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THREE MONTHS HARD.

Such Was the Sentence a Sneak Thief Received Thursday.

"This sneak thieving must be stopped. People living in hotels must be protected from such men as you. It should not be necessary for them to keep their goods and chattels under lock and key. From the evidence I can come to no other conclusion but that you are guilty. You are sentenced to three months' imprisonment at hard labor." In these terse words Magistrate Haig pronounced sentence, and Chas. Sterling, convicted thief, with bowed head and shamed face was led away to his cell.

The man Sterling had been convicted of entering a room at the Oriental hotel and taking a watch from a sleeping man, Thos. Mahood, in broad daylight. He was detected leaving the hotel shortly after committing the theft, and the case was worked up and handled by Policeman Shaw, who deserves great credit for his work in connection with it.

Alex. McRae appeared for the prosecution; the prisoner decided to stand trial before the magistrate rather than wait till the next session of the county court, and defended himself. He told a cock and bull story about having bought the watch, but the evidence against him was conclusive, and he was convicted and sentenced.

MINING FLOAT.

Picked from the Trout Lake Topic Outcroppings.

The returns from the shipment of 120 sacks of ore from the Ethel this fall netted $370.51. Placing the average weight of the sacks at 100 pounds, the shipment would amount to about six tons, which has therefore returned $61.75 clear profit per ton. Considering the very high freight rates to the smelter, this is a very good showing indeed, and should encourage the present lessees in their efforts to develop the property.

The Cyclone group of four claims on Great Western mountain is a property that is likely to spring into fame in the near future. The lead, which is quartz 5 feet in thickness, contains 24 inches of clean galena and 18 inches of concentrates assaying $23 silver, $4.60 gold and 41 per cent. lead. The owners of this property are Messrs. Orr and Goldsmith.

On the Eva group in the Fish Creek camp preparations are being made to drive two tunnels of 200 ft. each on the vein, crosscuts to be extended right and left at intervals of 50 feet in order to thoroughly sample the ledge.

S. Daney's pack train started out with a load for the Silver Queen this week, but could not get through on account of the snow. He is now rawhiding from the Broadview.

A ton of ore at one shot was brought down recently in the workings of the Nettie L. This large mass was almost solid grey copper.

D. Orr and G. Goldsmith recently sold a half interest in the Sirdar group on the divide between Boyd and Lexington creeks to J. H. Scott of London. The property has a remarkably fine showing, giving returns on the average of $250 in copper and silver.

A large force of men are now working at the Beatrice. The work on the trail to the mine is being pushed from both ends, but on account of the difficulty of the work it is not expected that it will be completed for ten days yet.

The men are now in 80 feet on the Rob Roy and Highland Chief, two claims owned by the Scottish Canadian M. & D. Co.

New Sanitarium.

Thomas Tompkins, the well known C. P. R. contractor, is interested in some mineral springs discovered not long since near Albert Canyon. The water has been analyzed by experts and found to be of most unusually high quality. He is now contemplating the erection of a large bottling works and sanitarium. If this is done work will be commenced as soon as possible after January 1, and the building erected will be on a large scale. It is understood that all the plans have been prepared and are now under consideration by Mr. Tompkins.

Small Registration.

Last night there were only about 225 voters registered on the municipal roll. The list closes to-night. Very few householders have registered, and it seems as though many would not avail themselves of the franchise. It should be remembered that neither a ratepayer nor a householder can be registered as a voter unless he has paid the road tax for 1899.

BENGOUGH.

The Veteran Cartoonist Delights a Large Audience.

Bengough's crayon sketches and inimitable recitations and stories entertained several hundred people in the opera house Wednesday evening, every one of whom were immensely pleased with the man and his work. In every way the evening's entertainment, furnished by the ladies of the Presbyterian church, was a success, and they are to be congratulated on giving the people of the city an opportunity to have a hearty laugh. His sketches of local subjects were good and evoked roars of laughter and applause.

The cartoonist first sketched a small boy on a toboggan starting down the hill of life. He emphasized the importance of the boy starting right, as he would travel fast, and, with a few deft strokes of the crayon, a red-nosed drunkard looked out at the audience, who watched the cartoon grow from the ordinary drunkard into the veriest bum that ever walked the Bowery.

He drew a Scotchman in kilt and plaid, with a running comment on the Scotch character, and with the richest burr told the story of Scotty Airlie's courtship: "I was in for it. That's how I got her."

A few moments sufficed to change the canny Scot into a new woman in knickers, and but a few more built a diamond frame wheel under her and she was speeding down the street, with everything, even the dogs, scurrying out of her way.

Mr. Bengough is almost as good an Irishman as he is a Scotchman; this was proved by his rendition of "Dooley on the Transvaal War."

One of our local physicians was next sketched in the act of diagnosing the case of a love-sick dude; the audience evidently thought the physician was all right in cases of this kind.

A "Pastoral Call" followed, which was not well received.

A sketch of John Bull and Uncle Sam was the next number, with a recitation in the best barrack room ballad style.

"Our Next Mayor" received the attention of the cartoonist, and R. Tapping appeared, marching steadily to the mayor's chair, carrying a banner inscribed, "Municipal ownership of electric lights," and placarded "Economy." Several pairs of feet were also depicted appearing in the soup tureen, but it could only be imagined if Mr. Tapping's were among them.

"The Tramp," an effective recitation in Mr. Bengough's best style, closed the evening's program. The sketches were afterward auctioned off, that of Mr. Tapping bringing the top price, $1.05.

Provincial Voters' List.

There were but 133 names added to the provincial voters' list at the last sitting of the court of revision, the first part of November. Since that time the collector of votes has received about 200 applications for registration, but the names of these applicants can not be placed on the roll until the next sitting of the court, which will not be held until next May. This state of affairs is due to the failure of the government to properly advertise the sitting of the court. Instead of advertising in the press, the vote collectors were instructed to post notices in at least five public places in the district. This was done, but in this close of the nineteenth century the people have neither the time nor the inclination to stop and read notices posted on the doors of the government buildings. That method might have worked all right one hundred years ago, but it won't go now. Should an election, either provincial or Dominion, be ordered before the next revision of the lists, there would be 200 men in this district without a vote. Complaints of the same character have been received from other parts of the province. This state of affairs could have been avoided by a few dollars invested in printer's ink.

