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WARM CORNER

Chancellor of Exchequer in Thickest of Fight

LORD STRATHCONA HURT

HAS NARROW ESCAPE IN AUTO ACCIDENT—FIERCE ATTACK ON MARQUIS OF BUTE—ANOTHER ALLEGED INTERVIEW WITH CANADIAN MINISTER

LONDON, Dec. 22—Lord Strathcona had a narrow escape from serious injury last evening. He was returning to his office from an official engagement, when his auto was smashed into. Lord Strathcona was knocked down in his car and dazed, but he was otherwise apparently unhurt.

LONDON, Dec. 22—Wherever Mr. Lloyd-George goes there is the hottest corner of the battlefield. He is spending Christmas among his own people in Wales and has chosen the marquis of Bute, a millionaire land and mine owner of Cardiff, for a bitter attack. The marquis owns 117,000 acres, also the Cardiff docks and some of the biggest mines, which pay him substantial royalties. It is only necessary to mention these facts in Lloyd-George's style to inflame the working class audience. The picture from a radical standpoint is completed by an enumeration of his titles, as follows: "marquis of Bute, earl of Dumfries, lord Crichton of Sanguhar and Cummoch, lord Mount Stuart of Cumrae and Inchmarnock, baron Cardiff, earl Windsor and viscount Mount Joy, with five princely residences in England, Scotland and Wales.

It is also true, though Lloyd-George does not mention this, that lord Butes estates are excellently managed. He has made large gifts of land for public parks and has been a munificent donor to Welsh causes.

Lloyd-George finds that the marquis of Bute charges £1200 annually as ground rent on land occupied by a theatre, the agricultural rent of which was formerly £56 10s. When cries of "Shame" arose from the audience the speaker proceeded: "I was astounded; I could hardly believe that extortion could go to that extent, and I made very careful inquiries and I find that they are charging something like 5s. per square yard per annum." (Renewed cries of shame.) "Who is Barabas, I would like to know? All I say to the marquis is this: 'You ought to contribute at the rate of £1200 per annum. How could you expect people with such a record as that to let the budget pass? But it will pass. And many another bill will follow it." (Cheers.)

To which the marquis of Bute replied: "For imperial and local taxation I pay on the annual rental of the land to me, whether £56 or £1200; that is fair. Mr. Lloyd-George wants me to pay on £1200, when I received only £56, which would be grossly unfair."

Donald McMaster is calling upon the dukes to aid him in his fight in the Chertsey division. Lord Dundonald spoke for him last week and last night the duke of Norfolk, was the chief speaker. The duke's speech was a good deal interrupted, especially when he was defending the lords.

Earl Cawdor, a unionist and the ex-first lord of the admiralty, is another storm center. His insistence upon the imminence of the German peril, especially licenses the ministers. Speaking at Rochdale last night earl Cawdor said that naval defence was the greatest issue before the country. "Germany is building warships rapidly and working overtime while England is sitting still with her hands folded doing nothing," he declared. He appealed to all who wished to safeguard the country and empire to wake up before it was too late.

Joe Martin is having a stiff fight in the London working class constituency of St. Pancras. He is chiefly devoting himself to ridiculing the pretensions of the lords.

The date of the dissolution of parliament has not yet been officially announced. The government is being urged to defer dissolution until Jan. 10, that the first election should take place on Jan. 15. Many liberal candidates are of the opinion that if the election took place on Saturday, Jan. 10, it would be a great benefit to the cause.

Mr. Keir Hardie says that the labor party expected the decision of the house of lords that trades union levies were illegal. As a result of the decision Mr. Hardie has grave doubts as to the position the labor party should pursue with candidates they have arranged for. There is no doubt the decision of the lords will lead to the abandonment of several labor candidates.

LONDON, Dec. 22—Undeterred by sir Wilfrid Laurier's denial of the alleged interview with its Ottawa correspondent, the Manchester Guardian today publishes another column from the same source under these headlines: "Birmingham reference preference ridiculed by Canadian minister—Makes very jack-asses laugh."

The correspondent admits that sir Wilfrid refuses to express himself on election issues but gives verbatim interviews with one whom he calls a "prominent colleague of Laurier," which excite the greatest astonishment here. This minister's personal abuse of lord Lansdowne is especially resented by unionists who also declare this Canadian minister's assertions to be the grossest perversion of what a moment's inquiry would have shown him to be the authoritative unionist policy.

The opinion of the unionist leaders generally was expressed by one of them as follows this morning: "I will not pretend to guess who this astounding Canadian minister can be, though it is easy to make guesses. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Fielding certainly know too much of the real British conditions to talk such unadulterated rubbish, and I should have thought no responsible minister in any part of the king's dominions would have been willing at a moment like the present, when British political feelings are inevitably inflamed, to extend his personal spite and meddle with what does not concern him, and foul the hitherto sweet waters of Anglo-Canadian relations.

"We English, unionist and radical leaders alike, studiously avoid interfering with your Canadian politics. We have a right also to ask your leaders to keep their fists out of our pie. Nothing but direct mischief to everything we and all parties in Great Britain and Canada hold dear must follow any imitation of this very bad Ottawa ministerial example."

The Canadian minister's statement affecting lord Lansdowne, is as follows: "The bulk of the tariff reform case is made up of fiction, and an old, exploded fiction at that, and when one sees a man like lord Lansdowne, whom we Canadians respect so much, parading it up and down England in the hope of catching the votes of the uninstructed, one cannot but think that evil communications have corrupted the good manners of the historic tory party."

Another astonishing perversion reads thus: "The close friendship now existing between England and the United States and Canada would almost certainly be disturbed by the advent to office of the tories, those militant imperialists who appear to imagine that they strengthen the empire by being insolent in turn to every foreign power who is not actually a treaty ally. Such weighty considerations as these have made thinking men in Canada, desire the success of the British liberals."

Who would imagine from this that it was a tory prime minister, lord Salisbury, and lord Lansdowne, his successor as foreign secretary, who laid the whole foundation of the present friendliness with the United States and of the policy which Mr. Balfour followed in the Behring sea and every other dispute, and under which Mr. Chamberlain himself negotiated the compact which kept the peace on the Atlantic fisheries question? The rest of the article is, unionists assert, grotesque and in view of official unionist utterances, a wilful misrepresentation of Mr. Balfour's policy of preference and tariff reform. He pictures John Bull, under a Balfour ministry, swaggering up and down the main street of the world, gun in hand, looking for trouble and finding it after the manner of the bad man of a western mining camp. He charges Mr. Balfour's followers with being at what he calls their old protection tricks and with insincerity and bad faith in their preference policy. All this appears with a commendatory editorial in one of the most influential ministerial journals and will doubtless be reprinted in the form of a circular and distributed in every British constituency as Canada's official pronouncement on the present election.

LONDON, Dec. 22—Premier Asquith is the theme of todays' editorials by reason of his Liverpool speech. The Star (Radical) declares that the people know they have a prime minister who is a strong man, not a Balfour.

The Daily News, always applauding premier Asquith, says of the unionist attitude: "An attack so open and so audacious upon the whole structure of free institutions has never before been made by any English party. Premier Asquith made a very deep and just observation that his antagonists in the assault upon representative government are ex-proconsuls, men like lord Curzon and lord Milner, who had their training in barbarous or semi-civilized countries and who are now attempting to apply the maximum of Asiatic or African despotism to free people."

The unionist journals, on the other hand, heavily score premier Asquith. The Times says of the premier's budget policy, that even if carried it would not put an end to tariff reform for the simple reason that it could never increase employment or invigorate industrial enterprise. On the contrary it would depress trade and reduce employment in geometrically increasing ratio every year.

The Pall Mall Gazette says: "We must assume that by frequent repetition the ministers have actually persuaded themselves of some of the statements they present in defiance of common knowledge, statements so ridiculous that no one would have the hardihood to utter them outside these islands or to any audience that does not put fetish above reason. Mr. Asquith makes assertions so desperate that we must suppose his only remaining ambition as a free importer is to die game."

(Canadian Associated Press.)

LONDON, Dec. 22—Following are points of various speeches:

Duke of Norfolk—When the electors record their votes let them remember it was the lords that gave them the opportunity.

Lord Desborough—The house of commons is becoming more and more under the rule of a small committee of the cabinet.

Hon. George Wyndham—The government has tried to revive home rule

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APPEAL COURT

Four Criminal Cases for Court's First Session

THREE KOOTENAY CASES

RESERVE CASE IN THEFT TRIAL HEARD AT NELSON—CRANBROOK AND FERNIE APPEALS —QUESTION OF ADMISSIBILITY OF EVIDENCE.

(Special to The Daily News.)

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 22.—The abandonment of the proposed appeal in Rex vs. Pasoloski, a reserve case from judgment by County Judge Howay at New Westminster, leaves but four criminal appeals to be taken up by the new appellate court of British Columbia when that important tribunal assembles for the first time in this city on January 4, the bench being composed of Hon. Chief Justice J. A. MacDonald and Justices Irving, Martin and Calliher. In accordance with the terms of the act providing for the constitution of the new court, supreme court registrars will for the present serve also as registrars of the appellate division, although it is expected that special appointments in this connection will be made as soon as the volume of appellate court business develops such proportions as to make independent registrars an obvious necessity.

The criminal appeals remaining upon the docket for consideration, as usual, in advance of civil appeals are: Rex vs. Peterio, a reserve case granted by County Judge Wilson of Kootenay. The trial and conviction of the defendant took place at Nelson, Peterio being found guilty of the theft of $36 from one Mildred Mills. The appeal is based upon the argued inadmissibility of certain admissions which the trial judge permitted to go in as evidence.

Rex vs. Stickler, a reserve case granted by County Judge Wilson of Kootenay at Cranbrook. The prisoner was convicted of having obtained certain moneys by false pretenses and was sentenced to three years' imprisonment. The appeal here also rests upon the question of the admissibility or otherwise of certain evidence.

Rex. vs. Ingram, a reserve case granted by County Judge Wilson of Kootenay. Ingram had been indicted and convicted of keeping a gaming house in connection with his store at Fernie and the appeal again rests upon the challenged admissibility of evidence.

Rex vs. Walker and Chanley, a reserve case granted to Stuart Henderson, counsel for the two prisoners, at their trial at the Clinton assizes by the trial judge, Hon. Justice Morrison, appeal resting upon the admissibility of an ante-mortem statement by the Indian woman, Agnes, whom the prisoners were proven to have kicked to death during the course of a drunken orgy. Walker and Chanley were convicted by the trial judge of murder and were sentenced to death by hanging at Kamloops jail on the 20th of the present month. A month's reprieve was subsequently granted by the assize upon the recommendation of the trial judge until January 20 pending disposal of the appeal allowed by his lordship.

British Columbia fruit has again been winning golden opinions and tangible silver souvenirs of success at representative old country exhibitions. The Banksian medal, presented by an enenthusiastic fruit champion of the name of Banks has been well won by the exhibit orginating in the Victoria district. Mr. Scott writes of the latest triumph for provincial orchard products from London, which city he expected to leave en route for home on the 31st inst., reaching Victoria some time in mid-January. The provincial display was also awarded the royal horticultural society's gold medal for the fifth year in succession.

LOCAL OPTION GAINS.

Eleven Hotels Will Be Closed in Manitoba and One Reopens.

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 22.—Eleven hotels will be closed as the result of the spirited fight which concluded yesterday on local option, and one, which was formerly closed, will be allowed to re-open. The net gain, therefore, to the temperance cause is that the province will contain ten fewer hotels this year than last year.

The total number of businesses which were attacked in the campaign was 34, and 23 of these will remain open for at least another year. The number of municipalities carried by each side is about equal, but several of those in which local option was victorious are places which do not have liquor licenses.

W. W. Buchanan, leader of the "banish the bar" forces, this morning expressed himself as well pleased with the result of the local option vote yesterday. "We have really gained 21 municipalities," said he," and lost only one. We have won three times the number we ever did before at one time and have increased the number under veto to 55 out of a total number of 130 municipalities in the province.

"The result in many cases, while not carrying the veto, we consider to be victories."

LEOPOLD'S OBSEQUIES

CORTEGE BROKEN BY CROWDS OF SIGHTSEERS.

KING'S SONS ATTEND SPECIAL REQUIEM MASS.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 22.—A torrential rain accompanied by a driving wind ushered in the funeral day of King Leopold II, but as the imposing military cortege left the royal palace and slowly moved to the cathedral the downpour ceased, the gale died away and there remained such a dull gray morning as signalled the sovereign's death. The occasion was made a general holiday and undismayed by the tempestuous weather vast crowds were early in possession of every point of vantage along the route of the cortege.

More impressive as a spectacle, however, than the scene in the streets was that at the cathedral of St. Michael and St. Egudule, the magnificent Gothic pile, which from the city's eminence dominates the many architectural beauties of ancient Brussels. In its interior all had been done that the hand of man could fashion to emphasize the regal rites, but the work of the artist served to conceal rather than emphasize the simple but noble lines of the kingly edifice. The marvelous stained glass windows recall the old history of Europe while suggesting that picturesque past of Belgium which after the domination of many empires emerged a separate and independent kingdom.

In the body of the cathedral were grouped foreign princes and diplomats, delegations and government officials. The cortege entered the transportal headed by officers of the army and the civic guard in full uniform and followed by the judges in their scarlet robes, the ministers, members of parliament and many priests. Behind the velvet covered casket walked Prince Albert, who wore the uniform of a general.

A solemn requiem mass was celebrated by Cardinal Mercier, archbishop of Melins. The famous collegiate choir of Brussels rendered magnificently and without organ accompaniment " Dies Irae de Profundis." The mass was ceremoniously followed by the rites of absolution performed over the body by five bishops and the papal nuncio. As the imposing military cortege left the cathedral and passed through the denser part of the city the crowd increased and impatiently surged against the cordons of soldiers who guarded the line of march. For a time disorder reigned. The lines of soldiers were broken and in the hopeless confusion that followed the carriages of the members of parliament were intercepted and the funeral parade all but broken up. The police and soldiers struggled with the excited people and in the clash many persons were so bruised that they were sent to the hospitals.

At Lacken a solemn burial service was held. The brilliant assemblage included the royal family. Several missionaries from the Congo, including a colored man, were present.

PONTIAC, France, Dec. 22.—Lucien and Phillippe, the sons of the late King Leopold, accompanied by their governess, drove from Balincourt to the little village of Arronville today and attended a special mass celebrated for the repose of the king's soul. The boys wore white sailor suits, on the sleeves of which were bands of crepe. Baroness Vaughan, their mother, did not appear.

