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REQUIEM MASSES FOR SOUL OF SERGIUS

The Murdered Grand Duke Will be Interred in Chapel of Andrew the First

Grand Duke Alexis is Prepared for Death at the Hands of Anarchists

Moscow, Feb. 22. — The advisory board of the Moscow University has appointed a commission to devise means for inducing the students to return, and pending the report of the commission, closed the university indefinitely.

Moscow, Feb. 22.— The coachman who was driving the coach in which Grand Duke Sergius was riding when he was assassinated, is dead of his injuries. He sustained 76 distinct wounds.

There was a continuous procession of Muscovites yesterday passing the Kremlin gates to visit the Chouhoff Monastery and the scene of the tragedy in State Square. They paused to cross themselves at the tall cross which had been erected at the exact spot where the assassination occurred and before which a lamp is constantly burning as before a shrine. Pieces of the carriage and other evidences of the tragedy are continually being found.

The remains in the coffin are now covered with a light gauze, through which part of the uniform of the Grand Duke is visible. Besides practically continuous requiems, an unusually solemn funeral mass was conducted yesterday before the Moscow Metropolitan.

The body will be given permanent interment in the chapel of Andrew the First. It is a gloomy room of ancient Russian architecture, pillared and gilded with bysantine ornaments. The burial place is immediately behind the famous "Red staircase" of the Choudoff Monastery from which for centuries the Emperor and Empress have greeted their subjects after the coronation ceremonies and on great state occasions.

In spite of four days' diligent investigation, the police know practically no more concerning the assassin than when he was captured.

New York, Feb. 22.—A St. Petersburg despatch to the Herald dated Tuesday, says: "Grand Duke Alexis started for Moscow tonight. When remonstrated with, he replied, 'I am on the list of those condemned to death, so it does not matter. The Grand Duke Valdimar is too ill to go. The Emperor sent a representative to the frontier to meet Grand Duke Paull bearing all his uniforms and decorations and a message. He has been restored to full rank and all his titles and emoluments which were sequestrated at the time of his recent marriage.'"

"Dantchenko, the famous Russian war correspondent, and a friend of General Kuropatkin's, has made a sensational speech at the Hermitage restaurant in Moscow. He denounces the war as futile, benefitting the Burcaucrats only, and says it means ruin to Russia."

GRAND DUKE'S OBSEQUIES

St. Petersburg, Feb. 22. — Great arrangements for the obsequies of precautions are being taken in the Grand Duke Sergius, at Moscow, on Thursday *morning*, and in connection with the service at the chapel in the Alexander Palace at Tsarkoe-Selo at the same hour.

The attendance will be limited and the body of the Grand Duke will be interred in one of the several chapels of the *monastery* where it now lies.

Foreign sovereigns intending to send personal representatives and who in some cases have already designated them, have received an intimation that the presence of such representatives in the existing painful time would be embarassing. The Emperor's family, the ministers and ambassadors and immediate friends will be present only. The ambassadors will oat be admitted into the chapel at Tsarkoe-Selo. No secretaries or other embassy or legation attaches have been invited.

AT MOSCOW.

Moscow, Feb. 22.—Grand Duke Paul arrived here this morning and was met at the station by his two children, who had been under the care of the late Grand Duke Sergius and Grand Duchess Elizabeth.

DEMOCRATS DISCOUNTENANCE REVOLUTION

No Arms, No Money and No Leaders, and Other Countries Cannot be Relied On For Help

Warsaw, Russian Poland, Feb. 22.—The Polish national democratic party has issued a manifesto discountenancing a revolution. "There are no arms" says the document, "no money and no leaders; no aid can be expected from other countries. Austria is weak, France is Russia's ally and England is always practical. Therefore a revolution would only result in useless bloodshed. It is better to continue the work quietly and peacefully and attain our ends."

All the schools in the city are now closed except elementary schools for young children, the proprietors of private schools having decided to close owing to the uncertainty of the situation.

HORSES ARE KILLED

Halifax, N.S., Feb. 22.—The necessaries of life and fuel are short in many places in Caze Breton owing to railways being blocked with snow. Farmers are killing stock because food supplies cannot be obtained and many cases are reported of horses being shot for the same reason rather than have them starve.

McGRAITH DEAD.

Walla Walla, Wash, Feb. 22.—Jerry McGraith, a unique figure in the early history of the northwest, is dead at the county poor farm. McGraith gained considerable noboriety some years ago by filing a claim in San Francisco to the largest part of what is known as Washington and Isaho, under an old Spanish grant.

