

FLUORESCENT TREATMENT ON HARPER

He Carries Radium in His Vest Pocket Continually

And the Treatment Greatly Improves His Condition

Chicago, April 27.—A small lump of radium carried in his vest pocket is combining with the new fluorescent x-ray treatment to work a medical miracle upon President Harper of the University of Chicago. Under the combined treatment it was announced today that the cancerous area in Dr. Harper's abdominal cavity had decreased a third and now is entirely free from contact with the intestinal wall. This condition shows an almost unheard-of improvement, according to the physicians, and they now believe he will recover completely.

Ever since the operation by Dr. McBurney of New York, two months ago, fluorescent treatment has been used on Dr. Harper, radium having been introduced only recently. In x-ray treatments drugs which have the power of becoming fluorescent under special influences are administered and then the x-ray is applied. Dr. Harper is under the direct influence of radium during the greater part of each day, but as it is considered wise to have the patient in constant contact with the powerful rays, the pocket piece is removed at stated times to allow rest. That Dr. Harper's improvement is material may be judged from the fact that he now puts in nine and a half hours daily at the university, with but little fatigue.

IS HEATHEN CHINA EARNEST?

Edicts Have Been Issued that no Criminals be Tortured

And no one is to be Blamed for What his Family Does

New York, April 27.—A Herald despatch from Peking says: Four French missionaries have been captured by savage tribes in the vicinity of Batanga, which is situated near the frontier of Szechuan and Tibet. The Chinese assistant was murdered while trying to effect their rescue, and it is reported that the missionaries also have been put to death. The Chinese government refuses passports to foreigners for this part of the country as it is not under effective control. The memorial presented by Wu Ting Fang has been confirmed by an imperial edict abolishing punishment of the families and relatives of criminals. This is the first recognition in China of the individual as distinct from his family. The edict also abolishes torture in the case of criminals and witnesses.

PROHIBITING FISH

Albany, N.Y., April 27.—Among the bills added to the statutes today is one prohibiting transportation companies from bringing into this state any fish caught in that portion of Lake Champlain, known as Missisquoi Bay, province of Quebec, Canada.

"It is my opinion that when they finally meet Admiral Rojestvensky will give Admiral Togo a plenary."—Extract from a speech on the Russo-Japanese war delivered by a well-known old timer at the Grand Hotel on Wednesday evening, the 20th ult.

IN AMOUNT IS GROWING AGAIN IN THE LARGER

Between two and Three Millions the Amount is Now Stated to Be

In the Great Milwaukee Bank Defrauding Case

Milwaukee, Wis., April 27.—Frank G. Bigelow, the defuncting bank president, has confessed an indebtedness to banks, commercial institutions and estates of which he had charge, which will aggregate between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000, and based on his confession, a voluntary petition in bankruptcy has been filed in the United States District court which contains the names of as many of Mr. Bigelow's creditors as can be remembered by him, together with a list of assets on which Mr. Bigelow's valuation is \$1,110,000. By his own admission his creditors extend all over the United States. His indebtedness to the Brotherhood estate is placed at \$100,000. The debt is unsecured. It is also believed other trusts held by Bigelow have suffered.

MARRIED AT NANAIMO

Government Agent Thomson and Mrs. Thomson are again at home after having taken part in the wedding festivities that accompanied the joining together for life of their eldest son, Walter, to Miss Mabel Priestley, which happy event took place at Nanaimo yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thomson will, after their return home, receive the congratulations of their Ladysmith friends at their home on the corner of 3rd Avenue and Roberts street. The wedding was a pleasant affair. The following is taken from the Free Press of Nanaimo.

When three o'clock struck today the seats of St. Paul's church were filled, and outside there were a large number of people, all attracted by the marriage of Walter Thomson, of Ladysmith, formerly a resident of this city, and son of Mr. George Thomson, government agent at Ladysmith, to Mabel Kate, eldest daughter of Mrs. John W. Priestley.

The church was beautifully decked with spring flowers and the scene was a very pretty one as the bridal party stood at the chancel and Rev. A. Silva White read the marriage service of the Church of England, the choir and organ assisting with suitable hymns and music.

Owing to the afternoon train leaving so soon after the ceremony, the bride, who was given away by her father, wore her travelling dress, a most becoming one of light grey tweed, trimmed with fancy military braid and white broad cloth with golden crocheted buttons. Her large white picture hat was trimmed with silk chiffon, silk white Duchess ribbon and a large white plume. She carried a lovely bouquet of white roses.

The bridesmaid, Miss Laura Priestley, sister of the bride, was gown in pale green, with hat to match, and carried a shower bouquet of cream roses and pink carnations. She also wore a gold watch, the gift of the groom.

The best man was Mr. Wilfred Alenhead, and Messrs. W. W. Walkem of Ladysmith, and Fred Rowbottom, acted as ushers.

The ceremony over, the bridal party entered carriage, and amid showers of rice drove to the station to board the train for Victoria on the first stage of their honeymoon trip. Mr. and Mrs. Thomson will visit Seattle, Tacoma and Portland, before returning to settle down in Ladysmith, where they will be at home after May 26.

Bride and groom are very popular in Nanaimo, where they were brought up. They were prominent in musical circles, having sung in St. Paul's choir, and the bride is a skilled amateur violinist. Mr. Thomson was for a time captain of the Church Lads' Brigade, and also was a member of the band of that organization. The large number of presents testified to the good wishes felt by a large circle of friends.

