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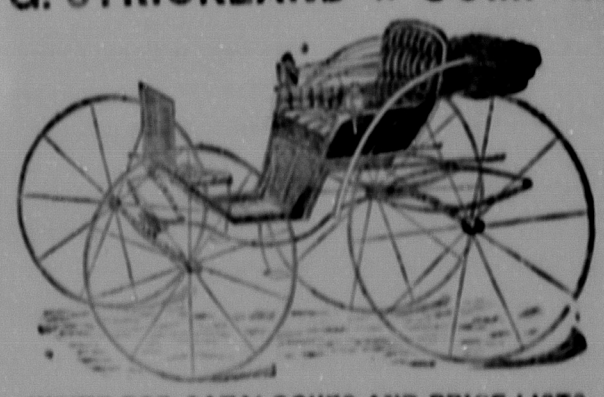
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LABOR TROUBLES.

THE PRINTERS OF PHILADELPHIA ASK FOR AN INCREASE ON PIECE WORK.

A Ten Per Cent Advance Granted the Coal Miners in the Lackawanna and Northumberland Counties, Pennsylvania.

PHILADELPHIA, December 24th.—Edward T. Plank, president of the International Typographical union, arrived in this city from Indianapolis today to confer with the officers of Typographical Union No. 2 relative to the demands of the printers on five morning newspapers, for an advance from 40 to 45 cents per thousand in price for type-setting. He saw some of the local officers, who explained the situation to him. The demand the printers made was to have gone into effect tonight, but the refusal of the employers to grant the demand served to complicate matters. Most of the men are dissatisfied with 45 cents per thousand rate, and they are not inclined to accept the employers' action as final at present. President Oliver, of the local union, said this afternoon no trouble would be experienced in any of the newspapers composing rooms tonight. A meeting would probably held in a few days, at which time the situation would be considered. In the meantime other members of the executive council of the International union are expected in the city. A prominent member of the local union said today that there was a disposition on the part of some of the members to turn the whole affair over to the International union. William M. Singerly, of the Record, today granted to his printers an advance from 40 to 50 cents per 1000 for setting minion. This action was purely voluntary, however, it was said, and had nothing whatever to do with the demand of the typographical union, the latter being still in abeyance.

SCRANTON, Pennsylvania, December 24th.—Today four thousand miners of the Lackawanna Iron & Coal Company were informed that there would be an increase of wages on and after January 1st. The amount of the increase is not stated, but it is presumed that the ten per cent reduction that went into effect a year ago will be restored.

NORTHUMBERLAND, Pennsylvania, December 24th.—The colliers have received an advance of ten per cent in wages, making the total increase which their demonstrations of discontent have netted them within the past two years thirty-two per cent.

Elliott's Whereabouts Discovered.

MONTREAL, December 24th.—The police authorities here have discovered Elliott, the absconding treasurer of the United States house of representatives, accompanied by his paramour Hermine Thibault. He arrived in Montreal on Saturday, the 7th. Hermine went to the house of her married sister, Mrs. Lemoine, on Sanguinet street, where she remained until Friday last, when she left for New York on the early morning train. Mrs. Lemoine denied all knowledge of Elliott, but her husband said that he had been a frequent visitor at his house. The New York police have been notified of Hermine's return to the city.

Results of the Hatchery.

OTTAWA, December 24th.—Mr. Gordon, member of parliament, who is in town, mentions a striking instance of the benefits which have accrued from the establishment of the Fraser river hatchery. He says that the coho salmon have appeared in Nanaimo and Cowichan rivers, British Columbia, this year for the first time. The coho are not indigenous to those waters, and these fish are undoubtedly from the planting some years ago of salmon fry, hatched in the government establishment on the mainland.

Shot Her Paramour.

MARTINS FERRY, Ohio, December 24th.—This evening Walter Kelley, a well-known millman of this place, saw his wife on the street in company with Richard Cotts. Kelley confronted the couple and Cotts ran. Kelley followed, and shot Cotts through the body, inflicting a fatal wound. Cotts and Mrs. Kelley have been publicly intimate, and the husband was driven to desperation by their actions.

They Couldn't Do It.

ST. JOHN, New Brunswick, December 24th.—To-morrow solicitor Lord will announce that it is the governor's pleasure that McDonald be confined in the insane asylum. It appears that, under the act, the governor of the province has not the right to send a prisoner to the criminal asylum at Kingston, Ontario.

The Queen Wants to See Him.

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, December 24th.—It is said that Barber Ramon, who displayed great bravery at the wreck of her majesty's steamer Lily and has since been made bearer, is to go before the queen, as her majesty is desirous of seeing the man who acted so nobly.

Tucker Declined.

HOLYOKE, Massachusetts, December 24th.—Manager Soden of the Boston league club was busy yesterday, urging Tucker, the late baseman for Baltimore, who has signed with the Brooklyn brotherhood club, to go to the Boston's. Tucker declined to sign.

Suffering on Fire.

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, December 24th.—A special from New Glasgow says a fire was discovered this morning in the 900 foot level at the Vale colliery and every effort is being made to extinguish it, but up to writing their endeavors had not succeeded.

An Fund.

SIOUX FALLS, South Dakota, December 24th.—W. L. Conley, the absconding cashier of the Omaha railway at this place, is still missing. His accounts are $100 short. Wine and women are said to have caused his downfall.

Will Dispute the Right.

TORONTO, December 24th.—The Ontario government has confirmed the destruction of queen's counsel on a number of well-known barristers, and will dispute the right of the appointment with the Dominion government.

Grand Banquet.

MONTREAL, December 24th.—The Dominion commercial travellers association gave a great banquet last night at which representatives men in all the departments were present. There were over four hundred them.

Ravages of Diphtheria.

QUEBEC, December 24th.—The family of Dr. L. N. Fortin, ex-member of parliament, has been sorely afflicted by diphtheria; within three weeks three of his little children were taken off.

The Boy Gets There.

PHILADELPHIA, December 24th.—Russell Colgrove, proprietor of the Metropolitan stock exchange rooms, 13 & 15 Girard estate building, and Samuel Taylor, his assistant, were this afternoon committed to prison in default of $600 bail. It was learned that their "train wire" was worked by a pre-arranged plan from a back room on Third street, about a block away, while ostensibly it came from Alexandra, Virginia. An office boy who could not get back a $50 deposit he had been compelled to make in order to get employment there, was the cause of their arrest, he having imparted information about the wire and produced documentary evidence to substantiate his statement.

Horrible.

WILMINGTON, Delaware, December 24th.—At Hartley, Delaware, today, Frederick Maas, Alexander Dill, George Peterson, and John Honey, all blacksmiths and wheelwrights, quarrelled while drinking and carousing, the trouble being started by Peterson's telling Maas that he did not know his business. Maas struck Peterson, who then cut Vaas's left lung open with a razor. In the general fight that then ensued, Peterson cut Dill's throat with a razor. Maas died in a few minutes and Dill is dying. Honey, who was fighting on Peterson's side, was badly hurt, but disappeared soon after the fight. Peterson escaped to the woods over the Maryland lines, and armed parties are now searching for him. He is a man of respectable parentage and lived at Dover.

Gifts on the Well-to-do to Aid the Needy.

PIERRE, South Dakota, December 24th.—Governor Mellette yesterday expressed the view, in speaking of the resolutions adopted at the recent Watertown convention, that no attempt at concealment of the destitution among the people of the state was wise. He said the number of destitute, suffering from want was small, and the rest, or 80 per cent of the state, was in easy circumstances and could help the others in a measure with what aid is coming in from the outside. The Northwestern railway alone has contributed over $40,000 already in freights to the drought sufferers and is still continuing its half and free rates on coal and supplies, where the necessity for them is shown.

Atlantic Storms.

BOSTON, December 24th.—The steamers Iowa and Bavarian, which arrived today from Liverpool, experienced very tempestuous voyages with strong gales and heat was most of the time. The Iowa lost about seventy feet of her bulwarks on the port side, broke the bridge stanchions and life boat davits, and damaged No. 2 life boat; she had carried away the bridge ladders and rails, and received other slight damages. The damage to the Bavarian included breaking of the bridge compass, carrying away of the bridge ladders, and bending in of the iron door of the donkey house.

Will Not Sell.

PHILADELPHIA, December 24th.—A gentleman financially interested in the C. D. Washburn flouring mills, said to a Ledger reporter today: "The report of the sale of the mills for $750,000 is untrue. We would not sell for twice that amount." The Fidelity Trust Company of this city, is trustee under governor Washburn's will of four-sevenths of the stock of the mills, for his grand-children, and it is stated on the part of the company that it is not the intention to part with any stock.

Boulanger Congratulates.

PARIS, December 24th.—Boulanger has sent a long letter of congratulation to general Fonseca, provisional president of Brazil, in which he says he will show, as Fonseca has done, that the republican form of government will replace kingcraft. Fonseca replies that the result in Brazil has been his dream since his boyhood. Some of his friends call him the Boulanger of Brazil. He is proud of the title of Boulanger, which means a peaceful overthrow of despotism.