A Government Smelter Advocated.

EDITOR KOOTENAY MAIL:

It may not be policy for B. C. legislators to talk government ownership of railways (for it is a matter which the Dominion government must deal with) but the operation, by the provincial government of one complete institution for the entire treatment of ores wholly in B. C., whether as an experimental one or otherwise, would be a step in the right direction. If the Dominion government can make paying propositions out of defunct creameries in Alberta, the provincial government can make a profitable institution out of every white elephant smelter in B. C. The government operation of smelters in this province would provide employment for all the people of Canada if they wished it.

PROGRESS.

The City Council

As a result of the persistent fight for it made by the MAIL, at last night's session of the city council a lodging-house by-law was introduced which is calculated to regulate the Chinese dens. This victory for health and morality is scored.

There were present, Ald. Wells, Kilpatrick, Brown, Graham, McKechnie and Crage. In the absence of the mayor, Ald. Wells was voted to the chair.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The finance and public works and property committees recommed that lots 11 and 12, block 7, (corner of Robeby avenue and Second streets) be procured for the drill hall.

The committee of public works and property recommend that $15 be appropriated to level Boyle avenue between Victoria road and First street and to build stairway on McKenzie avenue to lot 1, block 26.

The finance and general executive committee beg to report as follows: They would recommend that the Revelstoke Company of the Rocky Mountain Rangers receive a grant of $10 per month for two months, and would recommend the continuance of the grant to the incoming council. The committee regret that the financial arrangements for the rest of the year 1899 will not admit of a grant to the City Band; they would recommend the most worthy object to the incoming council.

The reports of committees were adopted as read.

Ald. Graham asked if it is the intention of the council to do anything about building the Douglas street crossing this year.

After some discussion, Ald. Graham moved, seconded by Ald. Brown, that public works committee be instructed to complete crossing on Douglas street.

Ald. Kilpatrick said he would like to know if there is sufficient money on hand for this work.

Ald. McKechnie did not think the crossing was of immediate necessity.

Ald. Graham spoke saying that crossing would lessen distance for hauling of wood, which will have to be brought across the river.

Ald. Brown thought this work very desirable to be done. Money appropriated for gravelling streets had not been all used, balance should be devoted to crossing.

Ald. Kilpatrick said he had favored crossing when first brought up, but finance committee reported lack of funds; he did not see where they had come from since.

Motion was put and carried.

City solicitor said that agreement had been drawn up between the city and the Revelstoke Water, Light & Power company and were to be signed by manager of company.

By-law regulating lodging houses was introduced and received its three readings. A by-law respecting voters' list was also read.

Ald. Crage made application for leave of absence for one month. Leave was granted.

Council adjourned to meet Monday at 10 a.m.

MERRY SCOTCHMEN.

Do Honor to Their Patron Saint on Thursday Night.

"Say, we were just plum full of good things when we left for home this morning," said one of four braw Scotchmen yesterday, "but I wish my head would stop aching."

Revelstoke Scotchmen can not let St. Andrew's night pass without some kind of a celebration, and Thursday night's was the most successful of any ever had in the city, though the affair was largely impromptu. "A few of the finest" decided Thursday afternoon that they would have a supper and Mine Host Brown of the Union hotel got a great hustle on and at 8 o'clock last night some fifteen or twenty sat down to one of the finest spreads ever given in town. There was no haggis, owing to the short time for preparation, but everything else needful for a good time was provided. Part of the good cheer consisted of hot punch and other soft drinks, over which the banqueters made merry; everything Scotch was toasted, and almost every Scotch song known was sung. All things, good as well as bad, must have an end, and in this case the end was reached about 3 o'clock yesterday morning.

Fraternal Greetings to Brither Scots.

The evening of St. Andrew's Day must have been one of acute agony to telegraph operators all over Canada and especially those of Irish nationality and therefore unfamiliar with the intricacies of the real article of Scotch dialect. The wires were kept hot from one end of this broad Dominion to the other with messages the full meaning of which not blue Scotsmen really understood, and of some it might be said that it took an erudite Caledonian to grasp fully.

The Vancouver Scotchmen sent the following to the Revelstoke sons of Auld Scotia:

Tae a' leal Scots wha' honor bonnie Andra's day, greetings frae true brith o' the Terminal City.

The replies were:

The sonsie chiels o' Revelstoke kind greetings send and a' that.

H. A. BROWN,
President St. Andrew's Society.

Reply:

Hearty greetings frae the Scotch chiel amang the Hielands o' the wild west.

J. B. SMITH.

Women Conductors.

There are seven young women conductors on the street cars of Chillicothe, Ohio, and five at Vincennes, Ind. They work nine hours a day and receive $1 a week for it.

W. M. Lawrence has always on hand pipe and pipe fittings. o

SLIGHTY PREMATURE.

Settlement of Labor Troubles Not Yet Complete.

Despite the assurance that was given last week of the immediate settlement of the Slocan labor difficulty, complications have since arisen to prolong the negotiations and make the settlement less of a general character than was at first expected. Just what the difficulty is no one seems to know, but there is every indication that the matter will be settled and work resumed on the big properties within a week. Since the premature publication of the reported settlement last week the union members and the mine managers have been more reticent in giving information and very little can be learned of their proceedings, though they are in conference almost daily. The end is surely close at hand, and may be looked for any day.

LAST NIGHT'S CONCERT

Was One of the Best Things Ever Heard in Revelstoke.

The Smiley concert last night was attended by a fair-sized audience, which was well pleased with the entertainment furnished. It was a complete success in every way. Mr. Smiley's humorous monologues kept his hearers in a continual roar of laughter, while his rendition of Tennyson's "Revenge" was heartily applauded.