150 BURNED.

Shanghai, April 27.—The British steamer Yuen has been totally destroyed by fire at Tung Chou (20 miles from Peking), and it is feared that 150 Chinese lost their lives.

AS MRS. BECHTOL SHE SUES HER FATHER-IN-LAW FOR \$50,000

Now Married to Rich Miner, Who Deeds Away His Interest

United States, Canada and Newfoundland Share in the Distribution

Rosalind H. Bechtol sues John G. Bechtol for \$50,000 because he persuaded her husband and his son, Charles W. Bechtol, to run away and leave her.

In this despatch from Fairbanks, Alaska, are contained the lines which greet the raising of the curtain on another act in the life drama of a woman around whom at one time centered the curiosity of a nation.

As the famous "Sweet Pea" (the name of the famous Durant case Rosalind Bowen, shared with Theodore Durand himself the interest occasioned by the publication of the details of that young medical student's unspeakable crime.

It was shortly after Durand's arrest that the "Sweet Pea" first made her bid for public notice. Heavily veiled, and dressed in garments of an expensive make and of such perfect fit as to emphasize the beauty of her form, she begged admission to the San Francisco county jail, let arms loaded down with tangled masses of sweet peas, which she requested be sent to Durand's cell.

Only one of the many women who brought the prisoner flowers, she attracted no particular attention from the jail officials at first, but as the days went by and she never missed her visit to the jail, bringing always quantities of the same flower, both the authorities and the newspaper men sought to ascertain her identity.

For many months their efforts were in vain, however, for she refused to show her face and the many attempts to trace her "other home" always met with failure.

As man to whom she sent the flowers did not know her, nor even to him would she vouchsafe any information as to who she was.

Repeated efforts on the part of the newspaper men detailed on the case finally led to the discovery of the woman's identity and after this she gradually ceased her visits.

The next heard of her so far as the public was concerned, was when she went into Alaska, and later on her marriage to the man whose name she now bears brought her into the limelight for the moment.

Now it seems that her father-in-law has induced her husband to desert her, hence the present suit.

With her husband the "Sweet Pea" has been living at Fairbanks since last December. He is part owner in the famous No. 5. Clear creek claim, his interest being valued at \$75,000. A few days ago Bechtol senior came to Fairbanks from Dawson, induced his son to desert over to him the interest owned in the claim and then sent the former away in order to get him away from the influence of his wife.

Mrs. Bechtol says she does not know her husband's whereabouts, nor does she seem to care, but she says she is determined to make her father-in-law pay roundly for his alleged interference in her matrimonial affairs.

KILLS HIMSELF AND WIFE

Quincy, Mass., April 27.—Albert T. Spargo shot and killed his wife, Elizabeth, and then put a bullet through his own head with fatal results at his home on Franklin St., South Quincy, last night. The tragedy is believed to have been caused by jealousy. Spargo was 38 years old and his wife was 33.

THE RAN.

The weather has been rather cooler the last day or two and it would seem that something in the air is very inciting for a gentleman who is rather stout and usually very dignified in his movements, and as a rule walks not too quickly, was this morning, sent to dash madly up the hill at a pace that alarmed his friends, who were watching him from the distance. He panted a little when he arrived at his destination, but beyond that his haste appeared to do him no harm; although it must be admitted his face lost its usual delicate tints and was well—rather red.

LIME CARNEGIE DONATES \$100,000

To Provide for Wornout College Professors

United States, Canada and Newfoundland Share in the Distribution

New York, April 27.—A gift of \$100,000 by Andrew Carnegie to provide annuities for college professors who are not able to continue in active service was announced today by Frank A. Vanderbilt, vice-president of the National City Bank of New York.

Professors in the United States, Canada and Newfoundland will share in the distribution of the income of the funds. United States Steel Corporation five per cent. first mortgage bonds for \$10,000,000 have been transferred to a board of trustees and steps will be taken at once to organize a corporation to receive the donation. Dr. Pritchett, president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Mr. Vanderbilt have been selected by Mr. Carnegie to obtain data on the subject to be presented at the first meeting of the trustees, which will take place on November 15th.

EVERYBODY MADE HAPPY

New York, April 27.—The Hamburg American steamer Hamburg, which arrived here late last night, came direct from Italy after landing Emperor William and his party at Naples. She has been painted pure white before starting on the cruise to Portugal and the Mediterranean with the Royal party and still retains her holiday appearance. Every officer and man on the ship has some memento of the cruise which was personally presented to them by the Emperor. The keepsakes included jewels, watches and trinkets. The officers say the Emperor apparently enjoyed every moment of his trip.

FIVE BEAR DURING HUNT

Colorado Springs, Colo., April 27.—The hides of five bear slain by President Roosevelt, and three bobcats killed by Dr. Lambert, have been received here in the dressed and cured, after which they will be shipped to the White House.

NANAIMO CELEBRATIONS.

At an adjourned meeting of the Nanaimo Victoria Day Celebration Committee held last evening, the chairman of the Baseball committee reported that Ladysmith had decided to play at Nanaimo on May 24th, and a report from the Lacrosse representative stating that arrangements with Vancouver were nearly complete, was received.

The collectors have at present secured the sum of \$331.

The secretary was authorized to send out invitations to prominent citizens of other cities on the coast, also to communicate with Mr. Courtney inquiring what the train service would be on the celebration day and also what rate would be charged on the City of Nanaimo from Cumberland and way points.

