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# THE CUMBERLAND NEWS.

ELEVENTH YEAR. CUMBERLAND, B. C. TUESDAY, DEC 28, 1904

## Winners of Prizes
### At the Big Store.

No 811 Wins First Prize—Dinner and Tea Set.
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" 928 " Second Prize—Large Doll.
Mrs T Kirkwood.

" 26 " Third Prize—Rocking Horse.
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Customers should keep sale slips o. cash coupons; they may be on the "Great Free Day" and get a present of the goods.—Napier & artridge.

Miss Murdoch left for Victoria on this morning's train. She will stay in the Capital.

### LECTURE.

Mr H. F. Pullen's lecture on Wild Things was well attended and the lecture was most instructive to all more particularly to the young, being devoid of all technical pedantries so puzzling to the lyro. Mr Pullen has shown himself to be a close student of nature and had chosen a most entertaining line of lecturing. Short space forbids more than a passing mention of the pictures which were excellent, one of the ruffed Grouse in particular being extremely clear and lifelike.

Miss Nash is thanked for a tasteful calendar.

School opens next Tuesday, Jan 3.

## Local and Personal

Remember the Masonic Ball takes place tonight.

Mrs Winnirgham and children returned to Cumberland by Tuesday evening's steamer.

Each I. C. S. course is a special course.

LOST—A sum of money on Comox Road. Leave it at the NEWS office and receive reward,

Mr H. P. Collis was also an arrival by Thursday's steamer to spend Xmas with his family.

Napier and Partridge's decorations are superb.

Buy your feed at the Big Store—Shorts (best quality), $32 per ton, $1.35 per sack.

Mrs Cessford and family were passengers home to Cumberland on Thursday from Denman Isd. where Mrs Cessford went to attend the funeral of her father, the late Mr Piercy.

Mr Arthur Shore, brother of Mr S Shore, arrived here on a visit. The brothers have not met for a number of years, and his visit was unexpected and therefore a pleasant surprise to the relatives.

All toys, until the end of the old year (next Saturday) for less than cost, to clear up the stock, at the Big Store.

Mr and Mrs Hy. Pullen and family are spending the Xmas vacation in Cumberland. Mr Pullen was heartily welcomed by some of his late pupils who have had an opportunity of enjoying his lectures on Wild life. These highly interesting lectures drew large houses in Victoria.

New Years gifts of all descriptions at the Big Store at popular prices.

The Xmas number and supplement to the Daily-Weekly Columbian, New Westminster, has reached us and is another magnificent advertisement of the natural and business resources of British Columbia. It is worth reading. The number contains some very interesting articles on this district.

We acknowledge with thanks from the Victoria Times a most appropriate souvenir in the shape of a bunch of berried holly and a sweet perfumed stock, both grown out of doors in that city of homes and gardens, Victoria. A more appropriate advertisement of the city as a health resort could not have been issued.

Go to the Big Store for your New Year's gifts still a large assortment.

I. C. S. Textbooks give the best information obtainable on the subjects treated.

A sleighing party of Cumberland folks invaded Courtenay on Monday evening and had a dance in that little town. Through some misunderstanding the Hall was not ready, as was intended so the whole party adjourned to the Riverside dining room where a pleasant dance and a nice supper was indulged in, the party getting home in the small hours.

For Sale, at a sacrifice, large well built house, suitable for boarding or double house. A great bargain Get particulars from W. WILLARD.

The funeral of the late T. H. Piercy took place at Denman Island on the 15th, and was largely attended by relatives and friends. The Masons of Hiram Lodge, Courtenay, in charge of the remains The pall-bearers were Messrs T. Beckensell, E. Muschamp, Bridges, J. W. Grieve, H. Morrison and R. Plews, The family desire to thank their friends for the kindnesses shown them through their hour of bereavement, and the following for flowers:—Wreathes, Mesdames Piket, Mellado, McMillan, Graham, J Piercy, McPhee; Crosses from Mesdames McMillan, H. Dick, Beadnall; and Bouquet Misses A. and F. Graham; heart. Mrs Pickles

Remember the Great Free Day at Napier & Partridges.

### SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES.

CUMBERLAND—Number of candidates. 6; passed, 5. Wm, Grieve, 627; L. Hall, 599; Jessie Frame. 576; John Cameron, 570; D. Staples, 564.

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XMAS.

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## Toys, Books, etc.
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Mr T. L. Beaven of the firm of Fletcher Bros., Music Dealers, Nanaimo and Victoria, left for Victoria on Friday morning after another successful business visit to Cumberland and Comox. The firm's specialty is the famous Gerhard Heintzman piano, which they have succeeded in introducing in a very satisfactory manner to the music lovers of Cumberland. Another of the magnificient Cabinet Grands being sold this week to one of our prominent musicians in Cumberland, while purchasers were found for the sweet-toned Mendelsshon and Williams. The firm carries all grades of these and the Gerhard Heintzman piano and are able to cater to all sorts and conditions of purses. Mr T. E. Rate will continue to receive orders for these instruments.

New peels, currants, raisins and dates just in at Napier & Partridge

### WRESTLING MATCH.

This was not so well patronized Saturday evening as it deserved to be, but owing to many counter attractions, many who would have gone were unable to attend. The events were exceedingly good, the cup being won by A. Tompson, medal by J Hudson, juvenile medal by O. Harrison. It is to be hoped an impetus to athletics will be given by Mr McKenzie's lead.

FOR SALE—A litter of pure bred Chester White Pigs, ready to wean, from prize sow New Westminster Exhibition.—Apply, B. CRAWFORD.

Victoria, 26th—Parliament meets Feb 9th,

## A Bill of Goods FREE as a Xmas Gift

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## Napier & Partridge,
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# The Girl of the Orchard

By... Howard Fielding

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As we passed the orchard I observed that the girl had deserted her easel and umbrella, which were where we had previously seen them, she herself having gone up to the lodge. This suggested to me the idea that if I could make sufficient haste I might learn what reception was accorded my gift. I made the little boat go so fast that Miss Witherspoon cried out that the water would come in over the stern, but I observed that her eyes were very bright with the excitement and that she seemed to like it quite as well as the pretty speeches which I had been laboriously devising. Women are naturally so deceitful that lying to them is like playing the piano to Paderewski. Lucy Ann, though the most truthful of her sex, could have beaten me out of sight at saying the thing that isn't meant, and so she took small pleasure in my inferior performance, but she really did like to see me row a boat.

We found Jimmy Lamoine at the landing, and I was very glad to see him, for I disliked the idea of asking Miss Witherspoon to take the roses. As for Jimmy, I rejoice to speak well of him in any way, and it is the solid truth that he delighted to be serviceable. I wrote a hasty note on my card to this effect:

"To the keeper of the harbor light, from the poor sailor who struck the outer reef."

Jimmy took the bouquet, and we watched him till he squeezed his slender body through the hedge fence into the orchard.

"As for the pilot's fee"— said Miss Witherspoon. "But that doesn't matter."

Whereupon I solemnly took from my coat pocket the largest and finest rose of all and put it into her hand. It was a great coup, carefully meditated.

"I never thought you'd remember it," said Lucy Ann, staring at the rose. "I'll press it in the family Bible. The dictionary isn't good enough for it."

"Now," said I, "will you come out with me again just for a few minutes?"

She would have demurred, but I insisted:

"I don't want to be alone out there. If the girl doesn't wear my posies when she comes down through the orchard again I shall be tempted to jump into the lake."

"Of course she'll wear them," said Lucy Ann. "Any girl would do that much."

"Then come and behold my joy."

She consented with reluctance, and we rowed out far enough into the lake to command a view of the orchard. We could see the lodge, but not distinctly because of the abundance of foliage. The girl was sitting on the veranda, but Jimmy was not visible. He must have done his errand and gone on toward the house.

"She's arranging them now," said Lucy Ann. "Evidently I did not fix them well enough to suit her."

I assured my young friend that her work with the roses had been of the highest order of excellence, but she still seemed to be hurt. For my own part, I was flattered and absurdly pleased that the girl should take so much pains with my gift. I should not have known what she was doing except for Lucy Ann's suggestion, for we were a long way off, and the girl sat by a table with her back turned toward us; but after a very long time, as it seemed to me, she arose, holding the bouquet against her gown as if to try the effect. Then she picked up something from the floor of the veranda, tossed it through the window, and, unfolding her indispensable parasol, she came slowly down through the orchard.

We had fleeting glimpses of her among the trees, and it was not until she had covered more than half the distance that she came fully into view. The flowers were fastened at her belt.

"How white they look!" said I. "The color scarcely shows at all at this distance."

Lucy Ann did not reply. She was sitting up very straight, and her gray eyes were wide open. At last she began to shake her head slowly, and a queer little smile played round her mouth while her forehead was frowning.

"Yes," she said, "they do look a trifle pale."

The girl had reached the spot where the easel stood, and we had a better view of the blossoms than when she had been more directly approaching us. I glanced hastily at Lucy Ann.

"Those are not my roses," said I.

"They're not roses at all," she rejoined. "They're pond lilies."

"Pond lilies!" I exclaimed. "Where should she get pond lilies?"

"There are a few already at the upper end of the lake," said she.

"But do you suppose she's been up there alone?"

"Somebody has," answered she. "That's certain."

I took up the oars and pulled toward the shore with the stroke of a tired fisherman who has been out in the rain all day. Lucy Ann sat in the stern and tried to look sympathetic, but she failed. When the boat touched the beach, I did not immediately arise. I leaned forward upon the oars.

"Did you see her toss anything in through the window?" I asked.

"Yes," replied Lucy Ann in the hushed voice appropriate to a delicate subject.

"Might have been a bean bag by the way she threw it, eh?"

"I didn't particularly notice," said Lucy Ann.

"You're a great girl," said I, extending my hand to assist her to rise. "Don't say anything about this foolishness."

"Oh, no!" said she. "I won't tell a single soul."

She gained the shore with my assistance and waited while I made the painter fast.

"Where is your rose?" I asked, turning toward her.

She put up her hand hastily to her throat.

"I fastened it there," said she. "It must be in the boat."

But it wasn't. Lucy Ann expressed appropriate sorrow, but she did not spend much time looking for the rose.

As we climbed the steep bank Jimmy Lamoine suddenly appeared at the top of it. His face wore that gravely pleased look which was habitual with him and always slightly accentuated when he had performed a task, for Jimmy had the satisfaction of believing that whatever he did was better done than it could have been by another.

"Where were you this afternoon?" asked Lucy Ann.

"Out on the lake," answered the boy. "I went out with Mr. Derringer and Mr. Trask."

"What to do?"

"Pond lilies," said Jimmy laconically.

Lucy Ann did not pursue the subject. I turned a glance of suspicion upon Jimmy, but it was obviously unjust. He might have juggled with my errand had I been alone, but not when the commission had been accepted in the presence of Miss Witherspoon, whose schoolma'am manner seemed to hold him in strict discipline. Moreover, he was not in the least troubled by my look.

"I took 'em up," said he. "She told me that she was much obliged."

I removed my hat in acknowledgment of the lady's message, and then we walked silently up to the house.

