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MEETING OF COUNCIL.

J. A. ANDERSON IS APPOINTED CITY TREASURER.

Standing Committees are Struck for the Year—Police Ordered to Stop Snowballing on the Streets—Sixth Alderman to be Appointed Next Week.

The new board of aldermen got down to business on Monday evening, setting themselves securely into the municipal harness. Those present were: Mayor York, Ald. Smith, Worden, Arnot and McNeish.

Correspondence read: Report of the audit of the school trustees' books by H. D. Curtis, who found the accounts correct, but some irregularities in payments ordered.

Ald. McNeish, as treasurer of the school board, rose to explain the points touched on by Mr. Curtis, contending that the latter had overlooked in the minutes of the board—which were read—the authority to make the payments.

Ald. Worden and Arnot moved that the report be referred back to the auditor for correction. Carried.

Bills presented: H. D. Curtis, auditing city's books, $50.

The mayor suggested appointing the auditor permanently, at a yearly salary of $50. He could then keep the books straight and have his work well in hand.

Bill was referred to the finance committee.

The mayor announced his standing committees as follows: Finance—Ald. Smith, McCallum and McNeish. Board of works—Ald. Worden, Arnot and McCallum. Fire, water and light—Ald. Arnot, McNeish and Worden. Health and relief—Ald. McCallum, Smith and Arnot. His worship explained there would be some changes made in the committees when the sixth alderman was appointed.

He further explained that he had recommended Ald. Smith and George Nichol as police and license commissioners.

There was another appointment to make, that of a city treasurer. The mayor said he wanted to keep in touch with the finances, and he would recommend Ald. Arnot for the position.

Ald. Worden did not deem that a wise move, as it would be much better to appoint an outsider as treasurer. He would, therefore, nominate John A. Anderson for the position.

Mr. Anderson was duly elected to the position, and the clerk was instructed to see that the necessary bonds are given.

Clerk Bentley suggested that the city should procure a set of the British Columbia statutes for the use of the council. He was instructed to obtain the cost of the set.

Ald. Worden spoke of the snowballing the firemen received the other day when out on their practice run, and he wanted it stopped. One of their best men had resigned, as he objected to being made a target of.

Ald. McNeish wanted to know who the policeman took his orders from. He was told from the commissioners, and replied the council then should have a man, too. He objected to this snowballing on the streets.

The mayor said it was the first complaint he had heard, and he was sure all wanted to see the firemen protected when on duty.

Ald. McNeish spoke of several ladies having been struck while on the street. It was the first city he was ever in where such a thing was allowed.

Stringent orders were issued Chief Armstrong to stop snowballing on the streets.

Ald. Worden spoke of the practice of ringing the fire alarm, and the mayor said he would give notice about it.

A request from the clerk for some printed stationery was granted.

The chief of police put in a request for some dog tags.

Mayor York asked if many dogs escaped payment last year, and the chief replied no.

Ald. Arnot—"You couldn't expect him to say yes could you?" which raised a hearty laugh at his worship's expense.

Ald. Arnot and McNeish moved the clerk procure 100 tags. Carried.

Ald. McNeish stated he believed there were still some bills to come in from the old council, for special police at the time the circus was here last summer.

His worship stated W. Lee and D. McVannel were then appointed specials, but they had not yet put in any bills. When they did they would be paid.

The cemetery found a new advocate for the year in Ald. Arnot, but he was informed nothing could be done until after the millsite was settled.

Ald. McNeish wanted to know when the new assessment of the city would be made.

The mayor said it ought to be done at once, so as to get the finances in as early as possible, making the rebate good to June 30.

The clerk said it would take him a month to make the assessment. It would be a good idea to get an abstract of title from the registrar, as the titles to local property were in bad shape.

Matter laid over for one week.

Ald. Smith inquired when they were about to appoint the sixth member of the council. He was informed the appointment would be made at the next meeting.

Council adjourned.

A HEALTHY STORY.

Big Granby Mines Will Start to Pay Regular Dividends.

"Within four months the Granby company of Grand Forks expects to commence the payment of dividends," said Jay P. Graves, manager of the company, last week. "At a meeting of the company, held in Montreal on the 15th of the month, President S. H. C. Miner made the official announcement of the fact. I am not in a position to say what the dividends will be, but they will be of respectable size on our issued capital of $13,350,000. Of course we are prognosticating the dividends on the expectation that we shall have no untoward difficulty, such as a further break in our coal or coke supply.

"At the meeting in Montreal five new American directors were added to the board, making 12 in all, and I feel safe in saying that the Granby now has the strongest directorate of any copper company in America. The men whom we have added include J. Stanton, Wm. H. Nicholls, George M. Luther, Joseph Langaloth, and Clement Houghton. The old directors include President Miner, W. H. Robinson, A. C. Flumerfelt, W. H. McKeenick, of Granby, Quebec; Fayette Brown, Montreal; all of whom are Canadians; A. L. White, New York, and myself. There are seven Americans to five Canadians now on the board.

The newcomers are heavily interested in the company and I have sold them a large stock at $1 a share, or at a valuation of about $5,300,000 for the company. The corporation is now out of debt and has its smelter in shape to handle 1600 tons of ore a day, while the mine is being equipped to produce 5000 tons a day. We are arranging to increase the capacity of the smelter to about 2300 tons a day by the first of June. It has been currently reported that the Granby has 15,000,000 tons of ore in sight. I do not care to say more about our tonnage than that."

"It has been asserted that the Granby is treating $5 ore. Is the ore running above or below that figure?" Mr. Graves was asked.

"We have never treated ore running so low as $5. All our product is above that figure, even with metals at the low valuation which now prevails."

At the recent meeting Mr. Miner announced that the company has no liabilities.

Market for Silver.

Financial papers agree that the past year was an unfortunate one for silver, which made for itself a low record price in the world's history. On November 28th bar silver fell to 21 11-16d per ounce in London and 46⅝ cents in New York. Mexican dollars touched 37¼ cents in the latter market. The year's highest price was 25 15-16d in London, 56⅛ cents per oz in New York, and 45¼ cents for Mexican dollars. That was on January 3 and 4. A gradual and uninterrupted decline then set in, and steadily continued until Nov. 25 last, since which time the market has been irregular, the closing prices for the year being: London 22 3-16d, New York 48⅛ cents and Mexican dollars 38 cents. For the twelve months this was a decline of 5 9-16d in London, 7⅞ cents in New York and 6⅝ cents in Mexican dollars. The chief causes assigned for the fall in prices are the trade depression in the Orient, the large amount of silver withdrawn from the interior of China to pay the indemnity instalments, and the expectation that the gold standard would be adopted by the Straits Settlements and Mexico. To this may be added the fact that the European governments have not placed any large coinage orders. This combination of circumstances has enabled speculators to unduly depress the price of the white metal. The prospects for the current year are more favorable, the expectation being that the Orient will have to renew the supplies that have been so freely drawn upon. With the settlement of the interior troubles in China, too, trade is destined to become more active, in which case there will be an improved demand for this description of money, so strengthening prices.