The meeting then adjourned until Tuesday next.

NO FAIR AT COURTENAY

Courtenay, April 26.—Owing to the withdrawal by the government of the annual grant made to the Convex Agricultural and Horticultural Society at a largely attended evening held in the Hall on Saturday evening last, it was decided not to hold an exhibition this year, but instead have one full day of field sport and racing. This will be held about the same date as the fair would have been had it not been decided to have no fair. The grant, though small, has always made the difference between profit and loss, and as the members have been carrying a rather heavy financial burden, it was decided not to take the risk of either a deficit or a failure to pay the prizes in full.

GOVERNOR-GENERAL-SHIP RE-ESTABLISHED

Kasloff, Renowned for Enforcing Harsh Measures, is Appointed Governor of Moscow

Newspapers Predict an Outbreak at St. Petersburg on Saturday Night

St. Petersburg, April 27.—A feeling akin to consternation has been caused by the publication in this morning's papers of renewed rumors of an impending popular outbreak. It is feared that the slightest accidental or malevolent among the vast congregations which will attend the churches on Saturday night may cause a panic with appalling consequences. The mayor is being urged to convene the municipal council to take special measures to cope with the situation and it is said that the prefect of police will issue a reassuring proclamation, but the alarm is so great that it will have little effect. All the accommodation at the neighboring resorts has already been engaged. Reports from the provinces indicate similar fears. There is a somewhat widespread impression that the police are inciting the masses against the intellectual classes.

NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL. St. Petersburg, April 27.—The post of Governor-General of Moscow, which was temporarily abolished in January, has been re-established by Imperial decree, and General Kasloff, formerly chief of the Moscow police, has been appointed Governor-General of that city. The administration control of the police remains in the hands of General Wolkoff, who was appointed prefect in January, but the police will be under the general supervision of the Governor-General.

Kasloff's appointment as Governor-General of Moscow upon the eve of the anticipated troubles at Easter (April 30) and on May Day (May 1st) although accompanied by a receipt in which Emperor Nicholas speaks of the great interior reforms contemplated by him, leaves no doubt of his Majesty's purpose first to restore tranquility with a firm hand.

Kasloff distinguished himself during the Nihilists' conspiracy twenty-five years ago by hunting down the conspirators which resulted in an attempt upon his life. The public generally interprets his summons from retirement at the age of 58 as being an indication that the harsh measures of repression then sanctioned are to be revived. The government takes the position that the execution of the reforms is impossible until the present agitation and excitement are quieted. With General Trepoft in St. Petersburg and Kasloff in Moscow it is considered that public safety in two acts are assured.

TOM O'ROURKE AND KID MCCOY

New York, April 27.—The hotel Delavan, the proprietor of which is Tom O'Rourke, and the saloon opposite it, owned by Kid McCoy, both establishments on Broadway, were raided early this morning by detectives of Inspector McLaughlin's staff, says the World. Both places are well known headquarters of racing and sporting men. O'Rourke, one of the best known sporting men in the country, was charged with keeping a disorderly house. A similar charge was made against George W. Grant, manager of McCoy's saloon. Much excitement was caused when the detectives entered the Hotel Delavan, where 200 persons were gathered.

Capt. Cottrell, of the West 34th Street station, was asked to send detectives to look at the prisoners. The selected eight, whom they said they knew. The others were released. The eight and bartender of the Delavan were taken to the station house in a patrol wagon. O'Rourke was sent down in charge of a policeman on a Broadway car. He gave bail. No prisoners were taken in the raid at McCoy's place.

The semi-annual concert by the Church Lads' Brigade will be given in the opera house, Nanaimo, this evening.

A LION HUNTING TRAGEDY. Bombay, April 27.—The Gir Forest, was the scene of a sad tragedy recently. A shooting expedition under Lord Lamington set out in an attempt to rid the forest of several lions which had been preying on the neighborhood for some time. On the first day the party got two of the beasts, one falling to Lord Lamington's gun, and the other to that of Colonel Kennedy.

Meanwhile, Mr. Du Boulay, Major Carnegie and Captain Foljambe, other members of the expedition, rode about ten miles into the jungle, and at length came to a nullah, where they were told that a lion was very close. They took up positions in three trees commanding the nullah and after an interval of twenty minutes the heat began, and ten minutes afterward a fine lion emerged. He moved toward Mr. Du Boulay, who was about to fire when a shot came from Captain Foljambe. Almost simultaneously Mr. Du Boulay fired and missed, but his second shot struck the lion in the right shoulder rather high. The animal immediately fell, but he got up and went back into the jungle.

The party followed cautiously for nearly a mile, and several times men were sent up into the trees to look ahead. Suddenly the lion appeared and charged the party. Major Carnegie fired, but only grazed the brute, which struck him a blow on the left shoulder with its right paw, and then seized him and bore him to the ground. Mr. Du Boulay dashed up to the lion and fired into the region of its heart at point-blank range, killing it on the spot. He spoke to Major Carnegie, but received no answer, and the nature of the Major's injuries left no doubt that death must have been instantaneous. The lion that killed him measured eleven feet to tip of tail.

WESTERN FEDERATION SUED

Cripple Creek, Colo., April 27.—The Elkhorn Consolidated Mining and Milling Company and the Elpasso Gold Mining Company have filed suits in the district court against the Western Federation of Miners, asking for \$62,000 damages each for losses claimed to have resulted from the strike.