Foot Shoveling Match.

WILKESBARRE, Pennsylvania, December 24th.—A prize fight was fought near Plymouth early this morning which will probably result in the death of one of the principals. Four rounds, characterized by the most brutal slugging, were fought, and when time was called for the fifth round Boyce was unable to come up and. An examination revealed the fact that he was badly injured internally. He was removed to a farmhouse and his death from lock jaw now seems inevitable.

To Consolidate.

ST. PAUL, Minnesota, December 24th.—A railroad rumor of a good deal of interest was given circulation yesterday afternoon on the authority of a prominent railroad man. It is that on and after January 1st, 1890, the names "Northern Pacific" and "Wisconsin Central" will be known no more in railroad circles. The two roads go under one management and the consolidated company is to be known as the Grand Central.

Not Reached.

WORCESTER, Massachusetts, December 24th.—The long drawn conference between the leather manufacturers and the Knights of Labor relative to the existing strike took place today, but no agreement was reached. The knights submitted a price list which will be considered by the manufacturers on Thursday next, but it is the general belief that it will not be accepted.

Where They Will Spend Christmas.

OTTAWA, December 24th.—Lord and lady Stanley will spend a quiet Christmas at Rideau hall. Sir John Macdonald will be at his residence here. Sir Hector, Sir John Thompson, and the honorable Mr. Chapleau go to Quebec. Mackenzie Bowell goes to Belleville, the honorable Mr. Dewdney, and the other ministers will remain in the city.

They Got There Just the Same.

CHICAGO, December 24th.—The mayor has vetoed the order allowing the Chicago White Stockings (baseball club) to use the grounds at the foot of Ohio street, near the lake for a ball park, as the owners of the abutting property refused to give the officers of the club the necessary consent.

Steamship Disabled.

NEW YORK, December 24th.—A dispatch from Lizard today states that the steamship Lydian Monarch, from London December 10th for New York, has put back with all the blades of her propellers broken.

Promoted.

WASHINGTON, December 24th.—Mr. Pirie, the new Haytian minister, was promoted to the president today by secretary Blaine. The usual complimentary addresses were made.

Convention Closed.

QUEBEC, December 24th.—The convention for Quebec west took place yesterday. Owen Murphy and Robert H. Mulloney are the candidates.

Worcester Beatified.

QUEBEC, December 24th.—The pope has sent premier Mercier his benediction on the occasion of the coming Christmas.

THE MONTANA MUDDLE.

THE QUESTION AS TO LEGISLATIVE MEMBERSHIP IN THE COURTS.

Democratic Millionaires Pitted Against Republicans of Means for the Two Seats in the United States Senate.

HELENA, Montana, December 24th.—Politicians of both parties seem to have abandoned the field and will let the deadlock take care of itself until after Christmas.

Today the case of Roberts will be called in the district court, but a postponement is probable.

A Republican caucus to nominate senators is set for December 30th, and the Democratic caucus for the same purpose will likely meet on the same day. On the Republican side Sanders and Mantle are in the lead, while the Democratic candidates are Hauser, Maginnis, and W. A. Clark. The latter is almost sure to be a winner, but the friends of both the others claim a majority of Democratic votes.

HELENA, Montana, December 24th.—In Judge Hunt's court this morning was argued the celebrated case of Roberts vs. Kennedy, being the petition of representative Roberts for a writ of mandamus to compel state auditor Kennedy to issue to said Roberts a certificate for his per diem and mileage as member of the house of representatives, and the ruling of the judge was promptly made in accordance with the prayer of the petition. Judge Hunt held that as the fact that Roberts was a state officer was not disputed, he was entitled to a certificate, and that the writ must issue. Mr. Haskell entered an objection to the ruling of the court and was allowed until Saturday morning to make return. The vital point in the whole matter of the validity of Roberts' certificate of election will then be argued.

HELENA, Montana, December 24th.—Both houses of the legislature adjourned to day until December 27th.

Too Much Flour.

MILWAUKEE, December 24th.—The inability of the steamers of the lake lines to take away flour as fast as it is received, has caused a serious blockade on the St. Paul and Wisconsin Central lines. The St. Paul road is said to have eight hundred cars side-tracked here and at different points along its line. The Central has also been obliged to fill their side-tracks for fifty miles out. Should there come a steady spell of cold weather so as to cause ice to form in the lake, the outlook would be a serious one. At present, only inconvenience is caused.

Protection of School System.

WASHINGTON, December 24th.—A national league for the protection of American institutions has been incorporated to secure constitutional and legislative safeguards to the protection of a common school system and other American institutions, and to prevent all sectarian denominational appropriation of public funds. Among the incorporators and managers are John Jay, Clinton B. Fisk, H. D. Boynton, A. E. Dry, James M. King, J. D. Shattuck, W. H. Parsons, William Fellowes, Morgan and Peter A. Walsh.

Heavy Loss.

CINCINNATI, December 24th.—The tank house of Thomas Emery's Sons extensive soap and candle works at Ivorydale, a suburb six miles from this city, was totally destroyed by fire at a late hour last night, entailing a loss of $50,000. The destroyed building was three stories in height and constructed of stone. In it was stored about forty thousand pounds of grease. The stopcock of one of the tanks was blown off by the pressure of the liquid grease.

A Petty Squabble.

MOBILE, Alabama, December 23rd.—Patrolman John McIntire was murdered tonight by a baker named Joseph Hunnell. Hunnell called at McIntire's house today and accused McIntire of stealing his dog. McIntire said that he knew nothing about the dog. Hunnell then became abusive and was ordered away. Tonight the two met in the street and Hunnell shot McIntire dead. The murderer escaped and has not yet been captured.

Employees Elated.

DOVER, New Hampshire, December 24th.—The quarrels between Varney & Lake, shoe manufacturers, Nev Hampshire, and their employes, was settled today, and an agreement signed to remain in force until January 23rd, 1891. It reinstates the help and increases prices from twenty to fifty five per cent. The event was celebrated last night with a band parade, speeches and a banquet.

Large Freight Engines.

PHILADELPHIA, Pennsylvania, December 24th.—The Pennsylvania railroad has contracted with Baldwin locomotive works for fifty five heavy freight engines, which order will be soon doubled. The railroad company received twenty-two locomotives from Baldwin works last month. The freight traffic of the road is very large and is increasing daily.

A Heathen Corporation to Pay Up.

GRAND RAPIDS, Michigan, December 24.—In the circuit court here last night Mrs. Elizabeth K. Sherwood, of Watervliet, Michigan, was awarded a verdict of $10,000.00 in a suit for damages against the Chicago & West Michigan railway for injuries received while alighting from a train at Watervliet. She sued for $20,000.

Fatally Killed.

LANCASTER, Pennsylvania, December 24th.—Mrs. Annie Mulvaney and her three year old child were struck by a freight train this morning while crossing the railroad track to the station at Kinzers. The child was instantly killed and the mother fatally injured.

Holding It Back.

CHICAGO, December 23rd.—The morning papers quote foreman Clarke of the Cronin jury as saying that it is not likely that the statement of the eleven jurors will be published until the jury holding trial is over. It is said that it will look at the request of the state's attorney.

Resignations Tendered.

WASHINGTON, December 24th.—The attorney general has received the resignation of C. F. Black, United States attorney for the eastern district of Michigan; and of L. C. McArthur, United States attorney for the district of Oregon.

Killed His Wife.

LAKE GENEVA, Quebec, December 24.—W. Ford killed his wife last night, and then attempted to kill his daughter and sister-in-law. He failed in the attempt and fired the house. He then cut his throat.

A Handsome Freight Jumper.

ALLIANCE, December 24th.—A freight conductor on the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago road yesterday found a handsome young woman dressed in man's clothes hidden among some lumber on a freight car when near Orville, Ohio. She was evidently well educated, and claimed to be connected in some way with the Snell murder, in which Tascott figures, and said she was a fugitive from the authorities. She had on her person a costly revolver, a dirk knife, and some money, and declared she would never allow herself to be taken alive. When the train pulled into the yard here she jumped off and escaped.

Pinto's Operations.

LISBON, December 24th.—Advices from Quillimane to December 12th, confirm the correctness of the report made by Senor Costello, engineer of the Portuguese railway survey party, as to the events preceding major Serpa Pinto's late hostilities against the Makololos. Costello's camp, at Mapassa, to which he had retired after having been attacked by the Makololos, was fiercely besieged by natives some time later. The attack was repulsed with some difficulty. There was good evidence that the natives had been urged on by British missionaries at Blantyre. Afterward Serpa Pinto arrived, and having learned that the natives were massed at Kambeci, and were advancing toward Shire, he placed Costello's engineers, Thomaz, and lieutenant Coutino in command of the troops who were to defend the position. Lieutenant Coutino also had charge of the movements of three armed boats. On October 19th, the date of the last advices from the interior, great activity was reported in Serpa Pinto's camp, and immediate operations were expected. Serpa Pinto was confident that he could subdue the insurgents.