At my door I found Derringer knocking.

"Where were you after lunch?" he asked. "Trask and I wanted you to go out on the lake. We got some pond lilies. Come up and I'll show you mine."

"Are they all there?" I asked.

"All?" he echoed. "Why, of course. All that I got. Trask has some."

"How about Jimmy?"

"He didn't want any. What are you driving at?"

"Somebody's been sending lilies to the girl."

Derringer exhibited great surprise.

"You don't mean it!" he exclaimed.

## CHAPTER X.

### A CLEW IN THE DUST.

THERE was no fire on the shore that evening.

Considering the fate of my roses, it may seem strange that I should have taken the pains to ascertain whether the siren's light was rekindled upon the rocks. I decided not to do so. It was my intention to sit by my window and smoke black cigars in the dark. While enjoying the first of them it came into my mind that a fire on the shore should send up a glow visible from the house. So I began to stare at the sky above the tops of the apple trees and to hold rapidly alternating opinions as to whether I could or could not see a light.

This was distracting. It seemed wiser, upon the whole, to go down to the lake and set the question at rest. I felt like a big schoolboy who has had his ears boxed by his pretty teacher, and this sensation was accompanied by constantly recurring surprise that I should have it. What did it matter? No one knew except Lucy Ann, and she had certainly behaved very well about it. She did not strike me as the sort of girl who would spread the story.

It couldn't be on her account that I cared. Why not owe up to it like a man? It was because the girl knew it and had done it to me. If only she had worn no flowers that would not have hurt me, but that she should have worn some other fellow's—probably Trask's. But why should Trask send flowers to her? How many girls did the fellow want at one time? He seemed devoted to Miss Jones in his own peculiar, misanthropic fashion, and poor, little Lucy Ann was clearly in love with him. I began to foresee that Trask and I would have an unpleasant interview some day.

I was thinking of this as I pushed off the boat, and the result was that I forgot to hang on to her. She slid off the bold beach and went skimming out over the lake with the force of the impetus that I had unconsciously given, so I had to go out in another boat and tow her back. And after all this trouble there was no fire on the rocks.

I waited till 9 o'clock and then gave it up, but not before warbling a little ballad in case the girl should be sitting on the rocks in the dark. She was not, and I felt as foolish as one does who has talked a few minutes to a person that left the room unperceived before he began.

Altogether it was very strange. The girl was nothing to me. Try as I might, I could not think of her as Sibyl. Neither could I regard her as a stranger. It was beyond doubt the most peculiar puzzle that I had ever encountered. The mind is a slave to such a problem; it rivets the attention. If I had not known who the girl was I could have dismissed the subject, but I knew that I did know, and it seemed that I must surely speak the name, that I should wake up some morning and find it proceeding audibly from my lips.

When I returned from the vain cruise, there were heavy clouds in the sky, and I thought it might rain, but within a few minutes they rolled apart, and the night seemed to grow suddenly warm. I felt strangely uneasy and strolled out to the road to see whether the patrol was on duty.

The faithful three were there, and they welcomed me cordially to the ranks. They seemed to be engaged in extolling the Witherspoon menage.

"I wish I had Mrs. Witherspoon's executive ability," said Derringer. "This place runs on greased wheels. The machinery is so noiseless that it is hard to believe that there is any."

"However," said Scovel, "there is. There are a lot of servants on this place, and they all work hard, though Mrs. Witherspoon would discharge one of them who dared to look tired. She knows how to make a place restful. Cast your eye on poor little Lucy Ann."

I observed that Trask, who had been sitting on the fence, got down. There was no reason why he shouldn't, if he felt like it, and yet I saw something worth noting in his manner.

"Miss Witherspoon helps her aunt," said he, "and you wouldn't wish her to do otherwise."

"I would," said Derringer. "I'd like to see her a thousand miles from that kitchen. In my opinion, it's a polite fiction that she doesn't do anything but make the cake. I observe that she spends most of her time there, and I wish she had something better to do."

"There can't be anything better than housekeeping," said Trask. "It is the work of the best women on earth, the women who keep the world wholesome enough to live in, the wives and mothers."

"Well, upon my word!" exclaimed Scovel. "The misanthrope speaks up nobly. I didn't suppose you thought that the world *was* wholesome enough to live in."

"I don't do anything to make it so," said Trask. "Neither do you, for that matter. But, as to Miss Witherspoon, she is not a drudge. She has had a first rate education; she has associated with cultivated persons. Her position here is not in the slightest degree menial. The people who come here, as you know, are of considerable social consequence, and Miss Witherspoon meets them upon a level of perfect equality."

"Why in thunder shouldn't she?" demanded Derringer. "The girl might have been born on Fifth avenue for all that I can see. But that doesn't alter the fact that she works about 16 hours a day in this June weather when she ought to be at play."

"Not so bad as that," said Scovel. "Trask gnaws her chains once in awhile. There was a Japanese artist who made a hundred views of one mountain, but that's nothing to the sketches that Trask has made of Miss Witherspoon."

I did not see any reason why Trask should be disturbed by this remark unless he had read Miss Witherspoon as I had and was beginning to be worried. Knowing him even so little, I would have gone upon any sort of bond that he had never intentionally said one word to make the poor child care for him, and that it was all a misfortune, with no one to blame. Scovel's tone was a sufficient guarantee that he suspected nothing. It was mere good natured banter. The whole gist of the situation lay in Trask's own thoughts.

"She has a good face," he said, "most interesting to an artist; really beautiful indeed."

The words were commonplace, but they produced a considerable effect upon me. If a girl isn't beautiful or anywhere near it, yet a man of cultivated artistic appreciation thinks that she is, what shall a third person conclude? My own romance was sufficiently complicated, but I began to suspect that it was simple compared to Trask's. I was tempted to try him a little further.

"Beauty to me," said I, "is always a question of more or less close approximation to a type. Beauty is defined for us. We may hardly have our own opinions any more than we may quarrel with the dictionary. Miss Witherspoon is a charming girl, but her face may be said to lack the element of ideal"—

"Oh, that be hanged!" exclaimed the artist fervently. "Third rate studios ring with it. I beg your pardon, of course, but types have about as much to do with beauty as the major scale has to do with one of Chopin's nocturnes. Do, re, mi, fa, sol, la, si! Eyes, nose, mouth, hair, outline, coloring, expression—nature can play a million millions of tunes on those seven notes. Can you measure harmony with a yardstick? No, my friend. You should simply pray for God given appreciation."

"There is something in what you say," remarked Scovel judicially, "though I suspect it would be possible for you to know more about music. However, you must admit that your pupil in art is a perfect illustration of the English blond type."

"There is no such thing as an English blond type," said Trask, throwing his half burned cigar into the road, "nor an Ethiopian brunette type, nor— It's clouding up again," he added, breaking the thread of his discourse short off. "It's going to rain. Good night."

He walked away toward the gate.

"Who is the lady, if it's permissible to inquire?" said Derringer.

"Permissible?" echoed Scovel. "Why not? We're getting into such a muss of mystery out here that we can't do anything. To the best of my knowledge and belief, she is a Miss Jones, who is living in St. Jo and comes out here for art lessons. I have heard that her father or guardian or somebody has a lot of money, but I cannot testify on that point. Speaking as a disinterested observer—if any man can be disinterested in the presence of such a stunning girl as Miss Jones—I would say that there is a sentimental attachment between Trask and the young lady, and that there's some sort of opposition, I don't know what."

"Here's hoping that it will all end happily," said Derringer. "I like Trask very much, though hang me if I understand him!"

That was precisely my position. After what I had heard and seen, I was almost ready to believe that his heart was really set upon Lucy Ann Witherspoon, whose "father or guardian or somebody" did not have a lot of money. In that case I was doubly sorry for Lucy Ann, since she missed her happiness by a narrower margin, but I did not see what I could do about it, unless I should precipitate myself into the struggle and win the pretty Miss Jones for my own, thus leaving Trask free to follow his heart's beckoning.

The rain which the artist had pretended to foresee did not come during the night. I found the weather very warm and dry when I emerged into the outer air after a late breakfast. The Witherspoon wagon that went into St. Jo twice a day for mail and other matters was just entering the grounds. Jimmy Lamoine was the coachman, and Miss Jones was his passenger.

*There were dainty footprints in the dust.*

As the carriage drew up before the door I observed that Jimmy looked hot and dusty, and that Miss Jones was cool and fresh as a flower in a shady garden. It was characteristic of the young lady to look always as if she had just donned a new gown with the assistance of a dressmaker, a milliner and a maid, and yet I could hardly believe that nature had given her an armlet that was proof against seven miles of dusty road.

There is not the least bit of the detective in me, but I am a fairly good investigator in a laboratory. My work is always based upon the cardinal principle that effects have causes, and that very little will ever happen without them. To state the matter more plainly, I was upon this occasion moved to assume that there was some reason why Miss Jones had escaped the dust.

She greeted me with somewhat formal cordiality, and yet the girl was not in the least given to affectation. If her manner was a trifle noticeable, as of course it shouldn't be, I judged that the cause might be sought in her scant experience with the country, for a drawing room manner under a tree is like a dress suit in church—it savors of profanity. Also, there was a faint suggestion that the lady had something on her mind.

In spite of all these thoughts I had room in my mind for a recognition of her beauty. She was certainly a perfect illustration of something, even though Mr. Scovel may have been mistaken in giving England the credit of the type. For my own part, being a bit of a jingo, like Lucy Ann, I would rather think Miss Jones, to be thoroughly American. However, neither her nationality nor her good looks could account for the absence of dust on her gown, or for the sprightly grace with which she rose from her seat when I offered her my hand to alight.

I oughtn't to mention it of course, but one's knees, even in youth, will stiffen a bit when one rides seven miles on a straight backed seat with not too much room in front of it. There is no need that a fellow should be a born detective in order that he may note such matters.

When the lady after a few agreeable words had gone into the house, I lighted a cigar and strolled out to the gate. The tracks made by the wheels of Mrs. Witherspoon's wagon were plainly to be seen in the dust of the road. I could trace them very conveniently, even when walking on the side path.

At a point where the road was lowest, about 50 yards from the edge of the hill—a spot invisible from the Witherspoon house—I observed that the wagon tracks exhibited a break in their steady course. A man with one eye, and that not of the best, could have read this record in the dust. The wagon had stopped, the forward wheels had swung round, and some one had got in. Or out? In for a thousand dollars. There were dainty footprints in the dust.

I returned to the house hastily, as if I had an errand, though really I hadn't. This discovery did not suggest any immediate action; on the other hand, it whispered of prudence. I seemed to have solved my riddle, but my ultimate course was as much in doubt as before.

In the main porch I found Trask waiting, his sketching tools by his side. He had an air of gentle distraction, as if he had been trying to think of several matters simultaneously. I knew that expression, having seen it in my mirror quite frequently of late.

He gave me good morning, and at the moment Miss Jones appeared.

"Come along with us," said she. "We are going up to the north tree."

"Where we were before," added Trask in explanation. "All the trees have names. There must be several thousand on the place, but I have yet to find one that hasn't been christened. Mr. Witherspoon named them."