A FIGHT OF THREE HOURS. St. Petersburg, April 27.—General Linovitch in a telegram to the Emperor dated April 26th reports a three-hour fight April 23 near Tsin-tzhatoun, the Russian cavalry forcing the Japanese to retreat.

FLEETS HAVE JOINED. Tsing Tau, Shantung Peninsula, April 27.—A private telegram received here says that Admiral Rojestvensky's fleet has joined Nebogatoff's detachment.

Kamranh Bay, via Saigon, April 27.—The only ships remaining in Kamranh Bay are four German transports. All the rest of the transports and the Russian hospital ship Otel, and other vessels left behind by Admiral Rojestvensky, left the Bay yesterday morning. This fleet is now assembled outside the Bay and forms an extended line stretching from Cape Verdy to the head of the Kamranh Peninsula. Torpedo boats are scouting in all directions. The ships seem to be waiting for Vice Admiral Nebogatoff's division. The French cruiser Decartes, with Admiral De Jouinieres, the French commander in these waters, returned to Nhatrang (near Kamranh Bay) after steaming round the Russian squadron and subsequently returned to Saigon. The freight laden steamers captured by Rojestvensky were under the German flag. It is presumed that they are suspected of having contraband of war on board.

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GOLD OUTPUT FROM THE NORTH

Conservative estimates of the gold yield of Alaska and the Northwest territory for the coming season carry with them figures so dazzling in their immensity as to almost stagger the mind given only to moderate calculations. From every camp in the gold region to the north come reports of the results of an early cleanup and the prospects of an unprecedented harvest of the yellow metal.

The advices say that the early spring has done wonders in the way of assisting in the upholding of reputation of Eldorado, and creeks that have always been frozen at this time of the year, are rushing torrents to help in the work of taking out the treasures of the earth's storehouse. Some idea of what is being done may be gathered from the following despatches received by the Post-Intelligencer.

Dawson, April 25.—A golden river is going on throughout the Yukon basin from Atlin and beyond to Nome. Warm weather everywhere throughout the north is causing the water to run. sluicing began on Klondike creeks this week, and rockers are going full blast everywhere. Within three weeks sluicing will be in full swing on every creek. It is estimated that the Klondike proper will produce from the winter dumps now ready to wash and from the dirt to be taken out during the summer from \$8,000,000 to \$10,000,000. This means from creeks within a radius of fifty miles of Dawson. Some of the biggest hydraulic and dredging plants in the world are starting this season and will help to hold up the output. The latest Tanana advices place the yield from that camp by the close of the present summer for the year at \$5,000,000. The Koyukuk yield is estimated at \$140,000. Atlin's output will equal Koyukuk. Rampart may double the Koyukuk yield. Nome figures are uncertain here, but with other mining districts will probably run the total northern output for the present season to \$20,000,000. The Yukon river is expected to be open to Dawson by the first week in May. Five steamers are here ready to follow the ice to Tanana, and will take 800 tons of general cargo, cleaning up many lines at Dawson, which have to be replaced by the first boats for Tanana. It is sure to be one of the heaviest seasons known in the history of the Yukon traffic. Klondike and Tanana railway shipments are swelling in volume.

When it was reported here that W. B. McInnes, of Victoria was appointed governor of the Yukon district today it caused a sensation. He is believed generally to be a good man.

Fairbanks, Alaska, April 25.—Fairbanks' estimated spring cleanup from the most conservative and reliable sources will be between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000 from winter dumps alone. Another two millions and a half, or perhaps three millions will be taken out during the summer. In another week sluicing will be in full blast. Considerable water is now running along the creeks and sluicing began on a small scale several days ago on Cleary, Pedro and Fairbanks creeks. One hundred and seventeen steam hoists have been at work all winter taking out pay dirt besides innumerable hand windlasses. The value of the winter dumps has been carefully estimated and should the amount fall short, it will be for the lack of water. For several weeks operators have been building flumes and thawing dumps so as to catch all of the water running. Eight hundred thousand feet of lumber was used for flumes this spring, as against one hundred thousand feet used last year. Premiums are being paid for additional machinery to be landed here on the first boats, as there is not a single steam hoist left and there is a famine in many kinds of machinery needed, which will keep back work until a new supply arrives.

NOME IS OPTIMISTIC.

Nome, Alaska, April 25.—The outlook for the year is the most prosperous that this and tributary camps have known since the pay streaks in the beach sands first attracted attention. It is a season that is already upon the district due to an unusually warm and early spring, and it has been possible to do a great deal of work during the past winter owing to the mildness of the weather. The estimates for the total production are for between three million and four million dollars, some placing it even higher. Little Creek, discovered last year, will yield one million dollars alone. Other neighboring creeks will contribute half a million. The bench claims on the hill have enough on the dumps to warrant a prediction of as much more while no estimate is possible of the yield of the tundra. The output in the Solomon river country is placed no lower than a quarter of a million to be added to the other productive localities, and nobody thinks of anything less than four millions for the season's cleanup.

