pound. From enquiries made it appeared probable that the defendant had been practising this fraud for years."

Unluckily all this ingenuity was wasted, for the sham rustic was fined 10 pounds and costs, and in default of payment was imprisoned for two months with hard labor.

CANADIAN FRUITS.

Mr. W. T. Macoun, horticulturist of the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, has sent the following circular letter to the officers of *Horticultural Societies and* Farmers' Institutes throughout Canada:

During the past three hundred years many varieties of fruits have originated in Canada, some of which are of great merit. The dominion and provincial governments through their official publications have recorded a large number of those originated, but up to the present time no complete list of Canadian fruits has been published.

In view of the fact that many new varieties are being originated every year, it seems desirable, before the task becomes too great, to prepare as complete a list as possible so that in future all that it will be necessary to do will be to add to *it the new ones.*

The Horticulturist of the Central Experimental Farm would, therefore, be grateful if you would, either personally or through the Horticultural Society or Farmers' Institute you may represent, assist in preparing this list by sending to him the names of any seedling or crossbred fruits of Canadian origin which you *think should be recorded.* It is especially desired to bet information regarding local or unnamed seedlings of merit. Please send, if possible, the originator's name, the date of origin, the name of the place where originated, a description of the fruit, and any other *information regard*ing it. Any or all of these particulars would be appreciated. Even if the name and address only of the originator were sent it would enable us to correspond with him and get further information.

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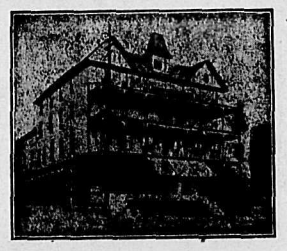

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RURAL MAIL DELIVERY

INCONSISTENT ATTITUDE OF TORY OPPOSITION.

FREE DELIVERY WOULD PROVE ENORMOUSLY COSTLY.

(Winnipeg Free Press.)

As long as our British parliamentary system of government endures, so long—unless a marvellous metamorphosis takes place in political human nature in this country—will the opposition be found thundering against the bulk sum of the government's expenditures, and taking good care not to vote against the individual expenditures when they are before parliament to be passed item by item. A striking illustration of this is furnished by the present declarations of the opposition at Ottawa in favor of the establishment of rural mail delivery routes throughout the dominion. The first opposition amendment moved in the budget debate was Mr. Cockshutt's, in which he deplored the dominion expenditures. In his speech in support of that resolution he rioted in dismal forebadings of national bankruptcy and ruin; and in tones of loud alarm called a halt, and implored the government in the sacred name of patriotism and by every consideration of the nation's welfare to reduce the annual outlay. The thing of most vitally essential importance, he declared, transcending everything else, was that the expenditures should be cut down. And the opposition applauded vehemently these utterances of Mr. Cockshutt; and voted like one man for the amendment embodying his views.

Before the echoes of that applause ceased reverberating under the roof of the commons chamber, fresh outbursts of opposition applause punctuated the speech of Mr. J. E. Armstrong, conservative member for East Lambton, Ontario, in support of his resolution declaring that rural mail delivery systems should be established. Rural mail delivery systems would cost many millions of dollars. But what of that

As it happens, the annual report of fourth assistant postmaster-general De Graw, who is at the head of the rural mail delivery system of the United States, was laid before congress a few days ago. It summarizes as follows, the mass of information which it presents: "At the close of the fiscal year 1907 rural delivery was in operation on 37,728 routes served by 37,582 carriers. On 680 of these routes service is performed tri-weekly. On nearly all of the remainder the service is daily. It is contrary to the policy of the department to establish rural delivery with more frequent service than once a day. During the year 2,312 new routes were established and 350 routes were discontinued, leaving the net increase in the number of routes in operation 1,962. The number of petitions pending June 30, 1907, was 1,404. Since that date 552 petitions have been accepted and 574 routes established or ordered established. There were on hand October 1, 1907, 502 cases favorably reported awaiting action, leaving the net number of petitions pending on that date 880."