Miss Ella Bridgeland is probably the best contralto ever heard in Revelstoke, and she always received an encore. Miss Walker was equally well received.

THE RINK.

A Magnificent Building to be Erected at Once.

Tenders are now being asked for the erection of the rink, a building 100x150 feet in size, with an addition running along one side 15x150, for waiting rooms, dressing rooms, etc. The structure will have a trussed roof, thus doing away with the necessity of using posts. The main rink will be 60x150, with curling rinks 20x150 on each side. The work will begin at once. This rink will cost, roughly speaking, $5,000.

Drills This Month.

Revelstoke Company of the Rocky Mountain Rangers will drill in the opera house on the following nights in December:

Monday, December 4.
Monday, December 11.
Monday, December 18.
Wednesday, Dec. 20, (2nd squad only)
Wednesday, December 27.

In case the opera house is being used for entertainments on the regular nights the drill will take place on the following evening.

GRIP AND PASSWORD.

Elections—The Maxwell Fund—Election Adjourned.

Elections, initiations and conferring of degrees have kept the city lodges busy this week.

K. OF P.

Election of officers for next term was adjourned till next Wednesday night owing to small attendance at last meeting.

Local knights have contributed liberally to the Maxwell relief fund.

Chancellor Commander Gill and Mrs. Gill were "at home" to the knights Thursday night. A good time hardly expresses it.

At the last meeting of Gold Range lodge, A. C. Thompson, P. C., in a few words bade the lodge and knights good-bye. Many expressions of regret at his departure and good wishes for his success wherever he might locate were received by the departing knight.

Gold Range lodge conferred the page rank on a stranger Wednesday. Esquire rank next week.

FORESTERS.

Local Foresters are having a warm time these days. Thirteen candidates were initiated last Monday night and the bear will be let loose on about as many more next meeting.

B. R. Campbell returned this week from Golden, where he spent a couple of weeks putting new life into Court Kicking Horse. He secured 21 candidates and saw them well on their way through the forest.

With a view to encouraging a larger growth in membership and to create a record for the closing month of the year that will eclipse the work of any previous month in the history of the order, it has been decided that every member in good standing who secures the initiation in his court during the month of December of one new Regular Beneficiary Member, will have his court dues for the next twelve months reduced by the amount of his extension of the order tax, and the court will be relieved from the payment of the extension of the order tax for such member during the year 1900.

I. O. O. F.

Selkirk lodge initiated a candidate last meeting and conferred one degree. Both initiation and degree work will be on the floor next week.

Officers for Selkirk lodge next year will be:

N. G.—Bert Hanbury.
V. G.—Peter Hooley.
Secretary—James Mathie.
Treasurer—R. Gordon.

Revelstoke lodge had no floor work on this week. It is expected that next week's meeting will be a busy one, when several degrees will be conferred. Thursday night's meeting was adjourned for one week for the election of officers. After the election the regular order of business will be taken up.

L. O. L.

No. 1638 will nominate and elect officers next meeting, December 15th. Installation will follow the first meeting in January. Brothers should remember that this is the annual business meeting and should surely be present.

The Revelstoke Saw Mills are now engaged in cutting the lumber needed for the erection of the new skating and curling rink.

Cutlery display.—Our pride to keep the largest and best assortment. Razors by the gross to choose from. W. M. Lawrence. *

I. T. Brewster is making a business trip to the coast. On his return he will leave for the east, where he will spend the winter.

Professor G. G. Gordon's company will give a concert of variety on Dec. 2 (to-night) in Tapping's opera house. Doors open at 7 p.m. †

James Taylor is prepared to do piano and organ tuning and repairing. Lessons given on the violin. See his advertisement in this issue.

Miss Hume left for her home in New Brunswick Thursday morning, after spending the summer with friends and relatives in Revelstoke.

J. J. Foley came up from Arrowhead Wednesday to see Bengough, who was an old schoolmate of his. He says he enjoyed the visit very much.

See the new line of Christmas goods at W. M. Lawrence's. Plated goods, Roger's 1847, fruit knives in cases, carvers in sets and cases, plated tea sets. †

Arthur Cate, who is now in charge of the mechanical department of the Columbia & Western railway, is visiting old friends in Revelstoke this week.

Christmas goods arriving daily at the Canada Drug & Book Co. They will have a beautiful stock this year and all the latest in fancy goods and toys. o

The dago shacks along the Arrowhead branch will be removed at once by order of Supt. Duchesnay. They were nearly as filthy as many of the Chinese dens and were a distinct menace to health.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL BRIEFS

Perry Leake came in from the coast this morning.

F. Bullock-Webster passed through Revelstoke Wednesday evening on his way to the coast.

Ask your neighbor how he likes his Gurney self-feeding heating stove. W. M. Lawrence, agent. o

Dr. H. E. Hall, dentist, has located in Revelstoke. At present his office is at Revelstoke hospital.

Souvenir and Christmas cards and photos of Revelstoke in different designs just in at the Canada Drug & Book Co's. o

The Canadian contingent has arrived at Cape Town. The Canadian troops, it is said, will only be used for garrison duty.

Don't miss the chance of getting some of the Rochester plated goods. See Lawrence's window display. o

Artists' materials, tracing cloth waterproof, drawing ink, drawing pens, etc. always can be had at the Canada Drug & Book Co's. o

David Ferguson returned from the coast this morning. He will remain in Revelstoke a few days before going into the Lardeau.

The Revelstoke Water, Light & Power Co. is now engaged in installing six fire hydrants. This necessitates the laying of 500 feet of 4-inch pipe.

Members of Revelstoke lodge I. O. O. F. should remember that the annual election of officers will take place next Thursday night and turn out in full force.

Chas. Lindmark left on his long contemplated trip to Sweden Thursday morning. He will go by way of Chicago where he will be joined by Mrs. Lindmark.

Peter I. Moore, assistant bridge inspector for the Pacific division of the C. P. R., has resigned. It is not known at this writing who his successor will be.