PONTOIS, Dec. 22.—The petition of Baroness Vaughan for the cancellation of the order placing seals upon the property at Balincourt, which was given her by the late King Leopold, was argued before the court today. The decision will be handed down tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Taft accompanied by practically all of the members of his cabinet, will attend the solemn high mass of requiem to be held at St. Matthew's Roman Catholic church tomorrow morning for the repose of the soul of King Leopold of Belgium. The mass will be one of the most brilliant ever held in this city. All of the members of the diplomatic corps will attend in full uniform. The president has cancelled all of his engagements for tomorrow.

WORKS OLD MINE

Property Discovered by Cortez Three Centuries Ago Yields Gold

SPOKANE, Dec. 22 — "Swiftwater Bill" Gates, mining prospector of Spokane, who has found a half dozen fortunes in the white and silent north and in the Pacific northwest only to lose them in other ventures, has turned up in the Andes mountains in Peru where he is examining a placer mine, discovered and worked by Cortez and his men more than 300 years ago. His partner, P. A. Wilson, now in Spokane, says that Gates is to have a half interest in the property for his work in opening up the mine, the cost of this being $165,000. As Gates has ample backing, it is believed he will be able to clean up another fortune. The mine is 30 miles from the coast at an elevation of 7000 feet and so far has only been "scratched." There is a canal, 150 miles long through the placer ground and it is purposed to use its water for washing out the gold. Gates has advised Wilson that the mountains of Peru are fairly reeking with yellow metal, as is evidenced by the fact that an adjoining property is producing $600,000 in gold a month. He adds there will be a rush to the new fields as soon as full information is available.

CONCILIATION

Dispute Between the Grand Trunk and Employees

NEW TELEGRAPH TARIFF

RAILWAY COMMISSION PERMITS NEW SCALE FOR CODE MESSAGES—RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' BROTHERHOOD AND C. A. F. L. AMALGAMATE

(Western Associated Press.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 22—For some time there has been a dispute between the G.T.R. and its station agents and operators regarding hours of work. A conciliation board has been appointed consisting of J. E. Atkinson of Toronto, chairman, appointed by the minister of labor; Wallace Nesbitt, K.C., representing the railway and W. E. Lees of Toronto for the men. The dispute affects all lines east of Detroit.

The Evening Citizen says: "It is is stated that a number of disputes as to classification of excavation of the lake Superior section of the Transcontinental railway have been adjusted as between Mr. Kelliher of the G.T.P. and G. Grant, chief engineer of the commission. This has been done without the necessity of a reference to Collingwood Schreiber. The third arbitrator was appointed on Nov. 11. Other sections will be gone over in the spring. The corresondence and other matters relating to classification on the Transcontinental will be the subject of enquiry when parliament reassembles. but it is said that the attitude of both the commission and the G.T.P. will be to sit tight, pending the completion of the work of the new arbitration board.

The railway commission heard a long argument today on the complaint of the Manufacturers' association against the new tariff on code messages proposed by telegraph companies. On artificial words it was proposed that five instead of ten letters should count as one word. The manufacturers argued that this would disarrange their code. The new tariff has gone into effect in the United States and on government telegraphs, and the board decided that in international business its previous order forbidding the new tariff going into effect until evidence was heard should not apply. The commission this afternoon gave out judgment allowing the new tariff of the companies to come into effect on July 1 next.

The amalgamation of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees, with the Canadian Federation of Labor which has been pending since the convention of the latter held here in September has at last been completed. Final arrangements were made for taking of railway men into the Canadian Federation of Labor at a conference held here between J. W. Patterson, president of the Federation and A. R. Molscher, grand president of the Brotherhood.

It is understood that the terms on which amalgamation is made are satisfactory to all parties concerned. Railway men will continue their organization under the old name but will pay a per capita tax on the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees numbering 3000 and are mainly men employed on the Intercolonial and other lines in Nova Scotia. Their head office is in Halifax.

President D'Arcy Magee of the Ottawa hockey club, received a wire from manager Jack Winchester of the Edmonton team, asking him to hold Edmonton's cup dates open. Mr. Magee says the Edmonton team will most likely come. They will no doubt be given the Shamrock dates of Jan. 1 and 3 if they come.

SECTION MEN ARRESTED

Charged With Murder of Railway Operator at Redwater

NORTH BAY, Dec. 22—Two section men named Morin and Cornish were arrested by provincial constables Fred and Jerry Lefebre for the murder of W. J. Dyson, Temiskaming & Northern Ontario railway night operator at Redwater. The prisoners were brought to North Bay on a special train early this morning together with the body of Dyson. Cornish's story of the tragedy is that he had words with Dyson over orders given by the latter to unload a car of coal. The quarrel resulted in a fight and Dyson had Cornish on the floor and was pounding him when Morin rushed in with a heavy club and struck Dyson repeatedly over the head until he rolled over on the floor unconscious and bleeding. Cornish and Morin returned to their shack where they remained until arrested. Morin admits using a club but says he had no intention of causing death. Both prisoners are young men, Morin 21 and Cornish 25.

CANADA BUYS CRUISER.

First Vessel of New Navy—To Be Used as Training Ship.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 22.—H. M. S. Appollo, a third-class cruiser of 34,000 tons, has been purchased by Canada from Great Britain and is being made ready to proceed to Esquimalt for use as a training ship and fishery protection cruiser in British Columbia waters, forming the nucleus of a Canadian navy for the Pacific.

H. M. S. Egeria, an old survey vessel, has been recommissioned until 1911 and will continue hydrographic work, and H. M. S. Algerine will recommission at Esquimalt in March. Numerous applications are being received for places in the Canadian navy.

IS COMPLETE VICTORY

THOUSANDS KILLED, WOUNDED OR CAPTURED.

TROOPS HAD BUT LITTLE FOOD FOR FIFTEEN DAYS.

BLUEFIELDS, Dec. 22.—General Estrada has won a complete victory over the government troops at Rama. A total of 600 men of both armies were killed or wounded. Nineteen hundred of Zelaya's men have surrendered, including General Gonzales, who was in command. Two Americans are reported killed.

The fighting occurred outside of the city limits.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Confirmation of the Associated Press dispatches from Nicaragua were received today at the navy department in a cablegram from Captain Shipley of the Des Moines, now at Bluefields, dated 3 o'clock this morning. These advices say that General Castrillo, four pieces of field artillery, 1,500 rifles and 1,000,000 rounds of ammunition were included in the surrender of the government forces. The wounded have been carried to Bluefields, where the hospital facilities are inadequate to the demands made by the results of the engagement. Captain Shipley says he has established a hospital on shore, employing surgeons, assistants and hospital supplies from the Des Moines and the Tacoma. No force has been landed from the American warships.

Zelaya's losses in killed, wounded and captured, the captain reports, is about 2,500.

An earlier telegram from Captain Shipley, dated the 21st, says that the revolutionary force in Nicaragua has gained a decisive victory at Rama over the government forces. The telegram states that Estrada's army on the 20th began an organized attack on the government position. The outposts of the Zelaya forces under Gonzales were defeated and routed. The fighting continued all day.

General Vasquez of the government forces is said to be a prisoner at Managua, but the cause of his arrest is not known at the state department. Captain Shipley's telegram addes that the surrender of the entire government force was expected yesterday and that Estrada is confident of complete success.

A telegram from United States Consul Moffatt at Bluefields confirms the dispatch received from Captain Shipley of the great battle fought at Rama. He adds that 150 prisoners brought into Bluefields yesterday were barefooted, starved and mostly young boys. They said they had had little or no food for 15 days.

Consul Moffatt states that the surrender of the 2,500 soldiers of Zelaya's army removes the entire government force from the Atlantic side of the republic.

Did Not Disclose Secrets.

TORONTO, Dec. 22.—Owen Morrison and Allen Gibson, who were charged by the E. W. Gillett company with conspiracy to defraud by disclosing trade secrets, were acquitted by the jury in the criminal sessions tonight and discharged.

Gibson went into the witness box and gave a clear explanation of all his transactions in the matter and swore positively that he never talked to Ald. Adams or T. C. Robinett, K. C., of forming a company or going into business; that he never disclosed any secrets of the formulas of the company he worked for, and that he knew all about the formation of yeast, having learned the formula from his mother.

Claims Heavy Damages

NEW YORK, Dec. 22—Thomas B. Harned, a Philadelphia lawyer, today brought suit against the International Magazine company owned by W. R. Hearst, asking damages of $75,000 for an alleged libel in the current issue of the Cosmopolitan magazine in an article entitled "Tragedies of the Sugar Trust." In this same article appeared a copy of the letter written by attorney general Wickersham to Henry A. Wise, United States district attorney here, which in some manner was copied from an original in Mr. Wise's desk.

Little Tim Dead

NEW YORK, Dec. 22—Timothy P. Sullivan the "Little Tim" of the Bowery and a power in metropolitan politics, died at his east side home at 5:30 tonight. He has been in bad health for more than six months and within a week his condition had become critical.

Bury the Hatchet.

SAN JUAN, Dec. 22—After 12 years of political disagreement the republican and unionist leaders, Dr. J. C. Barbosa and Luis Rivera, have agreed to bury their differences and unite for the improvement of civic conditions and elective senate and the fullest self-government.

Efforts Unsuccessful.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 22.—Efforts to float the Allan liner Corinthian have so far been unsuccessful. Another trial will be made at high tide.

ASSASSINATE

Another Br[illegible] Official is M[illegible]d in Bombay

PROVINCIAL LIBRARY

KOREAN PREMIER STABBED

CHIEF OF SECRET POLICE OF ST. PETERSBURG BLOWN TO PIECES BY BOMB—INDIAN OUTRAGE INCREASES FEAR OF UPRISING.

BOMBAY, British India, Dec. 22.—Arthur Mason Tippett Jackson, chief magistrate of Nasik, in the presidency of Bombay, was assassinated by a native while attending a theatrical performance last night. The motive for the murder is supposed to have been a wish for revenge upon the magistrate, who had recently sentenced a criminal to life imprisonment. Nasik is a hotbed of sedition. Jackson had been in the British Indian service since 1888.

Whatever may have been the immediate cause for the assassination of Chief Magistrate Jackson, the outrage cannot fail to increase the ever present fear of an uprising in India. Attempts have been made in India against the lives of Lord Minto, Lord Kitchener, Sir Andrew Fraser, the lieutenant governor of Bengal, and other British officials. On July 1st last Sir William Hutt Curzon Wyllie, who had recently held important Indian appointments, was murdered at the imperial institute in London by an Indian student who was subsequently hanged.

SEOUL, Korea, Dec. 22.—Premier Yi, the head of the Korean cabinet, was stabbed and fatally wounded today by a Korean. The attack occurred at 10 o'clock this morning. The assailant was a young Christian who had for many years been a resident of America. The premier was riding in his jinrickshaw when the assassin came up with a long kitchen knife in his hand. He drove this twice into the abdomen of the premier and once into the lung. The assassin then turned on the premier's jinrickshaw man, whom he stabbed and instantly killed. He is a youth of about 20 years and is believed to be a member of a political society. The premier was removed to a hospital.

Yi was always credited with fostering anti-Japanese sentiment in Korea. He bitterly opposed the action among the Koreans which favored annexation to Japan and refused to present a petition for a constitution to the Korean empire. Notwithstanding Yi's known sentiments in regard to relations between Japan and Korea, Marquis Ito regarded Yi as an honest and conscientious patriot and refused to listen to the premier's repeated requests that he be allowed to resign his office. It is believed that the assassination is the result of political intrigue.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22.—Colonel Karpoff, chief of the secret police of St. Petersburg, was assassinated early today. He retired to a modest apartment in a remote street of St. Petersburg district and there was blown to pieces by a bomb exploded supposedly by his guest who had leased the rooms a few days before. The murderer rushed to the street following the explosion, and was captured. An assistant of Karpoffs, who had accompanied him, was severely injured. Karpoff was appointed from Baku, where he had been chief of the secret service. There has been several convictions of bomb makers recently.

HOPE MOUNTAIN GRADES.

Two and a Half Per Cent Against East Bound Traffic.

(Special to The Daily News.)

SEATTLE, Dec. 22—J. H. Kennedy, chief engineer of the V. V. & E. railway, in a interview here discussed the question of grades over the Hope mountains, between Princeton and Hope.

"Without taking into consideration the tunnel project, which will not be carried out in the near future, the Hill engineers have been successful in locating a line that will give a maximum grade of eight-tenths of one per cent as against west bound traffic," said Mr. Kennedy.

"The maximum grade as against east bound traffic will, of course, be heavier. The figure for 20 miles of the distance is 2½ per cent, and for an additional 15 miles it will amount to 1½ per cent. On the mountain section goin east should also be included the two mile section along Coquahalla lake, and constituting virtually a dead level for that distance.

"When the tunnel project is carried out, a project, by the way, that is not a pressing one, it will reduce the summit by 675 feet and accomplish a saving of 30 miles in the route, as well as cut off six miles from the length of the 2½ per cent grade."

Schley Clings to Cook Fetish.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Affirming his complete confidence in Dr. Cook, Rear Admiral W. C. Schley, retired, today called publicly upon Commander Peary to submit his proofs that he reached the north pole to some scientific body other than the National Geographical society. This, the admiral declared, should be done at once, in the interests of justice and to establish beyond question the claims of Peary.

The admiral believes that the same body which repudiated Cook's data should be permitted to pass upon the data submitted by Peary to the National Geographical society.

The Danes are the best body of men in the world on Arctic matters, he said. The consistory of the University of Copenhagen should be given the opportunity to examine the Peary proofs, for in that way they would be submitted to the same test that was applied to those of Cook.

The consistory, which was regarded by the civilized world as more than friendly, showed by its action in turning down the explorer that it holds the scales of justice as it sees them, evenly and honestly.

Admiral Schley believes the submission of the proofs to Copenhagen should be insisted upon by Peary, despite whatever the National Geographical society's attitude may be. It was suggested to the officer that the society some time ago officially declared its intention to let scientific bodies examine the Peary proofs, when they had been passed upon by the society.

"But the organization has not done it," he remarked, "so far there has been shown no disposition to carry out its avowed intentions therein."

Survey Point Grey Lands.

(Special to The Daily News.)

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22.—H. B. Smith of Rossland has just completed work on the sub-division of a large area of provincial lands at Point Grey. The tract is three times the size of that recently disposed of by the government at auction. Rumor states that the land will be offered at auction next spring but no confirmation of this report can be obtained. Mr. Smith will remain here this winter sub-dividing government land on the north arm of the Fraser.