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The silly stories going the rounds about the rich bars on Fraser river that will be worked this year for the first time, since 1858, on account of low water, etc., should not deceive anyone in these parts. Every year there are a few white men rocking along the Fraser and in favored places, a good many Indians and Chinamen also rock. Sometimes a good place where a thin streak of rich gravel, perhaps 4 or 6 inches thick, may be found. This is followed. Perhaps it may run into a bank or run out entirely. If it can be worked the river may be wing-damned out some little distance. It should be understood that Chinamen and Indians know all these places. They have worked along the river, for instance the Lytton Indians around Lytton, and the Lillooet Indians around Lillooet, etc. These Indians and the Chinamen all know when and where to work, and for the few days that the river is low enough to work well, every Indian, Klutchan and papoose will be at work, but it does not last long and no amount of rich gravel sufficient to pay any white man to spend his time is found. Sometimes, on one bar near Lillooet 200 Indians, counting men, women and children, are at work. All together they may take out during low water from \$2,000 to \$5,000 from that bar. To have the work done by miners would cost five or ten times that amount. We do not intend to convey the impression that there is no profitable mining ground along the Fraser, on the contrary there are in places hydraulic grounds that will, if worked right, pay, but it takes capital and time. The real wealth of Cariboo is in the deep channels now being explored by such companies as the Cariboo Gold Fields, which has expended \$1,250,000 and ten years' time; Shovel Creek \$500,000 and ten years; Willow river, \$500,000 and ten years; Lightning Creek, two years and \$250,000, the Cariboo Hydraulic, ten

years and \$2,000,000. All of these companies have rich properties. They are just now, after the expenditure of such vast sums and so many years of work, getting in shape for making money. Some of them have already been good producers, but have paid no dividends. Eventually, in most of cases, they will pay good dividends, but the day of the placer miner with pick and pan to make money in any quantities has gone by.

Germans claim that poker is an old German game, which for more than 100 years has been played and is still being played in some districts of Westphalia. Emigrants took it to the United States and there its name of "scharwenzel" was changed to poker.

WHEN FATHER SPEAKS.

Mr. Williams has always claimed that it is an easy matter to govern children, and his own success often bears out his theories. He seldom interferes when his wife is at the helm, but once in a while he contributes a few firm words of guidance in response to an appealing glance. "Now, Bobby," said Mrs. Williams one night, after long temporizing, "now, my dear little boy, must take his medicine and jump into bed, so father and I can go down to dinner."

"I don't want to take the medicine," said Bobby, who had a sniffling cold. "Then came the appealing glance," "Bobby," said Mr. Williams in an ominous tone, "if you don't take that medicine this minute you will be put to bed without taking it at all!" Then Bobby promptly took the medicine, and all went well.

THE LARGEST WOMAN.

Duplain township in Clinton county, claims one of its residents to be the heaviest woman in Michigan. She is Miss Hattie Aldridge, whose home is on a farm six miles south-west of Elsie. Miss Aldridge is 2 years old, is six feet in height and weighs 406 pounds.—Detroit Free Press.

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Love and the Worldlings.
 "You know, they say, 'all the world loves a lover,'" began the sentimental young man.
 "Yes," interrupted the cynic, "but not as much as it loves to hear the lover's letters read out in court."

Accuracy is the twin brother of honesty. Inaccuracy of dishonesty.—Sims.

A Mother's Correction Should Never Outrun Her Love.

The best means of encouraging truthfulness in children is a problem which taxes the judgment of the best among us. The road to truthfulness can only be found through mutual sympathy—a sympathy which enables the mother to know what demands she can and ought to make upon her child's obedience to her higher will and which teaches the child uncomplainingly to accept her wishes as law. To win this trust a mother's correction should never outrun her love, and she may well make it a golden maxim never to let the sun go down upon her wrath.

If a child once feels that the day has gone by with a loss or lessening of the mother's love the influence of the mother for good is dangerously weakened; a link is snapped in the chain of truthfulness and a precious tool is in danger of being hopelessly shattered. Undue harshness is one of those irreparable errors we are sure to regret. Mothers should therefore temper their reproofs with love. The responsibilities of motherhood are indeed heavy, but they are not beyond their powers, and it is within a mother's scope to control far more fully than she may be ready to acknowledge the environments of her children and to mold their characters for good or evil.—Washington Post.

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Quartz—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miners' certificates may

obtain entry for a mining location. A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five years, upon payment in advance \$7.50 per annum for an individual, and from \$50 to \$100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim (1,500x1,500 feet) by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lode or vein.

The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is \$5.

At least \$100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof.

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When \$500 has been expended or paid the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at \$1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon territory, of an area not exceeding 160 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of a Royalty of 2½ per cent. of the sales of the products of the location.

Placer Mining—Manitoba and the N.W.T., excepting the Yukon Territory—Placer mining claims generally are 100 ft. square, entry fees \$5, renewable yearly. On the North Saskatchewan River claims are either bar or bench, the former being 100 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N.W.T., excepting the Yukon Territory—A free miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed, or bars of the river below low water mark, and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive, entries for bar diggings or bench claims, except on the Saskatchewan River, where the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease or dredge for each fifteen miles or fraction is sufficient. Rental, \$10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of 2½ per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds \$10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory—Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed, or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, \$100 per mile for first year, and \$10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the base line, general direction of the creek or gulch the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 250 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notices. Entry must be obtained within ten miles of mining recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company staking a claim must hold a free miner's certificate.

The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim of 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the output of which no royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

Entry fee, \$10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent. on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim, on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and free miners may work their claims in partnership by filing notice and paying a fee of \$2.00. A claim may be abandoned and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river by giving notice and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least \$200.

A certificate that work has been done must be obtained each year; if not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notices in the Yukon official Gazette.