Paying Ore From Dayton.

Messrs. Davidson and Harrison have obtained the returns from their shipment of ore made last week from the Dayton claim to the Nelson smelter. The shipment yielded $10.50 in gold and 90 oz silver per ton. Since the shipment was made a great improvement has taken place in the ore at the mine, the grade now being very high, running as much as $73 in gold and several hundred oz in silver. The ore being taken out contains argentite, grey copper and native silver. Specimens exhibited in town during the week also have free gold exposed on the surface in liberal quantities, sufficient to give handsome values. It looks as if practical leasing will demonstrate the Dayton to be a mine as in the case of other properties in the camp.

SITUATION IMPROVING.

A Better Feeling Beginning to be Felt in Mining Circles.

A healthier feeling is beginning to be felt in mining circles, more confidence being evinced than for years past. Things have been to rock bottom and the upward tendency has set in. The uncertain quantity in British Columbia politics is about gone forever, and the impending elections will result in stability to law and industry. Capital is becoming reconciled and is easier to approach, while inquiries for investments are increasing. The market for zinc is firm and its scope widening, as notice the Kansas people seeking larger and longer contracts, and also the local smelters increasing the penalty limit. Purchases of silver lead ores are being sought by American smelters, both by the trust and independent concerns, as much as $2 flat being offered for the Slocan lead product. But mineowners do not feel like selling, for the London price for lead is gradually gaining strength, and, besides, there is assurance that remedial action will be taken on the subject by the Canadian government. In the Cœur d'Alenes as high as $4.12½ is being offered for lead and it is felt the Canadian article should realize better than $2. Mineowners have that hope, anyway. Silver, too, is likely to ascend in price very shortly, as the present low figure is due more to speculation than the result of over supply. There is a feeling abroad of better times approaching and it will not down. The presence of foreign ore buyers in the country is putting backbone into the people.

Start Out Wrongly.

During the week the city has been flooded with circulars, inviting membership to the Provincial Mining Association, recently formed in Victoria. The idea is not well received here, if, for no other reason, than the following untruthful statement made by the committee: "The conditions surrounding the mining industry of British Columbia—the principal industry of the province—have become so burdensome that mining operations have ceased to yield a profit to investors and capital has ceased to flow into the country." Reports from various sections of the country prove the above statement as being far from the truth, and in uttering it the committee are doing their cause much harm. The association has got off on the wrong tack.

Refused a Big Price.

The Canadian Pacific Railway has just received an offer from a colonization syndicate of $42,000,000 for 14,000,000 acres of its lands. The management deems it better for the company to continue to sell its lands directly to settlers. It has been getting $5 per acre from the settlers, payable in instalments, and the payments now being made on the mortgage notes of the purchasers are said to be equal to the interest on all the bonds of the company.

Unlooked-for Promotion.

An extra of the B. C. Gazette was issued on Monday, containing the names of the various police and license commissioners in the several cities. Those for this city are Ald. McCallum and C. E. Smitheringale, whose appointment surprised no one more than the chosen themselves. The appointment was totally unlooked for and is the more strange in that Ald. Smith and Geo. Nichol had been recommended for the dual position.

Bondholder Ore Rich.

Returns have been received from the small shipment of ore recently made to the Hall Mines smelter by the Bondholder, payment being made on a basis of 275 oz silver. These figures are pretty high and much better than those obtained two years ago. At present three men are working the property under lease, two of them having gone up on Friday.

W. Thomlinson, superintendent of the Arlington, went out to Nelson and Spokane Tuesday, on business connected with the proposed new mill.

OUR ORE SHIPMENTS

SUBSTANTIAL SHOWING MADE BY THIS DIVISION.

Last Year's Shipments Were 6333 Tons—A Healthy Evidence of the Life and Wealth of the Camp—Enterprise the Biggest Shipper.

Ore shipments for the week amount to 20 tons, which was sent out by the Ottawa. It will have a car of No. 1 grade to figure on for next week, and the returns from it will be very high. Ore keeps coming down from the Republic, but not enough is in sight yet to fill out a car. Early next month a shipment may be expected from the Meteor, the lessees of which are busy stoping and sacking ore. The lessees of the Dayton will make a respectable shipment also in February. To date local exports total 245 tons.

For 1902 the ore shipments from the local division amounted to 6333 tons, made up from 12 properties. Following is a full list of the shipments this year to date:

MINE.	WEEK.	TOTAL.
Enterprise		145
Arlington		40
Ottawa	20	40
Black Prince		17
Bondholder		1
Dayton		2
	20	245

MINES AND MINING.

Bar silver is selling at the disgraceful figure of 47.

Ore shipments from the Slocan are upwards of 1200 tons.

The Ottawa will erect handsome bunkhouses in the spring.

M. Cameron has completed his timber contract at the Ottawa.

The Le Roi mine, at Rossland, made $41,000 in profits last month.

Lack of fuel will compel the Iron Horse to shut down on Feb. 1.

The Nelson smelter is drawing a supply of ore from the Republic camp.

The Payne is the leading shipper in the Slocan, with the American Boy as second.

The report is current that a zinc smelter is to be erected at Kaslo by the Kansas people.

Shortage in the coke supply prevents the Boundary smelters buying ores from the Republic camp.

The lessees of the Meteor are busy breaking down ore and they expect to commence rawhiding early in February.

Some extra high grade ore is being taken from a shaft being sunk on the Ottawa. They have two feet of ore to work on.

The Centre Star, Rossland, is paying off its debts at the rate of $30,000 a month, with profits derived from ore shipments.

Last week 210 tons of zinc ore was shipped to Kansas by Slocan mines, the Payne sending out 120 tons and the Ivanhoe 90 tons.

Someone stuffed the Nelson News on Friday with a couple of mining squibs from here. There has been no strike on the Kalispell, neither are there eight men working there. The Westmount showing was reported by THE DRILL several weeks ago.

CULLINGS.

Sandon curlers drew blanks at the Rossland bonspiel.

Leo Doiron smashed his finger very badly at the Ottawa, Tuesday night, with a hammer.

Many persons are being attracted to southwestern Alberta, by reason of petroleum having been struck there.

New Denver Celts celebrated Bobby Burns' anniversary with a supper on Saturday night. Slocan Scots are more devout, as they prefer to worship at the shrine of St. Andrew.

A new set of commissioners has been appointed for the Slocan license district, in the persons of W. H. Davidson, Slocan; W. H. Brandon, Silverton; and D. J. Weir, New Denver.

The trial of the petition against the election of Col. Prior is under way and it is claimed he will be unseated. Those in the know state dissolution of the house will come suddenly.

Hear, Hear.

R. C. Clute, K.C., who was one of the commission appointed by the Dominion government to inquire into the Chinese immigration question, speaking before the Canadian Club at Toronto, Tuesday, said that the Chinese are a stumbling block in the way of progress in British Columbia; that they are demoralizing and degrading labor interests in that province.

'TWEEN LOVE AND DUTY.

A Novel by Annie Thompson.

