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Local.

J.H. Rowbottom returned from Pachelqua on Friday with the teacher, H. L. Phair.

Miss Lila Laidley secured the position of school teacher at Salmon Arm, and took the Ashcroft stage here Saturday morning. She holds a remarkably high certificate for a young lady, second class for life.

Ice cutting for the hotel was commenced yesterday: how would you like to be the iceman this weather.

A good many people enjoyed a skate on the river bend during the cold snap.

Thermometer said 8 above.

W. Abercrombie killed a steer of R. Hoey's the other day. Nobody had him arrested, either; as it was paid for and intended for meat for the citizens. It was a whopper,—1200 dressed.

W. Dickey of Pachelqua was in town Tuesday.

Inglis Uren has been laid up with rheumatism:—missing all the skating, Inglis! or was it too much skating that did it?

This town boasts a neat little opera house, Santini Hall, with stage, drop curtains, screens rural and domestic scenes, and back grounds. An oil painting of Seaton Lake forms the first curtain.

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Owl Creek Hatchery.

Mr. C. D. Sword, the Dominion Fishery Inspector, accompanied by Mr. Robinson, superintendent of the Dominion hatchery at Harrison Lake, with Mr. Forrester, contractor of New Westminster, arrived here from Lytton on the stage Friday evening, to visit the site of the new Dominion hatchery, to be erected on Owl creek, a tributary of the Birkenhead river. The distance from Lillooet town is about 58 miles; thanks however to the arrangements made, the party were enabled to arrive at their destination early Sunday morning, and make the return journey here by Monday evening, leaving for New Westminster on Tuesday's stage via Lytton. This hatchery will have a capacity of handling 45,000,000 eggs; the site was selected some years ago by one of the Dominion officials, as an ideal location for a hatchery, and the Provincial Government in the fall of last year reserved some three miles of the creek for fish hatchery purposes.

CLINTON.

We have no correspondent in that thriving town. No ads to grace our pages, from the Judicial centre of Lillooet district.

A correction has to be noted; the temperature was only 8 below instead of 16, as reported.

In regard to correspondence, will somebody please inform the Prospector if the following is correct:—

Different kinds of people have different forms of greeting; in France it is, "how do you carry you?" On the Pacific coast, among exiles from Ontario, it is, "do you think you'll ever go back?" At Clinton, they say, they say:— "can you keep up your spirits up?"

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CURRENT COMMENT

The dyke is giving way in places, near Steveston; Westham Island, a very rich farming land, is under water. What will they do next June when the snow melts, if they can't keep a little rain water out?

It is rumored that the Russian fleet will come home, now that Port Arthur cannot be helped. It seems too bad that the jolly officers should miss their Xmas holidays; but they probably had a good time hanging around the French island Madagascar, waiting for Stoessel to surrender. A joke like this in Russia would be a railway pass to Siberia and no return, until the first president of Russia is elected. What a lot will come home to vote, and drink vodka.

The Great Northern has taken control of the V. W. and Y. and has therefore in operation a line to the Fraser river. The charter will enable him to connect with the Grand Trunk at Hazelton. North Vancouver is to be the southern terminus, thence along the coast to Howe Sound, Squamish, Pemberton Meadows, and so on. The mayor of Vancouver in a speech referred to the early construction of this line.

A United States torpedo boat visited Burrard Inlet the other day. Probably the cook was in need of provender. They took on some Lillooet beef, Lytton beans and Ashcroft potatoes; to say nothing of Pavilion flour.

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MINING NOTES.

H. Seroy was down from Bridge River last week. He had some splendid specimens of free milling gold quartz.

A Mining man who has seen considerable hydraulic mining in Atlin and Cassiar. is satisfied with conditions on Alexander creek, and will probably commence operations in the Spring.

Wm. Riley, Jr. and Jos. Russell went to the Ample on Tuesday to work for Mr. Fenton.

Church Notes.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH.

Morning and evening service were well attended, and partook a Christmas tone as Archdeacon Small had to preach elsewhere that day. Evergreens and other decorations served to brighten the church, and the usual choir was strengthened. Temperature and light were carefully regulated. In the morning the subject was the early life of Jesus, the wonderful visit of the scientists from the east, and the Boy in the temple. Communion service at the close. The evening lesson was a study of the likeness between creation and redemption.