Slavin's Reception.

LONDON, December 24th.—Frank Slavin, the Australian pugilist, who so thoroughly demonstrated the worthlessness of Jem Smith, both as a man and a fighter at Bruges yesterday, visited the stock exchange today and was received by the members with every manifestation of admiration. He seemed some what stiff and sore from the rough handling he was subjected to, and apparently had suffered far greater injuries from the attacks of Smith's ruffianly friends than from any of the blows that Smith himself dealt him. Slavin was introduced to many prominent men on 'change, and at the suggestion of one of these gentlemen the hat was passed around, with the result that £110 was raised in a few minutes and given to the courageous Australian on the spot. Slavin excited immense interest on the streets, and the crowd that followed him became so great that he was obliged to take refuge in a cab, which he did amid the cheers of thousands of persons of all conditions.

And So He Should.

LONDON, December 24th.—Pilian club have resolved to send a letter of sympathy to Slavin, complimentary on his courage in the face of the unfriendly conduct of the crowd at his recent fight. The club will recognize Slavin as champion of England and present him with the belt and purse. Fleming, Smith's manager, has been expelled from the club, pending an explanation of his share in the disgraceful affair. Fleming in an interview says the roughs who made the disturbance were strangers to him, and he could not account for their presence. They were Anti-Jem friends who had been hired by Smith personally to do what they did. Fleming says he has severed all connection between himself and Smith forever.

Our Foot Hospital.

LONDON, December 24th.—The savages of Influenza are showing people of continental capitals, who flee from their homes only to find themselves in districts as severely stricken by the malady as the places they have. The silliest rumor circulated in Paris and Berlin, and several other places in Germany. A number of cases have terminated fatally. The number is rapidly increasing, and business is almost entirely suspended in consequence. The military barracks at Brussels presents the appearance of a vast hospital, most of soldiers being ill with disease.

Couldn't Be Otherwise than Brave.

BERLIN, December 24th.—Vossische Zeitung, referring to the hostility exhibited by colonial enthusiasts, says that Germany will deem herself if she attempts to follow their lead attacks upon England by sending Stanley. Zeitung says the people of Berlin will not allow themselves to be influenced by any other feelings than admiration, and will honor him both as the guest of the emperor and the greatest living African explorer.

To Prevent a Crisis.

ROME, December 24th.—The pope in receiving Christmas congratulations of the sacred college today said that in these times of the persecution of the church it was consoling to him to know that perfect union existed among Catholics. His holiness announced that he was about to issue an encyclical letter, setting forth the duties of Catholics to the end of preventing a crisis.

Serious Complication.

LISBON, December 23rd.—A private dispatch received here from Rio de Janeiro states that marshal Deodoro da Fonseca, the chief of the provisional government of Brazil, was dying. The question as to who will succeed him is engaging serious attention. It is believed that the change in the ministry which would follow marshal Da Fonseca's death, would lead to serious complications.

Boulanger's Predicament.

PARIS, December 24th.—The Figaro asserts that the pope has refused his assent to the divorce obtained by general Boulanger from his wife, which action on the part of his holiness is alleged to have placed Boulanger in a compromising position with regard to his contemplated marriage to a wealthy lady, who has advanced him large sums of money.

Spurgeon is Seriously Ill.

LONDON, December 24th.—A dispatch from Mentone says that the throat ailment of Mr. Spurgeon, the well known London divine, has assumed a grave aspect. The doctors in attendance diagnose the case as one of gout. Mr. Spurgeon also suffers severely with pain in his knees.

Influenza is Spreading.

BRUSSELS, December 24th.—The schools in this city have been closed on account of the prevalence of influenza. Thirty per cent of the children in the city are suffering from the ailment. A number of government officials are also disabled. The epidemic is rapidly spreading.

Betrothed.

LONDON, December 24th.—It is stated upon what is alleged to be high authority, that the princess Maude of Wales, youngest daughter of the prince of Wales, has been betrothed to duke Ernest of Schleswig Holstein, brother of the empress of Germany.

Labor Sticking Again.

VIENNA, December 24th.—The journeymen masons in this city threaten to strike unless they be granted an increase of wages and shorter hours. If the strike occurs twenty-five thousand men will go out.

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And the stars keep their watch
While the beautiful song
Sweeps along
Bethlehem's
Cradled King.

Nineteen centuries have almost passed since that memorable first Christmas morning when the young child and Mary, his mother, were found together in the cowshed at Bethlehem. What a changeful history has the world witnessed since then. Empires have risen and crumbled to decay, leaving scarce a memory behind, and yet that simple story survives as fresh in its details as when the wise men from the east recounted it. There is something little short of the miraculous about the preservation of the history of that event, well worthy the serious consideration of all. The unthinking may sneer at what they are pleased to call the snail-like speed of Christianity in spreading the gospel among the peoples of the earth. And yet when we consider how humble its origin, the wonder is it has accomplished so much. Its followers have been cast to wild beasts; they have been crucified and sawn asunder. Others have been driven into the mountains or banished from their country, and yet the gospel of peace, so unlike in that particular to all other religions, has grown, until today it is the leader of civilization and the handmaid of the arts and sciences on every continent and amongst the countless islands of the sea. Is it any wonder, therefore, that Christians should delight to honor that greatest event in the world's history. Back through the long ages we look in vain for any event worthy to compare with it. It is the datum point from which we count the mile posts of history back through the ages till they become confused and are finally lost in the mists of antiquity. And it is from the same point that we place them between now and then. We find the last one planted just a twelve month ago, and today, with thankfulness for the past and hope for the future, we plant another in every household and in every place of Christian worship the wide world round.

There is an old superstition very prevalent in eastern Canada today, and even in some of the rural districts of the old land, that at midnight on Christmas eve the cattle kneel in their stalls in dumb adoration of the saviour of man. Of course we know better than to believe this story, and today look upon it and other superstitions with a smile. And yet it is but another proof of the deep reverence which has always attached to the celebration of this great event—the birth of the saviour. In Germany and Norway particularly, there are many passing superstitions that owe their origin to the observance of Christmas. One of these is the story of Santa Claus, who on Christmas eve comes galloping with his reindeers over the house tops, his sled laden with all sorts of presents for the little folks. It is a harmless superstition, too, and one that peculiarly belongs to the children. We sincerely pity the man who, because it is a superstition, would rob the innocent ones of their faith in Santa Claus. Let them believe in him as long as they can. They will learn soon enough that Santa Claus is only another name for a benevolent parent. But, with their regret at the loss of their idol, they will have all the more love for their fathers and mothers, their brothers and sisters. Yes, let the little folks have a firm belief in Santa Claus. It is to be hoped that no parent in New Westminster, be he ever so poor, but will see that Santa Claus left something last night for his little folks. How many thousands of children, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, will be up with the sun this morning to see what has come for them during the night? It is hard to think that owing to poverty some little hearts will have, perhaps, their first pang this morning, when they find that Santa Claus has passed them by. Ye who are blessed with this world's goods should remember them and be a veritable good saint before the sun sets. In all the feasting and merry-making today, those professing Christianity should remember this, and instead of sending presents that are of no earthly use to their poor relations or acquaintences, let them send something of real value, remembering that when Christ made a Christmas present he gave something that was of real value.

The best society is not the best place to study types. The highest civilization is hostile to types. It tends towards uniformity of manners, rubs off angularities of conduct, obliterates glaring characteristics. In "society," people go to show themselves, half out of vanity, half as a matter of duty. They have no expectation of being amused nor are they amused; but they depart with the amiable fiction upon their lips that they have had "such a delightful time." A certain well-bred hypocrisy is absolutely necessary to make social intercourse smooth and agreeable. It is one of the results of civilization. The blunt sincerity of the frontiersman stamps him as a barbarian, and he is never popular with well-bred hypocrites.

A Sixty-Foot Ore Body.

To the Editor: Knowing that you have always taken a strong interest in the development of mining projects in Kootenay district and have ever given information from miners space in the columns of your paper, I thought you might possibly give a corner to an item from Field, and kindly ask you to do so.

This locality is likely to become one of the leading mining districts in the province, as there has lately been struck a body of solid zinc ore sixty feet thick, about six miles east of here. This vein crosses the valley of the Kicking Horse and the line of the C. P. railway, running up the mountains on either side. The ore assays 65 per cent of zinc and as there is a first-class water power running through, the claims can be mined for about $1 per ton, by the use of compressed air drills.

About two miles further down the valley is a very good site for a smelter. Here the timber is plentiful, and easy of access, and as everything could be run in on a level grade the ore could be handled very cheaply, especially as there is a very large body of it; and a smelter here would be in my opinion a paying concern, being so close to the Monarch mines.

I have been a miner now for the past twenty-five years, and have worked in the largest mines both in England and the United States, and never remember having seen such a body of ore, except in the iron mines in Michigan, and the iron mines of Cumberland, England. PROSPECTOR MINER.