RATHBONE SISTERS' DANCE

The dance given at the opera house by the Rathbone Sisters last evening was a pronounced success, over forty couples being present. The ribbon matching was most successful and much amusement was experienced by the ladies and gentlemen in hunting for their partners. All were, of course matched to the satisfaction of everybody, and it was a very merry party that adjourned to the banquet room to enjoy the excellent supper provided by Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Tate.

The music furnished by Robertson's orchestra was as usual excellent, and it was past three o'clock this morning before the party broke, after having spent an enjoyable evening, unmarred by any hitch whatever.

THE IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT

PREMIER BALFOUR DECLINES DISCUSSING RUSSIANS

IRISH LEADER ASKS FOR TRUTH FROM WYNDHAM

(Associated Press Despatches.)

London, Feb. 22.—In the House of Commons today, James Kier Hardie, (Socialist) attempted to extract from Premier Balfour an expression of opinion of the recent events in Russia, especially the shooting of workmen at Warsaw, and asked if the government had any intention of making representations on the subject. The Premier, however, merely said: "We have received no confirmation of the story of the shooting of 120 workmen at Warsaw. I must decline to discuss affairs outside the province of the government of the House. It is absolutely impossible for the government to interfere in the national affairs of Russia or express any judgment of those affairs."

London, Feb. 22.—A lively scene at question time in the House of Commons today arose from the affair of Sir Anthony MacDonnell, (under secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.) The Nationalists were Heckling, Premier Balfour and Mr. Wyndham, chief Secretary for Ireland. In an effort to extract further information as to how far Mr. Wyndham was involved in what he has termed the under secretary's "indefensible" course connected with the devolution scheme, John Redmond, the Irish leader, turning to Mr. Wyndham said: "You might as well tell the truth at once."

WHISTLER EXHIBITION.

London, Feb. 22.—August E. Rodein, president of the International Society of the Painters, Sculptures and Engravers, opened the Whistler Exhibition today in a single sentence of French, declaring it open in memory of Whistler.

OVER A MILLION BURNED.

London, Feb. 22.—Longacre, the centre of the motor car and carriage industries of this city, was the scene of a disastrous fire today resulting in damage estimated at $1,250,000. Hundreds of automobiles which had jest been returned from the exhibition, which closed Monday, were destroyed. There were some exciting escapes of tenants who occupied flats above the warehouses.

POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

At the police commissioners' meeting yesterday morning, there were eleven applications received for the position of city policeman. As announced last evening, that of Mr. Wm. Hannay was considered the most suitable and he was accordingly appointed to the post.

The petition referred to the commissioners by the Council relating to the alleged house of ill-fame at the top of the hill, was dealt with, the commissioners deciding to take all possible steps to abate the nuisance if it can be ascertained that one exists.

AT THE ABBOTSFORD.

H. D. Evans, Duncans.
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Geo. Fletcher, Nanaimo.
A. E. Planta, Nanaimo.
D. P. Urquhart, Montreal.
J. H. Franck, Victoria.
M. P. Knight, Vancouver.
F. E. Hose, Vancouver.
W. Harrison, Victoria.
F. E. Neelands, Vancouver.
D. F. Dickson, Vancouver.

A CHALLENGE.

The young men at the Temperance Hotel, ever on the lookout for war, have informed the Ledger that they are desirous af playiog the newly organized Ladies Hockey team a match at any date that can be mutually agreed upon. The young men do not wish to flurry the ladies at all by hastening them, and are prepared to wait until the latter are io proper practice for the match. If the ladies wish it, they have no objection ta donnibg skirts for the occasion, and the Ledger believes that they will go so far as to wear wigs should the members of the L. L. H. club request it. No doubt the ladies will jump at the opportunity to display their skill at hockey and a reply to this challenge is anxiously awaited by the obliging young men.

TROUBLE TO MOVE THE TRAINS

AT MOSCOW TRAINS FOR GERMANY ARE HELD

ENTIRE RAILWAY SYSTEM IS BEING TIED UP

(Associated Press Despatches.)

Warsaw, Feb. 22.—Trains for Vienna are unable to leave Warsaw in consequence of the strike, which is expected to become general on the railroad. Later in the day all the employees of the Vienna railroad struck, and the entire traffic by direct route from Warsaw and Germany was suspended, the strikers forcibly preventing the bringing out of locomotives from the roundhouses.