The Nimble Penny Beats the Slow Shilling

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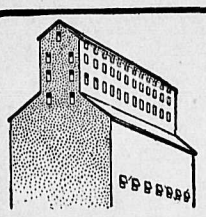

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these lands in 16-acre plots to white men, the money realized amounting to a cash bonus. It will be noticed that the Indians, who always have been treated as wards of the government, were given absolute control of these individual plots of lands; no protection was afforded them by the government. The natural result was that sundry real estate agents and others began at once to secure control of these small holdings. M. Bradbury at that time was not a member of parliament, but observing what was happening asked Dr. Roche (Con. Marquette) to question the government on the subject. The result was an official declaration that until the patents were issued the Indians had nothing to sell, and that no pledges would be recognized. The meaning of this was that it would be useless for any white man to bargain with an Indian in advance of his receiving his patent; for the patent would be handed direct to the Indian who would be under no obligation to recognize any claims upon it. It was a warning to the public not to buy. As a result, the general public abstained from trying to purchase these plots in advance of the issue of patents.

However, one or two real estate speculators did not seem to be deterred by this warning. Curiously enough, they were strong liberals. They went ahead and made arrangements with the Indians. What the Indians now say is that the white man would advance a sum of money to the Indian, the latter understanding that this merely gave the white man the first right, after the issue of the patent, to pay the price the Indian chose to put upon his land, and that if the white man did not care to pay this price, the Indian was to refund the advance. That is what the Indians assert they understood the arrangement to mean. What actually happened was that the patents were issued in the name of the Indians, but that the Indian agent handed them over direct to the white men who had made these advances and secured these agreements. The Indian does not seem to have touched his patent at all.

So now the situation is: First, the white speculators have the land at a low rate; second, they got it without competition from the general public, and in defiance of the official statement warning the public not to buy from the Indians; third, the Indian has a grievance; fourth, and that's all about it.

In the course of the week Charles Murphy, the secretary of state, made a statement of the subject of the granting of charters. It will be remembered that the Ontario government cancelled an Ontario charter which has been obtained by the association of racetrack men which is managing the track on the outskirts of Toronto whose management has evoked so much criticism, and that the association forthwith and without difficulty secured a dominion charter permitting it to carry on the business of racetrack gambling. Asked about it by Captain Tom Wallace, Mr. Murphy made a long reply which in effect amounts to an affirmation that the secretary of state has no option and must *grant any charter providing that the* application is made in proper form.

In this connection an interesting plea of history has been uncovered. Years ago, when the liberal party was in opposition, a combination of cotton companies was effected, and the liberal party in parliament, led by James Edgar, attacked the government for permitting it to take place. Part of the attack was on the ground that the letters patent had been issued to the new company without the proper security. This was in 1892 and 1893. Sir John Thompson's government was impressed by the argument that there should be more careful examination of applications for charters. It accordingly made a change and directed that all such applications should be sent to the finance department for review. This was done for several years, the finance department taking this duty seriously and passing every application under rigid scrutiny. This was done by the conservative government. In 1896 the liberal party came into power. And after two or three years it quietly abrogated the reform for which it had pressed in its years of opposition and caused the old way of granting charters to be resumed. The result is seen in Mr. Murphy's answer of the other day

AGE OF GARDEN SEEDS

VALUABLE SUGGESTION MADE BY CONSERVATIVE MEMBER.

LAURIER GOVERNMENT AND ST. PETER'S RESERVE.

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—A suggestion of considerable interest was made by Mr. Blain (Con. Peel) in the course of the discussion of the bill to amend the Seed Control act. The bill is to make regulations determining the standard of vitality of the seeds, and to keep certain seeds free from the mixture of weeds. Mr. Blain asked if any provision was made for stamping on small packages of seeds the date when the seeds were put into the packages. "This is a matter of considerable interest in the province of Ontario," he said. "For example, a wholesale seed merchant puts small packages of seeds into a box and sends them to the retailer. The retailer sells a number of the small packages during the season, and in many cases returns the unsold packages to the wholesaler. There is a complaint that the wholesale merchant continues to send out these packages year after year, without any investigation as to whether any vitality is left in the seeds or not, and it is suggested that the wholesale merchant should be required to put on all small packages of seeds he sends out for sale the date on which the seed was put into the package, so that the farmer or gardener buying it would have some assurance of the vitality of the seed."

Mr. Fisher was rather reluctant, saying that false dates might be put on packages of seeds offered for sale, but Mr. Blain pointed out that he was *speaking for the man who owns a small* garden rather than for the large dealer, and after some discussion Mr. Fisher yielded sufficiently to say that he was willing to look into the matter.

George H. Bradbury (Con. Selkirk) brought to public view in the house of commons the other day the peculiar circumstances in connection with the surrender of the St. Peter's Indian reserve near Winnipeg. This reserve is situated on the banks of the river, about 25 miles northeast of Winnipeg; it comprises about 48,000 acres, of which a large proportion is good land; taking into consideration the quality of the land and its nearness to the city, it was when put into the market the best available new land in Manitoba. The surrender was arranged in the spring of 1908.

One condition of the surrender was that each Indian who was of age should get 16 acres of this same land as individual property to cultivate or to sell as he or she chose. In all 410 patents were issued to these Indians, covering 23,000 acres of the total area of 48,000 acres. This arrangement simply meant in practice that the Indians would sell

ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT IS PRONOUNCED SUCCESS.

SANTA CLAUS DELIGHTS ALL BY JOKES AND GIFTS.

Two hundred delighted scholars of St. Joseph's school, large and small, with their parents and friends, assembled in the beautiful new parish hall of the church of Mary Immaculate on Monday, December 20, to greet the arrival of Santa Claus with their annual joyous welcome and receive his liberal stock of gifts and good things.

The following program was rendered with good taste and talent by the scholars and boarders:

Christmas welcome song..Older Pupils
"When Santa Claus Comes"..... .
.....Twelve kindergarten boys
Star drill.....Junior grade girls
"If You're Good".....Vocal solo
Song, "Santa's Gifts".....Baby girls
"A Joke on the Toymaker".....
...Operetta by the convent boarders
Violin solo with piano accompaniment
Wreath drill.....Fifth grade girls

On Santa Claus making his appearance from a most unexpected place he was greeted with the delighted shouts of the children and their song of "Welcome, Father Christmas." Everyone was made happy by his jokes, and a substantial remembrance in the way of beautiful gifts, sent all home an hour later praising all who had helped to make the children's Christmas tree so pronounced a success.

A small entrance fee was charged for the admission of grown-ups, as the pupils wished to aid their good pastor, Rev. Father Althoff, to meet with their mite the expenses connected with the new hall club rooms, as they appreciate his efforts to put every advantage within their reach. They have, therefore, a substantial token to give of their good will.

The convent school reopens the first Monday in January, when the English, French, commercial, music and evening classes will resume. The past year has been a most successful one, the large number of towns in the surrounding district represented amongst the boarders testifying in a substantial way to the appreciation of the advantages offered. Children left for Lethbridge, Hosmer, Wardner, Rossland, Cascade, Grand Forks and the Boundary to spend the Christmas holidays.

The space capacity of the school is taxed to the utmost and it is expected that further provision will shortly be made.

Alberta Makes Progress.

CALGARY, Dec. 22.—Evidence of the marked progress and possibilities of Alberta comes in an announcement that during the past year the grain interests expended over $1,000,000 in the erection of 119 new elevators throughout the province. These elevators provide 56 new towns with grain storage facilities, total storage added during 1909 being 3,958,000 bushels. This province now has 245 elevators with a capacity of 8,050,400, which is practically equal to the capacity of the entire northwest territories in the season 1904-5. It is expected, however, that next year will eclipse the record of 1909 as plans are already being laid to add to the present terminal elevators here and in addition elevator facilities must be provided in towns that are springing up along new railroads that will reach Calgary in 1910.

Trading Players.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 22.—That Pitcher and Outfielder Torrey, who played last season with Logan Squares of Chicago will be traded to New York, either for Second Baseman Herzog or Third Baseman Fletcher is intimated by Manager Griffiths. He says a deal is pending between New York and Cincinnati and that if it comes through he will get two players and give three.

Large Shipbuilding Plant Burned.

NEWBERG, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Fire this morning destroyed about one-half of the large shipbuilding plant of the T. S. Marvel company. The loss will aggregate about 75,000. Several new boats in course of construction and a dozen under repairs were threatened, but were saved by the firemen. About 150 men are thrown out of work.

Was Murder.

PARIS, Dec. 22.—The police have decided that Mme. Gluin, widow of the late Pules F. Gouard Gluin, governor of the Bank of France, whose body was found under a train near this city late Thursday, was murdered while she was occupying an apartment of the train. The family has offered a reward of $5,000 for the apprehension of the murderer.

Big Bonus to Employes.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—More than $2,000,000 will be distributed by the United States Steel corporation as a bonus to its employes. The bonus was first announced as $1,000,000, but Chairman Geary corrected this in his official announcement today.

Six Years for Warriner.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 22.—Charles L. Warriner, deposed local treasurer of the Big Four railroad, pleaded guilty to embezzlement and was sentenced today to serve six years in the Ohio penitentiary.

Wolgast Wins.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—Al Wolgast of Milwaukee won the decision over Frank Picato of Los Angeles in a ten-round bout last night.

Minister With Resignation.

ATHENS, Dec. 22.—The minister of war, Colonel Lapatheictis, presented his resignation to the premier yesterday afternoon. The premier and the military league induced him to withdraw it. Colonel Lapatheictis' action was the outcome of a scene in the chamber of deputies yesterday when the war minister in submitting the army organization bill attacked the administration of ex-Premier Theotokis. The supporters of the ex-premier protested and left the chamber in a body.

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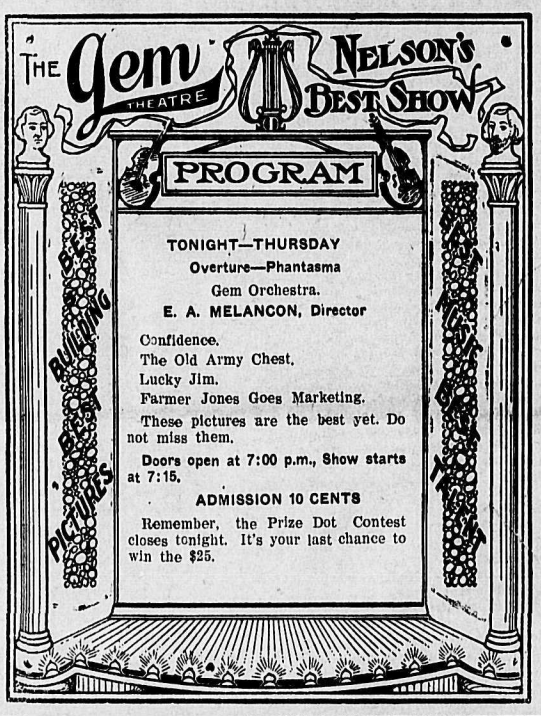

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WEARS A No. 17 BOOT

New York.—Geo. Dolling, seven feet and a quarter inch tall, arrived here today from England. He was met at the pier by his brother-in-law, Benj. Corday, who is a mere stripling of 6 feet, 8½ inches.

Dolling wears a number 17 boot, about six inches wide and sixteen inches long—eats enough for three ordinary men—and enjoys every mouthful.

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FOR AN EIGHT-HOUR DAY

CONSERVATIVE MEMBERS OF COMMONS SUPPORT THE IDEA.

MR. GOODEVE MAKES STRONG PLEA FOR ITS ADOPTION.

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—Following are the expressions of opinion by various members of parliament upon the eight-hour bill, which was discussed recently in the house of commons. The conservatives put their hearts into the debate, with the result that the subject was discussed with a seriousness never before seen in parliament.

Claude Macdonell (South Toronto) urged that the government should grapple with the question, and advised consideration by a parliamentary committee, which, after hearing all sides, could draft a workable measure. He favored the principle of having the eight-hour day introduced on public works.

A. S. Goodeve (Kootenay): "I listened with great interest to the speech of the honorable member for Maisonneuve (Mr. Verville) in introducing this bill. I have read also the honorable member's remarks on introducing a similar bill last session. The honorable member has gone to a good deal of trouble in carrying out research upon this question and in bringing before the house facts concerning the hours of labor. In the province of British Columbia, in the year 1901, we dealt to some extent with this question in relation to the mines. Then, as now, there was the struggle between the two great parties interested, the employer on one side and the workmen on the other. But we were fortunate in that the results of the operation of that law have been eminently satisfactory. I can state from personal knowledge that, up to the introduction of the eight-hour bill, in that portion of the country with which I am most familiar, the mining district of the Kootenay, only a small percentage of the laboring men owned their homes, or, apparently, took any interest in their homes. Any one familiar with that district at that time is aware that the homes of miners were usually shacks and the occupants paid little attention to the improvement of the surroundings, or of the home itself. Since the introduction of this eight-hour law that has been greatly changed A large number of miners have purchased and now own their own homes and are active in improving their surroundings. They have a certain amount of daylight at home, which under old conditions they could not have. With the ten-hour day in the mines it meant practically twelve hours, as any one will understand. Men had to rise long before daylight in the morning to get to their work, and they usually did not return till after dark. It was generally said, and very truly, that the men hardly saw their families in daylight from one end of the year to the other. Since the introduction of the eight-hour law that has been changed. The effect has been a marked change in the men of the mining district, as I have described. That is an argument that ought to to be of weight with the house. Surely, in this advanced age, with our great improvements in machinery and our rapid advance in many lines of economic improvement, the laboring men should have some share in these improvements and the benefits to be derived from them. It has been said that the adoption of such a measure as is here proposed would lead to shortening the hours of labor in other vocations, and it is inferred that it would be detrimental to the agricultural interests. I venture to think the conditions of work in agriculture are altogether different from those of the classes of labor to which this measure is intended to apply. Their harvest makes special demands upon those engaged in agriculture, and during certain times they naturally work from daylight till dark. But, during a considerable portion of the year, they have time for recreation and improving their minds. This bill, if I understand it aright, is meant primarily to apply to those engaged in labor under factory conditions. I have listened with pleasure to the arguments of the honorable member for South Toronto, Mr. Macdonell. Speaking as a layman, it seems to me that the honorable member's argument carries considerable weight. It is right and wise that, in a case of this kind, we should carefully consider all the circumstances and get all the light possible. I would not undertake to dispute the arguments advanced by the honorable member for South Toronto and the honorable member for South Wellington (Mr. Guthrie), who are, of course, well informed on the legal aspects of this question. On the contrary, I think it would be in the interest of the bill itself that we should move very carefully. Should any mistake be made, instead of advancing the interests of labor, which, of course, is the object sought by the introducer of the bill, the very purpose in view might be defeated. Therefore, I think the suggestion made by these gentlemen was a very wise one—that we should carefully weigh all the facts in this case, so that when we place a measure of this kind on the statute book it may be one that we are sure will be of advantage to working men generally and will be accepted by all fair minded men as promoting the best interest of all classes."