"I will do all I can: but when she goes to Glasgow I shall see little of her. She will have new friends, new interests."

"None that will displace you, Kate. She is far too faithful."

Kate was silent. She still stared fixedly at the gull, who suddenly flapped his wings, dipped into the sea, wheeled lazily around in the air and settled himself on the rock once more, motionless as before. Again that giddy seething, swaying, swirling of the earth and the water made itself felt.

"So long as she is happy I shall be satisfied," John continued, "but troubles may come, and then—Kate she must not have trouble: she is not able to bear it: it must be kept from her. If you see it near, you will tell me. I—I might be able to help her in some way. You see, I could so easily come home."

"Oh, quite easily!" assented Kate. Her heart was too sore for sarcasm. She spoke as though his return to Scotland in such circumstances would be the most natural proceeding in the world, would be the most efficacious remedy imaginable for trouble of any kind.

"You can't think what a relief it is to me, to know that I have you to depend on for this," he said.

"I am glad," she answered.

"Perhaps I shall be able to do you a good turn, some day. There is nothing I can do for you now, is there Kate?"

"Nothing."

"Well, then, I suppose I should be moving on. I have to get back to town. Thank you with all my heart, Kate—with all my heart. Goodbye."

He held out his hand to her. She could not but take it; she was compelled at last to look away from the gull, and towards him.

Relieved from one anxiety, he was the more free to notice her. Suffering was evident in her face, and he could never look on suffering unmoved. His recent experience had made him very pitiful, very tender-hearted; it had also quickened his perceptions. He liked this girl—loved her, in a way: after Mary, she came before any other of her sex in his estimation. He knew that she must be aware of his disappointment, but he had not intended to make direct illusion to it. Now—prompted by a strong impulse to give help if he could, since help was so clearly needed, he said—

"Are you, too, in trouble, Kate?"

She tried hard to force herself to say "no." She could not.

"Yes," was her answer.

"I am sorry, dear," he said, so kindly, so gently. "It's a hard world for some of us, Kate, and we can do almost nothing to help each other over the rough places. But sympathy does give a little help, a little encouragement, doesn't it?"

She bent her head.

"I have yours, I know Kate: and you have mine."

Kate tore her hands from his, and fastened them about her throat. She felt as though rising sobs would strangle her. She wanted to choke them back, lest she should lose one word of what he was saying.

"Go on," she gasped, "you help me. Say more, say something more for me to remember."

"What can I say, dear? Happiness doesn't come to everyone, and those who don't get it have just to make the best of their lives without it. We can do that, can't we? We can perhaps give all the better aid where aid is needed, because we know what it is to feel want. Perhaps if he had been satisfied, we should have grown selfish."

"I might," she said, "but you would not. Thank you, John, you have helped me. Remember that always you have helped some one in trouble. You ought to go; I am not going to make you miss your train, I have delayed you too long. Let me know where to write, and I will tell you everying about Mary."

"And about yourself," he said: but she left that question unanswered.

Time was precious, he had to leave her. Kate looked after him while he remained in sight.

"And there," she said, "goes out of my life the one man I have known who couo,d have helped me to rise higher, to make a better thing of life. I would have had confidence in his judgment. He would have told me all my faults and helped me to get rid of them. And oh! I am not all selfish—I could have helped him, too. At the least, I would have been no hindrance to him—no hindrance——"

Blinding tears were in her eyes. She brushed them impatiently away, but the road, when she could see it again, was empty.

Mary was at the Manse door, waiting for her return.

"You have been away so long; I have wanted you so much!" she said.

"Why?" asked Kate, sinking into the first seat she could find.

For answer, Mary burst out crying. Kate was on her feet again instantly, and had caught her cousin's wrist in a tight grasp.

"What are you crying for Mary?" she demanded almost fiercely.

"Because—because—John has been here."

"Well!"

"And he says—oh, Kate, he says he is not coming back again."

"Well!"

"That means that we shan't see him any more."

"I suppose it does," said Kate sharply. "But you knew " had his business to attend to: did you think he could stay here always?"

"No—only it's all so sad. I can't bear to think of his going away and never coming near us again," sobbed Mary.

"Mary! stop crying: you will make yourself ill if you go on like this. Think of something else! Get the tea ready."

Mary was roused: even the gentle Mary could be roused in time.

"You are most unfeeling, Kate," she exclaimed with indignation. "You never cared for him as I do. Of course his going away is not at all so hard for you as it is for me. You can't understand!"

"No, I can't understand," retorted Kate, at her wit's end. "I should have supposed it to be immaterial to you who goes or who stays, so long as you have Mr. Wishart in the neighborhood. Certainly there are some things quite outside my comprehension! As tea is within it, I had better attend to that." She was almost beside herself. If she abated her harshness in the slightest degree she would break down altogether—a disaster not on any account to be risked. Therefore she left Mary: poor Mary, who felt so sorely in need of consolation.

Mr. Ferris returning presently from Glenessle, proved far more sympathetic. He let her cry out her grief on his shoulder; he comforted her by speaking confidently of John's return to Scotland at some later date; Mary had begun to smile again, by the time tea was ready.

Nevertheless, it was a gloomy meal. Kate, in one of her unapproachable moods, sat stern and white at her end of the table. At sight of her face Mr. Ferris, who had been talkative before, became suddenly silent. He found his eyeglasses very much in need of polishing whenever he looked towards her, but his efforts did not in any way improve the dimness of vision he sought to remedy. Mary encouraged herself by surreptitious caressing of the last-received letter from Glasgow, until the delicious sense of possesion betrayed her into an involuntary smile just as Kate happened to glance in her direction—whereupon, she started guiltily, withdrawing her hand from her pocket in haste. They were all relieved when Bella came to take away the scarcely-touched dishes.

Afterwards, Kate retired to her usual seat at a distance from the others. In and out, back and forth, darted her unresting needle. Not one of the many stitches made was visible to her. Years afterwards she found her work of that evening carefully laid away in an old box — a woollen sock, darned shapelessly, almost beyond possibility of recognition.

Mr. Ferris paced up and down the room for some time, glancing uneasily, now and again, at the darner. At length he subsided into his own chair by the window; whither Mary followed him, for a confidential chat.

"Well, dear," said the old man, "what did you do with yourself this morning?"

"Part of the time I wrote, Uncle; and part of the time I made plans."

"Mary made plans!" he said, touching her golden hair tenderly. "They must have been pretty plans; were they wise?"

"I don't know," sighed Mary—"I don't suppose so, since I made them. But you see, Uncle, I want so much to improve myself now."

"Why now?"

"Oh, because of Gavin."

"Does he think you want improvement?"

"I daresay he does. Of course he has not said so, yet; he has had so little time to find out. I have told him not to expect anything."

"Then he will have a great many surprises. And what are the plans, Mary?"