The union Sunday school was a little light in attendance as the cold caused the more delicate members to remain indoors, and the more hardy ones to go for a skate. Keep an hour a week, boys, for Sunday school; come and see the faces and get a bright paper. In Mr. Laidley's absence Dr. Clarke had charge of the school.

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The fall of Port Arthur will not make fall wheat fall as did Sebastopol. A farmer and a miller in old Ontario had an understanding about price, near the $2 mark: the producer had lots of it and the manufacturer wanted it all, but No HURRY. Along comes a Toronto Globe, with

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DOLLAR WHEAT.

Old Man Marsh did not haul that day, but drove to the mill, wondering what he lost by not delivering all, and what would the miller say, anyway. Hello, John, where's your load? Yes the war is over, but my word was always good, John—bring all your wheat at $2.

The Great White Czar is not to be envied: it is said he acts like a crazy man sometimes, lies awake nights and sits dazed by day, roused from his stupor by visions of a Jap after him, waking screaming. Some say not to pity him either:—why does he not abdicate? It must be like an electric battery—hurts to hold, hard to let go.

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The Fraser flows silently in its old gold bed, from the north, enclosed by mighty ridges. The arms of the sea reach inland, not very far away, as if beckoning for the river to turn, but it continues far to the south before rejoining the ocean. There is a place it thought of turning, so to speak; where perhaps it once ran; where maybe man can make it run again:—at Lillooet. Here there is a remarkable gap in the west wall, where the great Lakes, Anderson and Seaton, join the river. Government figures the Fraser's elevation here at 700, Pemberton Meadows at 695; and we know that the lake and Town are about the same, as it was found impossible to use that water for the town: therefore it would not take a very high dam, but a mighty wide one, to turn the Fraser into the four Lakes, Seaton, Anderson, Douglas and Harrison. Would the gold in the river bed between here and Lytton pay for it?

No, but the storage of floods would. No more dyking, as at Chilliwack; immense water power generated. However, before that remarkable thing happens, we will see something not at all remarkable, namely: a steamboat between Lytton and here, carrying supplies and machinery to half a dozen dredges. Also a railway through the Pemberton Meadows.

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"Midway 'twixt earth and heaven,
A bubble in the pearly air, I seem
To float upon the sapphire door, a dream
Of clouds of snow,
Above, below,
Drift with my drifting, dim and slow,
The twilight drifts to even'.

"The little fern-leaf, bending
Upon the brink, its green reflection greets,
And kisses soft the shadow that it meets
With touch so fine,
The border line
The keenest vision can't define;
So perfect is the blending.

"The fir trees that cover
The brownish hills with needles green and old;
Replicatured are
Beneath me far,
Where not a ripple moves to mar
Shades underneath, or over.

"Mine is the undertone;
The beauty, strength and power of the land
Will never stir or bend at my command;
But all the shade
Is marred or made
If I but dip my paddle blade;
And it is mine alone.

"Oh! pathless world of seeming!
Oh! pathless life of mine, whose deep ideal
Is more my own than ever was the real;
For others Fame
And Love's red flame,
And yellow gold; I only claim
The shadows and the dreaming."

Sketch of Miss Johnson.