E. N. Rhodes (Cumberland) said: "I have given more or less attention to the subject of an eight-hour day, even before I became a member of this house, and the result of my reading, together with direct experience of the conditions of labor, has led me into a position of absolute sympathy with the movement of the labor men to secure what is known as a uniform eight-hour day. I approve of the principle of an eight-hour day and of the movement which has been inaugurated by organized labor in this and other countries to secure an eight-hour day. The objections which have been offered to this measure today have been largely technical legal objections."

Mr. Rhodes went on to combat the opinion that an eight-hour day would mean the accomplishment of less work than a ten-hour day, drawing for his arguments upon the experience of Victoria, Australia. He went on to satirize the way in which the laboring men in their quest for this eight-hour day have been thrown from province to dominion and from the dominion back again to the province.

C. A. Magrath (Medicine Hat) endorsed what Mr. Goodeve had said. "I am a supporter of the principle underlying this bill," he said, "and am prepared to vote for it. We hear much said about the conservation of our natural resources in this country, but the conservation of health is one of the most important things to which we can devote our attention, and this bill affects health. It also has a bearing on the question of the unemployed. It may affect the profits of some of our industrial firms, but as between the conservation of health and the diminution of unemployed on the one side and maintaining the profits of capitalists on the other side, I am in favor of it, of looking after the interests of the workingmen and allowing a few dividends to be diminished."

J. W. Maddin (South Cape Breton) declared himself in favor of an eight-hour day for the laboring classes. Meeting the argument that a man must accomplish more in ten hours than in eight, he said that the product is not the result alone of the time devoted to the labor, but also the skill and vitality put into it by the workman. For instance, in the coal mines of Nova Scotia within recent years they have introduced coal mining machines which are worked by compressed air at a very high pressure. The air is taken in from the reservoirs at the pit bottom at about 900 pounds pressure to the square inch. It is conducted through the mines and used in those machines. A man is stretched out on his stomach at full length, grasping the handles of this powerful machine, weighing perhaps 900 or 1,000 or even 1,200 pounds, working, as I have said, at heavy pressure, and pounding with a pick on the working face. There is a recoil that shakes and vibrates every part of the anatomy of the man operating the machine. It has been stated on apparently good authority that a man's working life, devoted to the operation of such machinery, even at eight hours per day, is only five or six years on the average."

Mr. Maddin went on to say that manufacturers who formerly thought that it was the last hour that gave them their profit have discovered that it was the last hour that registered their loss —that their workingmen had lost the vim and vitality with which they had pursued their labors earlier in the day. He instanced the firm of Messrs. Holden of Bradford, England, the largest wool combers in the world, who have mills in France running 72 hours a week and mills in England running 56 hours a week, and find that they can comb their wool more cheaply in England than in France, though they pay higher wages for the short day in England than for the long day in France, and employ exactly the same machinery in both places.

A. B. Crosby (Halifax) said the question had come to stay and that parliament should deal with it. Nobody regretted previous limitations of the hours of labor, and the same objections had been urged against the limitation of child labor.

Dr. J. D. Reid (Grenville) said he would vote for the bill and objected to having it sidetracked.

George H. Barnard (Victoria, B. C.) offered to support the bill if it were pressed to a division.

R. L. Borden said that it was a question that must be met. "In common with every member of this house, I am disposed to give the most sympathetic consideration to every measure that will improve the condition of the laboring men of this country. We want our laboring men to live and prosper under fair conditions so that, as has been well said tonight, we shall have a strong, virile population, not doomed to work on conditions of inequality or to compete on unfair conditions with the pauper labor of any country. We ought to give every possible consideration to their claims in this regard and I am disposed to do that."

Mr. Borden went on to urge that the matter must not be shelved. On the motion for a special committee being passed he took special pains to see that the committee was given the most ample powers in regard to the summoning of witnesses.

CRESTON ENTERTAINMENT

School Concert and Christmas Tree Successful—Cuts Foot With Axe

(Special to The Daily News.)

CRESTON, Dec. 22—The first annual public school Christmas tree and school concert in Creston was held last Monday evening in the Creston auditorium and the spacious hall was crowded to the limit, there being nearly 250 present. School trustee James Compton acted as chairman of the evening and in a suitable manner introduced the various performers as follows:

1, Opening speech by Lionel Moore; 2, recitation, May Laurie; 3, song, "John Peel," Joe Carver; 4, motion song by the pixies; 5, the entrance of herald, Master, A. Hurrey, to announce cantata "Christmas with the Pixies,"; 6, "Christmas with the Pixies," in this Miss Ella Dow received an encore for her solo in the lullaby song; 7, song, "Harrigan," Charles and Angus McPeak; 8, song, "Keep a Little Cosey Corner in Your Heart for me," John Broderick; 9, closing speech by Rose Cherrington. A special prize donated by P. R. Godfrey for the best child performer of the evening was awarded to Miss Ella Dow. After this the Alice siding children gave a little play entitled "Princess and Pixies. The children, one and all did their parts well and it would really be unfair to praise one more than another. The last feature on the program was a fan drill, the performers being young married and single ladies, chosen especially from the fair sex of Creston for the occasion. The ladies were Mrs. R. M. Reid, Mrs. Nunn, Mrs. Sylvester, Miss F. B. Johnson, Miss A. M. Ople, Miss Mary Ryckman, Miss Gertie Gilpin, Miss Howarth and Miss Wilkes. This fan drill fairly brought down the house and received such a hearty encore that they returned the second time and went through the mazy dance. After this useful and ornamental gifts were presented to principal King and Mrs. Darbyshire and Mrs. Rose. The community at large as well as Mrs. Darbyshire tendered their most hearty thanks to Mrs. Rose for the able and untiring manner in which she has helped to train the children for this occasion. James Compton as chairman and J. W. Carver as Chris-Cringle did their part well. Something like $75 was realized on this occasion. The originator of this most successful juvenile entertainment was Mrs. Darbeyshire who has been working unceasingly on it for months and there is due her a great deal of credit for the successful termination of this school Christmas tree.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will hold a social evening at the Creston Auditorium on Wednesday evening, Dec. 27. There will be a fish pond and games will be provided for old and young. There will be no admission, but ice cream and refreshments will be sold.

H. F. Maldaine accompanied by C. O. Burbridge and J. G. Greaves spent Sunday and Monday in Creston looking over the valley with a view to purchasing some orchard land. They left for Nelson yesterday where they will spend Christmas with friends, after which they will return to Creston and decide on some locality to settle.

Miss Alice M. Ople who has been teaching the Alice siding school for the past few months left on Tuesday for her home at Fort Steele where she will spend her vacation.

Lem King, a young man working in Huscroft's logging camp cut his foot very badly with an axe on Saturday last and had to be brought to Creston for treatment by Dr. Henderson and it is stated that the young man is now recovering.

James H. Schofield, M.P.P. for Ymir, arrived in Creston on Tuesday and is shaking hands with his numerous Creston admirers and friends.

STARTLING GOLD DISCOVERIES.

Rich Finds Made Along Line of Temiskaming Railway.

TORONTO, Dec. 22 — The commissioners of the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario railway this morning received the report of some startling gold discoveries in the north along the line of the railway. Sometime ago indications were found of the existence of gold, and Mining Engineer Cole, who is one of the best recognized authorities on such matters, was sent to investigate. His report is a glowing one. Some claims are held at $100,000. The townships in which there is rich bearing ore, and even gold in a free state, are Whitney, Tisdale, Mount Joy, Shaw and one or two others, and extending down into Tamagami district. What is known as Porcupine camp promises to be one of the richest in America. Land in these townships is held very largely by veterans. Some of the veins located have been traced for a long distance. They range from 25 to 75 feet in width and are very rich.

Will Buy Railroad

TOLEDO, Dec. 22—When the property of the Wabash railway in Ohio, except the Montpelier branch, is sold to satisfy the $900,000 claim of the estate of aJmes Compton on old equipment it is to be rebought in by a holding company organized for the purpose First mortgage bonds aggregating $1,000,000 will be issued and later, after settlement of the Compton claim and incidental expenses, the property will revert to the present company.

HERE WE ARE

Big slaughter sale; goods must be sold at cost; no bluff goes here; must dispose of this stock, as I am going east. Don't miss these bargains. Clothing, gents' furnishings, men's, ladies' and children's boots, shoes and rubbers. Full stock of trunks, suit cases, linoleums, lace curtains, bed quilts and blankets, below cost.

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NEWS OF THE DOMINION

OTTAWA, Dec. 22—The cabinet has decided not to interfere in the death sentence of Stefoff, the Macedonian, for murder of a fellow countryman last April. He is to be hanged tomorrow.

OTTAWA, Dec. 22—The immigration figures for April 1, to Nov. 30 show 150,256 immigrants, against 116,596 in the same period last year. Arrivals at ocean ports were 78,368 and from the United States 71,989.

COBALT, Dec. 22—Mrs. Jessop of Haileybury has been arrested charged with perjury and conspiracy in connection with the affairs of the Elkhart Mining company. Mrs. Jessop who is a well known business woman is out on bail and will come up for trial tomorrow.

HALIFAX, Dec. 22—Robert O'Leary of Richibucto states that he will institute libel proceedings against the Daily Telegraph unless it apologizes for statements made in the report of his evidence before the public accounts commission at Ottawa relative to a wharf purchase.

HAMILTON, Dec. 22—For the benefit of young men who forget to pay their board bills magistrate Jelas this morning made an example of Walter Smith of Brantford who owed his landlady, Bessie Murphy, $53. His lordship declared that men of this type were the meanest kind of thieves and he sent Smith down for three months without the option of a fine.

OTTAWA, Dec. 22—Word has been received from Ottawa that the dominion government proposes to deal with the question of industrial education in Canada by the appointment of a commission of experts. This body, it is understood, will visit every province and make an investigation into the condition of industrial development and the particular form of technical training that would be most fitting.

TORONTO, Dec. 22—The Toronto subcommittee decided at its meeting yesterday to take no further action in the matter of the place of meeting of the next general conference which is to open on the second Sunday in August in Victoria. Some objection has been raised to the expense of the meeting in Victoria, but somewhat better rates have been secured from the railroads than have been arranged for any convention that has gone to the Pacific coast in the past few years and the subcommittee decided that it had no power to change the action of the general conference. A committee consisting of Revs. Dr. Carman, A. T. A. Moore, Dr. J. A. Rankin, Dr H. A. Burns, Mr. justice Maclaren, Mr. H. P. Moore and Dr. Earl Wilmott, was appointed to prepare the details.

HAMILTON, Dec. 22—Joseph Mitchell, who previous to his appearance at the police court this morning was considered a respectable young man, tried to commit suicide this evening by shooting himself in the head. Mitchell resides on Victoria avenue north and the police suspected him of being connected with several cases of theft. He was arrested last night on the charge of vagrancy and this morning the police were prepared to lay several complaints of theft against him. This afternoon he was allowed out on bail and later the police visited his house and discovered a large amount of alleged stolen articles, such as tools, bicycles, etc. There was so much stuff that it could not be piled in one wagon. Mitchell as soon as the police made the seizure evidently knew the game was up, for he wandered away. This evening about 8:30 constable Goodman discovered him leaning against a fence at the corner of Sherman and Delaware avenue, many blocks from his home. Blood was streaming from a wound in the head. He was taken to the police station, where a 32 calibre revolver was found in his possession. He was hurried to the city hospital from where it was reported tonight that the unfortunate man had no chance of recovery.

NORTH BAY, Dec. 22—Redwater, a flag station on the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario, 56 miles north of North Bay, was the scene of a brutal murder last night, the victim being the operator W. J. Dyson. The tragedy occurred about 6 o'clock when a man entered the station and became boisterous. Dyson attempted to eject him and a fight ensued. Suddenly another man rushed in and struck Dyson with a club crushing his skull and he sank dying to the floor, living only a short time. The murder was witnessed by a man who happened to be in the station at the time but he did not recognize Dyson's assailants who hurriedly made their escape. The motive of the crime is as yet a mystery for there could not be much money in the station on account of the small business done. The murdered man was only 22 years of age and comes from near Toronto. An inquest will be held.

FIERCE CHINESE FEUD.

Elopement With Slave Girl Leads to Eight Murders.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22 — Leon King Chong, editor and publisher of the Chinese Free Press, secretary of the Chinese Masons and chief aide of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, a revolutionist for whose capture the Peking government is said to have made a standing offer of $50,000, has been arrested on an indictment charging him with murder in connection with the feud between the Yee family and the On Yick tong.

The fight between the Yees and On Yicks arose over an elopement of Bow Gee, an On Yick slave girl, with a Yee family man. Eight murders have been committed by the warring factions.

The Chinese merchants have received a telegram from the Chinese minister at Washington asking for details of the war and its origin. This is thought to indicate that the Chinese government will take a hand in suppressing the feud.

Whole Family Wiped Out.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22—Five persons were burned to death today in a fire that destroyed a frame dwelling house in Sherwood park, Yonkers. All the dead were members of the family of Theodore Frederichs, who lost his life in the fire, together with his wife and their three children.

WESTON, Va., Dec. 22—Fire which started late last night in a general store at Burnsville, near here, spread to other buildings, causing a loss estimated at 50,000. A 3-year-old child was cremated in the flames.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich, Dec. 22—Fire originating last night in the basement of the Zeigle company's cloak store in this city resulted in losses probably aggregating $150,000 in the heart of the downtown shipping district. The stock of the Zeigle company, which is owned by Sol K. Zeigle and others of Chicago, is estimated to have been damaged to the extent of $50,000. Neighboring stores suffered lesser losses.

Grand Trunk Buys Steamer.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 22 — The Grand Trunk Pacific company has purchased the steamer Bruno, a cargo and passenger vessel with capacity of 40 passengers and 1,200 tons of cargo, at Hull, to run from Prince Rupert to Queen Charlotte islands and is negotiating for another cargo and passenger steamer to run with the Prince George to Prince Rupert, while the Prince Rupert will run from here to Seattle and Vancouver.

Because her captain is unaware of which Ocean island he is to proceed to for a cargo of phosphates, the steamer Belle of Spain is waiting here until the owners cable the position of the destination, there being three Ocean islands in the Pacific, and the captain is ignorant as to which he has been ordered to.

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LACK OF INTEREST

Only Small Percentage of Montreal Electors Vote on Bylaws.

MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—Only about 2,500 property owners out of a total of over 20,000 saw fit to vote on the referendum in regard to the expenditure by the city of $2,000,000 for a municipal electric light plant. On the light vote the proposition carried by a majority of 365, the French wards voting in favor while the English wards went against it. The referendum was not mandatory but purely advisory, and the feeling is that the council will leave the matter to their successors who will come into office in February, when the new board of control will be inaugurated. It was this opinion which no doubt led to this lack of interest in the matter on the part of the citizens.