I responded that I had not had the pleasure of seeing that gentleman.

"You probably never got him in a good light," said Trask. "Otherwise he is too thin to be visible. He is so thin that the wind blows him around the estate, and you'll always find him on the leeward side. The wind's north today; he'll have drifted down by the lake."

As to the invitation to accompany them it naturally seemed one made to be declined, and I was surprised to discover that both master and pupil were sincere in their wish for my society. We walked up to the north tree almost in silence, and when we had sat down upon the ground in great comfort we fell into a most despondent strain of conversation. "Sad stories of the death of kings" would have seemed like merry jests in the midst of our talk.

I was again strongly reminded of some one else when Miss Jones was speaking. She had ways of using words that appealed vainly to my memory again and again. But the clew was nearer to me than it had been before, and presently the truth flashed up before me—the girl reminded me of my father.

Continuing to speak when it seemed to be my turn, but without putting any thought into what I was saying, I began to arrange the evidence in my mind. I knew that Miss Jones had come out of the orchard that morning, but did that prove that she was the girl? Certainly not. She was a friend of the girl and had been her guest for a night.

She had evidently been much in my father's company. I had found her portrait in our house. She was Sibyl's friend, and Sibyl was the girl. My siren of the lake had been Sibyl—surely not Miss Jones, for she had not the throat of a singer.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

**Unable to Compare.**

He—Miss Kitty, I've heard it said that a kiss without a mustache is like an egg without salt. Is that so? She—Well, really I don't know. I can't tell, for in my life I never— He—Now, now, Miss Kitty! She—Never ate an egg without salt.

THE CUMBERLAND NEWS

CUMBERLAND, B. C.

DESPERATE CRIMINAL THREATENS BLOODSHED.

"I will never be caught alive. I will fight until my last drop of blood is gone. I must fight from now on to live, and nothing would please me better than to kill a few of the officers who are so anxious to capture me and receive the $500 reward." These were the parting exclamations of Edward Donahue, who, on Oct. 2, murdered A. M. Northrup of Benton Harbor at Miller's Station, Ind., and for whom the greatest man hunt ever known in Southern Michigan is now on. After 12 days' wandering, covering 100 miles in several counties of Indiana and Michigan, the fugitive is still at large, but his capture seems a question of only a few hours. He is recognized, however, as one of the most desperate criminals in Michigan, and bloodshed is expected to precede his arrest.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

Charles Pfefferman, a wealthy commission merchant, and Cora Kippling, a woman in whom he was interested, were shot to death in Pfefferman's flat at 408 East Seventy-eighth street, New York, just after midnight Saturday night. Pfefferman's wife had left the place after a violent quarrel a few hours before. An hour after the man and woman are supposed to have been slain, a man was heard to leave the apartment and pass down stairs, and was seen to run across the street and disappear. Pfefferman and the woman were each killed by a single shot through the right temple.

Carrie Nation has gone to gaol for six months. That will carry her nicely over the cold weather.

The King's birthday is fixed for May 24, 1905. Which of his real anniversaries he will celebrate, the last one or the next one, is not announced.

Mr. Pahvenoo- "Is your master in, girl?" Girl: "Yes, sir; he's in his study." Mr. Pavenhoo: "In his study, is he? Well, 'e won't do for me. The artist what paints my picture will 'ave to be a finished one, and not that isn't past his study!"

Some persons have periodical attacks of Canadian cholera, dysentery or diarrhoea, and have to use great precautions to avoid the disease. Change of water, cooking, green fruit, is sure to bring on the attacks. To such persons we would recommend Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery Cordial as being the best medicine in the market for all summer complaints. If a few drops are taken in water when the symptoms are noticed no further trouble will be experienced.

The value of building permits issued in Winnipeg this year has now reached a total of over $8,000,000. At this date last year the total was $5,201,300. It is expected that the entire twelve months of this year will show over $10,000,000.

**Baby Humors** -- Dr. Agnew's Ointment soothes, quiets, and effects quick and effective cures in all skin eruptions common to baby during the teething time. It is harmless to the hair in cases of Scald Head, and cures Eczema, Salt Rheum and all Skin Diseases of older people. 35 cents.—55

Charles ("Yankee") Rogers, at Buffalo a few nights ago, defeated Maupus, the Canadian wrestler, in two straight falls. Rogers won the first fall catch-as-catch-can in 11 minutes and 30 seconds, and the second at Graeco-Roman in 30 minutes and 10 seconds.

**Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.**

When is a ship like snow?—When she is adrift.

It is a waste of breath to give advice to a man who is about to marry a rich girl.

At a recent automobile race in New York one man was killed and another fatally injured.

**Bright's Disease — Insidious! deceptive! relentless!**— has foiled hundreds of trials by medical science to stem the tide of its ravages—and not until South American Kidney Cure proved beyond a doubt its power to turn back the tide was there a gleam of anything but despair for the victim of this dread form of kidney disease.—54

As between the society of a man in love and the man who is the father of a smart baby it is a toss up.

FINAL ACT OF THE TRAGEDY.

"Why should I wish to live any longer? All my kin have been murdered. A thousand armed men are on my track, seeking my life. There is no rest for me henceforth, day or night. I am innocent. I have committed no crime. Yet I am to be shot on sight, as if I were a desperate outlaw. I will endure it no longer! I will give myself up! But by the great horn spoon, nobody shall have the satisfaction of killing me!" So saying the hunted creature flew swiftly through the darkness to the nearest city, dashed itself against a skyscraper, and fell to the ground dead. It was the last prairie chicken.

WATERPROOF PAINT.

The following is a good recipe for a waterproof paint for wood or stone. Melt twelve ounces of resin; mix with it thoroughly six gallons sulphul; mix some ochre or any other coloring substance with a little linseed oil, enoughto give it the right color and thickness; apply several coats of the hot composition with a brush. The first coat should be very thin.

Help your children to grow strong and robust by counteracting anything that causes ill-health. One great cause of disease in children is worms. Remove them with Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. It never fails.

Maude: "I must have a new dress for the ball." Hubby: "Very well. Only don't have it too low." Maude: "Why, why——" Hubby: "For I've noticed the lower the dress the higher the bill."

**Minard's Liniment for sale everywhere.**

American roads have issued an $18 rate for returning farm laborers.

**Little but Searching** -- Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets are not big nauseous doses that contain injurious drugs or narcotics—they are the pure vegetable pepsin—the medicinal extract from this luscious fruit, and the tablets are prepared in as palatable form as the fruit itself. They cure indigestion. 60 in a box, 35 cents.—56

It may be that the Mikado, who is said to want Port Arthur to fall on birthday, may imitate King Edward in having the celebration thereof postponed a few months.

I was cured of terrible lumbago by MINARD'S LINIMENT.
REV. WM. BROWN.

I was cured of a bad case of earache by MINARD'S LINIMENT.
MRS. S. KAULBACK.

I was cured of sensitive lungs by MINARD'S LINIMENT.
MRS. S. MASTERS.

"What on earth is the baby crying so for, Katie?j' "Why, sure, ma'am, you told me, when you called me, to drop everything!"

WHERE WEAKNESS IS, DISEASE WILL SETTLE.—If one suffers from any organic weakness, inherited or contracted, there disease will settle when it attacks the body. Therefore dripe out the pains that beset you, do not let a cold or cough harass you, and keep the respiratory organs in a good, healthy condition. This you can do by using Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. Prevention is the wisest course.

The Imperial Oil and Coal Company, who are developing claims on Fording River, in the Elk Valley, 30 miles above Michel, B. C., are making good progress. They have a force of 30 men at work; already they have uncovered 17 seams. The work will continue all winter.

**Minard's Liniment Relieves Neuralgia.**

Tenders for double tracking the C. P. R. main line between Winnipeg and Fort William have been called for.

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet. What it has done once it will do again.

During the month of September, building permits to the amount of $51,700 were issued by the city engineer of Brandon.

THE LONGEST NAME.

Mr. James Gill, of Toledo, Ohio, is or should be a proud and happy man, says the London Chronicle. His wife has the longest Christian name in heathendom or out of it; and her father, who was responsible for it, insisted on having every syllable of it placed on the records. There it stands—"Missouri Arkansas Napoleon Four Hundred Miles Below the Mouth of the Ohio Absher." Mr. Absher explained that his daughter was named in honor of an aunt who lived at Napoleon, on the Missouri River in Arkansas, four hundred miles below the mouth of the Ohio. In this case, apparently, a whole atlas is "in a name."

**The Stomach's 'Weal or Woe!'**
—The stomach is the centre from which, from the standpoint of health, flows "weal or woe.j' A healthy stomach means perfect digestion—perfect digestion means strong and steady nerve centres—strong nerve centres mean good circulation, rich blood and good health. South American Nervine makes and keeps the stomach right.—52

"De mule I stole was only wuth twenty dollars," said the Georgia negro, "an', bless me, ef de lawyer didn't charge fifty ter prove me innocent!"

IMPURITIES IN THE BLOOD.—When the action of the kidneys becomes impaired, impurities in the blood are almost sure to follow, and general derangement of the system ensues. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills will regulate the kidneys, so that they will maintain healthy action and prevent the complications which certainly come when there is As a restorative these pills are in the first rank.

When is a boat not a boat?—When it is ashore.

**Minard's Liniment Cures Burns, etc,**

"Will you show me the beauties of your town?" asked the visitor. "I'd like to," replied the Boston man; "but, to tell you the truth, they are all away on their vacations."

**ENGLISH SPAVIN LINIMENT**

Removes all hard, soft or calloused lumps and blemishes from horses, blood spavin, curbs, splints, ringbone, sweeney, stifles, sprains; cures sore and swollen throat, coughs, etc. Save $50 by the use of one bottle. Warranted the most wonderful Blemish Cure ever known.

If a boy can learn to smoke a bulldog pipe at the livery stable, it is much cheaper than sending him to college to acquire that accomplishment.

SURE REGULATORS.—Mandrake and Dandelion are known to exert a powerful influence on the liver and kidneys, restoring them to healthful action, inducing a regular flow of secretions and imparting to the organs complete power to perform their functions. These valuable ingredients enter into the composition of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills, and serve to render them the agreeable and salutary medicine they are. There are few pills so effective as they in their action.

Prove that sailors are very small men?—They can sleep on their watches.

Lever's Y-Z (Wise Head) Disinfectant Soap Powder dusted in the bath softens the water and disinfects. 38

Miss Withers—You are blushing, Cora! What was that clumsy partner of yours saying? Miss Knisely—Oh, nothing; only that before he met me life seemed like a desrt to him." "That is no reason why he should waltz like a dromedary, is it?"


# MARCH-WELLS GRAIN CO.

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We judge ourselves by what we feel capable of doing, while others judge us by what we have already done.—Longfellow.

Mrs. Prim: "Mrs. Deadfleigh, doe your daughter have a chaperon?" Mrs. Deadfleigh: "What say? Oh, yes, she has a chap of her own."