Billy Holloway was bested by Billy Hawkins in a six-round sparring match in Tapping's opera house, Saturday night. It was a lively and very scientific go.

For genuine bargains in boots and shoes, men's clothing and furnishings call at A. McLean's, in the McCarty block, Revelstoke, or next door to the P. O., Kamloops, B. C. o

W. Tomlinson brought an engine up from the Columbia & Western this week. It was placed in the local shops for repairs, while Mr. Tomlinson returned to Robson Tuesday.

The purse offered to the lady selling the most tickets for the Smiley concert will be divided between Miss Turnross and Miss Henderson. Each of them will receive a $5 gold piece.

Carpenters' tools of all the latest and best makes always kept at Lawrence's hardware. *

FOUND.—On the sidewalk between Bourne Bros. and C. B. Hume & Co.'s a large parcel, owner may have same by calling at the Police Station, proving property and paying expenses of advertising. o

A rainbow tea, a distinct novelty in Revelstoke, will be given by the ladies of St. Peter's church in the opera house next Thursday evening. The tea will be followed by a concert. Tickets 50c.

Bird cages, brass and Japanned glasses and springs. W. M. Lawrence; hardware. *

J. M. Kellie, M. P. P., on his return from the east, stated that in a business and mining way his trip was a great success, and that in a short time he would have some interesting news to give the public.

The Salvation Army will open their new building on First street on Sunday at 8 p.m. Meetings will be conducted in the new building on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday nights until expiration of their lease of Peterson's hall.

The Conductors and Trainmen have for a considerable period been negotiating with the Grand Trunk for a modification to proposal to change the wage schedule from a day to a mileage basis. The outcome has been a victory for the organizations.—The Voice.

Alex. McGregor and wife came down from Glenogle this week. His many Revelstoke friends are congratulating him on his almost complete recovery from the severe injuries he received in the Glenogle accident last August. He is slowly regaining the use of his left arm which was so terribly injured.

A peddler of picture frames was arrested for peddling without a licence this week, and on appearing before the police magistrate he was assessed a fine of $25 and costs. He asked permission to take out a license, and have the fine reduced. The magistrate was willing and the fine was reduced to $1. He then contributed $50 to the city treasurer and now has a right to sell picture frames in Revelstoke till January 15 next.

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REVELSTOKE, DEC. 2, 1899.

THE HERALD, judging by its recent utterances, has no regard for the truth, and the writer of its editorial columns in its last issue is a calumniator and a falsifier. In its anxiety to injure a capable and trustworthy government employee, who succeeded one of its bosses, and had continually fed it on pap, the Herald makes reckless statements, utterly regardless of the truth. In its rage against those who have received their share of government work it does a great deal of plain as well as ornamental lying. In its frantic attempts to injure someone, the only weapons used are vilification and falsehood. And the writer calls himself a man! In its last issue it devotes half a column to Kellie, Atkins, Coursier, et al, in which there is not a word of truth. In the opening paragraph it states that Kellie told a staunch supporter of his that the appointment of R. Atkins to a clerical position was made during his absence. This, Mr. Kellie says, is a falsehood. "How," asks Mr. Kellie, "could I make such a statement when as a matter of fact no appointment has been made. I would like to know who this stanuch supporter is. The Herald's attacks on Mr. Coursier are like the howling of a pack of wolves in disappointment at missing a bone." As a matter of fact Mr. Atkins worked for three and one half days preparing the revised voter's lists. This was all he was engaged to do, and it was finished last Monday. These facts were well known by the Herald writer, but they did not deter him from writing a half column falsehood regarding the matter. The government agent here has been made recently the object of several attacks by this villainous sheet, which were equally baseless.

HISTORY is being made very fast in British Columbia just now. A great revolution is taking place in the province. And changes are made with such kaleidoscopic rapidity that few are able to appreciate what they may mean. Two years ago British Columbia was controlled by the most non-progressive and corrupt set of men to be found anywhere in Canada. Many of its people wore moss on their backs as did the members of the government. Progress was unknown; the resources of the province, the heritage of the people were given to favorites with a lavish hand; natural wealth, which should have been conserved for the whole people, was recklessly squandered and very few dared call halt. Government was for a few, by the few, and the people said not a word. Men of radical ideas were few; and those who had the temerity to avow themselves socialists were looked upon as fit and proper subjects for a lunatic asylum. Two years ago this winter a few voices were lifted in protest, and the revolution commenced. In the provincial campaign which followed, for the first time progressive ideas and principles were exploited and the old party shouters stood aghast. Their shells were getting tighter each year, the moss was growing longer and they couldn't see that there was any room in provincial politics for anything more than the push to hold the offices and dispense franchises, bonuses and coal lands to the faithful. These barnacles were scraped away and room was made for legislation along progressive lines. Those who brought this about today are astonished at the result of their work. Legislation, the most radical placed upon the statutes of any province in Canada was enacted. Public sentiment changed rapidly; it endorsed the legislation and with no uncertain voice the people demanded its enforcement. The opposition to the enforcement of these laws proved a great educational force. People commenced studying and thinking for themselves, and they will not be satisfied until British Columbia is given a place alongside of the most radical countries. 'Tis well.

OUR contemporary is now worrying about Mr. Coursier and the Cash Bazaar. This establishment no longer advertises in the Herald, and the fact probably explains the Herald's trouble.

WHAT an opportunity Bengough had to do some most effective cartooning. Our local board of trade and city council would have made excellent subjects. Too bad he passed them up.

ISN'T Revelstoke going to do something for that "Absent Minded Beggar"?

Board of Arbitration Needed.

EDITOR MAIL:

Sir: I would like to express my sympathy with the striking Slocan miners who are maintaing such commendable patience and self restraint, under most unjust and provoking conditions, conditions which are a disgrace to the country that can develop such.

Permit me also to state that I do not consider strikes or lockouts a just means for deciding the disputes that unfortunately so frequently occur between capital and labor.