Berlin, Feb. 22.—The Vowerts prints a special despatch without indicating the place from which it was sent, saying: "The whole Caucasus region is in revolution. Armenians, Russians and Circasuasians have formed a coalation against the Emperor of Russia and seized arms and even cannon from the Russian soldiery. They hold the governor of the district as a prisoner. The revolutionists are organizing camps outside the city."

St. Petersburg, Feb. 22.—The railroad strike situation is reported to be growing worse in the southwest, and private advices are said to show the existence of a reign of terror in Tillis and the Caucasus generally. Many murders by Armenians and Tartans are reported. Communication has been almost cut off, even the telegraphers striking, the few who are still at their keys being kept there with pistols at their heads. The railroad employees at Derpat struck yesterday.

DUFFY IN AUSTRALIA.

Melbourne, Feb. 22.—A. Duffy, the American runner, made his first appearance in Australian athletics here on Saturday, but finished second in both events in which he entered. In the 100-yard championship Duffy was defeated by Maeller, of Bendigo, time 10 2-5 secs. Morgan, of Melbourne, with five yards, beat the American, who started at scratch in the 75-yard handicap. Time, 7 2-5 seconds.

SERIOUS CHARGE.

Everett, Wash., Feb. 22.—Former city treasurer, George Holcomb, is under arrest here charged with embezzlement from the city of Everett, while treasurer, of the sum of $11,500.

SEARCH FOR DEAD CONTINUES

Estimated That 116 Perished in Virginia Mine Disaster

(Associated Press Despatches.)

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 22.— Two staff correspondents of the Birmingham News, who have just returned from the Virginia mines, say that when they left there this morning 48 bodies had been taken out.

A number of other bodies were in sight but could not be reached because of the water. The explosion broke the water pipes, flooding a large part of the mine, It is possible that some of the miners were drowned.

Forty-four bodies have been taken to Bessemer. In many instances it is impossible to identify the dead, so badly are they blackened, and mangled, and absolutely no hope is held out now of finding any one alive in the mine. It is said that the report that several men were tgken out alive, but afterwards died, are untrue. It is now stated that the muscles of three bodies relaxed when they were brought out, but there was pis is inquiring into the disaster, no life in the bodies. Coroner Pa- having already empannelled a jury. Newspaper men who have been making a close estimate of the number of men in the mine say there were one hundred and sixteen and there is no doubt that every man is dead. The work of recovering the bodies will be slow owing to the presence of water in the mine.

JAPS ASSEMBLE AT LIAO YANG

Are Constructing Twenty-five Torpedo Boat Destroyers—Strongly Reinforcing Korea

Siberian Railway Said to be Giving Way Under Strain--Will Cause Shortage of Provisions for Kuropatkin

(Associated Press Despatches.)

London, Feb. 22.—According to the Daily Telegraph's St. Petersburg despatch, the Siberian railway is giving away under the tremenduous strain under which it has been subjected. A general sagging of the rails and other serious defects are showing themselves and though the railway is only capable of carrying barely sufficient provisions for Gen. Kuropatkin's army, this becoming increasingly difficult, and the number of trains daily soon must be reduced.

Tokio, Feb. 22.—(10 a.m.) — The Japanese government has ordered the immediate construction of twenty-five torpedo boat destroyers. Fifteen are to be built in the government yards and ten in private yards. It is reported that a steamer bound for Vladivostock has been caught and held in the ice in Ezo strait between the islands of Kunashiri and Hokaido since Feb. 17. The name of the steamer has not been ascertained.

Mukden, Feb. 22.—From reports of scouts, the Japanese have constructed three lines of narrow gauge railways from Beiuligai to Padyaza or Houbaihill and from Shakhe to Sinchinpu. The staffs of Field Marshal Oyama and Generals Kuroki and Oku are at Liao Yang, which is *strongly fortified*. The Ninth Division, commanded by Gen. Nogi, has arrived at Liao Yang, and the first division is now arriving there. The reports that the Japanese are reinforcing Korea, are true. Chinese say siege guns are being used.

STILL SHOOTING.

Tokio, Feb. 22.—The headquarters of the Japanese armies in Manchuria reports a continuance of the Russian bombardment of various parts of the Japanese line. The Russians recently placed a number of heavy guns at Chiacia Tun, which is two miles west of Taimountain. Scouts of both armies collided west of Shahopao on Monday night. A sharp fight took place.

DAMAGE RAILROAD.

Tien Tsin, Oeb. 22.—About 300 Russian raiders reached and slightly damaged the railway between Haicheng and Tatachekiao on Monday night and again disregarded the neutrality of the territory west of the Liao River. The presence of Chinese soldiers was not reported.