Hopeful of Settlement.

ST PAUL, Dec. 22.—President Hawley of the Switchmen's union, when asked today if the rumor of a settlement of the strike were true, said: "If you knew what I know, there would be something big in a news way." This was as much as he was willing to say.

Governor Eberhardt, when asked if the strike was settled, said: "We are hopeful of a settlement and it may be that the railway managers have decided on a settlement so far as they are concerned, but the strike cannot be definitely settled until both sides meet again. The strikers' committee is here and the managers are meeting in Chicago today.

"Both sides are willing to make concessions, and if they cannot do anything else they will submit the matter to arbitration."

The greatest danger from influenza is of its resulting in pneumonia. This can be obviated by using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, as it not only cures influenza, but counteracts any tendency of the disease towards pneumonia. Sold by all druggists and dealers.

The Colonial Trust Company Will Now Receive Applications for Stock

According to official estimates 350,000 Americans have settled n western Canada during the last ten years. They brought with them household and farm utensils, live stock and actual money to the aggregate value of $350,000,000.

Over 8000 emigrants landed in Canada during September last. The proportion reaching the Kootenays is small.

Mr. M. S. Middleton, Provincial Horticulturist for the Kootenays estimates the amount of good fruit land in West Kootenay at between 500,000 and 600,000 acres.

Estimating 20 acres to a family this area would provide homes for 125,000 people. The amount of money they would bring with them would be large, the impetus given to business of all kinds and the benefits to the country almost incalculable. Nelson would naturally share in the general growth.

$7,000,000 was sent out of British Columbia last year for farm products. Of this Kootenay contributed a large amount. The millions sent out should be retained and millions more received from the sale of fruit. Large sums should be received from the sale of land now lying idle. Land now worthless if planted in fruit should in ten years be worth $1000 per acre. The cost of living to the wage earner, supplies for the mine owner, lumberman and in fact every resident, should be reduced.

The provincial government the C.P.R. and the Nelson Board of Trade are advertising the Kootenays at great expense.

The Directors of the Colonial Trust Company believe that with the financial support of those interested in the welfare and prosperity of this part of the province a considerable share of the tide of immigration could be turned in this direction and they are prepared to make a persistent and determined effort to this end.

The best class of literature endorsed by the Boards of Trade, reports on quality of soil by fruit experts, photographs, etc., are now being prepared and thoroughly trained, capable salesmen working on a straight commission basis are ready to start for the Northwest, the United States and Europe to effect sales with people with whom we are already in correspondence.

If the necessary capital is subscribed promptly a large number of sales should be made before spring and profits assured to shareholders.

There can be absolutely no risk in buying good land after careful examination by experts.

The amount of capital stock is $500,000.

There are no preferred shares. Every shareholder will be on the same basis.

No stock has been allotted to promoters, nor will any be issued.

The Directors receive no fees. The only consideration granted the Provisional Directors being the option to purchase 50 shares of stock at par within two years. They have subscribed $500 each.

The par value of shares is $100 each and payment must be made as follows: 10 per cent on application, 15 per cent on allotment and the balance in three equal payments, not less than three months apart.

Send for application forms, prospectus, etc.

The Colonial Trust Company, Ltd.

419 BAKER STREET NELSON, B.C.

Vancouver's Inevitable Growth

LET IT ENRICH YOU

Have you ever studied how cities grow? Steadily, persistently, uninterruptedly, through good times and bad. Just because of the irresistible growth of population.

Do not get the idea that real estate is advancing too rapidly in value.

The highest price yet paid in Vancouver is about $3,000 per front foot. The best sites in San Francisco are held at $10,000 per front foot and the ground floor rent is $70 per front foot per month. Experts claim that inside property in Spokane is almost as high again as in Vancouver.

Vancouver is only just beginning to grow. The rush to British Columbia has scarcely started.

Do not wait until two more Canadian and another American railroad, the Panama canal, the great electric power plants, steel and iron works, and the movement of the grain west are all accomplished facts, because they mean wonderful things for Vancouver and New Westminster. They mean that real estate between the cities will advance tremendously in value.

No matter where you live, nor how small your capital, you can begin today the creation of an enduring ever-increasing estate. One or two lots may mean a fortune for you. Our new Burnaby addition is selling fast. In a short time they will be gone and there will be another advance in price. Come in today or write.

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The new Travellers' Cheques recently issued by this Bank are a most convenient way in which to carry money when travelling. They are issued in denominations of $10, $20, $50, $100 and $200 and the exact amount payable in Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Great Britain, Holland, Italy, Norway, Russia, Sweden and Switzerland is stated on the face of each cheque, while in other countries they are payable at current rates.
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We receive Accounts of Corporations, firms and individuals on favorable terms and shall be pleased to meet or correspond with those who contemplate making changes or opening new accounts.

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We Make the Following Special Offers

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OUR DRESSED AND KID BODY DOLLS, FOR WHICH WE HAVE NO BOXES

PLEASE READ the rest of this announcement, so that there will be no misunderstanding.

A quantity of our dolls have been removed from their boxes and the boxes destroyed.

We do not want to carry one of these dolls over because without boxes to keep them in it is very hard to keep them in good shape.

Some of our handsomest dolls are included in this proposition.

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CHRISTMASTIDE.

Christmas is almost upon us. Most of the Christmas gifts have left the stores and have either been dispatched to friends and relatives at a distance or have been placed out of sight awaiting the arrival of the day for their bestowal, and the joy and pleasure which this will bring to the recipients. These gifts are supposed to reflect the spirit of goodwill to men with which the season is so closely identified.

Christmas has been a church festival since the early years of Christianity, December 25 being accepted as the date of the nativity of Christ. But while the day has thus become one of peculiar significance to Christians, it is interesting to note that it had its counterpart among many of the ancient heathen races. The Scandinavians held at Yuletide the feast of Jul in honor of Freya, son of Odin, and today the name Yuletide is still connected with the season.

This, however, is only one instance. The day that is celebrated as the anniversary of the birth of Jesus is held sacred in China as the anniversary of the birth of Buddha. Numerous peoples of India keep Yuletide as a religious festival. Mexico in the winter solstice holds the festival of Capacrame. Persia, at the same period, honors the birth of Mithras. Greece, at this season, used to honor the birth of Bacchus, Ceres and Hercules. Egypt held it sacred to the birth of the son of Isis. The Druids celebrated the festival of Nolagh.

Thus throughout the ages the latter part of December has been a season of festivity and of celebration and promises to continue so for all the ages to come.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Montreal Star remarks that if it were not for rectifying the mistakes of our youth, we would not have much to do in our old age.

Just two more days in which to do your Christmas shopping. Do it today, so that the clerks in the stores will not be overworked tomorrow and thus be prevented from enjoying the holiday with other people.

The Canadian Courier, published at Toronto, has entered upon its fourth year of publication and continues to make wonderful progress. For many years Canada was without a national illustrated weekly, and when the Canadian Courier was started there were not many who believed that the country was big enough to support such an expensive publication. It was recognized, however, that Mr. John A. Cooper, who had been editor of the Canadian magazine for more than ten years, was not likely to embark on such an enterprise without due consideration. That he has been able to duplicate his success and to produce a periodical which finds a ready sale from coast to coast is a matter for congratulation. National periodicals are an important feature in the growth of national literature, and the development of national unity, and it is pleasant to know that Canada now possesses several of these. The News heartily wishes the Canadian Courier long life and continued influence and success.

Six New Street Cars

CALGARY, Dec. 22—Without knowledge of the customs of western Canada, H. Sorensen of Norway arrived in Strathmore on March 29 of this year and purchased 2500 acres of land. In three days buildings were being erected, a steam plow purchased and on May 30, 300 acres of flax was sown, all the work being done by an average of four men. The crop averaged 18 bushels to the acre and sold a few days ago for $1.29 1-4 per bushel. Sorensen has since bought another power plow and will next year have 1200 acres in crop. Other farmers in the district are planning to largely increase operations for next year, and on the Namaka farm alone, owned by Morris Alder, the area to be sown will require 16 binders to handle the crop.

The dominion government has issued instructions to superintendent Fairfield of the southern Alberta experimental farm, to distribute among farmers of the district free samples of wheat, oats, barley, potatoes and seedling trees. The seed distribution will be of varieties showing heaviest and best yields on the experimental farm over a number of years. Samples of grain will be sufficient to seed 1-20 of an acre.

Contracts for six new street cars were awarded today by the Calgary commissioners. The cars will be secured from eastern firms. The extension of the system and rapidly increasing business demand additional accommodations.

Spokane Flying Machine

SPOKANE, Dec. 22—W. R. Clark, an inventor, living in Spokane, has completed a model of a flying machine, one-sixth of the normal size, containing 952 cubic feet of plane surface, with which he will attempt to fly next month. He believes he has solved the problem of successful aerial navigation by creating friction on the element against which he is contending. Four propellors are used on the sides and the rear of the machine, with two top wheels, giving the same action as the gyroscope. The speed of the side propellors is 1000 revolutions per minute, while the gyroscope wheels are geared to 2000 revolutions per minute. There is also a dome to hold the air under pressure and give the ship the steadiness maintained by a descending parachute. The complete machine will be 44 feet from tip to tip and 62 feet from pilot to rudder, the motive power being two 40 horse power gasoline engines.

Sights Derelict

VICTORIA, Dec. 22—The steamer Kaga Maru which left here yesterday for Yokohama reports by wireless to the government station here having sighted the schooner Susie M. Plummer derelict and waterlogged, seemingly abandoned in latitude 49.07 north, longitude 128:15 west. The Empress of India, inbound from the Orient was reported by wireless 300 miles from Pachena at 5:30 p.m. She is being advised by wireless of the menace to navigation. Nothing was stated in the message from the Japanese steamer with regard to the crew of the Susie M. Plummer. The Plummer was from Port Ludlow with lumber and was in command of Capt. Hansen.

For Mayor of London

LONDON, Dec. 22—Adam Beck, Donald Ferguson, mayor Beattie, Richard Matthews and Samuel Staveley were nominated today for mayor of London.

The peculiar properties of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy have been thoroughly tested during epidemics of influenza, and when it was taken in time we have not heard of a single case of pneumonia. Sold by all druggists and dealers.

SUICIDE AT KITCHENER

BRIDGE WATCHMAN BLOWS OFF TOP OF HEAD.

HORRIBLE SIGHT MEETS EYES OF VISITORS TO SHACK.

(Special to The Daily News.)

CRESTON, Dec. 22.—Creston was shocked on Monday last when news reached here from Kitchener that John Alfred Wiren, a C.P.R. bridge watchman, had committed suicide. He was commonly known as "Big John." Upon being notified of his death Provincial Constable Jensen went at once to Kitchener, driving over on Monday evening. It seems that the deceased had been drinking heavily of late and on Monday morning he left his hotel and went down to his shack. In the afternoon some friends of the dead man went down to his shack to see how he was getting along and were horrified to find their friend lying in bed dead as they thought from heart disease. It was after these men had visited the shack that Constable Jensen was notified. When Constable Jensen arrived at the shack he found that "Big John" was lying rigid in death, having from all appearances been dead several hours. On close examination Mr. Jensen found that there was a strap attached to the right foot of the dead man and there was a Winchester rifle of a large calibre lying beside him in bed. The strap in question was also attached to the trigger of the rifle from his foot by the strap. Mr. Jensen found a bullet wound in the right temple of the dead man and his face was badly powder stained. The bullett had passed through the top of the head and there were pieces of skull and brain spattered all over the walls of the shack, presenting an awful appearance.

Constable Jensen having previously notified Coroners Rose & Hartin of Nelson of the case Dr. Hartin arrived in Creston on Tuesday's east bound train, and he, along with Constable Jensen, proceeded to Kitchener. Dr. Hartin did not consider an inquest necessary, but held an investigation and examined the following witnesses; John Marshall, W. Telford and E. Jensen. The coroner then decided that it was a clear case of suicide and issued the usual warrant to bury the deceased who will be buried at Kitchener on Tuesday by Provincial Constable Jensen.

The deceased, who was a Swede, had no relatives in this country as far as can be gathered. He had been in the employ of the C.P.R. for many years both as section foreman and bridge watchman and he received a pension from the C.P.R. for his long and faithful service. He was a great favorite by all who knew him, his only fault being his craze for the "flowing bowl."

To Entrap Unwary Englishmen.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—In the person of Charles Adams, an elderly man of respectable appearance, the police say they have one of the group of mining swindlers who in recent years have fleeced wealthy English families out of $250,000. It is alleged that when a death notice appeared in the English papers, Adams or an associate would write a letter to the dead man, knowing that it would probably fall into the hands of the heirs. This letter would show that the writer had been helped by the addressee to make his fortune in mining stocks, and how, in gratitude, he now offered his benefactor a chance to buy choice mining shares.

Another Indictment

NEW YORK, Dec. 22—Another indictment in connection with the sugar underweighing frauds was found today and it was against Thomas Doyle, assistant superintendent of the Arbuckle sugar refinery, Brooklyn. He is charged with two overt acts in the false weighing of raw sugar from Cuba. Doyle has not been placed under arrest.

Smallpox at Amoy.

AMOY, China, Dec. 22.—The officials of the American Marine hospital announce the presence of a smallpox epidemic in Amoy. Quarantine regulations for the protection of the Philippines have been inaugurated.

Minard's Linament Cures Diphtheria.

I was cured of terrible lumbago by MINARD'S LINIMENT.
REV. WM. BROWN.
I was cured of a bad case of earache by MINARD'S LINIMENT.
MRS S. KAULBACK.
I was cured of sensitive lungs by MINARD'S LINIMENT.
MRS. S. MASTERS.

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CHRISTMAS BARGAINS

We are selling our Xmas stock at prices away down, and we have a splendid stock of goods which will make a good serviceable and useful Xmas present for ladies and children.

Ladies' and Children's handkerchiefs at all prices, from, 5c. each up to $6.

Ladies' fancy silk collars, ties, scarfs, belts at any price.

Ladies' silk umbrellas, gents' silk umbrellas, gold and silver mounted handles.

Ladies, silk, muslin, net lace allover, liberty satin waists.

Ladies' fancy dinner and evening dresses.

Ladies, opera cloaks, net and lace dresses.

Ladies' tailor made suits, coats, skirts and capes.

We have a beautiful lot of linen table covers, sideboard cloths, tea cloths, Damask napkins and cloth to match. Drawn linens, cushion covers and centerpieces.