No man, since the time that "Adam delved," has been able to justly lay claim to the full results of his individual labor. The greatests results therefrom must naturally belong to the State, and whatever the nature of the work performed, the most important element in the transaction is, that it increases the amount of the common wealth of the nation.

These long cessations from labor that are inflicted upon the workers at the instance of trades unions, to correct, perhaps, the selfish injustice of a syndicate or corporation, really constitute a confiscation of the national wealth. Idleness is but another name for stealing, because, although capable, the idler refuses to work and so makes no return for the privilege and right of living. It is further stealing because the nation is thereby deprived of the increase of wealth which should have accrued to it from the fair labor of the idler.

Under the present system or rather condition, for there's nothing systematic about it, the people—with a big P—are compelled to walk for it, should some petty squabble arise between street car manager and employees.

Also it has to incur unnecessary risk of losing life or limb, when travelling by the railway, should a lockout or strike prevail on the system.

The "free and independent" can further witness the sudden stopping of the flow of prosperity and the development of their country entirely arrested to serve the interest of some probably obscure and foreign gang of speculators or a "trust" and the F. of L. daren't say boo! They are powerless to interfere. True, they might in some of the above instances petition the government, and if the government consented to notice them, it might tell the humble petitioners who will never pray, etc., that "we, the government, must not tamper with the laws of supply and demand," or in another case, "the freedom of contract must be respected." The humble petitioners of course recognize the great practical applicability to their needs of these old saws and thankfully withdraw. After a while the "great statesman" makes a triumphal tour of his constituency and the "free and independent" fall down before and worship him.

Sir, I believe that all disputes between capital and labor ought to be at once referred to a government arbitration board for immediate adjustment, so that the work and progress of the country can readily be resumed. As I have pointed out, though, it is well known the government, as at present constituted, is cruelly lacking in means to effect this, but should the people make it responsible for and capable of awarding justice to labor we should see a change in the character and principles of those who legislate for our country.

H. B. P.

A Screw Loose Somewhere.

It has been announced that the gold output of the Yukon this year will be over $15,000,000. But, the government royalty (ten per cent.) is only $750,000. What's the matter? Is half the gold of the Yukon taken from claims that yield less than $5,000 and are therefore exempt from royalty? Or is most of the gold smuggled out of the territory?

The Way It's Done in Spokane.

It may not be generally understood, but it is nevertheless a fact, that the trades unions of this city have done considerable towards settling the Chinese question by refusing to and discouraging others from patronizing any institution run by Mongolians. A few years ago there were over forty Chinese laundries in this city. Now there are not over a dozen, while the population of the city has increased to almost double, and the white laundries have increased threefold, and employing six or seven times as many hands as they were four years ago. There are now employed in the white laundries of this city about 250 hands, receiving about $2 a day, or over $500 a day, that means about $150,000 a year, which could be increased to $300,000, being paid to white men and women of this city. If it were not for the active part taken by the trades council and the subordinate unions most, if not all, of this money would be going into the pockets of Chinese. It may not be the case with all, but most of the unions in this city have a fine of $5 on any and all members caught patronizing Chinese laundries. We hope all will follow this example and then enforce the law.—Freemens Labor Sournal.

Practical Patriotism.

The British Government after a few more purchases of embalmed meat from crooked United States contractors will probably turn to Canada which really should have had first choice, as part of the Empire, in the purchase of supplies. Canadians do not deal in rotten meat, but in food which England knows is unsurpassed, at least by the United States. Canada has shown her loyalty, at some expense, and a share of the advantage of furnishing supplies might well have been given to the Dominion. The hands worked by Yankee contractors may be useful eye-openers.—Toronto Star.

Social Question Solving Itself.

During the past six months the trusts have decreased their advertising outlay by from $9,000,000 to $13,000,000. The d. miners are being hit pretty hard; the above shows that the newspapers (not supported by trusts) will also be hit. The general public will be hit the hardest, however, and the blows will keep on coming until we have public ownership of monopolies.—Citizen and Country.

MATRON AND MAID.

Miss Ellen C. Witter of Denver is the only woman authorized to practice before the United States land office.

Being a titled editor pays. Lady Randolph Churchill has 3,000 subscribers who paid $20 a year in advance for her quarterly, The Anglo-Saxon.

Miss L. L. M. Coote, the daughter of the secretary of the British Vigilance association, has just accomplished the dangerous feat of climbing the Matterhorn.

Helen Gould has studied law and could, if she desired, make a first class lawyer. Her dislike, however, to anything masculine in a woman has kept her from following a public career.

Lady Blennerhasset, who recently received the "golden palm" from the French ministry of education in recognition of her services to French literature, is a doctor of philosophy of Munich university.

Miss Margaret B. Barnard has been installed as pastor of the Unitarian church in Chelsea, Mass. The Rev. Samuel A. Eliot, secretary of the American Unitarian association, preached the installation sermon.

Adelaide Ristori, the great Italian actress, has just been celebrating at Rome the fiftieth anniversary of the birth of her only son, Marquis Giorgio Capranica Del Grillo, gentleman in waiting to Queen Margherita.

Miss Nannie Randolph Heth, who was the sponsor for the entire south at the Confederate reunion at Charleston last May, has presented to the president, in a frame, the resolutions adopted by the sponsors at the reunion.

One of the largest birthday presents ever given was that received recently by Miss Mary Crocker of San Francisco from her father when she celebrated her eighteenth birthday. It was handed by the executors of her father's estate securities to the amount of $[illegible].

Ten-year-old Carrie S. Shubrick, who will christen the torpedo boat Shubrick, lives at Rocky Mount, S. C., and is the granddaughter of Lieutenant Edmund T. Shubrick, whose father was the famous commander. She is also the great-grandniece of Rear Admiral William B. Shubrick.

Miss Eve Blantyre Simpson, who is visiting Boston, is the daughter of the late Sir James Young Simpson, the discoverer of chloroform. She has published a life of her father as well as one of Robert Louis Stevenson, whom she knew very well, and her home in Edinburgh is the center of a pleasant literary society.