It is evident that the villages keep the Russians well informed as to the position of the Japanese troops. The damage to the railway was immediately repaired.

ORDERED BACK.

Admiral Nicholas is said to be dissatisfied with the conduct of General *Grippenberg in Manchuria*, and he has not only sustained General Kuropatkin, but has ordered General Grippenburg to return to his post. It is gossip in court circles that General Grippenberg's face was far from cheerful when he left the Emperor's cabinet. add war—

SHARP FIGHTING

St. Petersburg, Feb. 22.—A telegram from Huan Mountain, Manchuria, says sharp fighting occurred February 20th in the Zinchen Mountain district.

FOURTEEN KILLED.

The Russian losses in the outpost skirmish southwards of Tzenti Pass were 14 killed and 63 wounded.

PROSPECTS OF PEACE

Influential Russian Personages Desire Settlemsnt of Strife

(Associated Press Despatches.)

Paris, Feb. 22.— Russia has not given any indication to France that she is ready to take up the question of peace, and therefore the authorities here do not feel qualified to discuss the St. Petersburg reports. The reports are explained substantially as follows: The peace sentiment has lately been steadily augumenting throughout Russia, particularly outside St. Petersburg and within recent days some of the influential personages in St. Petersburg have sought to impress responsible officials that the time has arrived to take definite action. The Russian foreign office has not shown willingness to accept the peace view, however, though the reports are considered to be hopeful sign of tendency in the highest quarters towards peace. The officials of the Japanese legation incline to the view that reports were designed to sound official sentiment of Japan. They express a strong personal conviction that prior to determining detailed terms it will be indispensible to settle the main principle that the terms will insure peace in the Far East for many years to come. The Japanese position is said to be quite definite against arranging a peace which would permit Russia to rehabilate herself. The legation considers that indemnity is equitable as Japan has expended treble the amount of the cost of the China war in upholding principles which St. Petersburg reports indicate that Russia is now disposed to recognize.

MURDERER EXECUTED.

Crown Point, Ind., Feb. 22.— Adward Donohue, murderer of Aminter Northrup, of Boston Harbor, paid the penalty by taking his own life. The jury brought in a verdict of guilty. Donohue received the verdict with little or no emotion. Northrup was murdered in this county in February last year.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

Philadelphia, Feb. 22.— President Roosevelt and party arrived here this forenoon to attend the Washington Birthday exercises at the University of Pennsylvania, where he will deliver an address to the students and where the degree of Doctor of Laws will be conferred on him.

LATEST NEWS FROM VICTORIA

The Penalties Clause Defeated in Committee--Smelter Bill Not Become A Law

At 2.45 today Parker Williams, M. P. for Newcastle district, was called up over the 'phone from The Ledger office and very kindly gave us the following information relative to bills in which there is so much local interest taken and which are at present under discussion, viz: the Hawthornthwait amendment to the eight hour act and known as the Penalties Clause, and the Smelter eight-hour bill.

Of the former bill, the eight-hour law goes into effect in June, 1905, and was enacted a year ago. The amendment to which coal mining companies take exception is the severe penalty attached to allowing any employee to work more than eight hours in any twenty-four. A minimum fine of $25 and a maximum of $100 for each infraction of the law being imposed. This fine also is to apply to any miner working as well as to the employers.

It will be readily seen that if a shift of 400 men worked a half hour over time, or were more than eight hours from bank to bank, a fine of $40,000 on the company might be imposed and the same individually on the men.

This clause, or *amendment*, we are informed, is the one to which the companies taue exception, and it was last evening defeated in committee. In other words, it is killed.

The Smelter bill, which provides that no company shall allow an employee to work more than eight hours under penalty, is being discussed today, and very warmly. Mr. Williams says the vote may be close. Other information leads us to believe that the bill will be overwhelmingly defeated. The Ladysmith delegation, consisting of Mayor Coburn, Alderman Haworth, Mr. Allan, secretary of the Board of Trade, and George Hannay, secretary of the Socialist local, had a very pleasant interview with the Nanaimo and Newcastle members, and the best of feeling prevailed. Mayor Coburn is returning home today, while the balance of the committee will remain over.

Mr. Williams states that the Attorney-General, Mr. McInnes, and others state that the bill to come into effect in June carries sufficient in the way of penalties without being amended. There may be, Mr. Williams states, efforts made to repeal the entire act.

At any rate, conditions as they now apparently are will not affect us locally, as was feared yesterday might become the case.