Field, December 25th, 1889.

Chinese Work Among the Chinese.

To the Editor: In your Sunday edition you state a gentleman has offered to give $100 in aid of Christian work among the Chinese in this town. We believe at least three of the churches of the town are engaged in that work and doubtless would wisely spend his dollars. In addition to this, a few of us have engaged the Temperance hall on Columbia street, on Sunday evenings, for a similar purpose. We do not want his dollars, but we do want his personal aid, and shall be glad to see him at the Temperance hall next Sunday at 8 o'clock p. m. If then he is not satisfied with our manner of work, we, at least, once in us, while still continuing our own work, will join him in any plan he may have conceived for the like purpose. From what we have seen and heard and know of the Chinese we are satisfied, if the matter be sincerely and heartily taken in hand, after the preliminary expenses are met, no further money aid will be needed. The Chinese themselves will find all the necessary funds and also become able workers in the cause. The gentleman is certainly right in his estimate of the importance of the matter. It should be done, and at once, and, if by no one else, by himself. Let him lead on—not with money, but personal service—and we and others will follow.

December 24th, 1889. T. ELTON JEFFERY.

The Ex-Queen of Spain.

Several weeks ago we had the pleasure of seeing ex-queen Isabella of Spain in one of the shops here. She was accompanied by her daughter, who married one of the sons of the prince regent. No one was allowed in the same aisle with them, but we happened to be standing in the next aisle and had a very good opportunity of seeing her. She is a fat old lady, rather short, and not all queenly in manner or appearance. She was dressed very dowdily and wore a false "wave." They say she is very poor and has sold all her jewels. She stopped only a short time in Munich, visiting her daughter, and from there went to Paris. The daughter and family live at Nymphenberg (so called from the many marble nymphs placed about the private garden), a castle delightfully situated in a natural park, through which a stream of water flows.

Important Decision.

INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana, December 24th.—Judge Gresham this morning rendered a decision in the famous suit of the Brush Electric Light Company against the Fort Wayne Jenney Electric Light Company. The decision was in favor of the Brush company. Judge Gresham held that the Jenney company had infringed upon a double-carbon burner invented and patented by the Brush company, and ordered an entry made permanently enjoining the Fort Wayne Jenney company from continuing the manufacture of this burner. The decision was a victory of consequence to the Brush company and may influence the result of many other infringement suits pending throughout the country.

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Applications for the position of Teacher for the SECOND Ward School will be received by the undersigned until 6 o'clock p.m., December 27th instant. Duties to commence on Teachers 4th, salary $40 per month.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Secretary of School Board.

New Westminster, December 19th, 1889.

Photographs by Night.

Mr. A. Mountain is now prepared to take photographs at night by a new system of artificial lighting. This will prove a great convenience to those who cannot come in the day time. During the holidays the gallery will be open in the evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. Satisfaction guaranteed. Studio in the Wilcermute building, Columbia street, New Westminster.

TAKEN UP.

A DARK BAY COLT, two or three years old. Mark tail and mane; small star on forehead, middle in height. Came to Brownsville (opposite New Westminster) on December 1st; was taken up on the 15th. Owner can have the animal by paying expenses of taking up, and this ad. Will be sold.

WILLIAM W. STILLAM.

Brownsville, December 19th, 1889.

Scavenger Work.

I beg to inform the people of New Westminster that having undertaken the post of

CITY SCAVENGER,

I shall be pleased to complete all orders with promptness. Leave orders at the New Grocery store.

New Westminster, Oct. 5th. JOHN BURNS.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made at the next session of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia for an act to incorporate a company to be called The British Columbia Mills, Timber and Trading Company, for the purpose of acquiring the shares in the capital and the business, property and privileges, and also of assuming the liabilities of the Royal City Planing Mills Company, Limited, and the Hastings Saw Mill Company, Limited, respectively, and to provide for the said Companies being compelled thereto and recognized, and

To operate and carry on the business of the aforesaid mills.

To acquire by purchase or otherwise, hold and operate, equip and maintain mills, factories and machine shops of any description, steam vessels and other vessels of any description, railways, tramways, roads and ferries, and to dispose of the same or any interest therein, by sale or otherwise.

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To exercise and carry on the business of mill owners (saw, grist or other mills), timber and lumber merchants, manufacturers, wharfingers, and carriers; and to conduct and carry on a shipping, towing and general trading business.

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DRAKE, JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

Dated 4th December, 1889, Victoria, B. C.

CITY DEBENTURES.

Tenders will be received up to 4 p. m. on Monday, January 27th, 1890, for debentures of the city of New Westminster, B. C., amounting to $20,000. Debentures are for $1,000 each, payable in fifty years, in this city, and bear 6 per cent. per annum interest, payable on the 1st day of January and July; the interest payable to July, 1890, being for five months only, viz., from date of delivery of debentures. Debentures will be ready for delivery February 1st, 1890. Tenders to state whether or debentures that will be taken, and amount of coupons that will be paid, and to be endorsed "Tender for Debentures," and addressed to the undersigned. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

D. ROBERTS, city clerk.

New Westminster, B. C., December 17th, 1889.

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A meeting of the creditors of Flora Miller will be held at the Queen's hotel in this city on Thursday, December 26th, 1889, at 8 p. m.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an act to incorporate a Mining Company under the name, style or operation and those within Section 12 of the Municipal Act.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1889.

Published December 18th, 1889.

THE THREE-FOOTED HORSE

An Irish Legend.

A wild, wintry night it was. The wind was howling mournfully over bog and woodland. The snow drifted along in immense sheets, which seemed to threaten with destruction anyone who chanced to venture out of doors. Before a glowing turf fire in a comfortably thatched farm-house, situated in the eastern portion of the county Tyrone, a group of persons were seated. They were mostly all of the farming class from the neighborhood, and were in the best of spirits, for this was Christmas eve. They were engaged in that pastime which is so popular in country districts of Ireland during the long winter nights, viz., story-telling. Before proceeding any further it may not be out of place to introduce the reader to those in the farm-house. Old Patsy O'Connor, the owner of the house, and the adjoining twenty acres of good land, sat in one corner next the hob, while his wife Biddy occupied the other.

At the time of which I write old Patsy was over eighty. He was tall in stature, and a flowing white beard swept his breast. Biddy, on the other hand, was not tall, but stout, and a friendlier little woman than she could not be found in the parish. I have said that Biddy occupied the opposite corner to her husband, but in truth it was seldom that she sat down at all, as most of her time was occupied in preparing the Christmas eve supper. When she was sitting she was busied in knitting a pair of warm socks for her husband.

Next to old Patsy sat John and Edmund, his two sons. John was aged about twenty-four and Edmund seventeen. They were good patriotic young men, who always took an active part in matters for the good of their oppressed country.

Thady O'Neill, who occupied the seat next to Edmund O'Connor, was of low stature and aged about forty. His countenance, which always bore a mischievous smile, was very much weather-beaten. He was strictly honest, and the [illegible] of his farm, which adjoined Patsy's, [illegible] fact that he was also [illegible].

Next sat Barney McQuaid, a [illegible] young man of about twenty. He was tall [illegible] had the reputation of being [illegible] in the district. In fact he could hardly be induced at anything which required great strength and smartness to perform.

Tim Donnelly, the last personage to whom I have to introduce the reader, was stout and red-faced. He never felt contented, unless [illegible] a prank of some kind, and was sure to be present at every fair and market that was held for miles round.

O'Connor's only daughter Mary was busy in decorating the house with branches of holly and ivy.

"It's a stormy night, sure enough, Thady O'Neill," when a greater gust of wind than any that went over the house, roaring in the chimney, and rattling the doors and windows to rattle.

"That it is, without doubt, sir," [illegible] McQuaid, as he endeavored to remove some [illegible] and tobacco from the bowl of his dudeen. "It's pity [illegible] has to go a long journey in such a time."

"The snow is getting very deep," [illegible] said John O'Connor. "I tell you it's [illegible] a night before."

"I declare! we will [illegible] our way to first mass in the morning," said the [illegible] Biddy O'Connor. "Many a poor creather will be [illegible] present on all from such a fa[illegible]."

"And is all [illegible] and you provide for his servants as well as [illegible] same as in dry land," said Edmund O'Connor.

"I think a drop of the creature would be just the thing on such a cold night as this," said Tim Donnelly, with a cunning smile.

At this remark Biddy disappeared into an apartment at the rear of the kitchen, and soon afterwards returned, carrying a jar, of which Tim cast a side glance, and then winked to [illegible]. The jar was passed round, and each man was provided with a steaming jug of punch, which was enjoyed all the more, owing to the wildness of the night outside.

"It tastes beautifully," said Barney McQuaid, smacking his lips. "I say, is it is some of Larry Loughran's own manufacture?"

"To be sure it is," said Thady O'Neill; "wouldn't you know it anywhere?"

"He was very near his loss out 'tother day," said Tim. "He was bringin a jar of it over to Hickey Mahoney's, and who does he meet but the peelers; had seen to him, for they are always on the run. He had just time to throw the jar under a whin bush, when up they stalked.