"There are several of them. I made up my mind to learn book-keeping: that would be useful, wouldn't it? Then I thought I ought to learn a little cooking from Bella. And there is a book about servants' duties, and their wages, and how you engage them; I found it in the bookcase here—I mean to read that carefully. But those are all plans for helping myself, and I wanted specially to be a help to Gavin. As he is so clever, I thought I had better begin with a little very solid reading: Every day, you know, for perhaps half an hour at first—I daresay I should soon get to an hour."

"But you belong to a reading society, don't you?"

"I did, once; but you see, there was a half-penny fine every time you missed your half hour, and it got to be too expensive for me. That was long ago, more than a year, I should think. I am much more in earnest now."

"What 'very solid' books are you going to attack, Mary?"

"Well, Uncle, I am not sure whether to try Browning's poetry, or Mendelssohn's Letters. I think it had better be Mendelsshon's Letters, because Gavin is so fond of music."

"And when are these great schemes to be carried out?"

"Oh, I meant to begin this afternoon—but John came." Mary's voice grew sad: she put her head down on her Uncle's shoulder. There was silence in the room for a long time.

At length the minister spoke. Mary never knew whether he meant his words for her, or was talking to himself as was sometimes his habit.

"Darkness is creeping over us," he said; "that means that light is rising upon others. So it is always in our lives. Gain involves loss; when happiness comes to me, sorrow falls elsewhere.

"Only I think we often estimate altogether wrongly, the value of gain and loss, happiness and sorrow, darkness and light. For I have known lives that are passed in darkness and struggle, grow far more full of light than those passed in peace and sunshine. I see joyful hearts centre themselves on the objects of their joy and look no further: and I see sorrowful hearts stretch themselves out to aid the sorrowing everywhere—a sword has pierced them through therefore the thoughts out of many hearts are revealed to them.

"Yet who am I, to say whether the joyful or the sorrowing are nobler? God sends to each what is right for each. Those who receive joy, fulfill their destiny as truly as those to whom sorrow is appointed. we have to tread: leave it we must not, glorify it we may!"

He ceased speaking. Mary felt awed, almost frightened. Kate's needle was still at last; her hands were idle; her work had slipped un-Here, before each of us, lies the path heeded to the floor, and lay there at her feet.

CHAPTER VI.

As John Cayford traveled back to town, the definite plan of action which had seemed so hopelessly inconceivable in the morning, began slowly to shape itself before him. Out of the confusion in his mind, one determination arose, powerful, irresistible, bringing order with it: at all hazards, at any cost, Mary's happiness must be secured! So entirely essential did this appear, that in view of it the idea of violating his oath to Alan became less and less revolting, became familiar, became an accepted necessity.

"Alan loved her," he argued, "therefore he would have been ready to make any sacrifice for her. Had he known the production of these papers must involve her in misery, he would have destroyed them without hesitation: if I can convince myself that their production will bring more pain that profit—I shall destroy them."

He knew that the thought of Mary so swayed him as almost to deprive him of the capability to judge righteous judgment. He tried to put away all recollection of her; to view the matter solely as it affected the interests of Alan, Mr. Anderson, Richard Twiss. Over this last name, he pondered long. Richard's relationship to the accused man surely gave him a right to the knowledge of his brother's innocence. How deeply he had seemed to feel the disgrace attached to him by Alan's supposed misdemeanor! John recalled his own impulsive intention to lighten the weight of grief that seemed to crush Richard, by naming the real defaulter; he could not be sufficiently thankful that he had resisted that impulse.

On the other hand, he remembered Alan's letter to his brother. There was an illusion in it which he did not understand, and on which the papers in Alan's box relating to the sale of the Brachead Street property would probably throw some light. He waived the consideration of Richard's claims until he should have examined these.

As to Mr. Anderson: John figured him as a kind-hearted employer, who had been bitterly disappointed in the character of one in whom he had interested himself. Was it worth while to purchase his gratification at the cost of such disaster elsewhere? He had possibly almost forgotten the matter.

And Alan? Certainly his main desire had been to have his name cleared in Mary's eyes. He had said distinctly that he cared nothing for the opinion of others, but only for hers. He had died with that eager appeal on his lips "Tell Mary." She had been told: poor Alan! she could scarcely remember his name! What good could possibly be done to him by the public revelation of his innocence and another's guilt? None. And that other would suffer social damnation. And Mary—John realized her nearness again, felt the pressure of her hand upon his arm, saw the love-light shining in her eyes, heard her dear voice saying—"My love for Gavin, is—is me. It lives with my life, it is my life; nothing can change it." Oh, no, no, no! the papers must not be shewn: at all hazards, at any cost, Mary's happiness must be secured. He had a disagreeable consciousness all the while, that these same arguments would have had no weight whatever with him, but for the crushing conviction that the hope of winning Mary for himself was at an end.

There was still an "If" in the case. Wishart's fate was not yet decided: it would not be decided, until his present reputation had been more closely examined. For Mary's sake, John was willing to adopt the opinion expressed by Corbett in his letter to Alan—that Presslie had intended no harm, had been in great straits for want of money, had yielded suddenly under stress of temptation: but had no intention of permitting Mary's happiness to be placed where there was no good ground for belief that it would be secure. He intended to make as thorough an investigation of Gavin's character as he possibly could, with the means and the time at his disposal. He had friends in Glasgow who could aid him in the matter: ladies who would probably know Gavin socially, and men who would certainly know his standing among men. He intended to apply to these, without loss of time; there was indeed no time to lose, since his decision must be arrived at before the prospective interview with Richard Twiss took place. On his way from the station to the hotel, he reminded himself that there was sundry remembrances which he had brought with him from Melbourne for these friends of his, and that he had not yet opened the case containing them. He also tried to remind himself of something that hovered just outside his mental grasp, yet refused to come within it. He was conscious that he had been haunted all afternoon by this same ghost of a recollection—was it of words, or of music, or both? It was something he had heard quite recently. He tried to connect it with the music that had been performed in the empty church the night before, but he could not: it certainly had some close association with words, and there had been no words with that music. Again and again he was on the point of grasping it, yet always it eluded him. It was annoying to be so persistently haunted by a fancy so vague. When he reached his room, he prised open the packing case. Within it, in addition tis own belongings, he was dismayed to find various parcels, which he had undertaken to transmit from friends of his in Melbourne to friends of theirs in Glasgow, and which he had until now completely forgotten. He unpacked them in haste, that they might be despatched as speedily as possible together with notes of apology for his very culpable negligence. One of them, larger than the rest, required force to dislodge it from its place. He lifted it out with difficulty, remembering that he had found it awkward to pack, and had thought as he thought now, that the kindly Scotchwoman who consigned this bulky parcel to his care, was rather inconsiderate. It contained rare and valuable books, she had told him; stray numbers of Beethoven's arrangements of Scotch Songs. She picked them up at second-hand book stores, and wished them to be conveyed to a nephew of hers, who would appreciate the treasure. John looked for the address: the parcel was directed to Gavin Wishart.

As he deciphered the name, there came to him a transitory glimpse of the haunting recollection that had so tantalized him. It vanished instantly, yet not altogether.

"Fear of death," he kept repeating to himself. "Fear of death—that was certainly part of it! But where on earth have I heard the words lately? And how are they connected with Gavin Wishart?" Memory refused to help him further.