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Miss C. Stanley-Jones, professional masseuse and nurse, 283 Simcoe street, Toronto, Ont., writes: "In my occupation as nurse I have come across many cases in which Dr. Chase's Ointment has been used with extraordinary results. One case I recall was that of a child of sixteen months who was in a bad way with scaly head. It was a really nasty case, causing the child to suffer very much and to be very troublesome. I persuaded the mother to use Dr. Chase's Ointment, and in ten days the child was entirely cured.

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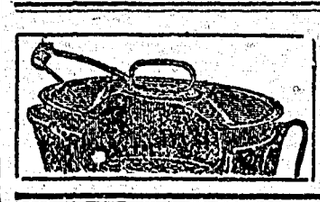
Mrs. H. A. Loynes, nurse, Philipsburg, Que., writes: "I consider Dr. Chase's Ointment a perfect medicine. I have used it myself, and as a nurse have recommended it in a good many cases for itching piles. It always gave perfect satisfaction in every case, and once people used it they would not think of being without it in the house."

Dr. Chase's Ointment, 60 cents a box, at all dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Company, Toronto. To protect you against imitations, the portrait and signature of Dr. A. W. Chase, the famous receipt book author, are on every box.



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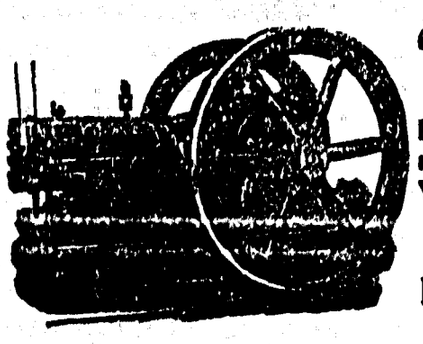

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**Knowing Man, Brown.**

Jones—Whenever I say a woman is pretty my wife is sure to say that the woman is positively plain. What do you think of that?

Brown—I think you are foolish to say anything about the good looks of another woman in the presence of your wife.—Boston Transcript.

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**Fashion's New Fad.**

"What is the nature of the newfangled malady which they call the 'golfing spine?'"

"That," responded Cynicus, "is easy. 'Golfing spine' is what the old man used to have after a hard day's plowing, but he called it the backache."—New York Times.

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**What's the Use?**

"My good man, don't you often long to be out of this place?"

"Naw. As soon as I come out they'll send me back again."—New York Journal.

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No matter how trifling a man is, he swells up if asked advice.—Washington Democrat.

**A Notion Worth Attention.**

Prevention of oat smut by hot air treatment of the seed is a new idea advanced by the Oregon station. Seed was heated in a laboratory hot air sterilizer. It was found that exposure to heat in a wide range (from 130 degrees to 200 degrees F.) for ten minutes did not affect germination. It is suggested that hop and fruit driers could be used for this purpose. It does away with all the apparatus needed in the hot water and chemical solution treatment and obviates trouble of drying the seed and the danger of injury to the seed through germination, mold or decay, which may occur with the wet method. In one instance seed so treated produced but a single head affected with smut, and this might have come from one kernel of accidentally untreated seed.


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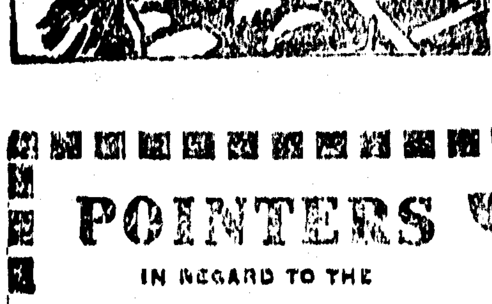


# NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Electors of the Municipality of Cumberland that I require the presence of the said Electors at the Polling Station on Dunsmuir Avenue on Monday, the 9th day of January, 1905, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and Aldermen to represent them for the year 1905

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows:—

The candidate shall be nominated in writing; the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p.m. of the day of the nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll will be opened on Thursday, the 12th day of January, 1905, at the Polling Station, next Whitney Block, Dunsmuir Avenue, Cumberland, B.C., of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The qualification as candidate for Mayor is as follows:—

He must be a male British subject of the full age of twenty-one years and not disqualified under any law and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of land and real property in the City of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of $1000 or more over and above any registered incumberance or charge, and who is otherwise qualified as a municipal voter.

The qualification as candidate for Aldermen is as follows:—

He must be a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years and not disqualified under any law, and have been for six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of land and real property in the City of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of $500 or more over and above any registered incumberance or charge, and who is otherwise qualified as a municipal voter.

Given under my hand at the City of Cumberland this 17th day of December 1904

LAWRENCE W. NUNNS,
Returning Officer.

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NOTICE.

MUNICIPALITY OF THE CITY OF CUMBERLAND.

NOMINATIONS FOR 1 SCHOOL TRUSTEE will be received on Monday, the 9th day of January, 1905, at 12 o'clock noon.

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Qualifications for Trustees is as follows:—

Any person being a householder in the Municipality and being a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years, and otherwise qualified by this Act to vote at election of School Trustees in the said Municipality shall be eligible to be elected or to serve as a School Trustee.

The term Householder includes every person who holds and occupies a dwelling, yielding a rental value of not less than $6[illegible] per annum.

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**He Won the Youngster.**

The Rev. Dr. Mackenzie of San Francisco was once calling on a new parishioner who had a "limb" of a boy. She had invited the doctor to dine. "Willie," she said to her hopeful, "pass Dr. Mackenzie a potato."

Willie seized the potato between thumb and finger and before his mother could utter a horrified remonstrance he had tossed it across the table and squarely into the good man's lap.

"Judgment!" cried Willie.

"One strike!" quoted the quick witted clergyman.

"Willie, leave the table!" stormed his mother.

"Madam," said the minister, "do not judge him harshly. See how beautifully he put the sphere over the plate. And from that time there wasn't a more earnest worker in all the big Sunday school than that same Willie.


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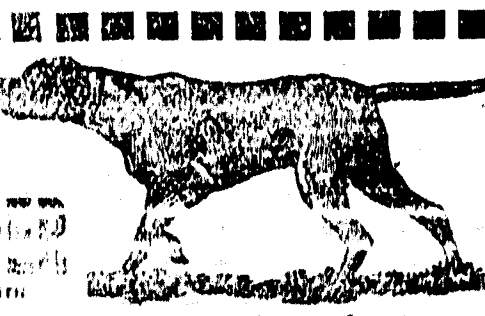

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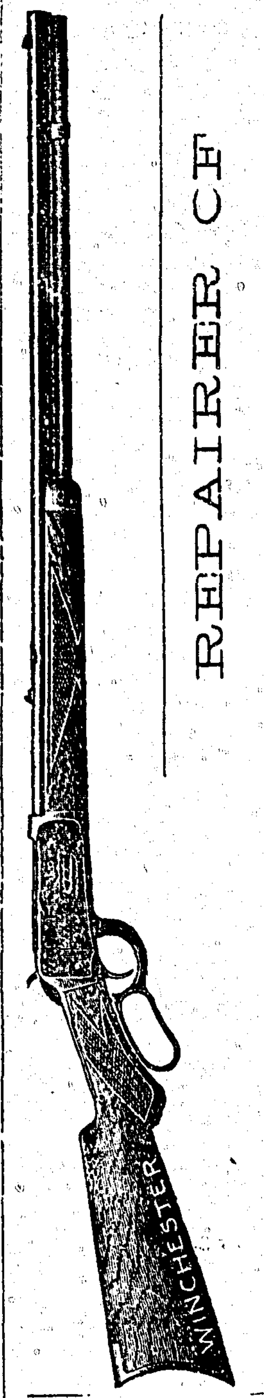

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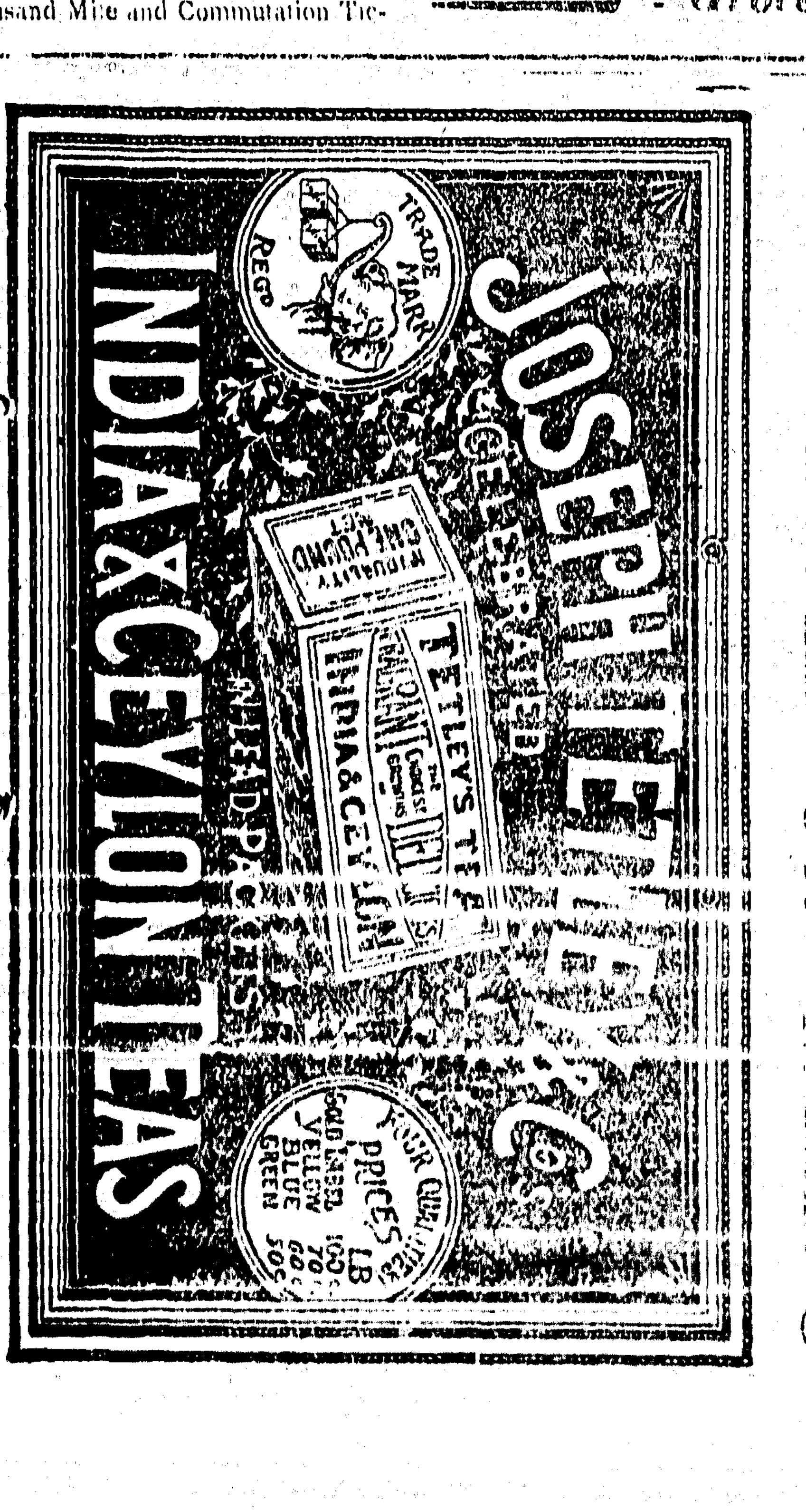


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## Sale of Crown Granted Mineral Claims for Unpaid Taxes in the Comox Assessment District, Province of British Columbia.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that on Monday, the seventh day of November, A.D., 1904, at the hour of Ten o'clock a.m., at the Court-house, Cumberland, I shall offer for sale by Public Auction the Mineral Claims in the list hereinafter set out, of the persons in said list hereinafter set out, of which Crown Grants have been issued, for all unpaid taxes accrued, due and payable on the 30th day of June, 1904, or accrued, due and payable at any 30th day of June, subsequent to the date of the issue of the Crown Grants and for the expenses of advertising this notice.