The Hawthornthwait amendment was negotiated by the following votes, four being Conservatives and ten being Liberals:

Messrs. McInnes, Tallow, Drury, Cotton, King, Clifford, Jones, Grant, Tanner, Oliber, J. A. Macdonald, Munro, Paterson, Hall and Cameron. The whole section as amended was also rejected by a similar vote.

STOP AND THINK.

Sometimes in small cities there is an inclination to blame every councilman from the Mayor down if there is a hole in the sidewalk, a bad mud hole, undesirable neighbors or unpleasant conditions of any kind in the city. Put yourselves in their places. The revenue is small and taxes must not be unduly increased. There is a good place to spend a hundred dollars for every one they have to spend on public improvements They are working for nothing and doing all a reasoning intelligent council can do.

Good things come slowly. It is more sensible, if there is a loose board on the sidewalk you travel over to take five minutes and nail it down, than to waste time in complaints about the carelessness of the Council.

Fortunately, this advice does not apply as much in Ladysmith as in many other cities and towns. We have not many "kickers," but just a few.

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WILL WELCOME PEACE.

There seems to be good reasons for the continuous reports that Russia will soon sue for peace and that some nation, most likely France, will be asked to use its good offices to secure a hearing for proposals for a settlement of the questions now in dispute. The Czar of peace is still disclaimed by the Russian press but not as vehemently as heretofore, and all indications point to a termination of the unjust, unnecessary and cruel war. Japan was forced to take up the gage of battle so disdainfully flung down by the Bear. Russia had not the slightest conception of the tact, bravery, skill and endurance of the Japanese. Japan has been one family and all talked, worked and fought for victory. How great the contrast between the nations at home. Japan with her 40,000,000 of people in their island domain, all with one voice upholding the government, and the Emperor, worshiped as almost more than human; every man ready to die for his country. And the contrast! Brave Russian soldiers, who fight fearlessly, who will charge into the very jaws of death at their officers' commands but who have no love for the cause and no actual knowledge of events. They fight because trained to do so, but behind them, instead of having generals as have their opponents, who are loyal one to the other and all to the Czar and country, are intriguing and plotting for the downfall of their superiors in order to advance themselves.

At home the conditions are most horrible. Internal dissentions, assassinations and open revolt against the authorities, until Russia, covering as it does, more than ten per cent. of the earth's surface, and with its population of more than 110,000,000 of people, is a seething, boiling caldron of discontent and revolt.

It seems only reasonable to suppose that conditions at home will soon affect the army at the front. Already it is reported that Kuropatkin is keeping his army on the move to keep them occupied in order that insubordination may be kept in check. This cannot continue many weeks; peace must come soon, and for humanity's sake it cannot come too soon.

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HOW TO GET RID OF MONEY.

When the modern Croesus makes up his mind to die poor he doesn't often turn of founding libraries, as Andrew Carnegie has done. More generally he goes in for something absolutely useless. Often spending reckless marks his course. most millionaires have hobbies more or less costly. Someone over in London has recently made up a striking list of these reckless spenders of money.

A young Greek gentleman managed to get rid of his immense fortune in two years. Having a theory that the center of the earth was made entirely of gold, he purchased machinery to the value of fifteen thousand pounds, with the idea of drilling at each 100 feet to excavate round the opening and then start again at the bottom and so on. At the end of two years he had spent 70,000 pounds.

Mad Mytton, the famous fox-hunting squire, was the most expensive spendthrift of the present century. When only 19, he spent 3,000 pounds in one day. On one occasion, he paid a poulterer 1,500 pounds for pheasants. He invariably traveled with loose bank notes on the seat beside him, which were blown away by the wind all over the country.

Once he made a hand ball of some bank notes and aimed them at some one who had displeased him. He ran through his inheritance with a rent roll of 60,000 pounds, in addition to half a million accumulated during his minority, and died a bankrupt at the age of 38.

Driving a cab in London is a man who has had an extraordinary career. The son of a wealthy Yorkshire family, he soon developed a passion for gambling, which ruined him and forced him to resign his commission in the army. While half starving in a wretched garret he received the news that he had inherited 1,000 pounds and the income from 50,000 pounds on condition that he gave up gambling.

He was watched, and while the will was even being proved, he was found in a gambling haunt, where he had lost 100 pounds raised on the strength of the bequest. So he forfeited a fortune before he had lain his hands on a penny.