Miss Margaret Astor Chanler of New York city, who identified herself with the Red Cross work during the Spanish-American war, will accompany her brother, Representative Elect William Astor Chanler, to Washington upon his taking his seat in congress and purposes establishing her home at the capital.

Her Mistake.

"Poor girl! What did she want to marry that old bean for? I told her he was an octogenarian."

"I know it, but she thought an octogenarian was a man worth $80,000."—Chicago Tribune.

To be a hero to the women a man should claim that everything he sees, from a sunset to a pumpkin pie, makes him long to be a better man.—Atchison Globe.

The Indian is certainly a two spot, or why would he be called Lo?—Chicago Journal.

Kootenay Lodge No. 15 A.F. & A.M.

The regular meeting are held in the Masonic Temple, Bourne's Hall, on the third Monday in each month at 8 p. m. Visiting brethren cordially welcomed.

G. S. FLINDT, SECRETARY.

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Corporation of the City of Revelstoke.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a list of the persons entitled to vote at the municipal elections for the City of Revelstoke for the year 1900 is now in course of preparation and will be closed on December 4th, 1899. All persons claiming to be entitled to vote, at such election should make application to the undersigned before said date to have their names placed on said list.

Dated November 10th, 1899.

C. E. SHAW,
City Clerk.

Corporation of the City of Revelstoke.

COURT OF REVISION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a court of revision for the City of Revelstoke will be held at the office of the city clerk, Revelstoke, B. C., on the 18th day of December at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of hearing complaints against the assessment as made for the year 1900 by the assessor and for revising and correcting the assessment roll for that year.

Dated this 10th November, 1899.

C. E. SHAW,
City Clerk.

NOTICE—The Arrowhead and Kootenay Railway Company (incorporated by an act of the legislature of British Columbia, 61 Victoria, Chapter 47) will apply to the parliament of Canada at its next session for an act declaring the words which the company is by its act of incorporation authorized to construct to be works for the general advantage of Canada; extending to the end of the year 1905 the period within which the company may complete its work, and giving such powers to the company as to the maintaining and operating or disposing of its railway and works as are usually given to railway companies incorporated by the parliament of Canada.

By order of the Provisional Directors.
CHARLES DRINKWATER,
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Montreal, 20th November, 1899. 30-9t

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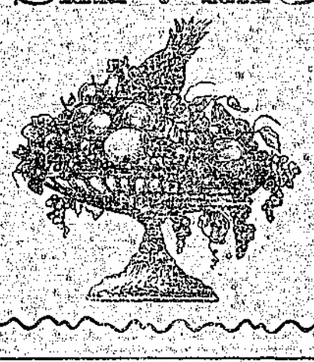
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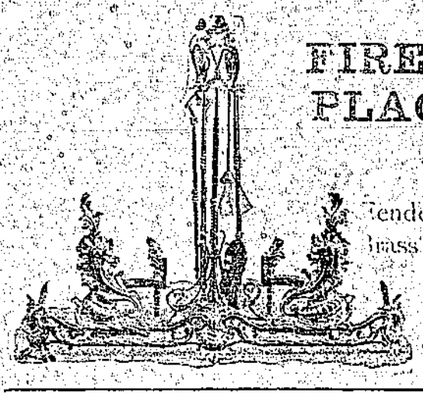
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THE LIFTING TRICK.

IT IS EASY TO PERFORM, BUT HARD TO UNDERSTAND.

Four Men, Each Holding His Breath and Using but One Finger, Lift an Iron Plate Weighing 184 Pounds. An Indian Fakir's Trick.

"A few of us have lately been experimenting with the old trick of lifting people on one's finger tips," said a young man who lives at a fashionable boarding house on St. Charles street. "Our purpose was to obtain some accurate, intelligent data on a very mysterious phenomenon, and we kept a careful record of everything we did. Some of the results were very surprising. We began by lifting a living person. One of our party lay down at full length on an extension table, and two of us stood at each side, opposite his shoulders and knees. At a given signal all five took ten deep breaths in unison, then each of the four at the sides placed one finger of the right hand under the prostrate man's body and lifted, meanwhile holding our breath. In the majority of trials, say three out of five, he came up without perceptible effort, and several times he was lifted as high as we could stretch our arms. There is absolutely no sense of weight, and the thing is so absurdly easy that each man at the table is bound to feel vaguely suspicious that he has been tricked, and that the others really do the lifting. I felt so myself until common sense convinced me that it was utterly impossible.

"The lightest of our subjects weighed 149 pounds, and no four people on earth could ordinarily lift a man of that size on their finger tips without visible strain. We tried a great many variations, but the plan I have described was the only one that proved generally successful. The essential point seemed to be to secure a certain rhythm in breathing, and whenever we hit the lift was made with unfailing certainty, but if any one of us 'broke step,' so to speak, the experiment failed. We were all deeply in earnest, so we had no trouble on account of giggling or hysterics. I was lifted repeatedly myself, and the feeling is indescribable. Floating in water is as near as I can come to it.

"After a great many experiments with living people," continued the speaker, "we tried inanimate objects. We took a square iron plate, weighing 184 pounds, formerly used in a hearth, and placed it on a stool. Four of us stood at the corners and went through the same routine that I have already described—breathing in unison and then suddenly lifting. To our great surprise, this experiment proved fully as successful as the other, and in 40 record trials the plate went up 26 times. Such a test, by the way, is dangerous, because if there is the slightest catching of a breath while the heavy object lifted is in the air it instantly comes crashing down with its full weight. Several of us narrowly escaped being hurt by the iron slab, and that suggested another and very interesting device.