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LOST IN HOTELS.

Queer Things That Absentminded Guests Forget to Take Away.

Every hotel in New York has a storeroom for articles left behind by guests. It is one of the important departments of the establishment and often earns the gratitude of travelers whose unfortunate habit of forgetting leads them to look for things that are missing. In hotels a book is kept in which are jotted down descriptions of articles forgotten. When a hotel does a large transient business, it is frequently with difficulty that lost articles are arranged for identification.

The integrity of servants must be relied upon to a large extent. The chambermaid takes immediate possession of a room upon the guest's departure. She picks up anything that appears to have been left unintentionally. A note describing the article and giving the name of the guest, the room number and the time of departure is taken to the clerk. The property is turned over to the housekeeper and by her to the "lost" department.

Said the clerk of one fashionable hotel: "I remember a singular case of a man who didn't respond at once to the hall boy's call for an early train. The result was that when he did get up he had to run. From the station we got a call on the telephone:

"'Hurry to my room,' he shouted, 'and on the table you'll find a very valuable package. It's my eyes. Send them to the station.'

"Sure enough, we found two glass eyes on the dressing table in a plush case. One was for daily use and the other for an emergency. Guests often forget their false teeth, but that was the only case I ever knew of a man leaving his eyes."

Rings and pins are often found on the washstand. Valuable pins are found everywhere, the window curtains being a favorite depository. Watches and revolvers bob out from under pillows. Of course when the owner's address is known and anything valuable is left he is notified and the article sent to him. If not called for in a few months, the forgotten article usually becomes the perquisite of employees.

A "Tip" For the Waiter.

"Everything all right, sir?" asked the waiter.

The patron nodded, but still the waiter hovered near.

"Steak cooked to suit you, sir?" he asked again presently.

Again the patron nodded.

"Potatoes the way you like 'em, sir?"

"Yes."

Another period of silence.

"I hope the service is satisfactory, sir."

"Are you bidding for a tip?" demanded the patron.

"Well, sir, of course we get tips sometimes, and I've got to go to the kitchen for another party, so"—

"So you'd like a tip now, to be sure of it? Well, I'll give you one."

"Yes, sir."

"Here is the tip: I have a large, strident voice that I am capable of using. If anything is wrong, I'll let out a roar you can hear in the kitchen. If you don't hear it, you can know I am dining in peace and comfort, for it's no fun to have to pass verbal judgment on every mouthful I eat."

"But the tip?"

"That's the tip, and a mighty good one it is too."

Unexplored Australia.

Australia now contains more unexplored territory in proportion to its size than any other continent.

Brimstone For Rheumatism.

The gypsies have an odd cure for rheumatism. They carry a good sized piece of brimstone in the pocket and warrant it to cure the worst cases.

Rice Stuffing.

Rice stuffing for roast chicken or turkey is considered preferable to the usual breadcrumbs. To prepare it brown one chopped onion in a tablespoonful of butter and mix with it four cupfuls of cold boiled rice and one cupful of breadcrumbs that have been moistened in one cupful of milk. Season with sage, parsley or other sweet herbs, as desired. Add half a pound of sausage meat or finely chopped salt pork and salt and pepper to taste.

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When a young man proposes it is up to the girl to lose her self-possession.

It is a difficult task to convince an oyster that he is at his best on the half shell.

If a man doesn't repeat the cute things his baby says it's a true sign he hasn't any baby.

When they overtake a horsethief in in Arizona they call a halt, then for a halter.

When Queen Victoria ascended the throne only $100,000 a year was spent on education; now the amount expended is $65,000,000.

It has been decided by the Belgian government not to work the state coal mines in the Campine district but to increase the taxation payable by the colliery companies.

Pugilists lead a sluggish life.

Wise is the fool who knows enough to keep it to himself.

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The Kangaroo is a lively animal, even when he is on his last legs.

Cigars should be entered in a man's expense account as "losses by fire."

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Grounds For Divorce.

A Salem (Mass.) man who sought a divorce proved, according to a Boston paper, that his wife tore the sign from his store, put into his tea something that made him vomit, threw his clothes downstairs, filled his shoes with cold water, put swill in his overcoat pocket, threw water over him as he went downstairs, put pepper in his bed, made him sleep in an attic, wouldn't do his washing, wouldn't mend his clothes, made him darn his socks and sew buttons on his shirts, spat on his toast when he was getting his breakfast, rocked in a squeaky chair for hours at a time to annoy him, put grease on his Sunday clothes, wouldn't let him have a fire on the coldest evenings so that he often had to go to bed at 7 p. m. to keep warm, and finally "she rubbed a butcher knife over his neck and threatened to blow out his brains."

Baking a Bluefish.

Before baking a bluefish the creole cooks pour over it a sauce made from fresh or canned tomatoes in which garlic is chopped. It is then baked until the flesh of the fish flakes, admitting the sauce.

Boats in China.

Next to coffins, the greatest use for lumber in China is in building boats, and it is safe to say that the number of craft runs into the millions.

Old Chinese Banknote.

One of the curiosities at the British museum is a Chinese banknote of the fourteenth century, which was discovered in the ruins of a statue of Buddha at Peking. Paper money was not introduced into Europe till the seventeenth century.

The Tea Plant.

In India the tea plant is naturally a tree, but by means of pruning it is kept so small that it seems to be only a bush.

Hunchbacks.

Spain has the most hunchbacks of any country. In one small village at the foot of the Sierra Morena there is one in every thirteen inhabitants. France, in the neighborhood of the Loire, has a great many people suffering from deformed shoulders. It has been reckoned that there are 1,000,000 hunchbacks in the world at present.

Oranges and Influenza.

Oranges are used as a cure for influenza, especially in Florida. Nearly every fruit will purify the blood, partly because of the soft water, which takes up more injurious material in the system than hard water, and partly because of its salts. Lemon is famous for this reason.

Horse as a Murderer.

A remarkable story comes from Mellor, England. A man noticed a horse circling continually round a lamb, urging it toward a fence and finally thrusting it through a hedge into a flooded dike beyond at an exact spot where another lamb was drowned. The horse was diverted from its murderous design with great difficulty.

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THE DRILL.

SLOCAN, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

"Maude's intended is a piano dealer, isn't he?"
"Yes, and she believes him all that his instruments are."
"Grand, I suppose?"
"Yes, and upright and square."

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Gents—I have used your MINARD'S LINIMENT in my family and also in my stables for years, and consider it the best medicine obtainable.
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At Westminster County Court, London, a defendant owing £47 offered to pay 1s a month. As it would be 1980 before the debt could be paid at this rate no order was made.

Minard's Liniment is the best.

A short acquaintance is always trying to make a touch.

If you are coughing take Dr. August Koenig's Hamburg Breast Tea.

Turkeys are innocent birds—almost any woman can stuff them.

Some boarding house spring chickens are hens in their second childhood.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten-fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, O., by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.
Sold by druggists. Price, 75c per bottle.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Nature is supposed to be infallible, yet it gives the rooster a comb, but no hair.