Snaps in Ladies' Fur Collars, Stoles and Muffs. Bargains in Children's Furs, White and Grey. A Fine Line of Ladies' Kid Gloves Lined and Unlined

This week you will find our prices low. We invite inspection.

Store open to 10 o'clock each evening this week.

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Special Christmas consignment. All fresh goods. All kinds of fresh and salted meats.

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Diamonds! Diamonds!

Diamonds and all precious stones set. in Rings, brooches, scarf pins, studs, earrings, cuff links, bracelets, match boxes, watches and lockets. Quartz jewelry of all kinds. They are all suitable for Xmas gifts.

Handbags! Handbags!

$3 hand bags for $1 for two days only. If you are puzzled over a Xmas gift for a lady come in and look at our handbags.

Mail orders receive our prompt attention.

Making the Test

By reading at a distance is a necessary practice before any eyes can be properly fitted with eye glasses or spectacles. All lenses do not suit all eyes. Better to wear shoes that do not fit you than glasses that do not suit your eyes, for the latter will result in eye strain and probably total blindness. We will correctly adjust the lenses in your glasses and banish your headaches forever if you will patronize us. Our fees are small.

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HOTEL ARRIVALS OF A DAY

The Hume

HUME—R. H. Packer, Denver; A. E. Read, wife and daughter, Winnipeg; F. Miron, W. Kennard, F. C. Ferries, Calgary; Mrs. Vaughan, Bonnington; T. Whieldon, Slocan Junction; N. C. R. Merry, Sandon; G. B. Brown, Spokane; F. Stevens, Newport; R. A. Airheart, Ainsworth; A. J. Becker, A. Carner, W. E. Zivicky, Miss Zivicky, Miss L. Power, W. J. H. Holmes, Kaslo; R. V. F. Johnson, Harrop; T. H. Crump, Grand Forks; J. E. Stephens, Calgary; L. A. Grill, C. Lingen, Edmonton; J. G. Whiteacre, J. T. McGrohan, Vancouver; Miss L. Graham R. E. Allen, Phoenix; J. B. Winlaw, Winlaw; Mrs. Ternan, Tarrys.

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Special rates to City Boarders.

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European Plan, 50c. up
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Well furnished rooms with bath

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Headquarters for miners, smeltermen, loggers, railroad men.

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KLONDYKE—J. A. Bowman, C. Lindquist, H. Alson, Coryell.
NELSON—A. Milolak, S. Fesuk, M. Sandichi, A. Charenor, Fernie; J. McFarlane, Sandon; W. R. Cramer, Mirror Lake; G. A. King, A. Erickson, D. F. Wilson, H. W. Pentzer, Marcus.

WARM CORNER

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which is dead, in order to kill tariff reform which is alive.

Postmaster general Buxton — Any government whatever it may be will continue to pay old age pensions.

LONDON, Dec. 22—The eccentricities of some of the peers who are popularly referred to among the liberals as the "wild peers," now on stump all over the United Kingdom, and the attitude of the public who are beginning to regard the lords' meetings as substitutes for vaudeville performances have forced leading peers to urge reform of the upper house.

Lord Dunmore, conservative, favors an elective chamber with bishops remaining in it, but reinforced by the chiefs of other churches. This is evidently a result of Lloyd-George's statement made at a recent remarkable gathering of men of the Free Churches that there were only two or three Non-conformists in the lords.

BIRMINGHAM, Dec. 22—The London correspondent of the Birmingham Post says he learns that negotiations are progressing between the imperial and the dominion governments which may result in the establishment of a naval base of considerable proportions on Vancouver island. The present works at Esquimalt will be used in the proposed extension. It is understood that the authorities at Ottawa are prepared to provide $10,000,000 for the purpose of constructing docks and other accommodations.

LONDON, Dec. 22—Canada, in the opinion of stock brokers is greatly benefitting for the moment from the feeling of insecurity created by the political tension and the threatened increase of taxation. Leading Canadian bank agencies here say that during the past few months $35,000,000 has been deposited in the principal banks in Canada by British investors, with instructions to reinvest in Canada with interest as it accrues and so avoid the British income tax.

LONDON, Dec. 22 — The London stock exchange has accepted and will list $10,000,000 Grand Trunk Pacific 3 per cent bonds issued not long ago.

LONDON, Dec. 22—Lord Monkswell, president of the anti-slavery and aboriginies protection society, died today. Lord Monkswell has been a frequent visitor to America and was one of the British representatives to the international exhibitions of Chicago and St. Louis.

AT THE THEATER.

Admirable Production of "Zira"—An Extra Good Farce This Evening.

It is a matter of regret that so generally excellent a company, rendering well selected dramas of the higher sort, as the Allen Players are giving at the opera house this week, should not receive better patronage. The curling and skating season have just commenced and people are busy shopping during the evenings, but notwithstanding all this, plays like "Zira," as produced by Miss Felton and the rest of the players last night should have drawn a crowded house in Nelson. The Allen Players are such a long way in advance of any company giving really well selected dramas that have ever visited this city that it is to be hoped they will play a return engagement here at some better theatre-going season, when they are certain to attract the large audiences they certainly deserve.

The scene of the first act in "Zira" last night was a Capetown camp at the close of the Boer war, where Miss Felton appears in the uniform of a Red Cross nurse, and from the the start until the close of the fourth and last act the intense interest of the audience never flagged for a moment. Miss Felton created a most pleasing impression as an emotional actress of the first rank, giving evidence of the possession of exceeding high histrionic powers indeed. The other members of the company showed to excellent advantage, the support being uniformly good throughout, Mr. Irving Kennedy, Mr. Ayres, Mr. Patterson, Miss Thompson and Mrs. Allen being particularly worthy of of special mention.

Tonight's play, "All Due to W'ana," is a roaring farce, cleverly written, and in such good hands as the Allen Players is sure to prove exceedingly mirth provoking from start to finish. Nelson people who enjoy a good play produced by a really clever company of artists, nicely staged and properly costumed, should not miss seeing tonight's entertainment.

Dog Sleigh Races at Fernie.

(Special to The Daily News.)

FERNIE, Dec. 22.—Magistrate Ryan of Cranbrook was in town yesterday and tried several cases in connection with the recent provincial election. The evidence was not sufficient in any of the cases to convict on the charges, and all those who were summoned before the court were acquitted.

The dog sleigh races which have been such a feature of the winter sport here for the last two years, are to be repeated this season. Thomas Whelan, the all-round good sport and public spirited citizen, is again offering attractive prizes to the boy possessors of speedy dogs, and the races will as usual be run off on Saturday afternoon. It is the intention of Mr. Whelan to endeavor to arrange for some matches with the owners of dogs in other town within a reasonable distance of Fernie.

Coroner A. S. Bleasdell left this morning for Hosmer in response to a wire announcing the fact that a man employed in the lumber camps in that locality had been accidentally killed. No particulars of the fatality were given.

S. P. Pond, who has opened a flour and feed store on Front street, between J. Y. Griffin's and Ashdown's, are now ready for business with a full line of wheat, oats, barley, bran and shorts, and will carry all lines pertaining to the flour and feed business. 194-tf.

FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

PATROL BY RANGERS METHOD OF FIRE PROTECTION.

NEW FEATURE IN WORK OF TREE DISTRIBUTION.

Exploration of the great northern forest belt and its protection from fire are emphasized by R. H. Campbell, superintendent of forestry, in his report lately laid before parliament. This northern forest belt extends from Hudson Bay to the Rocky mountains, a distance of a thousand miles, and has a general width of 400 miles. It has been traversed along the main lines of travel by members of the staff of the geological survey and other travellers, but there are immense areas still unexplored. Judging for time cost, $40,000, of the exploration of New Ontario in 1900, the cost of a similar exploration of this country would be $200,000, which, spread over a period of ten years, would mean an annual expenditure of only $20,000.

A start has been made at the protection of the forests of this tract from fire. Rangers are being kept on the Athabasca, Great Slave, Peace and Lesser Slave rivers, in the district of The Pass, Sask., and in the country north of Prince Albert, Sask., up to the Churchill river and including Lac la Ronge, the scene of considerable mining prospecting.

The only method of fire protection so far found practicable in the forested districts is a patrol by rangers, who travel their beats, put out small fires and summon help to put out large ones, and warn campers and residents of the danger of setting out or neglecting fires. A special patrol was maintained along the line of the Grand Trunk Pacific during the summer of 1908 and as a result no serious fires occurred. It will be necessary to take similar precautions along many other lines of railway projected in the west.

One of the duties of the rangers is to post up "fire notices," warning against the danger of setting fires in the forest and setting forth the penalties incurred by those who do so. These notices have been translated into Cree and Chipewyan, and distributed throughout the northern districts. A reproduction, with translation of that in Cree is appended to the report.

This work of fire protection is perhaps the most necessary of all the work of the forestry branch. The importance attached to it can be seen from the fact that the number of rangers was increased from 47 in 1907 to 82 in 1908. If, however, the work is done in anything like an adequate manner, the system must be greatly extended and much more money expended for the purpose.

The season of 1908 was exceptionally dry and the risk of fires correspondingly great, but few serious fires occurred on Dominion lands. The chief of these were at Salmon Arm, Munson creek and White lake, in British Columbia, and in the valley of the Spray river in Alberta. The last is traceable to carelessness of tourists; for the others squatters on timber berths were responsible, carelessness on the part of a lumber company contributing to one of them. In the Spray valley fire some 3,000,000 feet of timber were destroyed; in the British Columbia fires 200,000 feet board measurement of timber was totally destroyed and 10,000,000 feet damaged.

On the forest reserves timber surveys were continued in 1908 and at the end of the season the survey of 1,250,000 acres of the total area of 10,000,000 acres was completed. Bulletin No. 6 of the forestry branch ("The Riding Mountain Forest Reserves," by J. R. Dickson, assistant inspector of forest reserves,) gives the result of the survey of the Riding mountain forest reserve, the largest of all, while the result of the survey of "The Pines" reserve, near Prince Albert, Sask., is given in an appendix to the report (Appendix No. 2, by H. R. McMillan, assistant inspector of forest reserves.) Maps of these reserves have also been published. On the whole the forests on these reserves are found to be in poor condition as a result of fires and careless cutting. These surveys form the basis for plans of management of these reserves which are now being prepared. A. Knechtel, inspector of forest reserves, gives a list of the reserves, with their areas, estimates of the amount of timber found on them, and other interesting information in his report (Appendix No. 1.) Some extensions have been recommended to the reserves. One of these is a tract of some 200 square miles across the Saskatchewan river from Prince Albert, composed of sandy land, very little, if any, of which is fit for agriculture. It is also recommended that the Cypress Hills reserve, in Alberta, be extended; this has been shown to be very valuable to the neighboring ranchers as a source of hay supply. The forests in the Crow's Nest district of Southern Albera were also investigated by Assistant Inspector MacMillan, and the results published as Bulletin No. 5 of the branch ("Forest Conditions in the Crow's Nest Valley, Alberta.") The report also contains regulations for camping sites in the reserves and for mining claims within the reserves.

The spring of 1911 will, it is expected, see the introduction of a new feature in the work of tree distribution, namely, the distribution of coniferous trees, those it is proposed to distribute at first being the white spruce, jack pine, Scotch pine and lodgepile pine; to those it is hoped shortly to add the tamarack or native larch. In the past spring's distribution over two and a half million trees were distributed from the forest nursery station at Indian Head, Sask., to 2,010 applicants. New applicants for trees to be delivered in the spring of 1910 number 2,225. The recently established office of the branch at Indian Head now takes direct charge of all applications for trees, which formerly were handled from Ottawa.

The forestry branch has now jurisdiction over the Dominion national parks and the report contains a list of these parks, with a short description of each. A work of considerable magnitude has been the erection of a wire fence around the buffalo park, which is to contain the herd of buffalo lately purchased by the Dominion government. This fence is 74 miles long and nine feet high and has 14 strands of wire. The parks include the St. Lawrence park reservation which consists of 11 islands and a small peninsula in the St. Lawrence, between Brockville and Gananoque, formerly the property of the Mississagua Indians.

Copies of the report and of the bulletins above mentioned may be had free of charge by addressing R. H. Campbell, superintendent of forestry, Ottawa.

Fernie News Items

(Special to The Daily News.)

FERNIE, Dec. 22.—A runaway horse, attached to a light sleigh, did considerable damage at noon Monday on Victoria avenue by colliding with one of the city hydrants and putting the latter out of business. The hydrant was snapped off short and the street flooded before the water works department could have men on the ground to cut off the water supply. Fortunately no one was injured though there were several narrow escapes by pedestrians.

The different churches are busily engaged this week in making preparations for the Christmas entertainments of the Sunday school children, and in most cases there will be the usual Christmas tree with its attendant Santa Claus.

Several cases of theft have been reported from Coal Creek during the last few days, the chief sufferers being miners who have lost money and valuables from their lockers in the wash-house. The police are making every effort to apprehend the offenders.

Old Timer Dead.

KENORA, Ont., Dec. 22.—James Swain, a half-breed who for 27 years was in charge of the Hudson's Bay company's transport from York factory, died yesterday on an island in Black Sturgeon lake, about nine miles south of this town. He was 70 years of age and had resided in this district since 1882.

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WANTED—Young girl for housework. Apply 713 Silica St. 212-tf.

USEFUL CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Santa Claus is rushed to death just now getting out all his Christmas gifts. and the loads and loads of goods he takes away from here nightly speak eloquently of the fine selection of things we carry that make both useful and acceptable gifts. You can't go wrong if you follow his example and do your Christmas shopping here. We have presents suitable for everybody; a glance at the list below, and your worries as to what to give are over.

Fur Neckpeces, $7.50 to $100.
Fur Muffs, $10 to $100.
Opera Cloaks, $35 to $60.
Evening Dresses, $50 to $75.
Suits, $11.50 to $25.
Coats, $9 to $30.
Watches for boys and girls, $2.50 to $8.00.
Brooches, 35c. to $3.50.
Infant's Rings, $1.
Linen Sets, $6 to $37.50.

Sweaters, $2.25 to $10.
Table Centers, 35c. to $6.50.
Net Blouses, $3.50 to $12.50.
Silk Blouses, $5 to $15.
Dressing Gowns, $4 to $10.
Dressing Jackets, 35c. to $3.50.
Silk Kimonas, $5 to $7.
Scarfs, $1 to $7.50.
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, 5c. to $5.
Workboxes, $1 to $5.
Neckwear, 35c. to $3.50.

Barettes, 25c. to $5.
Gloves, 35c. to $2.50.
Men's Handkerchiefs, 25c. to 65c.
Men's Ties, 75c. to $1.
Men's Fancy Braces, $1.
Infants' Coats, $1 up.
Infant's Bootees, 35c. to 50c.
Handbags and Purses, 25c. to $5.
Belts, 35c. to $3.50.
Cushion Covers, 35c. to $5.
Umbrellas, $2 to $10.