"Goodmorrow, neighbor, and how is Balfour's horses now in the wet weather?" said Larry, addressing one of the constables, and looking very innocent.

"Goodmorrow, kindly," said the constable. "Balfour's horses don't bother him much since he got O'Brien under lock and key."

The peelers then proceeded on their way, and when they were out of sight, Larry stooped to lift the jar, so what do you think? but the half of the good potheen had run out, as the jar wasn't very well corked.

"Murther alive, sir," exclaimed Larry, when he saw what had happened. "Look at what explosive I have been put to, by thim infernal peelers, purshant to thim! It was a narrow escape, but there will never be luck in the country as long as it is plagued by the presence of peelers and landlords."

"I think the landlords are worse again than the peelers," said John O'Connor. "It is certainly very exasperating to think of the way our poor people are being treated by them. In fact, it seems as if every effort is being made by Balfour and those his chosen minions to goad us into open rebellion."

At this point the storm outside increased in violence, and so strong was the wind that the house trembled to its foundations.

"My dear, Oh! Is not it an awful night?" said Biddy, as she placed some embers round the pot in which the potato pudding was being cooked for supper.

"I only saw one Christmas as stormy as long as I remember," said old Patsy, "and that was the night that old Archy Doris, God rest his soul, shot the three-footed horse for the Good People."

"An how long ago is that?" said Barney. "I never remember hearing it it before."

"What! never heard o' it before," exclaimed Patsy in surprise. "Why, sure alive, the story is as old as Methusalem's goose-[illegible]."

"I never heard the entire story either," said Thady O'Neill.

"Nor I," said Tim Donnelly.

"Well, well, to be shure," said old Patsy, laughing, "I have seldom come across such a party of ignorammuses. It's a sad thing to see Irishmen so wanting in a knowledge of the history of their country.

"I don't think the story has much to do with history," said John O'Connor. "However, as this is Christmas eve, on a stormy night outside, it is suitable to the occasion, and I am sure my father will not object to tell us the legend of the three-footed horse."

Old Patsy, having finished his jug of punch, drew his chair nearer to the fire and related the following story, which I give as nearly as possible in his own words.

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I suppose you have all been in the stiller's glen there below, and have seen the stone with the blood on it, said Patsy. They all gave a nod of assent. Well, continued Patsy, a great many years ago there stood in the upper end of the glen a snatchy and a small cottage, owned by one Archy Doris. Archy was a quiet, industrious man, and you couldn't find a better smith in a day's walkin'. He always endeavored to be hard, honest labor to provide a bit and sup for himself, his wife and family. Nancy, his wife, was a fine specimen of an Irishwoman. She had always a kind word and a joke for everyone. I remember when I was a chap I used to make all sorts o excuses to get over to Archy's, at least two or three times a week, as I was sure to always get pancakes and a good heart-warmer from Nancy. Many a snowy night I used to spend in the snatchy, when all the neighbors would gather round the hearth. Everyone in his turn had to tell a story or to sing a song, and in this harmless manner the time was passed. The night on which the event I am about to relate occurred was Christmas eve. It was fully as wild a night as this. The wind was blowing a hurricane, and driving the snow with great force into the hollows of the glen. Archy, on this particular night, had retired to bed earlier than usual, but had not been long sleeping when he was disturbed by a loud knockin at the door.

"Arra! who on arth is that," said Nancy, who had also been awakened by the noise.

"Shure, a know I know," exclaimed Archy, as he jumped out of bed, "but whatever he is it must be important business that brought him out on such a night as this."

When Archy opened the door he found himself confronted by a tall, middle-aged man. He wore a long frieze coat, and appeared to be a total stranger in the locality.

"What can I do for you, my friend," said Archy in a kindly tone, "an what brought you out on such a wild night as this?"

"I came to ask you to shoe my horse, as I have a great deal of work before mornin'," the stranger answered.

The horse was standing at the door of the smithy, which was some distance from the cottage, and as it seemed a case of extreme necessity, Archy consented to shoe him immediately. Having proceeded to the forge and kindled a fire, he was about to commence the shoeing, when lo, and behold you! he perceived that the horse had only three feet. He was about to utter an exclamation of wonder when he bethought himself that he had better not, so he proceeded with his work. When the job was completed the stranger offered to pay Archy for his labor. The smith, however, refused the money, whereupon the frieze-coated gentleman prepared to depart, but before he left, he addressed Archy in the following words: "Archy Doris," said he, "I am going to battle tonight, and if my side wins you will be a rich man. If we lose, we will have to leave Ireland, and your fee will be under the hammer on the anvil in the morning, and there will be blood on that stone," and he pointed to one which served for a seat in the corner.

Archy, having wished the stranger good night and every success, returned to his cottage, where Nancy was anxiously awaiting him.

"Nancy, acushla," said he as he entered, "sure, it was one of the Good People."

"Lord, be latune us an' all harum," said Nancy, crossing herself devoutly, "you don't say so. What the dickens did he want with you, Archy, achree?"

Archy then related what had passed between him and the stranger; Nancy at intervals uttering an exclamation of surprise.

Well, waney, dear, to make a long story short, the fee was on the anvil, and the blood on the stone in the mornin'; so the fairies were beaten in the battle, and have never been seen or heard of in Ireland since. The tracks of a three-footed horse could be plainly seen in the little elevation outside the smithy, where no snow had lain.

"And are plainly to be seen there to the present day," added Barney McQuaid.

"The blood is on the stone to the present day, also," said Thady O'Neill.

Yes, proceeded old Patsy, though full seventy years have passed since that wild Christmas eve, the blood is on the stone to the present, and grass has never been known to grow in the tracks o' the three-footed horse.

"What became of Archy and the smithy?" asked Tim Donnelly.

Archy and his family removed to a distant part of the country. The cottage and smithy soon fell in ruins, and a few moss covered pieces of wall only now remain to mark the spot where they stood. Archy and his wife lived to a good old age, and his family are all alive, and doin' well at present, and well may they do, for a better couple than their father and mother couldn't be found in Ulster.

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When old Patsy had finished his story the storm had somewhat abated; so, after wishing each other a very merry Christmas, the company separated for the night.

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Block 28, lot 66x132	1,500
Block 29, lot 66x132	1,500
Block 31, 2 lots 33x132, each	1,500
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Block 36, half acre with large stable and orchard	2,700
Block 36, 5 lots	4,725
Block A, lot 66x132	900
Block B, 3 lots	6,000
Block B, lot 76x81	1,325
Block F 2 full-sized lots facing Queen's avenue	2400
Block 34 lot 85½x132 with nice residence	5,000
Block 34 lot 132x132	5,000

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Lots in lot 11	$ 250
Lots in lot 13	150
Lot containing 18 7-10 acres	5,250

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Lot containing 6½ acres	$ 2,100
Lot containing 23 acres	5,000

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Lot containing 1 acre	$ 3,750
Lot containing 1¼ acres	3,000
Lot containing ¾ acre	1,850
Lot in lot 26	875
Lot in lot 26	350
Half lots in lot 26	700
Lot in lot 43	1,050
Lot in lot 53	800
Lots in St. George's square	1,275
Lot 48—2 lots 132x198	

SUBURBAN BLOCK SIX.

Lots in lot 15	$ 600
Lots in lot 23	400
Lots in lot 25	325

SUBURBAN BLOCK SEVEN.

Lots in lot 1	$ 700
Lots in lot 9	600
Lot 33x132 in lot 10	800
Lots in lot 11	500
Lots in lot 20	350
Lots in lot 23	350
Lots in lot 25	325
Lots in lot 26	325
Lots in lot 27	400
Lots in lot 28	400
Lots in lot 30	350
Lots in lot 32	325
Lots in St. Patrick's square	375

SUBURBAN BLOCK NINE.

Lots in lot 4	$ 150
1½ acres in lot 5	650
Lots in lot 6	125
Lots in lot 7	125
Lots in lot 8	175
Lots in lot 9	150
1¾ acres in lot 11	1,500
Lot containing 7 2-5 acres	3,000
Lot containing 1 acre	625
Lots in lot 14	350

SUBURBAN BLOCK TEN.

Lots in lot 2	$ 275
Lots in lot 3	250
Lots in lot 4	250
Lots in lot 8	275
Lots in lot 9	275
Lots in lot 12	300
Lots in lot 13	250
Lots in lot 14	250
Lots in lot 15	250

SUBURBAN BLOCK ELEVEN.

Lots in lot 4	$ 200
Lots in lot 5	200

SUBURBAN BLOCK TWELVE.

Lots in lot 8	$ 60
Lots in lot 11	60

SUBURBAN BLOCK THIRTEEN.

Lots in lot 8	$ 150
Lots in lot 10	200
Lots in lot 11	150
Lots in lot 12	175
Lots in lot 17	225
Lots in lot 18	175
Lots in lot 19	2,200
11 lots in lot 21	4000
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Lots in lot 3	$ 125
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NOBLE SIX HUNDRED.