The Marquis of Hastings stands out as perhaps the most absolutely reckless spendthrift ever known. At 21 years of age he came into control of estates worth 30,000 pounds a year, which, to use his own words, literally "melted away." The turf first took up his attention. He gave 12,000 pounds for Kangaroo, the highest price but one ever given for a race horse and proceeded to bet on the most enormous scale.

He "dropped" 103,000 pounds Hermit won the Derby, in addition to 80,000 pounds over another race.

He delighted in throwing dice at 100 pounds a throw, tossing for 50 pound notes, cutting cards for 200 a cut. In one evening he won 10,400 pounds at hazard, and the next lost 79,000 pounds. In six short years he gambled away a princely estate in Ayrshire and his magnificent home at Donnington, Yorkshire.

Another marquis—Allesbury—owed 185,000 pounds before he came of age. He would frequently write a cheque for 1,500 pounds in the morning, and be without a penny before the day was over.

With estates worth 60,000 pounds per annum, seven years at this rate of living having sufficed to ruin him. Before his death, he was forced to accept the hospitality of his agent, and eke out existence on the paltry sum of 20 pounds a week.

G. A. Baird, better known as Abington Baird, did all in his power to ruin himself, but as his income exceeded 250,000 a year, and he died when he was 32, he did not succeed. other "characters," whom he domi- His money went on publists and ciled and provided with pocket money to the tune of 1,550 pounds a week. His devices to make his money fly were varied and ingenious.

Several dozens of bottles of the finest champagne would be opened and after he and his cronies had had one glass out of each bottle, the rest would be thrown away. With the idea of changing his luck, he dropped an opal pin—worth 220 pounds—over Westminster Bridge. A single suit of pearls, which he presented to a lady cost 17,000 pounds.

Millionaires frequently lavish enormous sums on the fitting up of their bedrooms, and there is a house in London on the principal bedroom of which the sum of 60,000 pounds was expended. The desire to hold a monopoly in wines is another characteristic of the average millionaires.

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RUGBY.

e following article appeared in a t issue of the London Field res- ng the late Dr. Mitchell, of Van- er, who was a well known foot- r:

e death is reported from Victor- a player of the rugby game who t claim to be regarded as one e most skilful and resolute backs has ever worn the English cav. Mitchell was educated at Broms- e School, Worcester, and Caius ge, Cambridge, where his resi- began in 1884. Although he d a place in the University fi- as a three-quarter in his second and went through a tour in shire and Lancashire in that ca- , it was not until a few days the Oxford and Cambridge of 1886 that he was tried in osition which he afterwards fil- ith so much eclat. A fine per- nce against the Bradford fifteen him his "blue," and he had atisfaction of playing in a win- game between Messrs. J. Le ng, M. M. Duncan, E. B. Brut- W. R. M. Leake, and M. T. In the following spring he chosen to represent Cambridge e University sports at Lillie e as a weight-putter. Entering y's Hospital, he made his mark in Association football, and he d for Richmond at three-quarter couple of sessions, as well as London against the Western ies. In 1888 no international es were played in England, but Mitchell was chosen for the against the North, and on the ption of friendly relations be- the four Rugby unions he was in 1890 to act as full-back for English team, a position which ecorded to him without hesita- thenceforth until the end of the 1890-91. Although he was than once on the losing side, no of the responsibility for defeat be laid upon him, and he was icuous for good defence even at mond in 1891, when the Scottish gained so decisive a victory. gh he was not always distin- ed for long kicking, he rarely to find touch, and his well-tim- neat and courageous tackling compare in its way with that most celebrated precursors, rs. Tristram and Taylor. In ing rushes of fast forwards on grounds he had no superior. Mr. hell was a member of the team made a tour of South Africa in , and on his return continued to good service for the Richmond. He played once more for Eng against Scotland in 1893, at s, and, on very wet ground, y did himself justice.

THE MAT.

ank Gotch, the champion wrest- is still talking about taking up lism, his ambition being to get ch shape that he can meet Jas. effries in a twenty-four foot ring n has made this declaration be- but his mind is now made up, e has completed all arrange- s to engage Kid McCoy to give his training ability in the manly as well as show him how to use hands to the proper advantage. ile receiving the congratulations his many friends at the Hollen- Hotel, Gotch made the remark he would be ready to take up sm in a few weeks. have reached the limit in the tling game," said he. "What American has a chance with n the mat since I defeated Jen- To-day I am champion, but myself in the same position as es; no fit opponent to meet me y style of wrestling, the catch- ch-can style. True, Hacken- schmidt the Russian Lion, is coming to America, and wants to meet me, but his style is Greaco-Roman He will not wrestle the catch-as-catch-can style, and you can bet your last dollar that I will not meet him at Graeco-Roman style."