One trial of Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator will convince you that it has no equal as a worm medicine. Buy a bottle, and see if it does not please you.

If a man ever convinces his wife that he is a genius he must do it during the courtship.

Minard's Liniment for Rheumatism.

You can't tip a waiter enough to make him lose his balance.

About the only satisfactory substitute for wisdom is silence.

Hard and soft corns cannot withstand Holloway's Corn Cure; it is effectual every time. Get a bottle at once and be happy.

Among the prizes given to the boys attending a voluntary school in a Mid-Glamorgan village recently was one consisting of a box of soap, a piece of flannel and a towel.

AT THE OTHER END.

A certain naval officer was very pompous and conceited when on duty. One day when he was officer of the watch, and he could not as usual, find anything of consequence to grumble about, he attempted to vent his spite on one of the stokers of the vessel, who was in the engine room on duty.

Going to the speaking tube, the officer yelled, "Is there a blithering idiot at the end of this tube?"

The reply came quick and startling, "Not at this end, sir!"

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TRIALS OF AN OLD LADY

Could Scarcely Walk, and Sleep and She Were Strangers.

Kidney Complaint Was the Trouble—Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured it and now She Can Both Sleep and Walk.

Bear River, Digby Co., N.S., Jan. 19.—(Special)—Of peculiar interest to aged people is the statement made by Mrs. Elizabeth Berry, of this place. Mrs. Berry is sixty-five years of age, and for over eight years she was troubled with Chronic Kidney Complaint. She was so bad that she could scarcely walk from one room to another, she could not sleep and she required assistance even to dress herself. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured her. Here's what she says herself:

"A friend advised me to take Dodd's Kidney Pills. I took one box, but that not helping me I left off taking any more for three years. I at last got so that I could not dress or undress myself and could scarcely sleep more than five minutes at a time. Then I resolved to give Dodd's Kidney Pills a thorough trial. I took five boxes and they proved such a success I took seven more boxes. Now I can sleep much better and am completely cured of Kidney trouble.

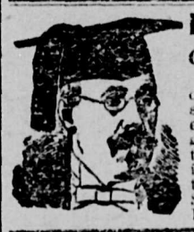
"When I started taking Dodd's Kidney Pills I could only walk from one room to another. Now I can walk a mile."

Dodd's Kidney Pills make the old feel young again.

Experience teaches a man how dishonest other men are.

Minard's Liniment Cures Lagrippe.

Contracting a disease in reality expands it.



FREE BOOK on CATARRH
I will send my fine book on Catarrh to all sufferers from the disease. It explains the origin, dangers and cure for this treacherous trouble. It is fully illustrated by the best artists. Address, Specialist Sproule, 3 Doane St., Boston.

An Ohio girl recently sold a lot of old love letters to a rag man for 6 cents. She says she got the best of the bargain at that.

THE BEST PILLS.—Mr. Wm. Vandervoort, Sydney Crossing, Ont., writes: "We have been using Parmelee's Pills and find them by far the best pills we ever used." For delicate and debilitated constitutions these pills act like a charm. Taken in small doses the effect is both a tonic and a stimulant, mildly exciting the secretions of the body, giving tone and vigor.

INFLAMMATORY RHEUMATISM—Mr. S. Ackerman, commercial traveller, Belleville, writes: "Some years ago I used Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil for Inflammatory rheumatism, and three bottles effected a complete cure. I was the whole of one summer unable to move without crutches, and every movement caused excrutiating pains. I am now out on the road and exposed to all kinds of weather but have never been troubled with rheumatis since. I, however, keep a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil on hand, and I always recommend it to others, as it did so much for me."

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FEEDING THE ANIMALS.

How Some Wild Captives Act When Mealtime Arrives.

An animal is almost as demonstrative when he is hungry as when he is in a rage. They are both natural feelings, and he sees no reason for disguising them. Human beings who are affected in the same way as animals by hunger pay tribute to civilization by not letting this appear. At an animal show in this city the wild occupants of the cages get very wild when the hour comes for them to be fed. A truck laden with meat and vegetables is wheeled around. Long before it gets to their cages the lions act as if beside themselves over the maddening prospect of food. The cages are very small, and yet a lion and lioness will often be in one. They tear from one side to the other, the lion jumping over the body of the lioness rather than make a "longer trip around." Though they ought to have learned that each will get a share, they both plunge for the great chunk of meat. Once they get it they eat it with a certain intensity, but deliberation.

The hyenas, "bounders" of the animal realm, are horribly greedy and will steal from each other every chance they get. The apes, the "snobs" of animal kind, are rather fastidious, if greedy. The ostrich, large, robust bird that it is, awaits its food with much stolidity and when it gets its head of cabbage pecks at it in a most contained, ladylike fashion. The stoical elephant is a placid eater also.

Speed of Racing Camels.

The racing camel is very carefully bred and valuable prizes are offered by a racing society at Biskra for the fleetest racer, says Pearson's Magazine. I have seen the start of a race and it reminded me, in a faroff sort of way, of a horse race. The camels were all arranged in line and they sniffed the air in their anxiety to be off. A flag was waved and they set off at a terrible pace, as if they were only racing for a short distance. They kept together until they were almost out of sight. Then they seemed to settle down to their habitual pace and the race proceeded with long intervals between the competitors. I have also seen the finish of a camel race, and it reminded me of the first motor car promenade between London and Brighton. The camels were certainly not so broken down and bedraggled, but they came in at intervals of several hours and great patience was necessary to watch them arrive.

A Mystic Volume.

A good story is told of the Russian police, who are very careful lest any literature of an atheistic character shall fall into the hands of the peasants.

A peasant in the province of Minsk went to a publisher's shop and asked for a Bible. Unwittingly the shopman gave him an algebra primer.

On opening the book when he reached home, the peasant was surprised to find it full of mystic signs and hieroglyphics. The peasant showed it to a policeman, who felt convinced that the signs were of an "extremely freethinking character," and so arrested the owner.

At the trial the peasant was discharged, and the policeman, instead of being rewarded for his religious zeal, was reprimanded.

Oil of Rattlesnakes.

In Pennsylvania the oil of rattlesnakes is preserved most carefully as a liniment especially good for sore joints and for rheumatism. In procuring the oil the dead snake is nailed head and tail to a board and cut open. The fat is taken out and laid upon a cloth in the hot sun, from which the filtered oil drips into a jar. From fear that the reptile may have bitten itself the clear oil is tested by dropping a portion of it into milk. If it floats in one globule, it is regarded as unaffected; if, on the other hand, it breaks into beads and curdles the milk, it is judged to be poisonous and thrown away.

He Knew Some Costly Ones.

In order to discourage the use of objectionable words, says the Chicago Post, the father had evolved a system of fines, somewhat after this fashion:

Hang it, 1 cent.
Darn it, 2 cents.
Gosh, 3 cents.
Gosh darn it, 5 cents.

The boy who was to be reformed by this method studied the tariff with considerable interest, but it was some time before he spoke.