If the taxes and expenses of advertising, as set out in said list, are not paid to me on or before the day of sale, the claims may be sold to the highest bidder, and a conveyance executed to the purchaser of all right and interest in said claims legally alienated by the Crown, by the Crown Grants thereof.

In the event of there being no purchaser, or if the price offered shall not be sufficient to pay the taxes and expenses of advertising, the land shall absolutely revert to the Province and the Crown Grants thereof shall be deemed void.

LIST ABOVE MENTIONED

| NAME OF PERSON. | DESCRIPTION OF CLAIM. | | | Unpaid Taxes | Expenses of Advertising | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gold Fields of B C | Bobby Burns, | Lot 201, | Valdez Island | 11 00 | 2 00 | 13 00 |
| " " | Hetly Green | " 202, | " " | 9 00 | 2 00 | 11 00 |
| " " | Daniel Webster | " 203, | " " | 7 25 | 2 00 | 9 25 |
| Wilson, Seuhler & Bloomfield | Poodle Dog | " 204a | Channe Island | 13 00 | 2 00 | 15 00 |
| De Beck, Bauer & McKinnon | Julie | " 233, | Phillips Arm | 48 75 | 2 00 | 50 75 |
| Channe Mining Co | White Pine, | " 234, | Thurlow Island | 82 25 | 2 00 | 84 25 |
| Frederick Arm Mining Co | Blue Bells, | " 235, | Frederick Arm | 13 00 | 2 00 | 15 00 |
| " " | Gold Bug, | " 240, | " " | 10 25 | 2 00 | 12 25 |
| " " | Dashwood, | " 248, | " " | 11 25 | 2 00 | 13 25 |
| McCallum D | Shoofly, | " 243, | Phillips Arm | 8 00 | 2 00 | 10 00 |
| Hoare, J H | Golconda, | " 244, | Estero Basin | 26 00 | 2 00 | 28 00 |
| Fairfield Exploration Syndicate | Dorotha Morton, | " 253, | Phillips Arm | 12 50 | 2 00 | 14 50 |
| " " " | Eva, | " 254, | " " | 10 50 | 2 00 | 12 50 |
| Douglas Pine Mining Co | Douglas Pine, | " 271, | Thurlow Island | 40 00 | 2 00 | 42 00 |
| " " | Gold Exchange, | " 272, | " " | 18 75 | 2 00 | 20 75 |
| " " | Cone Fraction, | " 273, | " " | 1 25 | 2 00 | 3 25 |
| Nash, Martin | Champion, | " 276, | Fanny Bay | 5 75 | 2 00 | 7 75 |
| Whalen, Wm | Commonwealth, | " 277, | " | 5 25 | 2 00 | 7 25 |
| De Beck, Bauer & McKinnon | Jennie B, | " 278, | Phillips Arm | 53 75 | 2 00 | 55 75 |
| Coulson C, Fisher C H, Hoare J H | Empress, | " 279, | " " | 11 25 | 2 00 | 13 25 |
| Bauer, W A | Enid, | " 280, | " " | 58 75 | 2 00 | 60 75 |
| " " | Stella, | " 281, | " " | 32 50 | 2 00 | 34 50 |
| " " | Blucher, | " 288, | Frederick Arm | 62 50 | 2 00 | 64 50 |
| " " | Wellington, | " 289, | " " | 61 25 | 2 00 | 63 25 |
| " " | Waterloo Fraction | " 290, | " " | 47 50 | 2 00 | 49 50 |
| " " | Contact Fraction | " 326, | " " | 1 25 | 2 00 | 3 25 |
| Fairfield Exploration Syndicate | Banker, | " 291, | Phillips Arm | 10 25 | 2 00 | 12 25 |
| " " " | Comox Fraction, | " 297, | " " | 5 00 | 2 00 | 7 00 |
| " " " | Percy, | " 299, | " " | 12 50 | 2 00 | 14 50 |
| " " " | Dorothy Morton fr'c'n, | 300, | " " | 6 00 | 2 00 | 8 00 |
| " " " | Chimnang, | " 319, | " " | 13 00 | 2 00 | 15 00 |
| " " " | Douglas, | " 320, | " " | 12 25 | 2 00 | 14 25 |
| " " " | Maggie May, | " 322, | " " | 12 50 | 2 00 | 14 50 |
| Wells, Malcolm R | Black Prince, | " 318, | " " | 21 50 | 2 00 | 23 50 |
| Radley and Shaw | Harbour | " 353, | Menzies Bay | 5 75 | 2 00 | 7 75 |
| Radley, W V | Harbour Fraction, | " 354, | " | 2 50 | 2 00 | 4 50 |
| Radley and Shaw | Volunteer, | " 355, | " | 12 25 | 2 00 | 14 25 |
| Radley, W V | Protection, | " 356, | " | 13 00 | 2 00 | 15 00 |
| Radley and Shaw | Adam, | " 357, | " | 12 75 | 2 00 | 14 75 |
| " " | Sunset, | " 358, | " | 12 00 | 2 00 | 14 00 |
| " " | Molly Gibson, | " 359, | " | 12 50 | 2 00 | 14 50 |
| Ferguson, Robt Chas | Isis, | " 384, | Phillips Arm | 34 50 | 2 00 | 36 50 |
| " " | Annie Laurie, | " 386, | " " | 39 00 | 2 00 | 41 00 |
| " " | Riverside, | " 387, | " " | 34 50 | 2 00 | 36 50 |
| McKinnon, Jno McL | Theodosia, | " 1831, | Malaspina Inlet | 44 00 | 2 00 | 46 00 |
| " " | Silver King, | " 1832, | " " | 45 00 | 2 00 | 47 00 |
| " " | Blue Jacket, | " 1833, | " " | 40 00 | 2 00 | 42 00 |
| De Beck, Geo W | Copper Chief, | " 1834, | " " | 46 00 | 2 00 | 48 00 |
| Cullen, James | Copper King, | " 1835, | " " | 11 50 | 2 00 | 13 50 |
| Mathers, Adam and John | Nimkish, | " 127, | Rupert | 12 50 | 2 00 | 14 50 |
| Mathers, Adam & John & Manson L | Klaawich, | " 128, | " | 8 25 | 2 00 | 10 25 |
| Mathers, John & Adam, and McLaughlin, Wm Henry | Magnet, | " 129, | " | 10 50 | 2 00 | 12 50 |
| Mathers, John & Adam, and McLaughlin, Wm Henry | Letitia, | " 130, | " | 9 75 | 2 00 | 11 75 |
| McLaughlin, Wm Henry | Vulcan, | " 132, | " | 9 00 | 2 00 | 11 00 |

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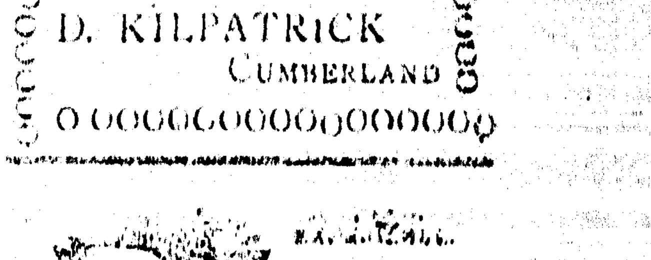


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# A WEAK HEART.

## The Interesting Experience of a St. Catharines Man.

### Han Suffered for Twelve Years and was Ultimately Cured Through the Advice of a Friend.

"Twelve years ago," says Mr. Wm. Emery, of Welland Avenue, St. Catharines, "I was living in the town of Gananoque, and the physicians there told me I had heart disease. From that time and up to four years ago I often had severe spells of the trouble. The least exertion would bring on violent palpitation, and at other times I would become dizzy, nervous and frightened and my heart would almost cease to beat. I became reduced in flesh and insomnia followed. I was hopeless of finding a cure for I had been treated by an experienced doctor, and had taken many advertised remedies without getting any benefit. One day a neighbor strongly advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and acting on his advice I got a half dazen boxes. I soon found much relief through the use of the pills, and after continuing the treatment for a couple of months I was again enjoying perfect health. I have not since had any return of the trouble and I feel safe in saying that the cure is a permanent one, and I can strongly advise the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to all who suffer from similar trouble." The reporter can only add that Mr. Emery is well known in St. Catharines, is a prominent worker in Methodist circles, and has the highest respect of all who know him.

If you have any symptoms of heart trouble, neuralgia, indigestion, rheumatism, anaemia or any of the numerous troubles caused by poor or watery blood, you will find new health and strength in a fair use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Do not waste money or further endanger your health by the use of substitutes—get the genuine pills with the full name, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People," on the wrapper around every box. Sold by all medicine dealers, or sent by mail at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for $2.50, by writing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

#### Votes and Kisses.

In the letters of William Cowper, the poet, is an interesting description of some old fashioned political campaign tactics in England: "We were sitting yesterday after dinner, the two ladies and myself, very composedly and without the least apprehension of any such intrusion in our snug parlor, one lady knitting, the other netting, and the gentlemen winding worsted, when to our unspeakable surprise a mob appeared before the window, a smart rap was heard at the door, the boys hallooed and the maid announced Mr. Grenville. Puss—one of the tame hares—was unfortunately let out of her box, so that the candidate, with all his good friends at his heels, was refused admittance at the grand entry and referred to the back door as the only possible way of approach. In a minute the yard, the kitchen and the parlor were filled. Mr. Grenville, advancing toward me, shook me by the hand with a degree of cordiality that was extremely seducing. When the conference ended, Mr. Grenville squeezed my hand again, kissed the ladies and withdrew. He kissed likewise the maid in the kitchen and seemed upon the whole a most loving, kissing, kind hearted gentleman."

#### Likes a "Nosey" Clerk.

"That new salesman," remarked a floorwalker in a Broadway haberdasher's store to the proprietor, "seems to be an inquisitive sort of fellow. When business is slack he noses about, looking at everything on the shelves, examining tags and peeping into boxes that are not strictly in his department. I think I'll speak to him."

"You will please do nothing of the sort," answered the proprietor. "Clerks who 'nose' about, as you express it, instead of posing by the door, are the young men who know exactly what goods we have in stock and where to find them. They do not keep a customer waiting while they run to you or me and risk losing a sale. There is nothing about my stock that I don't want my clerks to know. I would rather they find out for themselves than go running to you for information."