These figures are highly instructive in connection with the declaration of the Armstrong resolution in favor of rural mail deliveries throughout the dominion—a proposition which no dominion government in its senses could, with the present population of the dominion, think of carrying into operation, but which the present opposition seems to regard as good bait for votes in the rural districts. Territorially there is no such difference between the dominion and the United States as there is in population. There are 80,000,000 people in the United States and 6,000,000 in Canada; whereas a glance at the map will show that the comparison of the areas over which rural mail delivery would operate in Canada, if such a system were to be established, with the like areas in the United States is a vastly different comparison. The areas are very much more nearly of a parity than the populations. For the current year the pay of the rural mail carriers in the United States amounts to $34,000,000, and for next year $36,000,000 will be required. It is within the mark to say that if the dominion were to establish rural mail delivery, $10,000,000 would be the figure.

Without saying anything of the immense patronage possibilities this would provide for politicians in power who considered their political necessities first and the public service second, it is to be pointed out that the establishment of rural mail deliveries would have to proceed upon the principle of density of population, as in the case of city deliveries. This would mean that the old and thickly settled portions of eastern Canada—like Mr. Armstrong's constituency of East Lambton—which, already, have conveniences that we cannot have in the west for some time to come, would enjoy another convenience, the cost of supplying them with which would soon turn the post office surplus into a huge deficit; and when requests came from the west for postal extensions and improvements the reply would be that there was no money. The inevitable necessity, no matter what government was in power, would be that the west's postal service would be starved, while an enormous addition would be made to the taxation of the whole dominion.

The farmers of western Canada will size up for themselves the entire significance of this rural mail delivery cry of the opposition. They do not expect any government to do the impossible. They would be well content to wait for rural mail deliveries until Canada is a little nearer the position the United States was in before rural deliveries were inaugurated by the Washington government, if the dominion government would, as the Free Press has repeatedly pointed out the need of its doing, show greater promptness in extending the postal service in accordance with the requirements of the west, and keep that service throughout the whole of the west up to the highest possible standard of efficiency. It is particularly important that the extension of the postal service should keep pace with railway extension, and the anomaly of mails carried by stages in a district with a train service should not be in evidence. From the first day of train service on a new line, the train should carry the mails. Better salaries, too, should be paid to the men in the postal service; that is the way to secure the best men and the best service to the public. These are the respects in which the people of western Canada demand improved postal service. If the dominion government will give its attention to providing these necessary improvements, the people of western Canada will be content for the present. It would be a poor compliment to their intelligence to imagine that they could fail to estimate the free delivery buncombe at its real value.

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Subscribers in arrears will please take heed of this notice and remit any money due on their subscriptions before January 1, 1908.

PRICE OF METALS

New York, Dec. 20—Silver, 53; electrolytic copper, 13 and 13 1-8.

London, Dec. 20—Lead, £13 17s. 6d.; silver, 24 9-16.

NELSON NEWS OF THE DAY

Mrs. Cleve Hall left yesterday for Toronto.

Inspector of schools J. D. Gillis left for the coast last night.

H. C. Hall is leaving for the coast this evening for the holidays

Mrs. Melville Parry will go to the coast tomorrow evening to rejoin her husband.

Born, in this city on Dec. 20, to the wife of August Fletz, cemetery road, a daughter

S. J. Gorman came in from Spokane last night and is leaving this morning for Edmonton.

In the absence of the police last night the audience at the theatre was reduced to hissing to stop the constant interruptions from the gallery.

The temperature yesterday was milder, the thermometer ranging between 30 and 25 degrees. The day was overcast and snow began to fall at 8 o'clock in the evening, there being an inch registered at midnight.

The Red and Blue banquet last night in the Baptist church was a signal success, over 200 sitting down to well laden tables. After the supper a short program was given and several addresses were made by the teachers who outlined the work for the coming year. Mrs. Ireland and Mr. Stocks rendered a couple of solos each and were heartily encored. The individual prize winners were, 1st, F. Hopkins; 2nd, Belle Newcombe. The gathering broke up with the singing of the National Anthem.

Yesterday there were four cases of tuberculosis in the general hospital, showing the necessity of some action being taken by the citizens in the matter.