A Survivor Tells How the Light Brigade Walked Into the Very Jaws of Death.

Colonel John Shakespeare, a retired officer of the British army, writes as follows:

The charge of "The Light Brigade," called "The Six Hundred," took place October 25th, 1854, and is still a household memory with us, though many years have slipped by, and I have been asked by many to place on record some occurrences other than mere galloping, cutting, thrusting, and strong language, all of which are very similar on like occasions, and are often told in prose and verse. Short and to the point is best suited to what is required of me. So to begin my story:

Maude's horse artillery, with me second in command, opened fire at daylight, and kept in action until its ammunition was exhausted, when it retired a few yards down hill and remained there for a while, screened from the Russians, shot and shell, with the hope of giving confidence to some wavering Turks. Maude was seriously wounded by a shell bursting under his horse, and there were also several casualties among officers, men, horses, and gun-wheels. Some of our field batteries soon arrived and continued the cannonade.

In the course of an hour or so our two brigades of cavalry and horse artillery formed columns near the heights of the plateau of Sebastopol, when suddenly a line of cavalry, with supports in column, probably 5000, poured down the grassy slopes towards Balaklava, and very gloriously defeated by our heavy brigade of cavalry under general Scarlett.

In the pause that followed I deemed it advisable to learn what the Russians were doing, and as the horse I had ridden was wounded by a splinter of a shell, I mounted a baggage pony and rode up the grassy slope to near the crest of the now famed valley, where I tethered him to a tent-peg and crept on through the long grass until my telescope exclaimed, Beware! The brushwood on the hills opposite was full of guns, and down the valley were troops by the thousands. Captain Chartoris, one of Lord Lucan's aide-de-camps, now rode by, but as he did not see me I halted him with the information, which he replied: "The Light brigade is ordered to attack," and while we were speaking it leaves in sight, advancing and displaying at the trot and canter. There was not time for warning, so I ran to my pony, and getting back to the guns as fast as he could carry me, brought them up at full speed and placed them over the ridge, where best able to aid the remnant of the Six Hundred in their inevitable retreat.

At this time lord Cardigan reined up and told me what had happened, at the same time pointing to a long rent in his cherry overalls made by a Cossack lancer who had otherwise missed his aim. Others rode or ran up to the guns. Among the last was captain Godfrey Morgan, Seventeenth Lancers, now lord Tredegar, whose horse had been killed and his booties lost. However, he came to me, sword in hand, and, speaking as cool as on parade, said: "Is not this an awful business, Shakespeare? What shall I do?" My reply was: "Quick, jump on a gun limber, and go to the rear with us, or to the front if we go in action, when you may help fight a gun."

We must not forget the valley from the Sixty-third Highlanders, which emptied many Russians' saddles near the entrance to the village of Balaklava, nor their attack on the Russian artillery in the brushwood by the French cavalry on white horses. I can see them now, so conspicuous were they on the hill. So keen is memory, framed on the battlefield that even now I fancy I see Nolan and his horse lying dead, like many others whose names I did not know.

Of my friend Chartoris I have a remarkable foreshadowing of late to relate. On the evening previous to and I, while taking a quiet ride, saw signs of a fight on the morrow, when he spoke very gloomily of it being his last. My saying, "Well, we have been under fire together pretty often, and yet here we are again," did not cheer him. "No, it would be his last." A round shot killed him directly we parted on the ridge before named. As the spot was debatable ground my gunners buried him then and there.

Assessment Act, 1888

CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER.

The court of revision and appeal will hold its first sittings for the year at the council house, in the city of New Westminster, on Saturday the 28th day of December, 1889, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and at the city hall, in the city of Vancouver, on Monday the 30th day of December, 1889, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

BY THE COURT.

Dated the 18th day of December 1889.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the legislative assembly of the province of British Columbia at its next session for an act to incorporate a company to construct, operate and maintain a system of electric lighting and motor power within the city of New Westminster, and to acquire lands and do all things necessary for the purposes aforesaid.

THOMAS D. MCINNES,
A. M. HERBERT,
for selves and others.

Dated this 8th day of December, 1889.

NOTICE.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned, up to January 15th, 1890, for the construction of a tunnel on the Vancouver Enterprise Mining Company's claim, on Burgess creek, in the district of Lillooet, province of British Columbia. Plans and specifications to be seen at the office of Richards & Mackintosh, New Westminster. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

F. G. BURGESS, secretary.

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FROM THE AMERICAN CAPITAL.

Doings of the Senate—Advertising for Proposals to Catch Seals in Alaskan Waters.

WASHINGTON, December 24th.—The ways and means committee at the capital today completed the administrative customs bill. No change was made in the present fee-system clause relating to the undervaluation designed to restrict appeals, but was held over and will be considered later.

The senate special committee on commercial relations with Canada, senator Hoar, chairman, and senator Vest, special committee to investigate the dressed beef question, will go to New York next week to pursue enquiries on the subject named.

Secretary Windom this afternoon prepared the following advertisement inviting proposals for exclusive right to catch seals in Alaska: "The secretary of the treasury will receive sealed proposals until 12 o'clock noon on the 23rd day of January, 1890, for the exclusive right to take fur seals upon the islands of St. Paul and St. George, Alaska, for terms of twenty years from 1st day of May, 1890, agreeably to provisions of statutes of United States. In addition to the specific requirements of the statute, the successful bidder will be required to provide a suitable building for a public school on each island, and to pay the expense of maintaining school therein during the period of not less than eight months in each year, as may be required by the secretary of the treasury. Also to pay to the inhabitants of said islands for labor performed by them such just and proper compensation as may be proposed by the secretary of the treasury. The number of seals to be taken for their skins upon the islands during the year ending May 1st, 1891, will be limited to 60,000, and for the succeeding years the number will be determined by the secretary of the treasury in accordance with the provisions of law. Right is reserved to reject all proposals not deemed to be in accordance with the best interests of the United States and of the inhabitants of said land. As a guarantee of good faith each proposal must be accompanied by properly certified checks drawn on the United States National bank, payable to the order of the secretary of the treasury, in the sum of $100,000. The check of the successful bidder will be retained and forfeited to the United States unless he executes lease and bond as required by law."

Diphtheria Raging.

MINNEAPOLIS, December 24th.—The Journal's Aberdeen, South Dakota, special says: The superintendant of state board of health has gone to Eureka, the center of the great Russian settlement of Edmunds and McPherson counties, to take measures for the suppression of malignant diphtheria, now raging among the Russians. The disease was brought to the settlement by a family of Russians who recently came over, losing two children enroute. Thirty deaths have already occurred. One farmer lost six children and another is said to have buried four children in one grave.

Agitating War.

LONDON, December 24th.—A special correspondent of the Daily News writes that fanatical Mussulmans are agitating the invasion of an affrean, making war upon Christians. Several public meetings have been held, at which this sentiment has been wildly cheered by the people of Mussulman faith. The News says that the information that the Greeks will soon make fresh efforts to suppress the warfare against the Christians, was received in Crete with shouts of joy by the persecuted portion of the populace.

Murphy and Welch to Come Over.

NEW YORK, December 24th.—The Evening Post says Murphy and Welch have agreed to the terms of the New York League club for next season and will sign contracts in a day or two.

Another Big One.

ST. LOUIS, December 24th.—The plant of the St. Louis Gas Light Company has been sold to the Laclede Gas Company otherwise known as the St. Louis Gas Trust Company, for $4,000,000.

Strike.

MONS, Belgium, December 24th.—The colliers in the Charleroi district of Belgium have struck for an increase of wages.

Dead.

GENEVA, December 24th.—Herr Gunstedt, an eminent geologist, died at Tubingen, Wurtemberg, today.

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WHAT MR. EWEN HAS TO SAY ABOUT HIS EASTERN TRIP

Visit to Ottawa and Interview the Government—The Fishery Regulations and the Press Correspondents—Glad to Be Home Again.

Mr. Ewen, the well known cannery man who has just returned from a month's holiday in the older provinces, was seen by a reporter of TRUTH last night relative to his experiences while on the eastern side of the mountains.

How did you enjoy your trip? the reporter asked.

"Very well indeed was the reply, "but after all I'm glad to be at home again."

How long were you in Ottawa?

"About a week."

You were interviewing the government?

"Yes, in reference to the fishery regulations."

And were your requests granted?

"Well, I cannot say that. The government received us very courteously and promised to give the matter their serious attention. As you know, we want the size of mesh used in the nets reduced by a quarter of an inch."

Was that all?

"No, we wanted to have the weekly close season altered as well.

Do you anticipate any material change in the regulations this season?

"I cannot say that I do. I think the government will make no material alteration this coming season. The minister has promised to visit British Columbia next summer, and we will [illegible] to demonstrate the correctness of our contentions and the reasons why we asked for alterations in the law.

There was some talk here to the effect that the Chinese question was to be discussed by you with the government. The idea was that you wanted the tax removed or reduced so as to admit more of them into this country.