#### A Courageous Soldier.

Admiral Wilson of the British navy won his Victoria cross at the battle of El Teb in 1881. There was a gap in the square, and five or six of the enemy made a vicious rush forward, attempting to get inside. Captain Wilson, who was present with the naval brigade, advanced to meet them alone, but his sword broke in the endeavor to cut one of the intruders down. Hereupon the officer, instead of beating a hasty retreat, stood his ground and began bowling over the enemy with his fists. Either from the nature of the ground or, as the record puts it, "the surprising nature of his attack," Captain Wilson escaped with a few wounds and was rescued by the square closing up round him. Sir Redvers Buller described the act as the most courageous he ever witnessed.

## AMERICAN NAMES.

### Robert Louis Stevenson Was Impressed by Their Beauty.

Robert Louis Stevenson spoke in his own attractive way of the nomenclature of the states, towns and rivers of our land thus: "And when I asked the name of a river from the brakeman and heard it was called the Susquehanna the beauty of the name seemed to be part and parcel of the beauty of the land. As when Adam with divine fitness named the creatures, so the word Susquehanna was at once accepted by the fancy. That was the name, as no other could be, for that shining river and desirable valley.

"None can care for literature in itself who does not take a special pleasure in the sound of names, and there is no part of the world where nomenclature is so rich, poetic, humorous and picturesque as the United States of America. All times, races and languages have brought their contribution. Pekin is in the same state with Euclid, with Bellefontaine and Sandusky; Chelsea, with its London association of red brick, Sloan square, and the King's Road is own suburb to stately and primeval Memphis.

"The names of the states and territories themselves form a chorus of sweet and most romantic vocables—Delaware, Ohio, Indiana, Florida, Iowa, Wyoming, Minnesota and the Carolinas; there are few poems with a nobler music for the ear; a songful, tuneful land, and if the new Homer shall arise from the western continent his verse will be enriched, his pages ring spontaneously, with the names of states and cities that would strike the fancy in a business circular."

## Dont's for Young Mothers.

Don't give baby a sleeping draught, soothing mixture or opiate of any kind except by the order of a competent doctor who has seen the child. Remember that all so-called soothing mixtures contain dangerous opiates. If your child is restless give it Baby's Own Tablets, as they are absolutely harmless and in a natural way promote health-giving sleep.

Don't give medicine to check the movement of baby's bowels in diarrhoea except on the advice of a doctor. Feed the child sparingly and give Baby's Own Tablets to cleanse the bowels of irritating secretions. Keep the abdomen warm. This treatment will cure diarrhoea.

Don't give a young child harsh cathartics, such as castor oil, which gripe and torture. Baby's Own Tablets have a gentle laxative action and never fail to cure constipation.

Mrs. J. D. Cilly, Heatherton, Que., says: "I have used Baby's Own Tablets for stomach and bowel troubles and have always found them a most satisfactory medicine."

Don't fail to keep Baby's Own Tablets in the house. Sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box by writing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

## A GRAND OLD SAVAGE.

### Pen Picture of Paul Kruger as President of the Boers.

Poultney Bigelow, writing before the Boer war, gave a very interesting impression of ex-President Kruger. "The president of the South African Republic," he wrote, "is indeed a grand old savage from one point of view and a noble statesman from another. He is theoretically the first citizen of the most democratic community, yet in practice he surrounds himself with a tawdry splendor that would shock many a crowned head of Europe. When I first had the honor of meeting this anachronistic phenomenon he was drinking coffee and throwing out a cloud of strong tobacco smoke, but a still stronger volume of violent language, emphasized by the thumping of his massive fist upon the table. The room in which he received was crowded with long haired, full bearded and stolid featured fellow burghers, who reminded me partly of Russian priests, partly of Californian miners and partly of certain alleged portraits of the apostles. I feared that I had unwittingly interrupted a cabinet meeting, but later it turned out that this was Mr. Kruger's usual 'at home.' When the president is not at his office he delights in nothing so much as entertaining his countrymen with coffee, tobacco and political proverbs. He harangues his visitors with the voice of a bull in distress, and they like it. He governs by personal contact and spoken parables, and it is his boast that he knows personally every citizen of his republic."

#### An Old Time Rip Van Winkle.

The learned John Stow, known as the "London Antiquary," records the following: "April 27, 1540, was Tuesday in Easter week, and on that day William Foxley, potmaker of the mint, fell asleep, and he continued sleeping, and he could not be wakened with pinching, cramping or burning whatsoever until the first day of term, which was fourteen days and fifteen nights after his sleep began. The causes of this extraordinary sleep could not be known, although the same were diligently searched for after by the king's physician and many other learned men. He lived for forty years after he recovered."

## HAMLET'S MALADY.

### A Study of the Melancholy Dane and His Moods.

The tragedy of Hamlet is that a man of a peculiar introspective temperament is called upon to settle a practical crisis. Hamlet knew this very well himself, and that makes the tragedy deeper. Brutus never doubted when once his decision was taken that he was the right man to cure the evils of Rome; Hamlet doubted from the very beginning.

The times are out of joint. O cursed spite
That ever I was born to set them right.

He was too fine, too distinguished, too intellectual, a character to be the rough instrument which fate demanded. He has the fatal malady of analyzing his own motives, which is generally destructive of action. If you once begin asking yourself what will be the results and consequences of a definite act, you will find that at the moment of action your will is paralyzed by excess of scrupulosity, as Hamlet's was when with his drawn sword he saw his uncle praying. It was a disease of will from which Hamlet was suffering. In any other times it would not have been so fatal. In this particular time, when he was called upon to do a specific act—to avenge his father and kill the usurper—it is not he, but a man rather of the Fortinbras build, who will be the savior of society. Observe, too, that, like many intellectual men, he cannot be sure of his own moods. He sees the ghost of his murdered father, but is it an honest ghost, is it really his father's spirit? Hamlet believes in it on the battlements of Elsinore, but he entirely disbelieves it in another mood, when despite the evidences of his senses he talks of "the bourn from which no traveler returns." The traveler who had returned is dismissed apparently as a fantasy of his brain. And these supernatural visitings in such an analytic and introspective mind do not, as a matter of fact, supply him with the motive for his subsequent action. The ghost can make him put on an antic disposition, play with such creatures as Rosencrantz and Guildenstern, deride the senile humorings of Polonius and lessen the torrent of his words against his mother. But what the ghost cannot do is to make him kill his uncle. He murders him at last, more or less accidentally, because his mother was poisoned and Laertes had played foul in the fencing bout. So curiously destructive of strong, practical volition is an intellectual malady when it has grown morbid—the tendency toward introspection, self analysis, metaphysical speculation.—W. L. Courtenay in National Review.

#### Rapid Spread of Plants.

It is marvelous how rapidly some plants will spread themselves over wide stretches of land. The writer was struck with the way in which the yellow charlock took possession of the line when the Meon Valley railway was being made. The very next spring after the embankments were thrown up their sides were clothed with this rampant and conspicuous crucifer. A line of yellow across the country marked in many places the course of the railway. Poppies, too, for some unknown reason, will occasionally appear in strange and wonderful profusion. The striking instance related by Lord Macaulay may be quoted by way of illustration. After the battle of Landen the ground, he tells us, "during many months was strewn with skulls and bones of men and horses and with fragments of hats and shoes, saddles and holsters. The next summer the soil, fertilized by 20,000 corpses, broke forth into millions of poppies. The traveler who, on the road from St. Tron to Tirlemont, saw that vast sheet of rich scarlet spreading from Landen to Neerwinder could hardly help fancying that the figurative prediction of the Hebrew prophet was literally accomplished—that the earth was disclosing her blood and refusing to cover the stain."

# THEY MADE THIS COUPLE HAPPY

## Dodd's Kidney Pills doing good Work at Port Arthur.

### Mr. Dick Souvey and Wife Both Had Kidney Troubles and the Great Canadian Kidney Remedy Cured Them.

Port Arthur, Ont., Oct. 24.—(Special) That Dodd's Kidney Pills cure the Kidney ills of men and women alike has been proved time and again in this neighborhood, but it is only occasionally they get a chance to do double work in the same house. This has happened in the case of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Souvey, a farmer and his wife, living about seven miles from here. In an interview Mr. Souvey said:

"My wife and myself have used Dodd's Kidney Pills, and have found them a big benefit to our health. We had La Grippe two winters and were exposed to much frost and cold. Our sleep was broken on account of urinary troubles and pain in the kidneys. We each took six boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills and now enjoy good health."

## WAGE REDUCTIONS

The wage reductions and the reductions in earnings of working men through closed industries and decreased output during the past 12 months have been pretty general throughout the United States. Not only in manufacturing but in railroading was there a cutting down of expenses, and of the larger transportation companies materially reduced their mechanical and operating staffs. By the closing down of such companies as the Pullman Company thousands are thrown out of employment. The wave of great prosperity has evidently passed away, and while Canada has not yet been materially affected, the existing conditions in the United States gives warning to us that retrenchment may of necessity be enforced here. Amongst the lists of United States enterprises which have found it compulsory to reduce wages of employees are the following'

| Firm or corporation— | Reduction. Per cent. |
|---|---|
| National Wire Company, New Haven, Ct.; all employees | 11 |
| Labelle Iron Works, Stubensville, O.; all employees | 30 |
| American Tin Plate Co., Elwood, Ind.; laborers | 10 |
| Republic Iron and Steel Co., E. St. Louis; laborers | 10 |
| Middletown Plant, National Tube Co.; all employees | ... |
| Amer. Sheet & Tin Plate Co., Chester, W.V.; all employees | 18 |
| Amer. Sheet & Tin Plate Co., Martin's Ferry, O.; all employees | 18 |
| Amer. Car & Foundry Co., Huntington, W. V.; 5,000 men | 10 |
| Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co., all employees | 10 |
| National Tube Co., Chester, Pa.; all employes | 10 to 25 |
| Amer. Car & Foundry Co., St. Louis, Mo.; all employees | 10 |
| McKinley Furnace, Newcastle, Pa.; common labor | 12½ |
| Mankato Mills, Minn.; all employees | 10 |
| Hargraves Woolen Mills, North Shapleigh, Me.; all employees | 10 |
| American Car Co., Maywood, Ill.; 1,400 employees | 10 |
| New Haven Iron & Steel Co.; 400 employees | 10 |
| Midvale Steel Co., Philadelphia, Pa., 2,000 employees | 5 to 8 |
| Seaboard Steel Casting Co., Chester, Pa.; all employees | 10 |
| Cambria Steel Co., Johnstown, Pa.; 10,000 employees | 10 |
| Standard Steel Co., Bernham, Pa.; all employees | 10 |
| American Steel Casting Co., Chester, Pa | 10 |
| J. & P. Coates Thread Co., Pawtucket, R.I.; all employees | 10 |
| All Union Sheet and Tin Plate Mills, Pittsburg; all employees | 20 |
| Arlington Mills, Lawrence, Mass.; 2,000 employees | 5 to 10 |
| McKinley Lodge, A.A.S. & T. P. Co., Elmwood, Ind.; 500 | 20 |
| New Castle Lodges, A.A.S. & T. P. Co., Pa.; all employees | 20 |
| Pittsburg Works, T. & S. P. Co., New Kensington, Pa.; all employees | 20 |
| American Can Co.'s Plants, Chicago, Ill.; 3,000 employees | 10 |
| Lake Ore Handlers, South Chicago, Ill.; all employees | 7½ |
| Fore River Ship Yard Engine Co.; 3,000 employees | cut wages |
| Burns' Organization of Glass Workers, Pittsburg; all members | 25 |
| All Plants American Sheet and Tin Plate Co.; all members | 18 |
| Aetna Iron & Tube Works, Pittsburg, Pa.; puddlers | 10 |
| Silk Weavers, Brooklyn, N. Y., 300 employees | 20 |
| Zeigler Coal Miners, Illinois; all employees | 18 |
| Fall River Cotton Mills, Mass.; 2nd reduction; 31,000 employees | 12½ |
| Fiskdale Mills; 500 employees | 12½ |
| Corr Mills, East Taunton, Mass.; all employees | 12½ |
| U. S. Cotton Co., Central Falls, Mass.; 550 employees | 12½ |
| All miners, Central Penn. Dist. | 6 |
| Berwind-White Coal Mining Co., all employees | 5½ to 6 |
| All sheet and tin plate scales from July 1, 1904, accepted by men | 18 |
| Suncook (N. H.) Cotton Mills; 1,500 employees | 12½ |