The chocolate set, donated by the Canada Drug and Book company for the benefit of the antituberculosis society, will be raffled during Christmas week, the proceeds going to the society.

Owing to want of space in this issue from holiday advertising and some special articles, letters from Silverton business men and W. M. Chalmers, concerning the Slocan license question, are held over and will appear tomorrow.

The civic fire, water and light committee met at the city hall yesterday, there being present the mayor and aldermen Selous and McMorris. The committee instructed engineer Brown to cut off all consumer in arrears forthwith, written notices having already been sent out. Power consumers will be given until Dec. 24 to pay up.

J. R. Davis of Fruitvale while taking a load of ties down a steep grade at Beaver yesterday afternoon, lost his balance and fell among the horses, breaking his right arm and injuring his chest. He was taken to the Ymir hospital on the S. F. and N. train last night.

The Hume hotel has substituted a system of telephones in each room to the exclusion of the old bell service. Guests in the hotel may now telephone each other from room to room, or telephone to any person on the exchange, no matter how far distant, without leaving their apartment.

At the general hospital yesterday morning William Sleeman, a miner of Ymir, died from consumption. Deceased was 45 year of age and a Cornishman by birth. The remains were removed to the undertaking parlors of D. J. Robertson and company. A funeral notice will be given later.

It is not often that Nelson is treated to a Shakespearian play and although judged from a London standpoint scenes from the Merchant of Venice, as presented last night by the Sandford Dodge company to a sparse Nelson audience were lacking in many particulars, yet taking the average of the plays lighting the theatre here, the Merchant of Venice was above the average. As far as such a thing can be, the rendition was original. Dodge as Shylock had a reminiscence of Sadler Wells, and Portia, in a crimson gown, was not new but the more in character with a supposed D.C.L. Miss Louise Marshall has faults as Portia, who would not with such precedents to overcome, but she is worth seeing. Fox as Bassanio did exceptionally well and Jessica was portrayed by no mere novice. This afternoon will be given Ingomar and in the evening Romeo and Juliet. Good plays are worth encouraging and a visit to the theatre this afternoon or evening will not be regretted.

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JUDGE NELSON DEAD

Well Known Rossland Barrister Passed Away Yesterday

W. J. Nelson, the well known Rossland barrister, died at his residence in Rosland early yesterday morning, the cause of death being heart failure. The deceased was about 45 years of age and leaves no relatives in Kootenay. Mr. Nelson was born in Ontario and was called to the bar of that province over 20 years ago. He came to Rossland early in 1896 and was called to the bar of this province the same year and practised his profession in the city of his adoption up to the time of his death. He ably filled the positions of city solicitor, police magistrate and judge of the small debts court.

A man of marked ability and of unusual kindness of heart, Mr. Nelson made many warm friends all over western Canada and he was always a conspicuous figure in every public and patriotic movement.

The deceased was the author of several short poems of merit and was noted for his muical and dramatic criticisms, many of which appeared in the columns of the Miner. Mr. Nelson was a well known member of the Queen's Own Rifles of Toronto and served with the regiment through the Riel rebellion in 1885. It will be difficult to think of Rossland without the familiar kindly face and burly form of the "old judge," as the deceased was universally known.

WICKED POST CARDS

Winnipeg, Dec. 20—The case against Israel Meyers, charged with selling obscene postcards in his store on Main street was taken up in the police court today. The crown finished its case with the evidence of sergeant Newton, who stated he found several post cards of a suggestive nature in the store and he produced the cards in court. Magistrate Daly stated that there was not sufficient evidence to send Myers up for trial but he ruled that the defendant should go on trial at the next sitting of the court of assizes.

SAD DEATH AT KASLO

(Special to The Daily News)

Kaslo, Dec. 20—The little daughter, Kathleen, of Mr. and Mrs. Sam. Bruce of this city, died today, after a brief illness of rheumatic fever, aged 11 years. Mr. Bruce is one of the oldest residents here and is greatly respected; the loss he and his wife have sustained is very sincerely regretted by this community.

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