Mr. Ewen laughed heartily at this. "Why, said he, "there was nothing further from our thoughts. It wasn't even hinted at in our interview with the government."

Was there nothing said about it at all?

"Not a single word, and I don't believe the question was thought of by any of us.

Some of the eastern papers referred to it and said you were to induce the government to smooth the Celestials road into the country.

"That was the work of some of the smart correspondents in Ottawa who draw on their imagination for their facts and then sent them over the country. Why the newspaper men in Ottawa are so thick almost as the mosquitos on the home top. We had them over and over and again that as soon as we heard anything we would let them know. But they were not satisfied with that.

How did you find things down east?

"Business appeared fairly good. I was in Montreal and spent a week in Toronto.

What do you think of Toronto?

"It is a fine city.

Were you any farther east?

"Yes. I took a run up to London. I found the farmers at work in their fields. The weather was very mild, but they have had it hard enough since, I expect.

How did you find things at Winnipeg?

"About starvation prices here. It was the first report I had they had this winter.

Was there much snow?

"Very little. In fact, until we struck the Selkirks, I don't believe we met with anything over six inches. Further west, however, it was a couple of feet deep in some places.

Did you find any place to beat British Columbia?

"Indeed I did not. This is the richest province of the dominion, and they are beginning to realize it in the east. I'm quite satisfied with it."

And Mr. Ewen certainly looked as though he was surrounded by his family at his comfortable fireside. It was easily seen that he was satisfied and meant everything he said.

Just Twelve Months Out.

Citizens generally know Mr. Vinson, the Front street man who deals in everything from a column to a grotto. He is not particular what the articles are, be it fish, flesh, or fowl, so long as there is a dollar in it. Now, Mr. Vinson purchased a lot of turkeys the other day, and concluded that the best way to dispose of them was by a raffle. There would be more fun in the latter method than by the more prosaic way of selling them by the pound. Twenty-five cents profit on each turkey would entirely KILL the cost, and so a turkey was put up for every five tickets that were sold. In due course the raffle came off, and at the end of it Mr. Vinson had a pocket full of silver and the lucky ones had their turkeys. When all was over he proceeded to congratulate himself. Seventy turkeys had been disposed of at a clear gain of $5, and all the fun thrown in on nothing. But there was one little item he had long time which would reduce the profit by a few cents, and on to-wit night making an exact calculation. Time came for reckoning. He found that instead of being $5 to the good he was just $12 out. For the turkeys, instead of costing $1 apiece, averaged just double that all round. He said he didn't care so much for the loss of the money to be able to keep it quiet. He was afraid of the papers getting hold of it.

Service in Holy Trinity.

There was crowding in Holy Trinity church last night. The service was well attended. The morning there will be holy communion at 8 o'clock and a [illegible] at 10 o'clock, followed by morning prayer. There will be a service at 11 o'clock also, and evening prayer at 3:30 p. m. The church has been decorated for the occasion with evergreens and flowers in a manner to reflect credit on those referred to with the duty of carefully decorating the edifice. They were hard at work at this yesterday, and it was after dark before the finishing touches had been placed to the satisfaction of the committee. Those who attended last night were well repaid for their pains of the way in which the members of the choir had acquitted themselves.

Under the Old Flag Again.

Miss Cross arrived in the city yesterday from Dayton, Washington, on an extended visit to her family here. She met with something more than the ordinary every day routine of railway travel on the journey. On one of the American roads the rails spread at the top of an embankment. The engine took a header down the hill and the boiler exploded. The baggage car followed, and the first passenger car, although derailed, did not go down. Fortunately no one was killed, although the baggagemen was slightly injured. Miss Cross expresses herself as delighted with this city. She is glad to be under the old flag once more.

He Was Born Lucky.

Harry Hoy is one of those fortunate individuals who always prove lucky in anything he goes into. Harry invested a dollar the other day in the purchase of a ticket for the grand raffle at Trapp's, and little thought, as more about it till the evening that should decide who held the lucky tickets. The raffle was conducted in the usual way and resulted in Mr. Hoy winning the first prize, namely, a magnificent silver coffee set, valued at $140. It is hardly to be lucky than rich.

The Dog Contest Coming Off.

"Come outen that turnip patch!" yelled a farmer to a tramp who was helping himself with aggravating coolness.

"Come down an' put me out, you stingy old skin-flint," called back the tramp.

The farmer moved down towards the turnip patch.

"Come right in," yelled the tramp as the farmer approached the fence; "come right in and take a fall with me. I've got the worst case of smallpox right here under these old duds you ever laid your eyes on. I heard that turnips was good for it an' thought I would try some. But don't mind the smallpox. I'm feelin' tolerable gay yet, an' I think I can make it lively for you. I'm a sick man, but I never dodge or shirk. Come right in, Old Huckleberry."

"In that case," said the farmer, "I guess the dog will do. He don't mind the smallpox. But if you don't want him to catch a case of it and chew it up you'd git right lively."

This was a development in the situation that the tramp had not examined; but he was nimble, and got through the closing and up a tree before the dog arrived.

HE SAW THE FUN.

How Mr. Wickwire Learned to Understand a Newspaper Clipping.

"To make an egg stand on end without breaking the shell, place a small looking glass level on the table, face upward; take a fresh egg, shake it violently so that the white and yolk mix, then place it upon the point, and it will stand in equilibrium."

This was a newspaper clipping young Wickwire read in an evening paper. Young Mr. Wickwire was very fond of parlor magic, and would turn himself into an amateur magician on a moment's notice at an evening party or elsewhere. So he carefully cut out the aforementioned paragraph for future reference.

A few days after that he was invited to a little private party at a friend's, and as Wickwire was always called upon to help entertain any crowd he might happen to be in, he brought up a few of his old chestnuts for use on this occasion. A happy thought struck him as he ran across the newspaper clipping the afternoon before. He read it over carefully so as to take in all the details of the trick which he was quite sure he had pretty well fastened in his memory. The trick seemed rather too simple to need any rehearsing, and when he found they were all out of eggs at home that evening he let the matter go by, simply re-reading the recipe and repeating it from memory.

That evening, after the spirits of the party began to flag a little, Mr. Wickwire was called upon to give a little exhibition of his parlor magic. After a suitable amount of hesitancy he did his knife-swallowing trick and his second sight trick, and his empty-hat trick, and then he remembered he had an entirely new and novel trick that he was about to produce for the first time. At this everyone applauded, for they were all heartily tired of the old tricks. "Will you please go out an egg and a small saucer?" asked Mr. Wickwire of the hostess.

"Certainly," was the reply.

When the hostess demanded an egg of the girl in the kitchen, she found there was not one about the house, so the girl was sent over to a neighbor's after one. The saucer was more easily secured, and armed with the necessary implements, the lady of the house returned to the parlor. Wickwire had in the meantime cleared off a corner table, upon which he carefully placed the saucer, face up. Then he took the egg, held it up where all could see it, made a few mysterious passes and jumbles and began shaking it. After he thought he had it shaken up enough he stood it on its point on the saucer, but for some mysterious reason the egg toppled over.

Then his audience giggled and some one was rude enough to ask if that was his new trick and if he thought it sat out himself. That made Wickwire a little hot, so said some one must have been shaking the table, so in conclusion, he thought best to take up the egg and shake it again.

"He's going to give us an egg shake," suggested some one.

"Didn't you better get a machine and shake it up, so that you are at it?" offered another.

And Wickwire kept on shaking the egg and never saying a word. After a while he tried balancing it again, and again the egg fell over as though it were bewitched.

"If you want to stand it up, why don't you break the shell like Columbus did?" asked some one, whereat the whole party guffawed.

But Wickwire said nothing, he was busy enough trying to balance that egg and keeping from getting hot. He recovered the newspaper clipping again in the solid belief he was in our right. Then he tried it again, and again the egg rolled over like a tired tramp.

Wickwire had about concluded that this egg must be an abnormal monstrosity of some kind, but out of their deference to grabbed it for another shake.

He had to shake it three times for luck, which proved none too quickly, and Wickwire, in the agony of despair, gave a more desperate shake than ever. The final shake settled it.

The egg was shaken up and so was the overdoses egg nog. The shaking up had generated enough gas. Alas for Wickwire! hands to break the shell to smithereens.

The final rub down over Mr. Wickwire's person and over his full-bosomed shirt front, in a way that might lose him his chance at a fortune, he quietly slipped out of the house, in another way, that made all the visitors weary and want to go home without stopping to take any refreshments.

The majority of them did start out into the gloaming to cover in the freak act of the front parlor, but they did not get out quick enough to see the unlucky boy go drinking over the fence from his hiding place under the window. The small boy had secretly loaned the servant girl the only real ripe egg in the house, and had followed along after to see the fun.

He saw it.

Christmas in Prison.