#### The Human Neptune.

It is doubtful if there ever was a sturdier human Neptune than Captain Webb, whose memorable exploit in crossing the English channel will always be remembered. It was mere ill luck—a fatal chance—which tossed him against a rock in the Whirlpool rapids of the Niagara river and ended his life. Lord Byron was a marvel in the water. He equaled the feat of Leander in propelling himself across the Hellespont without aid or relief from any quarter, and before him beamed no beckoning signals, glances and smiles from an incomparably beautiful Hero. But even Byron never swam across the English channel. As the champion of the silver streak of sea Webb was the wonder of the ages.

#### Wire Fire Extinguishers.

In factories where inflammable materials are made small fires are very apt to break out, and unless their progress is at once stopped the results may be serious. In varnish factories the fire extinguisher consists of a mesh of very fine wires. Should a jar of varnish become ignited, a workman seizes the net, which is always kept ready at hand, and pops it over the vessel containing the burning liquid. The wires conduct off the heat so quickly that the flames have no time to spread and soon die out.

#### Churches on Bridges.

The custom of building churches on bridges was common a hundred years and more ago. Several of these quaint old buildings are still left in Europe The Chapel of Our Lady still stands on the bridge which spans the Don at Rotterdam. The little chapel was built in the fifteenth century and was restored about a hundred years ago. For several years, however, it has been used as a tobacco shop.


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# CUPID'S COURT OF CLAIMS

By Epes W. Sargent

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Paul Preston settled himself comfortably in his seat in the chair car. Then he carefully polished his eyeglasses and put them in his pocket. He had no reading matter with him, and he found that it rested his eyes to remove the glasses. To his nearsighted vision the scenery then became a blur. Like most absentminded men, he was given to introspection, and once the glasses were off the other occupants of the car ceased to distract his attention.

Staring fixedly ahead he began to speculate upon the probable outcome of the business arrangement he had just put through. Finding that the motion of the train was not pleasant he swung his seat around until he was riding with his back to the engine. Lost in thought, he never noticed that he was staring directly into the face of a remarkably pretty girl who had the seat behind him.

His steady gaze disconcerted her, and she, too, swung her seat about, but, with feminine curiosity, she could not help stealing an occasional glance around. Preston was not at all a bad looking chap, but the fixed regard of even a fine looking fellow became most annoying, and Ruth Vincent was glad when the call for luncheon in the dining car enabled her to escape the searching gaze for awhile.

Preston's stare was so steady and undemonstrative that she could not very well complain to the conductor, but it was none the less unpleasant. As the ducky waiter brought the first course of her luncheon she caught herself hoping that the rude man would not take his place opposite her at the table and so spoil the meal for her.

But Preston had no intention of visiting the dining car. He was not even aware of the call, so deeply immersed in thought was he. Not until the porter, in his perpetual cleaning up of the car, touched him on the shoulder did he rouse himself with a start.

"Yo' book, sah?" he asked, holding out a magazine. Preston fished out his eyeglasses, looked at the cover, and with a puzzled expression admitted that it was his. It was very strange. He did not remember providing himself with reading matter before boarding the train, yet this was clearly his. He replaced his glasses, dropped the magazine into his lap, and in a minute was again lost in thought.

"SEE, HERE IS MY NAME."

For ten minutes he was left alone. Then Ruth Vincent, returning from the dining car, gasped to find her magazine appropriated. It was bad enough to be stared at, but for him to calmly appropriate the magazine, behind the covers of which she had been concealing her annoyance, was unpardonable. She leaned forward with an "I beg your pardon."

But Preston was in Cleveland, going over the details of his business trip. She raised her voice without avail and finally leaned farther forward and touched his arm.

"Eh? What is it?" he cried as he suddenly became aware that he was being addressed.

"May I trouble you for my magazine?" she said coldly.

"Why, certainly" he said cordially. "Keep it as long as you like. I shan't need it until we get to town."

"You will pardon me," she said acidly. "It is my magazine."

"Is it?" he asked. "Why, bless me, I thought it was mine. Yes," after a pause. "It is mine, don't you know," and with eager fingers he felt for his eyeglasses. "Yes," he said again, after a scrutiny of the cover. "See, here is my name."

He pointed to a name scrawled upon the cover. Her lip curled with fine scorn. "It's a very unique excuse," she said, "but it happens that the name was written there some time ago, and I do not think it happens to be yours. The gentleman to whom this belongs is out west somewhere, and I had the loan of it from his sister. I am taking it to her now."

Preston suddenly became aware that the girl was very pretty. He sat up straighter and began to be interested. "Well, well," he exclaimed cheerfully, "I am glad that you are a friend of my sister. Lonesome work, traveling alone, isn't it?"

Miss Vincent gasped. "See here," she said decidedly, "you have been very annoying ever since we left Washington. This subterfuge of taking my magazine and pretending that it is yours is very clever, but I must decline to hold any further conversation with you. Unless you immediately turn your seat around and refrain from addressing me or even staring at me I shall appeal to the passengers. There are some men in the car."

The stress she placed upon the "men" made Preston wince, but he would not give up so easily. "Let me show you," he said, drawing some papers from his pocket, "that I am really Paul Preston."

"Will you turn around," she demanded sharply, "or will you force me to make a scene?" Preston sank weakly back in his seat and wheeled it about until it faced the forward end of the car. The Pullman was one of those built with bay windows, and tiny strips of looking glass were so placed between the windows as to enable him to see behind him. Preston watched the clean cut profile attentively.

This young woman interested him. He was not much used to feminine society. What with his self absorption and his nearsightedness he was scarcely fitted to be a ladies' man, and he had permitted his business to completely absorb him. Now he glued his eyes to the glass and vainly regretted that he had found himself in a situation from which he was unable to extricate himself. His sister Mabel had been visiting in Washington. He must have given her the magazine and she in turn have loaned it to a friend. It would be easy enough to find out from her to whom it had been loaned, but meanwhile the state of affairs was decidedly unpleasant. He had been accused of flirting, a thing he most cordially detested, and this resolute young woman absolutely refused to permit him to make any explanation.

When the train reached New York he took one of the downtown ferries, going direct to his office, and it was not until dinner time that he met the members of his family. Then, to his surprise—and hers—he met Ruth Vincent formally. It was an awkward moment, and if he had felt ill at ease that afternoon his revenge was ample. Miss Vincent was profuse in her apologies, he was elaborate in his explanations, and it was not until dessert was reached that they felt that a treaty of peace had been effected.

It was not until two weeks after that that the final treaty was entered into, and Ruth promised that she would become Mrs. Preston and see that his absentmindedness did not lead him into further trouble.

Now when he travels she accompanies him, and you could not induce him to lay claim to any periodical unless she first assures him that it is all right. He says that having made one very satisfactory mistake he has no desire to spoil the record. Ruth, though laughing, knows that had it not been for the contretemps he would never have noticed his sister's guest sufficiently to fall in love with her.

### "Stonewall" Jackson.

In "The Life of Margaret J. Preston" the author tells us much about that lady's brother-in-law, "Stonewall" Jackson. His attention to minor points of conduct is shown in his manner of taking his Sunday nap. Jackson was at the time in command of a military school.

His long continued suffering from dyspepsia had induced a predisposition to drowsiness, which he was very likely to yield to when sitting for a length of time quiet or unoccupied. Especially in church would this infirmity beset him, although most strenuously and conscientiously resisted. Still he could not be persuaded to relax his military habit of sitting in a perfectly erect posture, thus rendering the unwilling nod all the more apparent.

Some one playfully pleaded with him to lean back in the pew, so that he would be less conspicuous and the cadets opposite him in the gallery would be in less danger of being injured by his example; at least, that he could cease to be a source of amusement to them.

His reply to this badinage was: "I will do nothing to superinduce sleep by putting myself at ease or making myself more comfortable. If, however, in spite of my resistance I yield to my infirmity, then I deserve to be laughed at and accept as punishment the mortification I feel."

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She—Oh, George, what lovely waves! He—Very nice; but, poor things, they're just like me—we both arrive at the shore in splendid style—and go back broke.

# Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

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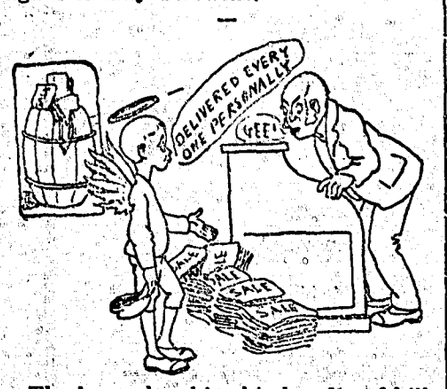
### PERT PARAGRAPHS.

Himself being judge, no man ever got more honor and praise than was coming to him.

Still a woman who longs for a career is no more of a bore than the man who has a mission.

The worried look on the man's face may be business difficulties, and then again it may be twins.




The boy who shies his bundle of bills up an alley and goes back to get his dollar and another bundle is a future captain of industry.

Music hath charms to move a man to shy a bootjack through the open window at the manufacturer of the so called music.

Many a girl who can't sing knows it and for that reason is a credit and an ornament to her sex.

It is safe to touch a man who will lend you his silk umbrella for a money loan.

Many a man sits down and waits for the opportunity that is laughing at him around the corner.

Perhaps a woman can't keep an ordinary secret, but she does not mention it when she plays the races and picks the wrong horse.

It is a strong minded man whose conscience will not allow him to support a political party when there is an office in it for him.

Whenever a man gets his pay raised his wife thinks her choice of a husband has been vindicated.