Petroleum—All unappropriated Dominion lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories, and within the Yukon Territory, are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospected, an area of 1920 acres for such period as he may decide, the length of which shall not exceed three times the breadth.

Should the prospector discover oil paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well will be sold to the prospector at the rate of \$1.00 per acre and the remainder of the tract reserved, namely, 1,280 acres will be sold at the rate of three dollars an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by order-in-council.

JAS. A. SMART,

Deputy Minister of the Interior,
Department of the Interior.

THE COURAGE OF CHILDHOOD.
The late George Francis Train loved children. The children of New York will miss him from Union Square, where, in fine weather, he would play with them all day long.

"Citizen Train used to tell of a little Union Square girl to whom he once gave a rich cake. She ate it, and asked for another."

"I'd like to give you another," said the old man, "but it would make you sick."

"Give it to me anyway," said the little girl, "at the dispensary I can get medicine for nothing."

Many of the smart new linen frocks displayed in the shops are decorated with braiding, sort of linen soutache braid being used.—Chicago News.

Shanghaies are used for dressy coats.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

CHIEF TWO FEATHERS SHOT.

Chief Two Feathers, who is well known in this section as Jack O'Neil's portage in his attempt to make a first-class wrestler of him, was shot at Kalispell, Montana, a few days ago. A Kalispell report says:

Chief Two Feathers, the Montana Indian who, about two years ago made an unsuccessful attempt to break into the ranks of the foremost bunch of wrestlers in the country, was shot down in the streets of Kalispell. Two Feathers had just sufficient had humor about him to make himself strenuously objectionable in an argument regarding sporting matters. A rough-and-tumble fight developed as a consequence, and during its progress, one man who was getting the worst of it, pulled a gun and let fly. One of the bullets lodged in Two Feathers' body, and he was carted off to the hospital.

Several arrests have been made, and the authorities are now awaiting the result of Two Feathers' bout with the spectre of the sandglass and scythe before taking further proceedings. The big Indian is reported to have a chance for his life, but that is about all.

WANAMAKER TAKES BRIDE.

North Adams, Mass., April 27.—Mr. and Mrs. John Walton of this city yesterday announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Mabel L. Walton, to William H. Wanamaker, of Philadelphia. He is seventy years old and his fiancée twenty-five. Wanamaker is a man of wealth and prominence. Miss Walton is a school teacher in Philadelphia. John Walton, father of the bride-elect, is a laborer in a woolen mill in this city. Miss Walton was born here, graduated from Smith College and afterward taught in the schools of this city. After some years of travel in Europe she located in Philadelphia, where she has been teaching for several years. At one time Wanamaker's children were her pupils. Wanamaker's first wife is dead. Miss Walton's father is highly pleased with the choice of his daughter. He says that on his marriage Wanamaker will retire from business and travel with his bride. The wedding will probably take place in the fall.

ACQUAINTED, ALL RIGHT.

When the late Dr. Bartlett was pension examiner under the Cleveland administration he was one day examining witnesses. He asked one of them: "Terrence McCarthy, do you swear that you know the applicant, Michael Murphy, who has made application for an increase of pension?"

"You may well say that I do," said Terrence. "He and him was shot in the same leg at Antietam."

A TRUE STORY.

Several years ago a miner from British Columbia arrived in one of the large cities in the United States and on a cold November morning called on a tailor and said: "You see me shivering in my summer clothes? I want a winter suit of pants, vest and heavy overcoat. I have no money at present, but will give in payment for these clothes five thousand shares of the LeROI Mining Company, of Rossland, B.C. These shares are now selling for a mere song, but the time will come when these five thousand shares will make the owner rich. I worked in that mine and I know that it is rich with copper, silver and gold ores. I hate to part with these shares, but I must have winter clothes or freeze to death."

The tailor looked at the hands of the miner, and seeing them horny from severe toil, which inspired him with confidence in what the miner had said, he answered thoughtfully: "Nothing risked, nothing gained. I have a suit ready that will fit you, and I will take your five thousand shares in payment for the same."

Receiving the shares, the tailor tied a thread around them and thrust them in the drawer of his working table, where he kept his thread, silk, needles and wax. There those five thousand shares remained for years covered up with dust.

One Saturday evening he went to a beer saloon to eat some bread and cheese and drink beer, with a few of his friends, who related that there was great excitement on the exchange, that the LeROI mining shares of British Columbia jumped to \$10 per share. The tailor related that some years ago he took five thousand shares in payment for a suit of clothes, but he forgot the name of the mining company, but he would look it up next Monday, which he did, and found them to be the LeROI Mining Company shares. He took them to a broker, who offered him \$35,000 spot cash for them, which he accepted, saying: "Nothing risked, nothing gained."

Had he waited six months he could have had \$15,000 more for these shares.

Shakespeare was handicapped because there were no automobiles in his day to blow up and kill the villains in his plays.

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Frycke & Schenck.

FOR SALE—A three-and-a-quarter farm wagon. Can be seen at C. Peterson's store, Roberts street. Will be sold at a bargain.

Mrs. Vivian Walker is a guest of Rev. and Mrs. Bowen at the Rectory.

Mr. Russel Simpson returned from Nanaimo this morning.

Mr. George Burtholme, of Nanaimo, was in the city on business this morning.

Mr. Davis, of Nanaimo, paid a business visit to Ladysmith this morning.