LADIES' HOCHEY.

Included in the secretary's minutes of the meeting of the ladies' hockey club on Monday evening last is the following:

Moved by Miss ——, seconded by Miss ——, that this meeting pass a resolution pronouncing Messrs —— and —— positive darlings. Carried with much enthusiasm.

The exact reason why two young gentlemen should suddenly come in for such a large amount of the young ladies' affection could not at first be grasped; consequently inquiries were made, and it was found that they are certainly deserving of the love of the young ladies for they have promised to cut from the bush nice hockey sticks for Friday's practice. They appear to be more than rewarded by the above generous resolution. It is hoped that the ladies will always appreciate and repay in this manner the services they receive from their friends' brothers and their brothers' friends.

LACROSSE.

"Bouse" Hutton, the clever lacrosse and hockey goal keeper of Ottawa and Brantford, will go to Chicago in the spring, and will probably manage and play on a professional lacrosse team, says an Eastern exchange.

Hutton has also a stellar reputation as a hockeyist.

"I am going to Chicago," declared Hutton, recently. "I leave Ottawa next month." The Chicagos will join the lacrosse league now being formed across the border. "Bouse" Hutton is about 23 years of age, and played his first senior match when about 18 years of age.

NO JOKES IN NEBRASKA.

A Nebraska editor said silver buckles on garters were becoming fashionable and he hoped to see more of them. His wife sued for a divorce and the only woman in town who had silver buckles on her garters cowhided the poor editor until he was as raw as a potato.—The Commonwealth

WISE UNCLE EBEN.

"De races is gone," said Uncle Eben, "but dey is merely gwine off a while so's to give the foolish money a chance to accumulate."—Chicago Journal.

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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 one 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 upon the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. 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 square; entry fee, $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 rivet 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 one 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 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 the 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 general direction of the creek or gulch length, measured on the base line or the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 250 feet square.

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 out put of which no royalty shall be chargen, 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 640 acres.

Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well and such other land as may be determined, will be sold to the discoverer at the rate of $1.00 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by order-in-council.

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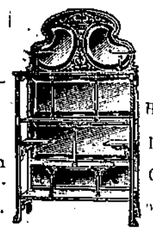

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Mr. Davis, of Nanaimo, was in town today.

Miss Clarke was a passenger to Nanaimo on the noon train.

Mr. F. D. Pelky, went up to Nanaimo on the 12 o'clock train.

Mrs. B. Weinrobe will leave shortly for Cumberland where she will stay for some weeks in charge of the Weinrobe store at that place.

Dentist Quinlan left yesterday for Nanaimo on his way to Cumberland where he will spend a week or two in doing dental work.

The funeral of Robt. Brechin, who at the time of his death was the organizer of the Loyal Orange Lodge, was a most impressive one. The services taking place at his late residence on Keefer Street, Vancouver. Delegations from the Orange, Oddfellows and other lodges being in attendance.

The body of the Rev. J. R. Roberts was embalmed at Chemainus by Hilbert, of Nanaimo, and taken to Cooper Island for burial. Mr. Roberts was a cousin of Lord Roberts, Commander-in-chief of the British forces, and was a man of sterling qualities, kind-hearted and beloved by all who knew him. He came to British Columbia nearly a quarter of a century ago.

EARLY CLOSING.

The Ledger has been informed that Messrs. Drysdale-Stevenson's local store will be closed after March 1st, at 6 p.m. In making the announcement, this firm is acting in accordance with the rule observed at the other stores in the province.

The plan is in every respect an excellent one. During the summer very few people have buying to do after six o'clock, and it gives the young men and ladies employed in the store a chance of getting a few hours to themselves after a hard day's work. No doubt the other large stores in the town will follow this good example, and the rule will, during the summer, become a general one in the city.

Ainsleys Magazine for March at Knight's Book Store.

THE CHECKER TOURNAMENT

The Ladysmith Checker Club will endeavor to give their Nanaimo friends a warm welcome on Saturday evening. It is reported that the Nanaimo players, since their defeat a few weeks ago by the Ladysmith men have gone into training and under the care of Mr. Musgrave and by directions obtained from his dreambook, are greatly stimulating their brain power; fish being on their bill of fare each meal, and the phosphorous that is thus assimilated is expected to make clear to their brains, the deep plots and traps of their wily opponents.

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LOOKS PROMISING.