Everyone was hard at work at the jail last night preparing for the Christmas dinner today. The cooking facilities are not sufficiently extensive to permit the preparation of such an important dinner in a few hours, hence the necessity for last night's work. The first article on the list last night was a 20 pound plum pudding. Then there was a huge roast. The prisoners will have as good a time today as prison regulations will permit. At the penitentiary similar preparations were in progress yesterday, only that the bill of fare will be more decorated than that at the jail. The prisoners will have turkey and goose as well as roast beef and plum pudding. If they can enjoy themselves behind the bars they will have every opportunity of doing so today.

The Result of Negligence.

A young boy from Surrey was brought to the hospital yesterday suffering from a fractured limb. No attention had been paid to the wound until gangrene set in. Dr. Fagan was summoned and on making an examination decided that the only chance of saving the patient's life was to amputate the limb. The operation was performed yesterday afternoon and the sufferer is doing as well as can be expected. It will be some days however before it will known whether or not he is out of danger.

Trinity Church Club.

Trinity Church club is flourishing. The membership is now about sixty and there are twelve new names on the proposition list for the next regular monthly meeting. This club is certainly deserving of the hearty support of the young men of the city. It furnishes the members with a well furnished, commodious and comfortable club-room, well stocked with the leading magazines and papers of the day, and supplied with various parlor games, such as chess, checkers, etc.

The Opera House Tomorrow.

Don Marco and known company will be in Hastings opera house tomorrow night in their latest and best success, entitled "Kitty from Cork." They carry with them a ton of magnificent scenery, representing the principal cities and places of interest in that "Gem of the Sea." Eastern papers speak in the highest terms of this company. They should have a good house tomorrow night.

LABORING MEN'S FOES.

A CITY IN WHICH THE CHINESE OF TWO CONTINENTS COME TOGETHER.

The Capitalists and Civic Authorities of Vancouver Becoming Noted for Their Meanness Toward the People Who Help Uphold the Country.

Vancouver is pre-eminently a Chinaman's town. The authorities and capitalists have got so much into Chinese ways that they invariably endeavor to reduce the compensation paid to employees to the lowest possible limit. The Canadian Pacific railway and the sawmills are notorious for the miserably small wages that they pay to laboring men. The civic authorities are no better. Vancouver has the best fire-brigade on the sound, the citizens are proud of the fact, the press boasts of it in no measured tones. The contests during the summer proved the fact that Vancouver's firemen carried all before them. No one will dispute the question of the terminal city's supremacy in that line. On another point in connection with the fire department very few will venture to contradict and that is that the same department is the worst equipped and its men the most badly paid of any of the sound cities. If these statements the people do not brag, the papers do not glory; they maintain silence as if they were ashamed of themselves, and they ought to be ashamed of it too. It shows a meanness characteristic of the corporation and, therefore, of the people. When it comes to wasting money on any kind of a useless display, the city fathers are there every time, and never stop to count the dollars, the money is spent in lavish profusion, nothing is done on a small scale, but when it comes to encouraging a thoroughly qualified and highly useful body of men like those of the fire brigade then the true character of the aldermen is shown, their meanness is seen, their parsimony is obvious, their niggardliness is felt; these same aldermen who have been squandering money in street decorations and so forth, must now, in fixing scale of wages practice retrenchment and extreme economy. The men on whom the fate of the city may some day depend, who must be intelligent, clear headed and courageous, draw the handsome salary of $60 a month, just as much as a Siwash or a Chinaman gets for working round a sawmill. The wonder is that there are good men who will be found to do the work for the money, for a fireman's path is not strewn with roses. The city is very liable to lose its good men, who will move on the first opportunity of being able to do better than $60 a month, without board, and it does not take much of an offer to beat that. When the city has good men it ought to pay them good wages and make sure of retaining them, and not grind them down because it has the power to do so. The firemen are miserably underpaid, but as was said before, Vancouver is a Chinaman's town for wages.

SMALL CHUNKS OF NEWS.

More than a hundred packages of Christmas presents were forwarded by the Dominion express yesterday from the New Westminster office.

One hundred and five carloads of beeves were brought in yesterday by the Canadian Pacific from Kamloops. One carload was for the Moodyville market, one for the Dickinson market, one for Nanaimo, and two for Victoria.

"New old stock"—seventeen days from London. Xmas cards from ten cents a dozen and upwards. A very large assortment of booklets and "hand painted." Will be sold cheap for cash.—Zel. S. Hall.

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Fish Wade, the Vancouver marble dealer, has erected a fine monument over the grave of William Montgomery, who was killed in the Westminster yard of the Canadian Pacific some three months ago.

For best Wellington coal, and fir and hardwood, see J. M. Wise. Orders left at Mathers & Milligan's will receive prompt attention. Telephone No. 96.

Just arrived—"The gem" of accordeons, flutes, accordeons, harmoniums (single and in sets), violins, bows, strings, pure Russian gut violin strings, bridges, rosin case top books, music and paper from five cents upwards.—Zel. S. Hall.

Call at R. Mercer & Co.'s city branch today to make your purchases of Xmas presents, in cards, booklets, toys, fancy goods, and innumerable other novelties. Come early and avoid the rush.

A telegram from the government at Victoria yesterday ordered the closing of the government offices till tomorrow. The various law offices in the city have also been closed.

Several tonsors to let.—Herring, druggist.

Mr. Wellbroke left for Seattle yesterday to spend the holidays with friends in that town.

Beef tea and pickled pigs feet at The Club.

Mr. Petty of Seattle, brother of Mrs. Sillito, is spending the Christmas holidays with the bishop.

For sale—Hub saloon, Columbia street, New Westminster.

There were no cases on the docket at the police court yesterday morning. It will be something worthy of note if the same holds good for tomorrow morning.

Young Marquarry who was struck by an engine at Yale a few days ago is hardly expected to recover.

The steamer Irving went up the river yesterday with freight and a large number of passengers who were going to spend Christmas with friends in the country.

The Knights of Pythias Christmas tree at the Odd Fellow's hall last night proved a great success. Tea was served by the wives and sisters of the members, and a most enjoyable evening was spent by all.

A good white towel given away with every $2 purchase at Grant & Maclure's shoe store.

S. J. Thompson, the photographer, who has done much to make many homes adorned with artistic work, wishes his many friends and patrons a merry Christmas.

Reed & Company disposed of a quantity of silverware last night which was valued at several hundred dollars. There were six prizes, which fell to the following lucky individuals in the order named: Thos. Corse 46, Mr. Matamson 17, F. G. Strickland 45, C. W. Hooper 13, Mr. Wylie 43, and H. A. Wilson 20.

CRASH OF THE TELEGRAPH.

London, December 24th.—Charles MacKay, the English poet, is dead.

London, December 24th.—The Berlin correspondent of the Daily News says: "Germany will send an ironclad to Brazil to protect the interests of German colonists in the province of Rio Grande do Sul."

Geneva, December 24th.—Switzerland is flooded with copies of an anarchist pamphlet of the most violent character that yet has marked any of the voluminous seditious literature so far issued in that country.

Geneva, December 24th.—The police have been quite active in their efforts to suppress Brochure, but have made very little headway.

Good News From Cariboo.

Barkerville, December 24th.—Quite a good feeling prevails in town today over the exhibition of a gold bar, the product of ore from the Black Jack mine. Mr. Martin, the superintendent of the government test works, has just completed a test by chlorination process. Five separate trials brought the same result, viz., 30 per cent of the assay value of the ore saved.

HOLIDAY SUITS

M. A. McRae is now the Recognized Leading Merchant Tailor of New Westminster, and those desiring New Suits, in the Best Line of Goods, should give him a call. In the Armstrong Block on Columbia Street.

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GRANT & MACLURE.

Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Etc.

FOR NICE GROCERIES AND Staple Dry Goods GO TO WM. McCOLL

LONDON ARMS

Dieses alte und bequemliche Haus ist neulich ausgeputzt worden und jetz ist es der beste Saloon in dieser Stadt. Die Liqueuren und Ciarren sind wirklich so gut wie man sie irgendwo kaufen kann. Die Billiard und Pool Tische sind ganz fein ausgerichtet und finden sich in einem wohl beleuchteten Zimmer. Fein gemoebelte Zimmer bei Tage oder Woche zu vermiethen. Ecke McKenzie und Columbia Strassen. Sie koennen Ihre Stiefeln dassuf wetten das dies ein sonderbar schoenes Haus ist.

HARRY HERBERT, Commis. SAM WOODS, Besitzer

Xmas Goods NOW OPENED AT Jas. Ellard & Co.

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LADIES' CORK SOLE BOOTS.

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Diamond Rings, Diamond, Ruby and Sapphire Rings, Ladies Gem Rings in great variety, Wedding Rings. Now is the time to have diamonds mounted in rings in every style and setting, made on the premises. Loose diamonds on hand. Gold and Silver Watches, Chains and Brooches, all the latest designs. Plated ware only the finest quality kept in stock. The public, as a rule are not aware that there are four qualities made of the same pattern, and by buying the cheaper grades is throwing money away. By far the cheapest house in town. Four doors west of the postoffice.

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