The pile driver, is at work at the colliery wharf today putting in a few new piles in place of some that were rotting.

The adjourned meeting of the Ladysmith Board of Trade will be held this evening, April 27th, at the office of the president, John Stewart. The meeting is called for eight o'clock.

ROBT. ALLAN, Secretary.

The Socialists of Vancouver will celebrate May Day by a picnic and big public meeting in the city hall. J. H. Hawthornthwaite, M.P.P., and Parker Williams, M. P. P., are expected to be present and give addresses.

AT THE ABBOTSFOORD.
D. H. Bissell, Toronto.
Geo. Burtholme, Nanaimo.
A. T. Herberge, Victoria.
J. L. McFarland, Vancouver.

AS IT FIGURES.
At the Abbotsford last evening Miss Host McMurtrie entertained a number of friends. It was the birthday anniversary of the host and also of Mrs. McMurtrie. The numerous friends of Mr. and Mrs. McMurtrie drank their health in ice champagne provided by the host, and smoked fragrant cigars thoughtfully sent in by the hostess. It is a curious coincidence, a man meets his future wife and they find that both are born on the same day and same hour. That they may live to have many dual birthday celebrations is the wish of their many old friends.

The curious might ask what birthday was celebrated. Mr. McMurtrie could only say that the combined ages were 66 years, for of course, no man could give away a lady's age. Tom O'Connell, however, settled it. He subtracted Mrs. McMurtrie's age as she looks, calling it 29, and figured out that "Mac" must have the rest of the 36, or 37. He doesn't look it, but that is the way it figures out.

Get your Sunday Colonist at Knight's bookstore, which is on from 12 o'clock to one on Sunday.

A NEW HAT.
To the tune of that ancient and well known song, "Where did you get that hat?" whistled and howled by his friends, a certain well known resident makes his daily rounds of the city. The gentleman, (who by the way drives a fine team of splendid horses) has excited the envy of his many friends by purchasing one of the smartest hats imaginable, and by wearing the same daily. The hat is distinctly new and all of the men's furnishing stores in town have been besieged by young gentlemen who are anxious to procure one like it, but no store in Ladysmith can supply a similar one, so, like the fox who remarked that distant grapes were sour the young men of the city show their admiration of Mr. —'s headgear by enquiring on every occasion how he procured it. The above mentioned song will probably become popular again and it is said that the local music sellers have sent away for a large number of copies. Already nearly every gramophone in town says it, nightly and no doubt the one that is to be drawn for by Messrs. Blair & Adam's shortly will have a "Where did you get that hat" plate.

Mr. — Estens to the shipping of his friends with a good natured smile.

Pearson, Everybodies, Ainslee, Argosy, Frank Leslie, Ladies' Home Journal, Wide World and Metropolitan for May at Knight's.



Barge Oregon took two thousand tons of coal to Seattle last week from Union. The coal will be used by the Great Northern's big tier Minnesota on her next trip. Puget Sound coal has not proved satisfactory.

The Tacoma Ledger, in an editorial drawing attention to the fact that the steamer Ping Suey, of the China Mutual line, had broken all records for carrying cargo from any North Pacific port, she having cargo on board valued at \$1,919,043, according to her manifest, over \$10,000 in excess of the cargo carried by the Minnesota, which previous made the high mark, pays some attention to the false claim of the Minnesota for the speed record across the Pacific. The Ledger says: The Ping Suey's cargo deserves to attract wide attention. Mr. Hill's mammoth freighter the Minnesota, is the most advertised vessel that ever crossed the Pacific. The Ping Suey has been plying between Tacoma and the Orient and Liverpool for fully five years and while her performances have not been heralded to the world by a shrewd advertiser like James J. Hill, she has been entitled to all sorts of glory for her truly remarkable records. In this connection, as it may be mentioned that the Minnesota, which is now loading at Smith's Cove, was announced from Seattle to have broken the speed record in her maiden eastbound trip from Yokohama to Port Townsend, which she covered in a little under fourteen days. Such a statement answers an advertising purpose, as a doubt, but the claim is ridiculous. The Empress liners running to Vancouver have been making eleven to twelve-day trips eastbound across the North Pacific for years, and there are several steamships in the Tacoma-Orient service which ordinarily make better time than was made by the Minnesota and never think of bragging about it.

The steamer Jeanie has been chartered by Capt. Omar J. Humphrey for a voyage to Unga. The vessel sails next Saturday with a full cargo of supplies for the Apollo mine. Cargo coal will be taken on board at Ladysmith. On the return voyage Capt. Humphrey says that the Jeanie will bring a cargo of ore for Tacoma.

IRVINE-McEWAN.
Yesterday afternoon the Rev. R. Boyle united in marriage Miss E. McEwan, daughter of Mr. Thos. McEwan of this city, to Mr. D. Irvine, a well known resident of Ladysmith, and an employee of the Wellington Colliery Company. The bride looked charming in a pretty dress of pale lavender. She was attended by Miss M. Thomas, who looked well in a white gown.

Mr. J. McEwan acted as best man. After the ceremony the happy couple left on the 5 o'clock train for Victoria, where they will spend their honeymoon, after which they will return to this city and take up their residence on Fourth Avenue. Both bride and groom are very popular amongst the young people of this city and they enter their new state of life with best wishes from all.