It is generally understood that coal shipments from Vancouver Island collieries will gradually increase from this time on, and that Australian coal will not be shipped to San Francisco in the same quantities hereafter that it has been during the past year. All people familiar with the conditions state that no sooner is Wellington coal to be had in San Francisco for domestic purposes than it is eagerly ordered, being considered very much superior to any other coal in the market. This ought to make shipments, and the securing of contracts by the companies exporting from Vancouver Island easier than heretofore of late, and Ladysmith, Nanaimo and Comox should all prosper.

In Ladysmith, we have strong hopes of securing reasonable government grants for needed buildings both by the Dominion and Provincial governments. The mining and smelting outlook is very promising and improved conditions in the lumber interests are looked for with confidence. Ladysmith should go ahead nicely this season.

OUR SCHOOL DELEGATE.

Mr. Dugan, of Vancouver, who is Western agent for some large eastern publishing houses, is in town today. During a call at the Ledger office Mr. Dugan, who is a member of the Vancouver school board and for many years a teacher, paid Ladysmith's member of the school board, who recently represented Ladysmith city schools at the Vancouver convention, a thoroughly good compliment. He said that Mr. Carroll's remarks and suggestions were among the most sensible of any delegate present. It was stated by the chairman of the Victoria board, by a Westminster delegate and by others that Mr. Carroll possessed a thorough and practical knowledge of school affairs. His remarks were timely and to the point. "No delegate at the convention," said Mr Dugan, "was listened to with more attention than was the one from Ladysmith."

S.S. Selkirk is in at the wharf today.

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Collier Titania is in for a cargo of coal.

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Hulk Japan is back from Comox for a cargo of dross for the coke ovens.

EASY MONEY.

Jack Carkeek, ex-champion wrestler of the world and Joe Carroll, former manager of Frank A. Gotch, today signed articles for a wrestling match to take place in Bellingham about March 9.

Carkeek is to throw Carroll three times in an hour. On Saturday night Carrol lost a handicap match with Fred. Gusdon. He failed to throw Gudson twice in an hour, getting only one fall.

IS HE A POACHER.

At the South Carnarvan Fishery Board the question was raised whether the board had power to refuse to an angler who by means of the worm, caught from 80 to 100 trout a day. It was felt that this rate he was bound to harm the rivers and the clerk was asked to look up the point raised.

SANG AT HIS OWN FUNERAL.

It is reported that at the recent funeral service held in the Cathedral of Cork over the body of a local merchant, who was well known during his life as the possessor of a magnificent baritone voice, a phonograph was placed over his coffin, and as soon as the religious ceremony had terminated, the voice of the deceased was heard singing the final Requiem of the Absolution. The record cylinder will be preserved for the anniversary mass, and the same scene is to be enacted every year.

COUNTESS EJECTS NURSE.

The affairs of the Countess of Montignoso, former wife of King Augustus of Saxony, took a dramatic turn recently.

For some time the countess had suspected that her German nurse was planning to abduct the little princess and place her in the care of her father, the king. To-day, under the pretext that the German consul was waiting to see the nurse at the gate of the villa where the countess is residing, the latter led Mahote to the gate. Then, quickly pushing the nurse outside and closing and locking the gate, the countess cried: "Go to your master, spy?"

Entering the house, the countess ordered all of Mahote's belongings thrown out of the window to the street.

The nurse protested against her ejectment, but unavailingly, and later applied to a locksmith to aid her in re-entering the villa, saying she had lost her key. The locksmith declined.

Failing to enlist the locksmith's assistance, Mahote went to Dr. Koerner, a Dresden lawyer, who came here recently to demand that the Countess Montognoso release the custody of the Prince Anna to King Frederick Augustus, and he in company with the German consul returned with her to the villa, where they found all the bell wires cut. Dr. Koerner appealed to the police, but was told that they could not enter a private house without the orders of the court.

The people in the vicinity of the villa have been intensely interested in the royal domestic drama, and many of them say they will personally oppose any attempt of violence against the former crown princess.

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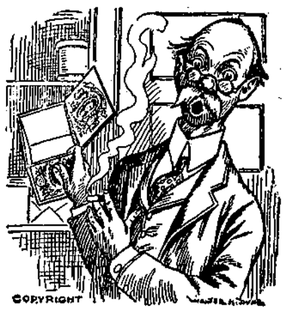

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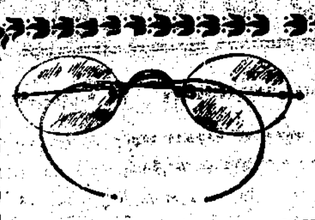

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