"We took a large spring steelyard, graduated up to 200 pounds, and made it self-registering by attaching a bit of pencil to the pointer and putting a slip of paper over the scale. Then we hooked it into a ring in the floor and fastened the other end to the underside of a short piece of plank. The plank was supported across a couple of chairs, and we tried lifting it exactly as we did the iron slab. That put a tension on the steelyard, and the effect was exactly as if we were lifting something that grew heavier and heavier the higher it went. Our breathing had no effect whatever on the spring, but the apparatus, while crude, was valuable in showing our normal lifting power. We found we were unable to get above 12 pounds without clearly perceptible effort, and to register 20 pounds required pronounced exertion. Of course we could push the board up on our four finger tips until the pointer stood at 100, but that was a gymnastic feat that strained every muscle. We found that the raising of the 184 pound slab required infinitely less apparent force than the registering of 10 or 12 pounds on the steelyard. That disposes of the theory that the weight was so divided we 'didn't feel it.'

"Now, how is one to account for all this? To me it is unaccountable. It looks like a clear inversion of the law of gravitation, and the experiments are so simple that any five people who are serious and sensible can perform them without the slightest trouble. They recall very strongly to my mind the 'levitation' trick of Indian jugglers. I have never seen the thing myself, but Professor Edward Baldwin, who is known as an exposer of spiritualistic humbuggery, once gave me a graphic description of a performance which he witnessed at Bombay. The fakir, who was very old, stuck four swords in the earth and had a young fellow lifted up and laid on the hilts, two under his shoulders and two under his calves. He was stretched out rigid about a yard above the ground. The fakir then withdrew the swords, one at a time, and the assistant remained in the air without visible support. Baldwin declared it was a trick, but admitted that he couldn't see through it.

"Still it was really more inexplicable than our own experiments. One might say in regard to lifting a living person that some sort of electric sympathy was established, that the phenomenon was in some way due to animal magnetism, but how about the iron plate? The metal has a certain fixed gravity, and how that gravity can be modified or overcome by anything we might do, no matter what, is a problem that baffles conjecture. Our rhythmic breathing undoubtedly was a direct bearing on the result, because we are unable to accomplish anything without it, but why? I have a pretty fair imagination, but I haven't been able to get within a mile of a theory, even when I leave probability entirely out of consideration."

His Confession.

Chicago Girl—Now that we are engaged, tell me truly, is there anything in your past life that you have reason to be ashamed of?

Chicago Youth—Darling, I cannot tell a lie. I once thought for almost a week that I loved a St. Louis girl.—Chicago News.

A Gordian Knot.

Dasherly—I understand that he's very well connected.

Flasherly—You bet! He's tied to his wife's apron strings.—Kansas City Independent.

In India the rhododendron grows to a height of 30 feet. Marigolds in north Africa reach a height of four or five feet.

RATTLING THE BONES.

It Is a Lost Art With the Boys of the Present Day.

Some unusual demand on the part of a regular patron set the proprietor of the little old variety store and newsstand to rummaging among the accumulations of the years since he had first started his humble business. It brought to light various kinds of odds and ends, but not the article sought.

"That's dead stock for fair," he said, without any thought of a pun as he threw a small parcel on the counter, for it was a "pair of bones." These bones were of rosewood, neatly finished, and each wrapped carefully in soft paper. They were just as good as any that ever ornamented the northeast end of the semicircle of the San Francisco minstrels in the days when negro minstrels had not dreamed of putting on frills and becoming dark face comedians.

"That pair of bones must have been on my hands these 20 years," the dealer continued. "I haven't had a call for anything of the sort in a dozen years that I can remember, yet it used to be that I had not only to carry a full line of bones, but I had to put them in the showcases to attract custom. How long is it since you heard a boy going along the street with a pair of bones in each hand and making all the sorts of noise that the weapons are capable of? I don't know a boy now that would know how to hold the things in his fingers, much less play them.

"Just as soon as a boy got through with baby games he had to have the bones and to keep at them until he could play them. I remember the first ones I had were real bones, the kind that come in rib roasts of beef. I must have traded off something for them with the butcher boy. Of course I could have had the bones out of our Sunday dinner, but cooked bones were no good. They had to be dried in the sun to make them right. Some boys could whittle out wooden bones if they had the luck to get hold of the right kind of hard wood and had a good knife, for it was no good to make your bones out of an old broomstick. There was no ring to them. That's how you learned to play on the things, and you were no sort of a boy until you could play with both hands at once. The crowd wouldn't have anything to do with you until you could, and even quite small girls had no hesitation about asking you to keep 'pin stores' with them and made you feel like a baby. You bet you lost no time in learning to 'rattle the bones!' That's the phrase I've been trying to think of, and now it's just come to me. Playing the bones didn't seem right to me. We rattled them.

"There were two pair of bones, such as that you have there, in a set, and the more costly ones were always sold in sets. A set like that must have sold for as much as $1.50, for, you see, it's fine rosewood, with a real piano finish. Mahogany bones were a little bit cheaper—say about $1 a set. From that down you could get them for almost any price. I know what killed the trade in bones. It was ingenuity. When everybody was rattling the bones, there were some people who never could learn the way. I guess their early educations must have been neglected. So an inventive genius made a patent bone that anybody could play. It had a metal tongue and a bob that hit the bone itself, and made the noise that way. That killed the bones. Who was going to work hard to learn the 'Train Coming Into the Station' on the real bone when any baby could do it just as well on the patent bone?"

Analysis of Instinct.

An English traveler in northern Russia, telling how he made his way through a forest after a fall of snow simply by keeping that side of the tree to which the snow clung always in the same relation to his course, is led to examine how it is that a savage gains the instincts of his race.

We often hear of "the instinct of direction," as we may call it, possessed so marvelously by savage races. People profess to explain it in one of two ways. It is either said that the Indian actually does take note of the sun, the wind, the lay of the land or the course of the streams, which, as a fact, it is often in the dense forest, impossible for him to do, or else it is set down simply as "instinct," and this, although it is nearer the mark, is in a sense to beg the question.

Instinct, however it may be in the case of animals, is here no doubt hereditary experience. The sun, the wind, the streams, are influences, but only that. The Indian does not consciously observe them. Just as you, using an experience gained in daylight, can follow without hands in the dark a winding staircase between the baluster and the wall, so with the Indian in his forest.