AGAIN AT IT.
People from South Wellington complain that the bull that caused so much damage by attacking a little boy about three weeks ago is still at large, and they are afraid to let their children out for fear of a similar accident befalling them. A great many parents refuse to let their children attend school owing to the menace of this bull. Officer Cassidy will, no doubt, go out and shoot into the affair. The animal should be shot.

DUNCAN LOCAL ITEMS

The Cowichan Agricultural Association having decided to hold their annual agricultural meeting, are losing no time in making the fact known. They will receive every possible assistance from their neighbors both north and south.

As the result of an article which appeared in The Ledger a couple of weeks since, stating that the people of Duncan would welcome the establishment of a bank, arrangements looking to the establishment of a bank are already under way, and within a few weeks it is more than probable that the Bank of Cowichan or Duncan will be an established fact.

AT SHAWNIGAN.
A merry company of Victoria folk took advantage of the special train service arranged for last evening to attend the concert and dance at the Hotel Stratheona, Shawnigan Lake. The preparations that had been made for the event assured a success from every standpoint.

Nanaimo advices say that Messrs. Thomas Bayke and Thomas Gibson, officials of the United Mine Workers, are in that city on business, connected with the local union.
Mr. Burke was asked concerning the object of his visit and he said it was to visit the local union and also use his good offices to bring about a better understanding between the men here with regards to a common organization. He expects to get through with his business by the end of the week, but it is possible he may stay longer. A special meeting of the United Mine Workers is called for Friday night at 7.30, when 10th visitors will be present.

THE COAL SITUATION.
The Nanaimo Herald publishes the following as coming from Cumberland:

The recent amendments to the eight hour law introduced by Hawthornthwaite meets universal condemnation throughout the district and in Cumberland, where it is felt that trouble will occur if it is enforced. It is reported that the company has decided that if the law is enforced that it will simply shut the mines down, and color is given this report by universal activity at the mines, and the evident anxiety to get as much coal into store as possible. With but little shipping being done, more coal is being produced than ever, before in the history of Union mines, there being now three shifts employed in the several mines. Nearly all the miners recently let out at Ladysmith are finding employment there, as well as the miners from other parts. This activity would be explained on some other assumption than that of a possible shut down, but the fact that little coal is being shipped bunkers are full and there is stored on the ground at this time over one hundred thousand tons of coal and coke. Again, it is reported that there will be a shutdown for the summer anyway, but neither report could be verified by enquiry of the Company, the officials insisting in pooh poohing the idea.

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NANAIMO.
The Oddfellows of Nanaimo celebrated the 8th anniversary of the installation of the order, at their hall, in good shape, last evening. The following description, taken from the Herald, shows that the order is thoroughly awake in Nanaimo:

"The room was crowded when Brother F. Whiteside called them to order and opened the meeting with a few appropriate remarks. He said it spoke most hopefully of the future of Oddfellowship in Nanaimo to see such a large turnout on the occasion of the anniversary. As to the condition of the order at large, it showed a prosperity that was most gratifying and recommended them all to read the statistics given so that they could see what a great order they belonged to. He welcomed them all to the anniversary, and trusted they would all make themselves perfectly at home and enjoy a pleasant evening.

The programme was then given and received with every manifestation of approval, after which the hall was cleared and the Rebecca set two tables the full length of the lodge room which were loaded down with good things, and beautifully decorated with fruit and flowers. For desert there was ice cream and cigars, and those who didn't care for one were sure to like the other, and so everybody was

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After a pleasant time in an informal way, the social meeting was dispersed. Today, at 4.30 o'clock there will be a social for the children, and all the children of Oddfellows and Rebecca are invited to be present and have a good time. The program last evening was as follows:
Duet—Violin and piano—Mr. and Mrs. Inglis.
Gramophone selection.
Parlor Magic—A. E. Hilbert.
Song—Miss Edie Aitken.
Gramophone selection.
Violin Solo—Thos. Allen.
Song—Miss Ethel.
Gramophone selection.
Song—H. Freeman.
Duet—Violin and piano—Mr. and Mrs. Inglis.

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Vancouver April 26th.—At a well attended meeting of the Vancouver Jockey Club, held last night in the Club rooms the programme for the Spring meeting was finally decided on. Secretary Duke reported that he had received many inquiries regarding the meeting and had been given assurances that a number of horses would be sent here from California, Oregon and Washington, besides many from Victoria and Interior B. C. points. The prospects for a successful meeting are thus bright. The racing will extend over two days, viz., Wednesday, May 21st, and Saturday May 27th. Liberal purses are offered, the programme being as follows:
Wednesday, May 21st.
1—Unmarked, trot or pace, best 2 in 3, miles heats; purse \$150.
2—Half-mile dash, for all ages, weight for age; purse \$100.
3—Three-quarter-mile, for all ages, 7 lbs under scale; purse \$125.
4—Gentlemen's race, a sweepstake, with cup added by Vancouver Jockey Club.
5—One mile handicap, for all ages, purse \$200.
Saturday, May 27th.
1—2:40 trot or pace, mile heats, 2 in 3; purse \$150.
2—Seven-eighths mile, for all ages, weight for age, 10 lbs under scale; purse \$125.
3—Half-mile and repeat for ponies, 14.2 and under, 7 lbs allowance for each half inch; purse \$75.
4—One mile and a quarter handicap for all ages; purse \$200.
5—Five furlongs, for all ages, 7 lbs under scale; purse \$100.
6—Three-quarter mile consolation race, for horses starting but not winning first or second money; purse \$100.

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