After Supper Specials for Thursday and Friday

Pure Linen Table Cloths, 2 yds. wide, and 2 1-2 long for $2.50
Pure Linen Table Napkins, ¾ size, regular $3.75, for 2.95
Hem Stitched Linen Towels, regular 75c., for .... .50

All Toys at Cost to Clear

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CHRISTMAS IN STORES

NELSON MERCHANTS HAVE FINE DISPLAYS IN WINDOWS

THESE, HOWEVER, ONLY SAMPLES OF WHAT IS INSIDE

The hours can now be counted to Christmas eve, and Santa Claus, or St. Nicholas, or Kris Kringle, or whatever is the right name of the jolly old boy, is probably giving his prancing reindeer their last rub-down before harnessing them to the magic sleigh for their world-girdling aerial trip. The shops of Nelson are like fairy palaces, and the windows of most of them have changed mightily, bewildering afresh each morning with their visions of good things, those who submit to their seductive lure. Last evening was chosen for a trip around the shops, and this is the report of how they looked on that particular night. To be sure, no sensible person would stop with the window, which at best is but a sample of the maze within, but the tour had to be strictly limited or it would never have ended.

From one end of Baker street to the other there is not a shop window but is redolent of Christmas gaiety, and only a blind man clad in armor plate could pass along either sidewalk for more than a few steps without feeling the influence. Every species of toy known to inventors is within tempting reach, from paper dolls to airships. Everything that was ever thought of for a present—and hundreds of things invented expressly for this Christmas—for boys and girls of every age, from 1 day old up to 90 years, is to be seen, and all that prevents any one gift being irresistible is that the eye next moment sees worthy rivals side by side with it. If all the holly vines used in the shops were entwined into one long vine, it would probably be two or three miles long. The tissue paper of countless ornamental designs, if all in one sheet, would probably carpet Baker street. It is useless to try to estimate the number of kisses that could be stolen under the combined mistletoe. As for the wealth in the shops, it must puzzle a good many people how the 8,000 people, large and small, in Nelson can get away with it all. It is an annual puzzle.

Of the individual, stores, probably that of the Wood-Vallance Hardware company has the neatest individual exhibit. The window that takes the prize shows the side or front of a log cabin, nearly full size. At one corner stands a pine tree, and at the other a fir. In the yard is a chopping block upon which lies a hand axe, while a pile of kindling lies against the side of the block. A typical door, with a latch, is closed, and the owner of the humble home is apparently within, or perchance at a distance. A small casement contains a window of four panes of glass, one of the panes being missing, its place being taken by an old bag stuffed in in the most natural manner. The logs still have their bark on, and on a peg near the door hangs a tin basin, with an old towel spread to dry over it, or perhaps the pan is a kneeding pan, in which case the cloth is probably a dish towel. At the foot of the fir tree lies a pair of snow shoes and a large assortment of traps hang from pegs on the side of the building, against which a gun leans. Another window of this store contains a fine assortment of cutlery, while a third window contains a deer head, stuffed birds and various rugs made from the skins of animals, trophies of the hunt, together with a collection of firearms.

For the brightest and most attractive window, it seems a very even race between the Canada Drug and Book company and the Poole Drug company. In the window of the Poole Drug company the decorations are of saffron, the floor being of saffron tissue paper, while two pillars wound with muslin of that hue provide the rear boundaries. Midway between the two pillars is a revolving four-terraced pyramid trimmed with saffron and white, about two feet high. Its four terraces or shelves are laden with bottles of perfumery and various small toilet articles, presented successively to the eye as the pyramid revolves. Toilet articles and articles of vertu are attractively arranged over the entire widow space, stress being laid on perfumery.

The central figure in the window of the Canada Drug and Book company is a large wax doll, the cynosure of hundreds of bright eyes every day. The doll is in the attitude of extending its hands, as if in welcome. From both upper corners of the window strings of silver tinsel are sprayed or festooned, coming to a point at a post behind the doll. Below this silver rainbow hangs a line of alligator bags, and the floor of the window is filled with an attractive display of toilet articles and stationery. At one side is a large oval track with a locomotive which, on being properly dealt with, will run around the track in realistic fashion. Potted plants lend an outdoor aspect.

Starting at one end of Baker street, say the west end, a trip down the line affords an interesting series of pictures.

Gallagher's general store has the distinction of having the only Christmas tree, which is decked with handkerchiefs, gloves and neckwear. Next comes the Kootenay Coffee company and C. Romano, the latter having a window of boots. M. Scully has a candy and fruit exhibit. J. O. Patenaude's jewelry store provides the bright spot in this block. One window has a display of watches, clocks, rings and purses, while the other is devoted to ladies' ornaments, such as necklaces, bangles, brooches and combs, together with an assortment of cut glass, and some pretty dishes that are apparently lacquer ware. Humphrey's, which is next, specializes on fruit and toys.

One is now arrived at the store district proper. The Hudson's Bay company has four windows devoted respectively to suits, men's furnishings and slippers, ladies' handkerchiefs and handbags, and groceries. The grocery window is the most effective of the four, with its fine display of fruits, nuts and candies, set off by holly and tinsel. Weir's display is tasty as usual, the window devoted to men's footwear having a white background, while the ladies' footwear is set off by a bright red background. The Ashdown Hardware company devotes a window to tool sets and sporting goods, such as skates, hockey sticks and firearms. The other window has a fine assortment of cutlery of all types, principally silver and silver plate. A fair sized Santa Claus in a red coat trimmed with white invites one to the Palace Confectionery store, which has an excellent display of candy and fruits. The Queen Cigar store has its usual display. W. G. Thomson, the stationer, has a wide assortment of ornaments and useful articles, dominated by the god, Billiken. Cameras and albums, smokers' sets, mirrors, inkstands and books are prominently in view. The Bell Trading company has very pretty decorations of tinsel and mistletoe and colored papers, and has achieved a fine effect in the arrangement of its fruit in orderly series, the final barrier being composed of figs. A. S. Horswill also has a splendid display of fruits and nuts in bowls, package goods bringing up the rear, and canned goods constituting the flanks. The Canada Drug and Book company completes the lengthy block.

Crossing Ward street, J. H. Wallace shows an enticing line of neckwear and slippers. Thurman shows smokers' supplies in a window in which a stuffed pheasant is the central figure. S. H. Sweaney, the confectioner, makes one of the hits of the town with a large woodchopper's cabin made wholly of peanut brittle. Numerous St. Nicks and other toys have a place in this tasty window. J. A. Gilker has a striking window devoted to handkerchiefs and neckties in pleasing design. Another window shows overcoats, scarfs and gloves. Irvine & Co. have a window calculated to set feminine hearts to fluttering. It is filled with gowns, filmy veils and sashes. The other window contains an exhibit of fancy doilies and art work. The windows of P. Burns & Co. contain, the one, chickens, and the other, sheep carcases, but they are chiefly interesting because of the vista of gaudily decked rows of carcases hanging from the hooks, which may be seen through them. Spruce and holly speak of the season. The Star bakery has a good display of cakes, with fancy designs in the frosting, the favorite device being "Merry Christmas." The Cabinet cigar store has its usual window display. The window of Braidwood Bros. is filled with an assortment of cured meats. R. H. Ewert has a fine display of jewelry and some particularly fine silver plate, including heaters. The Poole Drug company's window has already been described.

In the next block, the Nelson Hardware company strikes an original note with a collection of beautiful lamps, chafing dishes and teapots, with also a good display of cutlery. Sleds outside are the envy of the boys. The Imperial Oil company, and L. J. Lucia, butcher, come next, and then the establishment of Mr. and Mrs. Flint, which has an exhibit of ladies' scarfs and laces. Newitt & Co. have a good general display of gents. furnishings, including a striking display of handkerchiefs. This ends the list of stores on the south side of Baker street.

On the north side of Baker street, commencing at the east end, W. W. Harris, grocer, has good decorations. Following Hall street, down, the American cafe has a display of cakes. H. Ginsberg, general storekeeper, and Ludwick, the harnessmaker, have their usual displays.

Returning to Baker street, Meagher's has a great window devoted to quilts, which is very effective. The other large window contains a life-size model beautifully gowned, standing behind a pretty maze of streamers. J. A. Irving & Co., grocers, has a very effective window display of fruits in boxes and packages.

The next block opens with the Wood-Vallance company, whose display has already been described. The Royal Shoe Store has an excellent display of footwear, complete even to snowshoes. Emory & Walley have a fine display of smoking jackets, shirts, cravats, gloves and other furnishings for men. Around the top of the structure are arranged a handsome line of suitcases. Next is the Nelson News Depot. Turning the corner, Rutherford, druggist, on Ward street, shows a good line of mirrors, brushes and perfumery.

Resuming the walk along Baker street, E. Robinson's store is encountered, showing a line of jewelry, cut glass and cutlery. Eli Sutcliffe has a fine display of smokers' supplies and knicknacks, including pouches, racks and pipes. The window is well decorated. The Standard Furniture company has a window display that shows an entire furnished drawing room with both mission and upholstered furniture, the walls being hung with tapestry, surmounted by lace curtains. Another window reveals a room full of pianos. Brown & Co. show a line of Gents' furnishings. J. J. Walker, jeweler, has a particularly fine exhibit. In one window a plush bank or terrace is loaded with jewelry. Cut glass, chased silver, lamps, and art china are among the other things noted in his window. Turning Stanley street brings one to the store of Ringrose, the electrical supply man, which has a good lighting effect.

In the block west of Stanley street the first store is China Hall, showing china and glassware, some of the articles being very pretty. E. K. Strachan has a line of plumbers' supplies. Douglas, the optician, shows compasses, jewelry, and souvenirs. D. J. Robertson, the furniture dealer, has two large windows revealing rooms packed with beautiful furniture, including bedroom sets, desks, cabinets and lounges, in all styles and grades.

This concluded the tour.

McKinnon's Death Presumed

VICTORIA, Dec. 22—For the first time in Canada chief justice Hunter today granted an order in an application made on behalf of the heirs of Angus McKinnon, timber cruiser, who disappeared on the Fraser river two years ago, for leave to presume death. This order was made under a new English authority.

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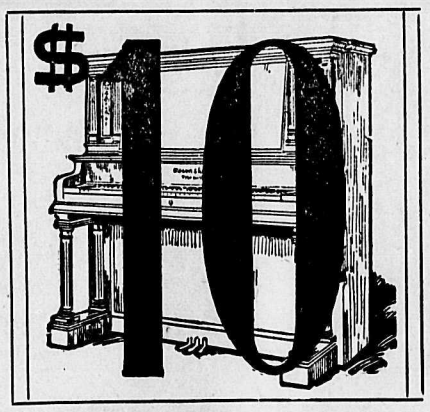

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REGRETS THAT IT SWALLOWED COOK'S YARN.

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COPENHAGEN, Dec. 22.—The morning papers generally find comfort for the Cook affair in the thought that the only fault that may be charged against the Danes is that they accepted the explorer's word as that of a gentleman.

The Poletiken says: "Frankly, we regret that an honorary degree was bestowed upon this man by the University of Copenhagen. But one member of the university council advised against the action taken."

The Korebenhavi says: "Cook's abasing of our university is his greatest shame. Fortunately the university itself tells the world of its mistake."

Other papers recall that all the Scandinavian explorers who were acquainted with Cook supported him and insist that under the circumstances any other city would have given the explorer a similar reception. They intimate that at the time other cities envied Copenhagen its opportunity to first welcome and honor him.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—"The ladies of Denmark will never believe that Dr. Cook was wrong, and my daughter, who is with me, will weep when she hears the report," said Dr. Maurice F. Egan, United States minister to Denmark, whom the Danes now partly blame for his strong partisanship of Dr. Cook which led them to recognize the American explorer on his arrival in Copenhagen as the discoverer of the north pole.

Dr. Egan reached here today on the steamer Oscar II and will remain during the holidays. "What I did for Dr. Cook," said the minister, I "don't believe influenced the Danes appreciably in their reception of the explorer. Cook reached Copenhagen with a story of polar conquest which there was no reason to doubt. Danish explorers vouched for Cook's standing in the world of discovery and received him with open arms. I welcomed him not only as an American seeking civilization after harrowing experiences and needing assistance, but as a citizen.

"Officially I did practically nothing for Cook but supply him with clothing and give him a small reception which newspaper men attended. His presentation to the king came about as a result of the crown prince's desire to meet the explorer. At the prince's request I took Cook to the palace, where he met the members of the royal family.

"Dr. Cook was never officially recognized as the discoverer of the pole by the representatives of the American government. Even President Taft's message of congratulation to Cook on the latter's reported triumph seemed to them somewhat cold. The Danes were so enthusiastic themselves that they could not understand a lesser degree of enthusiasm."

FARMERS WERE STUCK

Excessive Sub-Contracting on the Transcontinental Railway

OTTAWA, Dec. 22—A return brought down this week gives some idea of the way in which sub-contracting has been allowed to run mad on the Transcontinental. On one stretch in New Brunswick the Grand Trunk Pacific Construction company secured the contract. It sublet to the Toronto Construction company at a cut of 15 per cent. That company again sublet to McCoy & Wilfrid at a further reduction of from 10 to 15 per cent. Then one stretch of about 20 miles was sublet for a third time to a still smaller contractor, at a reduction of from 10 to 15 per cent. By the time it got down to the smaller man there apparently was not enough money left to do the work and the contractor failed. But before he failed he had contracted various debts with merchants and farmers and these are unpaid. The hardship is particularly felt by the farmers in the vicinity, who have unpaid accounts ranging from $30 to $500. O. S. Crockett, M.P. (York) tried to induce the Transcontinental commission to oblige the original contractors to make good these losses, but the commission repudiated all liability.

ROCKY SECTION OF ROAD

Thirty Mile Stretch of the Transcontinental Will Cost $4,000,000

OTTAWA, Dec. 22—A parliamentary return throws some light on the building of the Transcontinental railway. In building the line across New Brunswick the commission had a choice between two routes. That known as the valley route is understood to be much easier but what is known as the back route, leading through a very rough country, was chosen for political reasons. It turns out that the 30 miles from Grand Falls to the Tobique river will cost $4,000,000 or about $130,000 a mile. The return brought down shows that this contract is so extraordinarily rocky that in its whole length no loose material can be procured for building up embankments, so that the material for the fills has to be blasted out of the solid rock at exceedingly high prices. That is what comes of allowing political considerations to rule in the locating of a railway.