### Less of It to Mind.

He liked to mind the baby.
It seemed a peaceful life,
So restful, for at other times
He had to mind his wife.

### Just a Little.

Whoever it was that first made himself famous by discovering that man wants but little here below must have referred to work or quinine or boarding house hash.

These are a few of the things of which a little will go a long way with the average man. You sometimes run across a man who is said to be a fiend for work, but if you will just cut off his pay check you will observe how soon he will lose interest and begin to look for a quiet spot in which to go fishing.

Of the things that are worth having man wants a whole lot, and then he will pass his plate for the second helping, so that it has become a saying that you can't have too much of a good thing.

It may be that contentment stalks abroad in some countries, but in the United States it is not at all likely that there are more than 50,000,000 or 60,000,000 men who if they were offered the earth done up in a neat package and tied with pink ribbons would refuse it.

### Watered the Judge.

Maud Miller on a summer night
Lolled on the gate arrayed in white.
The judge rode up and, with a wink,
Said, "Girlie, can I have a drink?"
Said Maud, "If you've the price to pay
An ice cream stand is down the way."
"Oh," said the judge, with manner bland,
"I wanted water from your hand."
Said she, "Well, I can please your whim,"
And so she turned the hose on him.

### Had Heard From Them.

"Mrs. Sooks is terribly down on the critics."

"Yes, her husband has written a book."

### Limit His Output.

No question but what industry
Is all right in its way,
But what a blessing would be wrought
If the mosquito could be taught
To work the eight hour day.

### Didn't Know It All.

"Is he an amateur in the chicken business?"

"Well, they sold him some hens guaranteed to lay soft boiled eggs."

### Scrapbook Minds.

"Some men seem born with a scrapbook instead of a mind," says the London Spectator. "All their experiences, however gained, remain disconnected and are merely a selection of oddments, a selection which gets bigger as they get older, but out of which they can make nothing. While they are very young no one perhaps notices their mental misfortune. They display their scraps with pride and receive praise for their quantity and their quality. A good memory is a sufficient equipment for a starter in the race of life, and it is amazing how far it will take a man even when childhood is long past and he has his way to make in the world. Socially speaking, the scrapbook minded have almost always a superficial success. Perhaps the form of scrap exchange in which they excel most is of a personal nature. They forget nothing. They know what So-and-so does, and they know what he or she did and even very likely what his or her grandfather used to do, but as to what he and she actually are, though all the evidence is before them, they can form no estimate. Their store of knowledge does not help them to any moral conviction."

### A Peculiar Animal.

Australia's nearest equivalent to the hedgehog is the echidna. It varies in length from twelve to eighteen inches. Its broad, depressed body is mounted on very short, strong legs, terminating in big, powerful claws suited to digging. The small head terminates in a slender snout. Although the mouth is toothless, the palate is studded with recurved spines. The slender, extensile, glutinous tongue is well adapted for the capture of ants and other insects. Stiff, hedgehog-like spines mixed with long, coarse hairs cover the back. It is stronger in proportion to its size than any other quadruped, and its peculiar build gives it wonderful power is digging. If when pursued it is unable to flee to its home burrow it digs a retreat for the occasion, and if unable to escape entirely underground so compresses itself into its excavation that all the surface presented to its pursuer is a bunch of spines, most unpleasant to attack.

### A Grotesque Dresser.

The Rev. Robert Stephen Hawkes, the Cornish poet and antiquary, who died in 1875, wore crimson gloves and wading boots up to the hip and was sometimes seen riding on a mule in a poncho, a blanket with holes cut in it for his head and arms. He was asked by a woman about this garment and replied that it was the robe of an "Armenian archimandrite." His ordinary clerical attire consisted of a brown cassock with red buttons, girded with a cincture. This costume was criticised at a ruridecanal meeting, and he retorted hotly: "At all events, brethren, you will allow me to remark that I do not make myself look like a waiter out of place or an unemployed undertaker and that I do scrupulously abide by the injunction of the seventy-fourth canon of 1603."

### How a Plant Has Traveled.

Something like 125 years ago the little plant known to the botanists as Lepachy's columnaris was only known to inhabit a small section of country in the very southern portion of Louisiana. Some time later it was reported as occurring sparingly along the Canadian river and later still on the Arkansas. Since that time it has slowly spread north, west and east, even to the very source of the Missouri, over into the British possessions and is now said to be creeping along the Saskatchewan toward Hudson bay. How a plant which originated in a warm climate could accustom itself to such changes is another of nature's mysteries.

### Seeing Too Much of One Another.

"A long day spent in the society of the same people is nearly always trying," says a fashionable woman. "While we are all very effusive, we don't really, as a rule, like each other very much or for very long. We get on all right with those of our acquaintance whom we meet at tea parties or when we dine out, but the majority bore us intolerably when we find ourselves in their company for eight or ten hours at a time."

### Agreed With Her.

"You ought to have more consideration," sobbed the unhappy American countess.

"True," exclaimed the representative of the effete aristocracy, "the beggarly ten millions your father passed over in exchange for my espousal of you were hardly sufficient consideration to make a valid contract."

The porcupine is sharp outside,
For that's the way he wears his hide,
And so good points he does not lack,
But do not pat him on the back.

### Stranded Hint.

"She is a great matchmaker."
"Parlor or safety?"
"Just the regular old sulphur kind."

### It Decides Now.

"His voice is for war."
"Yes, but how does his typewriter line up?"

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## THE CHURCHES

At the Methodist Church on Monday evening, the Sunday school treat had full swing. The presents were held in a large boat, extending the full length of the nave, and manned by six little sailors. A delightful programme was rendered and the edifice was crowded.

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At St George's Presbyterian a Xmas tree was the attraction, and the little ones were served by Santa Claus. After a nice programme had been rendered, Mr Vair, the superintendent, was the recipient from the teachers, of a shaving set and a book of poems. Both churches were beautifully decorated

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## FUNERAL.

The last sad rites were performed over the remains of the late James Strang on Wednesday last. From his late residence the cortege, headed by the city band, wended its way to the cemetery where the remains were reverently laid away in their last resting place. The funeral service conducted by Rev. Mr Elmhurst was simple yet impressive, just such a one as he would have bespoken if it had been possible to consult him One of the largest concourses that ever attended a funeral in Cumberland followed. The universal respect in which deceased was held was shown by the fact that those present embraced men in all walks of life. He was a christian man. Everybody who worked with him loved him. He was fair, frank and straight, a good husband and father, and the sad circumstances which caused his death has caused great sorrow in this community.

The casket was literally covered with beautiful floral offerings sent from the following;—Wreaths from Messrs and Mesdames Kesley, D. Walker, Jaynes, Abrams, Short, W. J. Re nard, Miss Nash, Firebosses of No. 5, Japs of No. 5. Immortelles, Mr and Mrs Matthews. Cross Miss Miller, Miss Piket. Spray, Messrs and Mesdames L. Nunns, Anderson and G.W. Clinton. Mrs D. Kilpatrick, wreath.

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## CHRISTMAS EVE

Crowds of happy people thronged the streets until a late hour Saturday night. Friends greeted friends and season's compliments were exchanged by groups hurrying from store to store and laden with paper covered parcels. The Big Store prize list is given elsewhere. During the afternoon tea was served in this popular establishment the numerous lovers of the beverage having their palates tickled with the brew of the famous Maravilla gardens. The People's Store staff was kept busy serving out necessary goodies to their customers and the delivery wagon was rushed all night T. E. Bate's, the Santa Claus store of town, was crowded and the number of toys—besides many useful articles—which went forth into the night, showed that all householders boasting little ones, were supplied for Xmas. A. H. Peacey had a good sale for dainty articles in cut glass, brass and leather goods etc.

S. H. Riggs again carried the youthful vote by means of his surprise package window. The contents of which disclosed many pretty and useful articles. Napier & Partridge's was crowded to overflowing Their superb line of Xmas groceries were highly appreciated, in addition to which their many pretty articles of wearing apparel and art pottery supplied many a present for the morrow. P. Stoddart showed a grand display of silver, brass and bronze. cut glass and jewels, a stock which would be a credit to any city.

The bakeries, Messrs Campbell and Marrochi Bros., tempted the palate with their displays of cakes and confectionery.

Good cutlery and other articles in the same line were displayed at Tarbell's, all of the best quality.

Bert Moore had his tidy little place fixed up in true Ymas style and lacked not customers by reason of the excellence of his goods,

T. D McLean always has a stock of pretty things for the season Cut glass, bronze goods, leather and precious metal dainties, besides a full line of Xmas illustrated publications. Some magnificent fans will be wielded by fair hands this winter.

The candy stores, Messrs McLeod Hunden. Dallos and Scavardo, did their share towards supplying the season's delicacies. No stocking is complete without a bag of candy, and the robberies that Santa Claus must have perpetrated on the unfortunate candy stores is beyond belief. And so, with lots of buying, fun and good will and just the spice of a broken head or to to enliven the proceedings, Xmas morning 1904, dawned.

The People's Store shooting match was well attended on Monday. Another match is arranged by the same firm for next Monday.

The Hospital had their Xmas tree in the Ladies Ward. Needless to say it was most tastefully gotten up and loaded with presents for patients and staff

## A CARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I have been requested by a number of ratepayers to offer my services for Mayor of your city for the year 1905. If elected I will serve you to the best of my ability.

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## TO THE ELECTORS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE CITY OF CUMBERLAND.

LADIES and GENTLEMEN:—Having consented to run for the office of Mayor, in the approaching Civic Elections, I respectfully solicit your votes. If elected I shall do my best to show myself deserving of the trust placed in me.

Respectfully yours,
DAVID DANIELS.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

Editor NEWS:—Dear Sir: At the request of a large number of friends I have decided to enter the Mayoralty contest in this city, and, therefore, I would ask you to republish the following minutes of the City Council, held July 18, and which appears in your paper of July 19th at which were present Mayor Short, Aldermen Bate, Willard, Robertson and myself. In so doing, it will explain my position at that time and perhaps stop some of the false reports now in circulation:

**The question of refunding poundage fees to Provincial Officer Thompson then came up and caused considerable discussion.**

**Ald Daniels objected to the refund as he thought it was a bad precedent to set,**

**The mayor explained that it was partly the city's fault that the animals had been impounded * * * as a number of citizens had been passing in and out through the field where the horses were kept, the gate was left open and the animals escaped and were impounded.**

**Ald Daniels could not see it in this light and was strictly against the refund.**

**Ald Bate suggested that the city keep the money and that the J. P.'s who sat on the cases refund the fine out of their own pocket, but this was not received very satisfactorily, the mayor remarking that he did not care to work for nothing and then be obliged to pay for that privilege.**

**Finally Ald Willard moved, seconded by Ald Robertson, that the fines be refunded.**

**The vote resulted in a tie and the mayor decided in favor of the refund.**

Thanking you for your space, I remain, yours etc.,

D. DANIELS.

In addition, Mr Daniels desires to state that he does not desire to make any personal comparison between Mr Willard and himself. Both have served in council. The only difference is that Mr Willard has already served as Mayor, while Mr Daniels has not. The Electors must judge for themselves as to who is the best man.

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