"Well," he said at last, "I guess I know some words that would cost a quarter!"

To Clean Nickel Clocks.

Cheap nickel clocks that have proved their convenience through much popular use play tricks with their timekeeping occasionally for want of cleaning. This fault may be quickly remedied with naphtha. The backs should be unscrewed and the works taken out and immersed in the fluid, a treatment that will speedily restore their service unless some more radical defect than dust is the trouble.

Meanness of Brown.

Green—Brown told an acquaintance of mine that he could have beat my time and married you himself if he had wanted to.

Mrs. Green—The idea! I wonder why he didn't do it, then?

Green—Oh, I can readily understand why he didn't. He had a grudge against me.

Her Idea of It.

"Do you believe in short engagements?"

"Yes, indeed, and lots of them!"—Detroit Free Press.

CAUSE FOR ALARM.

WHEN YOU GROW WEAK AND YOUR CHEEKS LOSE THEIR COLOR.

This Means Anaemia, and if Neglected Consumption May Follow—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills the Only Certain Cure.

Anaemia, or poor or watery blood, is a trouble from which most growing girls, and many young boys suffer. It comes at a critical period of the young person's life, and unless prompt steps are taken to enrich the blood and thus strengthen the system, decline, and most likely consumption will follow. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is the only medicine that acts directly upon the blood and the nerves, promptly restoring the ailing one to complete health and strength. The following statement from Mrs. Lena M. Ryan, of Welland, whose daughter was a victim of anaemia, gives the strongest proof of the value of these pills. Mrs. Ryan says: "About three years ago the health of my daughter, Birdie, became so bad that I was seriously alarmed. She was pale and almost bloodless; had no appetite, lost flesh and suffered from severe headaches. I took her to a doctor, and although his treatment was followed for some time, it did not benefit her. I then tried some other remedies, but these also failed, and she had wasted away to a mere shadow of her former self. At this stage I was advised to give her Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and she began this treatment. Almost from the outset these pills helped her, and as she continued their use, the color came back to her cheeks, her appetite improved, the headaches ceased to trouble her, and by the time she had taken eight boxes she felt stronger and better than she had ever done before in her life. I think Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are unsurpassed for all ailments of this kind, and strongly recommend them to other mothers."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills not only cure all cases like the above, but also cure all other troubles arising from poor blood or weak nerves, such as rheumatism, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, indigestion, kidney and liver troubles, scrofula, and eruptions of the skin, etc. These pills are also a direct cure for the ailments from which so many women suffer in silence. Give the pills a fair trial and they will not disappoint you. The genuine are sold only in boxes that have the full name "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People," on the wrapper around every box. If your dealer does not have them, send direct to the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., and the pills will be sent post paid at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for $2.50.

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No man is great enough, wise enough or good enough to be trusted with unlimited power.

Fever and Ague and Bilious Derangements are positively cured by the use of Parmelee's Pills. They not only cleanse the stomach and bowels from all bilious matter, but they open the excretory vessels, causing them to pour copious effusions from the blood into the bowels, after which the corrupted mass is thrown out by the natural passage of the body. They are used as a general family medicine with the best results.

The quickest way to do things is to do only one thing at a time.

Don't Monkey with a Cough.
Just a little tickling cough may not suggest any trouble but it is often the fore-runner of very serious lung disease. Gray's Syrup of Red Spruce Gum soothes and heals the irritated membrane and the cough passes away. Gray's Syrup of Red Spruce Gum is a carefully compounded preparation and is a specific remedy for all throat and lung affections. 25 cents a bottle.
One bottle will demonstrate its virtue.
Gray's Syrup of Red Spruce Gum

At Gothenberg, Sweden, there is an artificial system of underground water infiltration by which impure surface water is made suitable for domestic use. Gothenburg has heretofore been famous for its liquor system, but now it has double honors.

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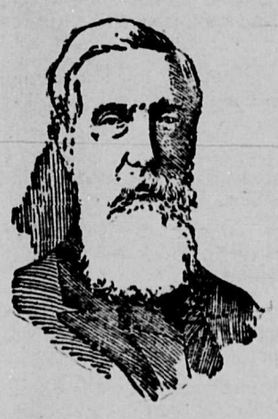

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St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 10, 1902.
This is to certify that the ingredients used by Mr. W. G. Douglas, Winnipeg, in the manufacture of his Carnefac Stock Food has been submitted to me for my opinion regarding their value. I may say with reference to them that I am satisfied they are all healthful. If properly blended they should make a splendid tonic for live stock, more especially when the digestion is not in the proper order. They will act as an appetizer and will also tend to stimulate the digestion so that when feh to animals not in good condition of thrift the result would be to quickly improve their condition. I would suppose that this food would be especially helpful in feeding horses in preparing them for spring work, and in putting in tone the stomach of cattle, sheep and swine that have been pushed too hard in feeding. It should also render good service when fed to calves that are not prospering because of indigestion. THOMAS SHAW
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EDITORIAL CROPPINGS.

John Clapperton has funked and declines to be the government victim in West Yale. It is all up with the family compact.

Coast people have, in a moment of enthusiasm, launched into existence an association affecting to improve the mining industry of the province, and they are seeking to extend its ramifications into every corner of the country. The object in view is most laudable, but somehow or other, Kootenay folk are inclined to be a trifle dubious of anything emanating from 'neath the shadow of the legislative pile in Victoria. Too often those coast schemes smackly strongly of private gain.

It is a remarkable fact that there are yet Americans who really believe Canada's destiny is ultimately become merged in that of the States. One of these deluded humans is Congressman Cochran, of Missouri. At least he had that impression a week or so ago, but an event has transpired since that has opened his eyes and broadened his conception of things Canadian. Cochran made a speech in congress protesting against the truckling policy of Yankees to Britishers, and venturing the assertion that Canada, now intensely loyal, would, if left alone, gradually swerve her allegiance to Uncle Sam. The speaker got no farther, for just then a Canadian girl in the visitors' gallery, named Miss Grant, hailing from Kingston, called out to the American tail-twister, "You lie!" It was enough. Those two words succinctly epitomises Canadian national spirit. Today, as she has ever been, Canada is intensely loyal to the British Empire and its flag, and the man doesn't live who will witness a rupture of those ties. In ages to come should Canada elect to sever allegiance to Britain, it will be to stand alone, a nation among nations, but never to acknowledge Yankee domination. One would have thought intelligent Americans, at least, were aware of that fact, but, suffice it to say, the incident mentioned will have its effect in emphasizing the truth of Canada's standing. All honor to Miss Grant for a brave Canadian lassie.