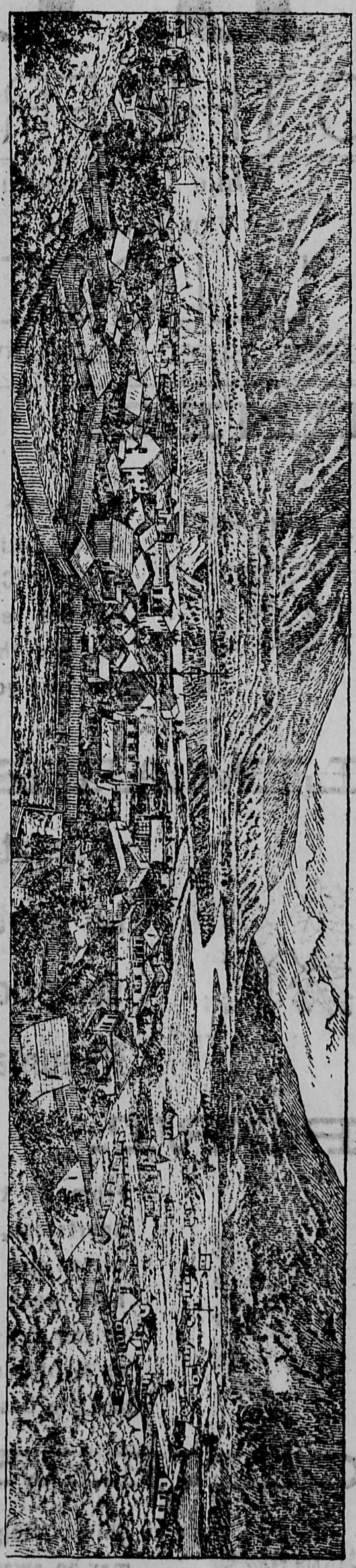
No complete collection of Miss Johnson's poems is in existence, I regret to say. The above example of her work is quoted from a small volume published in 1894, entitled "The White Wampum." Since that date, however, many of her best poems have been produced, and, it is to be hoped, will be gathered together in book form in the near future. For no living Canadian poet has anything like the interest for us that Miss Johnson has. This is largely on account of her race. She is the daughter of the late G. H. M. Johnson, head chief of the Mohawk Indians, who married an English lady, a Miss Howells, a relative of William Dean Howells, the novelist. Pauline was born on the Six Nation Indian Reserve in the County of Brant, and was educated at the Brantford Model School. Her first verse was published in "Gems of Poetry," a New York periodical, and for many years she has been a contributor to the best periodicals in Canada and the United States.

The predominant qualities of her poetry, as we have it in "The White Wampum," are those which have long been recognized as distinguishing her race: eloquence, graceful imagery, picturesque language and dramatic passion. The Iroquois were an intellectual, as well as an imaginative, people, and established a confederacy that for years held the balance of power on this continent. This daughter of theirs, it is evident, has inherited race instincts and traditions that one time found expression in such deeds as that of Ojistoh, or such choice as Dawendine's. Now they inspire a pen. Here and there the "wilderness girl" crops out. In such lines as "Penseroso," for example—the third stanza of which reads:—

"Let me but feel athwart my cheek the lash
Of whipping wind, but hear the torrent dash
Adown the mountain steep, 'twere more my choice
Than touch of human hand, than human voice."

Miss Johnson's attitude towards Nature in this volume appears to be a stock-taking of effects, though an appreciative stock-taking; still, occasionally, as in the last stanza of "Shadow River," her contemplation of nature becomes a revealing agency, an opening into the transcendent world, or what we choose to think so, though the idea may be to the real world no more than the shadows were to the far fir trees, and brownish hills, and "the little fern-leaf bending."

In 1891 Miss Johnson began a species of entertainment, the unique feature of which was the recitation of her poems on Indian life in costume and character. She has been most successful, having appeared in England, the United States and all over Canada. Her home is in Brantford.—Pharos, in The Globe.



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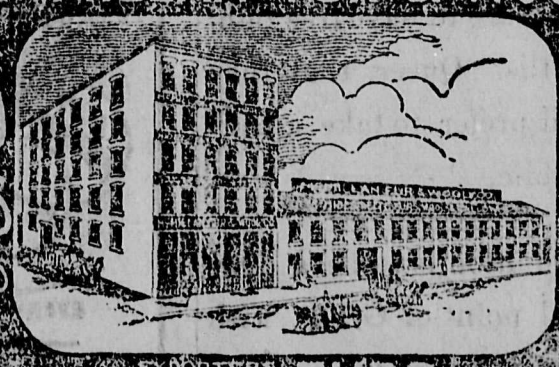

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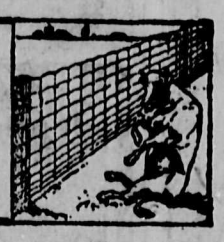

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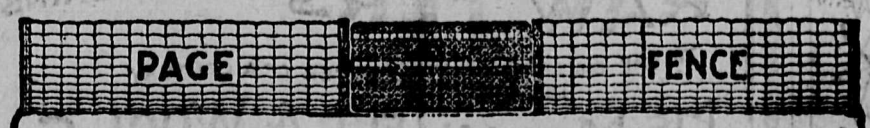

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