Sleeper Trunk Smuggling Case

NEW YORK, Dec. 22—Collector of the port, William Loeb, Jr., today declared that the arrests here in the "Sleeper Trunk" smuggling cases are but the beginning of a series of arrests that will follow all over the country, even to the Pacific coast. "The importation of costly goods through this port without the payment of duties," said Mr. Loeb, "was the result of a far reaching plot, the head of which was a former United States customs official, who made his headquarters in Paris and who has since died. Seven indicted dressmakers have been arrested here and held in various amounts of bail for trial in the federal court.

Bathtub Mystery

NEW YORK, Dec. 22—The three Ward sisters must fact trial in Essex county, N.J., all charged with the murder of Ocey Snead, the East Orange bathtub victim. The Essex county grand jury this afternoon reported against all three. The proceedings before the grand jury were brief. Police chief Bell of East Orange told of finding the body, W. J. Kinsley, a hand writing expert, told of the suicide notes he had examined but just what he swore to was not made public, while physicians testified as to the condition of the body.

Tay Pay Happy

NEW YORK, Dec. 22—"My mission here has been very successful," said T. P. O'Connor, M.P., as he was sailing today on the Mauretania after several weeks spent in this country to collect funds for the promotion of the Irish parliamentary party's interests. "I feel very certain that the liberals can win easily in a general election," he declared, "and such a result will help our cause."

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In asking for your support I stand on my record of the past, and pledge myself to conduct the business of the city with economy, efficiency and moderation.

Harold Selous

Nelson, Nov. 27, 1909 191-tf

To the Electors of the City of Nelson

At the request of a large number of ratepayers I have decided to offer myself as a candidate for Mayor for the City of Nelson for the year 1910, representing the Citizens' party.

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HENRY ALBERT MATTHEW.

Dated at Sheep Creek, B. C., this 30 day of November, 1909. 1-12-09-4

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

Take notice that an application has been made to register Alfred Hill as the owner in Fee Simple, under a Tax Sale Deed from R. J. Stenson, deputy assessor of the district of Slocan, to Alfred Hill, bearing date the 2nd day of August A.D. 1906, of all and singular that parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the town of Silverton, in the province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as: Lots twenty-three (23), and twenty-four (24), Block 32, town of Silverton (Map 674.)

You and those claiming through you and all persons claiming any interest in the said lands by virtue of any unregistered instrument; and all persons claiming any interest in the said land by descent, whose title is not registered under the provisions of the "Land Registry Act," are required to contest the claim of the tax purchaser within forty-five days from the date of the publication of this notice upon you, and indefault of a caveat or certificate of lis pendens being filed within such period, or in default of redemption or in respect of the said land, and I shall register Alfred Hill as owner thereof in fee.

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Bills must be presented to the House not later than 10th February, 1910.

Reports from Standing Committee on Bills will not be received by the House after 17th February, 1910.

THORNTON FELL,
Clerk, Legislative Assembly.

Victoria, 1st November, 1909. 176-tf.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Silver, 52⅝; standard copper, 13⅝; quiet.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Silver, 24 3-16; lead, £13 2s 6d.

See Braidwood's fresh killed turkeys before you buy. 212-tf.

Ladies' desiring blouses, centre pieces, etc., stamped, apply Fridey evening room 6, Carnew block. 193

An 18-foot row boat was picked up at 8-Mile yesterday. Information regarding same can be obtained from Capt. Moore of the steamer Kaslo. 112

Don't forget to call telephone 44, or any call box, for prompt delivery of your Christmas presents. The Messenger Service has a full staff of boys from 7.30 a.m to 12 p.m. 110-6

A handsome silk crazy quilt is to be raffled on the evening of Dec. 24, at the Silver King hotel. The tickets are 50c each and the quilt may be seen at room 53, Tremont hotel. 211-2

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At the Theaters.

The Allen Players at the opera house will give two performances on Christmas day a matinee at 2.30 p.m. and the usual evening performance at 8.30. Seats will be placed on sale for both performances at the Poole Drug company's store on Friday morning.

An exceptionally fine program is on at the Empire theatre this evening and includes, without doubt one of the most elaborate pictures ever put out by the Vitagraph company, whose films are noted for detail. The subject is entitled "Napoleon, the Man and Destiny," and portrays the rise and fall of the great emperor from 1800 to 1815. Another good picture is "Betwixt Love and Duty," a well conceived western drama. Other subjects are "A Mixup at Court," and "A Set of Teeth," both humorous. Tomorrow afternoon there will be a free matinee for children when the special subject, "A Street Waif's Christmas," will be shown.

The pictures shown at the Gem theatre last night were away above the average grade that are shown in this city. The feature subject, "Confidence," is a powerful dramatic story by the American Biograph company. "The Old Army Chest" is a fine drama, by the Lubin company, picturing a love affair in a most charming manner. "Lucky Jim" is a fine Biograph comedy subject that pleases everyone, as did also "Farmer Jones Goes Marketing." This entire program will be shown again tonight. The management invite all the children in Nelson and Fairview to a free matinee on Christmas day, Saturday, at 2 p.m.

OLIVER DOES NOT CARE.

Takes No Interest in Treatment of Passengers on Canadian Trains.

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—Frank Oliver gave a singular answer in the house of commons a few days ago. Dr. Schaffner, Sourris, Man., drew attention to the outrageous behaviour of United States immigration officers. He instanced one case where Rev. T. Davidson, a well known minister of Belfast, Ireland, who was returning from Winnipeg to Ireland by way of New York, was stopped at the border and obliged to return to Winnipeg to have papers filled out showing that he was not an undesirable.

Mr. Oliver's reply, delivered with the ungraciousness for which he has become famous, was: "We have no jurisdiction over the immigration officials of the United States. They exercise jurisdiction on their side of the line and we exercise jurisdiction on our side. I cannot give any answer to my honorable friend at all."

Mr. Foster protested: "Such things as these referred to by the honorable member are indignities, and we have no spirit unless we resent them."

Thereupon Sir Wilfrid Laurier did what Mr. Oliver should have done, promised to look into the matter and see if the agreement made last year on the subject could not be invoked.

TAX ON FOREIGN GRAIN.

Managing Director of Ogilvie Flour Mills Company Approves Proposal.

MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—F. W. Thompson, vice-president and managing director of the Ogilvie Flour Mills company, was yesterday asked whether he thought the United Kingdom would be justified in placing a duty on all foreign wheat and flour and whether, should this be done, her over seas dominions could be depended upon in the near future to meet her full requirements. Mr. Thompson replied that this was a problem to which he had naturally given a great deal of careful thought and study, and after mature consideration he was convinced that Great Britain would be justified in taking such action fully. It is absurd to question the empire's ability to supply its own needs when Canada alone has an area sufficient to suply them many times over. Why, with such unlimited resources, the country is not developing faster, was to his mind the really serious side of the problem. It is not so much a question as to the possibility but the probability of Canada producing these enormous crops. This is where he believes a tax on foreign grain, with the free importation into the United Kingdom of the wheat and flour produced within the Empire, would give the assistance needed, and what applied to Canada applied to all the colonies.

"And let me take this opportunity of adding that the assistance thus rendered the colonies by Great Britain would, I believe, further stimulate us in assuming our full share of responsibility in maintaining an imperial navy such as would be adequate to safeguard our tremendous commerce. I mention this only because I feel that in this great work of empire building we should all be prepared to give as well as take, and every citizen of our Dominion should remember that naval protection is necessary if our commercial supremacy is to be enduring."

Mr. Thompson concluded his observations by declaring: "Development of the empire's requirements, and to my judgment British preference for colonial products is the one great imperial highway by which this long dreamed of imperial success can alone be achieved."

Idaho Greatest Wheat Producer.

SPOKANE, Dec. 22.—Idaho, Washington, Oregon and Montana are the four greatest wheat producing states per acre yield in the union, according to statistics just compiled by A. F. Hitt, special field agent in Idaho, Oregon and Washington, for the bureau of statistics of the United States department of agriculture. He gives Idaho first place in the production of winter wheat, the average yield being 29 bushels. Washington is second with 25.9 bushels, Oregon being third with 21.6 bushels. The general average of the United States is given at 15.5 bushels. Montana heads the list in the production of spring wheat, the average yield being 28.8 bushels. Idaho is second with 26 bushels, and Washington is third with 20.6 bushels, the general average of the United States being 15.9 bushels. While officals figures are not available, it is estimated that the wheat crop in the four states named is near the 65,000,000 bushel mark this season, with prices higher than they have been at any time during the last 30 years.

Ends in Compromise.

VIENNA, Dec. 22.—The trial of the libel actions brought by deputies of the Croatian diet and the Hungarian parliament against the Austrian historian, Dr. Erietjung, ended today in a compromise. In the articles published last March Dr. Erietjung accused the Servian government of endeavoring to incite a popular rising in Bosnia, Crotia and South Hungary, and also charge the plaintiff deputies with receiving Servian bribes to promote such a rising. Today Erietjung admitted that the most important documents adduced in support of his assertions were forgeries, whereupon the plaintiffs withdrew their suit. The court ordered that the costs be divided.

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NELSON NEWS OF THE DAY

The temperature yesterday varied between 13 and 22 degrees.

I. O. O. F. Encampment No. 7 meets this evening in Oddfellows' hall.

Lieut-Col. W. J. H. Holmes of Kaslo was a visitor to the city yesterday.

The Brotherhood of Railway Carmen meet this evening in Miners' Union hall.

Judge William of Phoenix spent yesterday in the city as a guest at the Hume.

All Pythian Sisters are requested to attend the regular meeting, which is to be held in the K. of P. hall tonight, and to be at the hall at 7.30 for the drill before the meeting.

T. H. Crump of Grand Forks, C. P. R. trainmaster, as a guest at the Hume.

There will be no further practices of the Cadet corps in the armories until further notice.

G. Cruickshanks of Moyie, foreman at the St. Eugene mill, is a guest at the Strathcona.

A. Carney of Kaslo, provincial government timber inspector, is a guest at the Hume.

The lumber for the new car barn is on the ground and construction will commence shortly.

Zeig's tenth annual possum supper will be given this evening at 720 East Baker street, commencing at 5 o'clock.

W. E. Swicky of Kaslo, accompanied by Miss Zwicky, reached the city yesterday morning and registered at the Hume.

R. J. Keeler, of the staff of the Imperial bank, held the winning number in the draw at Wehr's shoe store last week.

The $60 set of G. B. D. pipes raffled last night at the Cabinet Cigar store was won by Walter Davis, and the $40 set by O. Falk.

All barber shops in the city will remain open tonight and tomorrow night until 10 o'clock, and will close tomorrow night until Monday morning.

The Ashdown Hardware company is presenting its patrons with a very handy and well gotten up pocket rule which makes a most acceptable and useful gift.

The skating rink opened last evening for the season. Some 150 skaters were on the ice which was in excellent condition. The band will be in attendance this evening.

The wedding took place on Tuesday, Dec. 21, at Rossland, of Marion McDaniel of Westley to Miss Nancy Horn of Robson, by Rev. Mr. Thomson of the Baptist church.

The Star hockey team has been organized from among the juniors of the city, the players having been selected from three of last season's clubs. J. Grant and E. Matthew, who starred with the Nelson juniors in their three games at Rossland last season, are found in the line-up while J. Ferguson and C. Ferguson are wings and Cecil Grizzelle is point, all of whom made good in the three games at Kaslo last season when the public school played there. H. Svoboda as cover point and C. Emory as goal, two players chosen from the high school team, comprise a team that will keep its rivals guessing. By the organizing of a team composed of the stars in the three junior teams playing here last season the players expect not only to defeat local opponents but to give outside teams a hard task. The line-up is as follows: Goal, C. Emory; point, C. Grizzelle; cover point, H. Svoboda; centre, J. Grant; rover, E. Matthew; right wing, W. Ferguson; left wing, J. Ferguson.

Miss Bessie Gordon, who underwent an operation three weeks ago at the Kootenay Lake General hospital, is now able to be about again and under the care of Dr. L. E. Borden will soon be able to return to her home at Silverton.

The fourth annual dance of Nelson Lodge No. 663, International Association of Machinists, which is to be given tomorrow evening in the Eagles' hall, will undoubtedly be largely attended and gives promise of being a success in every way.

A Christmas display surely worthy of special mention adorns the show windows of the Poole Drug company. The handsome selections and artistic decorations combined make the display perfect and certainly should be admired and complimented as much credit is due this progressive firm.

Irrigated Farming.

In the annual report of the department of the interior for the year ended March 31, 1909, the superintendent of forestry gives some interesting information regarding irrigated farming and the extent of the water supply in the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

It is stated that the water rights already granted in connection with the larger irrigation projects are sufficient to provide for the irrigation of some 2,500,000 acres and that these systems, when completed, will have cost in the neighborhood of $10,000,000. When it is remembered that the lands to be irrigated are without water, suitable chiefly for grazing, and that they have heretofore been sold, when sold at all, at from $3 to $10 per acre, whereas with water rights they are readily salable at from $25 to $35 an acre, the value of water in these regions of scanty or uncertain rainfall is at once apparent. Truly, water is wealth in the southern portions of our prairie provinces, and it is interesting to note that steps are now being taken to ascertain the extent of the water supply with a view to its fuller utilization.

Three parties of two men each have been assigned to the work of stream measurement in the Calgary, Lethbridge and Maple Creek districts, respectively. Their duties are to measure the area of each stream at some suitable point, to ascertain the rate of flow at different stages of water, and to establish gauges which can be read daily by some suitable person in the vicinity who shall report the readings weekly or monthly to the chief hydrographer. In this manner a fairly accurate idea can be obtained of the volume and duration of the flow of the more important streams.

This is a very important work, not only in the interest of irrigation, but for the domestic supply of the towns and villages springing up so rapidly all over the west, and for the development of power. The observations must, however, be continued for a number of years before really accurate and valuable results can be obtained.

Irrigation has also, it appears, been practiced to a considerable extent by individuals, there being over 300 small systems now completed or under construction; these will provide for the irrigation of some 173,000 acres. These smaller projects are, as a rule, in the valleys, where the level land is easily irrigable at small cost, but it is pointed out in the report that better results could be attained and a larger area irrigated by the co-operative construction of larger ditches following higher levels.

Getting Close

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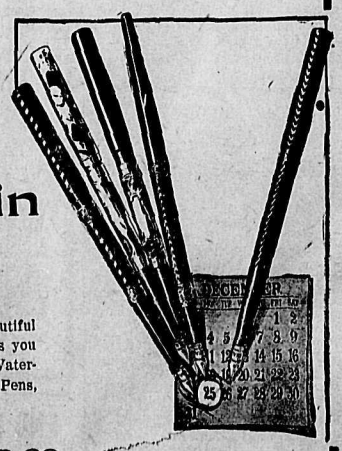

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