Failing in their carefully organized raid on the Dominion treasury for a direct cash subsidy and land grant, the promoters of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway scheme have come forward with another proposition, to the effect that the government guarantee the company's bonds to the extent of $75,000,000 to $100,000,000. It should not be done. The government ought to take a stand at once and declare to one and all charter-seekers that no privileges of any description shall henceforth be given with charters. The C.P.R. deal was enough for any nation and one such lesson should suffice. If genuine railroad promoters believe there is business they will reach for it, and, in these days of keen commercial rivalry, they would not lose time over it either. If the Grand Trunk Pacific is a legitimate proposition, there are millions of idle money willing to finance the undertaking. A charter should be sufficient for any honest corporation, and there is no call for the government pledging its credit to build a private road. Better far for the government to build and control the road itself. Down with corporation greed and let the people enjoy their own heritage. That no government support should be given to any railway scheme, just hearken to the words recently uttered by Jim Hill, the greatest of living railroad builders, and he should know: "The time has passed in the affairs of Canada when it is necessary for the government to subsidize a railroad. This is the age when projects of this character are carried out for practical reasons, because the development of the country warrants it, and primarily because the investment can be profitably made. A railroad that requires a government subsidy in Canada today before it can be constructed, is not required by the country nor warranted by the business that will be naturally tributary to it. In truth, the practical railroad world today realizes, in my estimation, that a government subsidy is not a good thing for a transportation venture, which is based upon business considerations. Government aid is usually tainted with such conditions that the value of the grant is more than offset by the disadvantages of the restrictions."

DRILL POINTS.

Old papers for sale at this office.

Sandon defeated Phoenix at hockey this week 4 to 2.

J. Frank Collom went out to Spokane again on Monday.

The supply of coal through the country is becoming easier.

The members of the fire brigade hold their first annual dance tonight.

W. T. Grier was crushed to death at Eholt, Thursday, while coupling cars.

The people of Ymir are agitating for the incorporation of that place as a city.

Two carloads of brick and lime arrived in Tuesday for the sawmill company.

The Claim will not down. Col. Lowery will reach his readers via the express line.

Harry Gibson, formerly of this place, is occupying a cot in the Sandon hospital.

Mayor York has a notice in this issue regarding the use of the city's fire apparatus.

Dr. Sansome, of Clinton, is the latest freak spoken of for the government to run in West Yale.

The Miners' Union will hold their fourth annual ball on Feb. 12. This time it will be a masquerade.

The Silverton hockey team are to be down this afternoon to try conclusions with the local aggregation.

Supper for the Miners' Union masquerade ball on Feb. 12 will be served in the Union hall from 11 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Prizes will be awarded by the committee to the best dressed lady and gent at the Miners' Union masquerade ball.

A practice alarm was turned in Friday from the Arlington Hotel and the fire brigade got there on the double quick.

James R. Muir, representative of Mason & Risch, came in Wednesday to straighten the kinks in debilitated pianos.

Rev. Mr. Sanford, of Rossland, was the preacher in the Methodist church Sunday, Rev. Seymour officiating at Sandon.

Owing to shortage in the mission funds, Methodist missionaries will receive only 76 per cent of their regular allowances.

Provost & Robertson have engaged a number of tiemakers during the week, but they have room for many more men.

The new license commissioners for the Ainsworth district are Neil MacKay, George Stott and John Moore, all of Kaslo.

The Crow's Nest Coal Co. has decided to go out of the store business and is offering its various establishments for sale.

Nelson defeated Sandon at hockey in Nelson, last Thursday, by a score of 4 to 1. Next day Grand Forks did the trick 1 to 0.

R. F. Green, M.L.A., will visit Slocan shortly, to ascertain the needs of the camp, so as to place them before the government.

Misses Kate Foley and Lily O'Neil left here on Monday for New Westminster, to finish their education in the convent school.

Sandon Miners' Union has adopted a resolution endorsing Chris Foley's candidature for the commons in the Burrard constituency.

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John Houston's application to appeal against the acceptance by the liquidator of F. J. Deane's tender for the old Tribune plant has been refused by the courts.

New postoffices have been opened in the following places in the Yale-Cariboo constituency: North Star, Annis, Silver Creek, Moberly, Boundary Falls, Goldfields and Morrissey Mines.

An idea of the expense incurred by the mill people in establishing their works may be gained from the fact that they paid upwards of $1000 in freight on some machinery arriving from Ontario.

Dave Sloan, wife and son, Bob Sloan, Harry Lowes and Miss Vedder left yesterday morning to spend the balance of the winter in Perth, Ont., returning here in May. They were accompanied as far as Minneapolis by the two little daughters of N. Remillard, where they will in future reside.

MINING RECORDS.

Appended is a complete list of the various records registered at the local registry office, H. P. Christie being mining recorder:

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Dundee ¼, R E Allen to same.
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No person shall, without reasonable cause, by outcry, ringing of bells, using of fire alarm, or in any other manner, make or circulate, or cause to be made or circulated, an alarm of fire.

The ladders of the fire hall are placed there for the use of the chief of the fire brigade and his staff, and no person is permitted to take or cause to be taken the same for any other purpose than the use of extinguishing fire.

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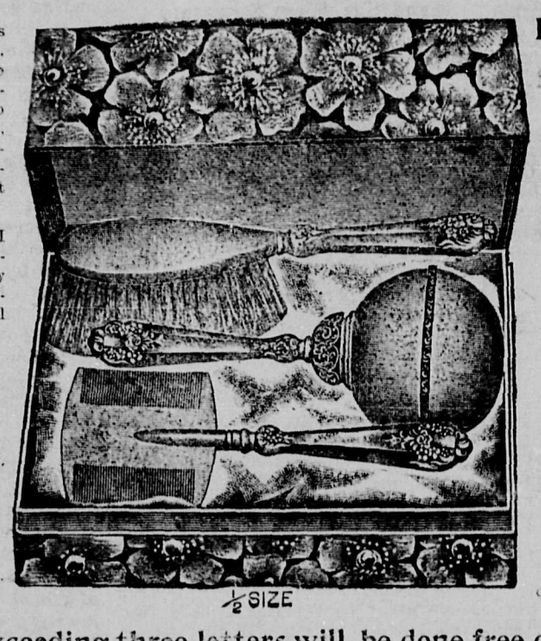

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TAKE NOTICE that I, Archie Mainwaring-Johnson, acting as agent for A. Bruce Coleman, Free Miner's Certificate No. B59936, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for certificates of improvement, for the purpose of obtaining Crown grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificates of improvement.

Dated this 24th day of December, 1902.

ARCHIE MAINWARING-JOHNSON
2-1-03

Certificate of Improvements.

Louise Fraction, Rita, Rose and Legal Mineral Claims,

Situate in the Slocan City Mining Division of the West Kootenay District Where located:—Five miles up first north fork of Lemon creek, adjoining the Violet mineral claim.

TAKE NOTICE that I, W. S. Johnson, for myself, F.M.C. B59721; and as agent for W. J. Johnson, F.M.C. B59722; A. S. Johnson, F.M.C. B59723; Frank Dick, F.M.C. B59777; J. E. Tattersall, F.M.C. B59703; and A. R. Bolderston, Free Miner's Certificate No. B59869, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for certificates of improvement, for the purpose of obtaining Crown grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificates of improvement.

Dated this 16th day of January, 1903.

23-1 03 W. S. JOHNSON

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