His "observation" is entirely subjective, an unconscious impression, the sum of small influences, to which by heredity his senses are alive, as the retina to light pictures. In the same way I had not consciously remarked the lay of the snow on the trees, yet the fact kept me from going astray.

The Inquisitive Youngster.

The old man was reading the paper, and little Reggie was playing around.

"Pa," said little Reggie, "did you learn to pull wool when you were a little boy?"

"Um—what's that?—uh-huh—lemme read!"

"And, say, pa, is mamma's hair wool?" went on little Reggie.

"Uh-huh—run on and play now, kid, and lemme read this paper."

"But, pa, when you pull it do you mix it?" persisted the innocent little love of a boy, with a crafty, faraway twinkle in his off eye.

"Hey? What's that? What the dickens did you say?" inquired the old man, sharply dropping his paper.

"Oh, nothin," said little Reggie. "Only I heard ma tellin sis a while ago that if you think you're pullin the wool over her eyes you're mixed, that's all, and"—

—Washington Post.

Disputed.

Mrs. Wriggles—I saw the strangest thing this morning on Highland avenue.

Mr. Wriggles—No, you didn't. When I was down in Union square this afternoon, I saw a stranger.—Somerville (Mass.) Journal.

It is a good thing to learn to stand up on one's own feet, but it would be very foolish because of that to spurn the solid earth, which bears and holds us up.

Almost any one, when he can't think of anything else to do, eats something.—Washington Democrat.

It takes from six to eight years for the antlers of a stag to attain their full size.

THE PORT OF BOTTLES.

A Peculiarity of a Dead Spot in the Caribbean Sea.

"There is a dead spot in the Caribbean sea," said the first officer of a Brazilian ship, "that ought to be called the port of bottles. It lies very nearly midway between Cartagena, in Colombia, and Kingston, Jamaica, and at a guess I should say it was due east of Cape Gracios a Dios. It is out of the steamer tracks, and the action of the great currents going one way and another has left a space of stagnant water without any real movement at all. Anything that gets into the dead spot is apt to stay there unless driven out by some big storm and will simply drift round and round, gathering sea grass and barnacles.

"The last time I saw the place was in 1895, when I was on board a tramp from Rio that had changed its course a little to take up some rubber at a Central American port. While we were passing through we noticed a floating spar, and among a lot of rubbish attached to it was a peculiar looking round object, bright red in color. We put off a boat to investigate, and it proved to be a patent buoy which had been set adrift from a Florida lighthouse station in 1893 and was part of a systematic attempt to ascertain the speed and direction of currents. Inside was an official memorandum, which was afterward returned to the navy department with data of when and where found. But what is a good deal more interesting is the fact that while we were securing the buoy we discovered three bottles sticking in the drift, all covered with weeds and slime. One was empty, and the other two had papers inside. The first was a memoranda that the bottle had been dropped from a yacht off the Grand Cayman, in, I think, the year 1892, and the other inclosure showed that it came from a ship bound for Montevideo, on what date I forget. In each case it was evidently the whim of some idle passenger, but it was a little odd that we should find the whole collection together.

"I noticed a lot of other driftwood in the dead spot, and I am confident that no end of bottles could be culled from the place. Hundreds are dropped overboard every year, but very few escape being knocked to pieces unless they happen to find their way to some such a still place as I have described."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

YOU MUST NOT FORGET.

A Practical Man Says Forgetfulness Is Mainly Due to Laziness.

A successful business man said that there were two things which he learned when he was 18, and which were ever afterward of great use to him—namely, never to lose anything and never to forget anything. The story of this lesson is printed in The Country Gentleman.

An old lawyer sent the young man with an important paper, giving him definite instructions what to do with it.

"But," inquired the young man, "suppose that I should lose it, what shall I do then?"

"You must not lose it," said the lawyer, frowning.

"I don't mean to," said the young man, "but suppose I should happen to."

"But I say you must not happen to. I shall make no provisions for such an occurrence. You must not lose it."

This put a new strain of thought into the young man's mind, and he found that if he was determined to do a thing he could do it. He made such a provision every contingency that he never lost anything.

He found this equally true about forgetting. If a certain matter of importance was to be remembered he pinned it down on his mind, fastened it there and made it stay. He used to declare:

"When a man tells me that he forgot to do something, I tell him he might as well have said, 'I did not care enough about your business to take the trouble to think of it again.'

"I once had an intelligent young man in my employ who deemed it sufficient excuse for having neglected an important task to say, 'I forgot.' I told him that would not answer. If he was sufficiently interested, he would be careful to remember. It was because he did not care enough that he forgot. I drilled him with this truth.

"He worked for me three years, and during the last year of the three he was utterly changed in this respect. He did not forget a thing. His forgetting, he found, had been a lazy and careless habit of mind, and he cured it."

A Wise Critic.

The late Francisque Sarcey was for 40 years a figure of great prominence in French literary life. As a critic of the drama he was looked upon as one having authority, and praise from him meant success to the struggling playwright.

His criticisms were honest, fearless and independent, and it is remembered of him that he refused the honor of belonging to the French academy lest he should come under obligation to favor the plays written by other members.

Sarcey's good sense was often put to the test. One day a friend came rushing into his room, waving a paper.

"What is the matter?" inquired the critic.

"Here's some one," cried the other, "who has been calling you an 'imbecile' in print! Are you going to challenge him?"

Sarcey smiled. "Certainly not," he replied. "I owe him my thanks. The public will soon forget the word 'imbecile' and will only remember having read my name."

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PRESCRIPTION FILLING.....

is one part of the Drug business which I should imagine would be of interest to every customer of a drug store. Not because it is anything wonderful, this being able to compound a doctor's prescription without making an error, but the wonder of obtaining these delicate chemicals—where they come from, the change that takes place in compounding and a thousand and one things of importance to health and life in the proper handling of what at first may appear a simple prescription. For instance, the mixing of Antipyrin with sweet spirits of nitre, as all pharmacists know, makes a compound which would probably cause death if given in doses as large as might be given of either one alone. For a druggist to attempt to mix turpentine, sweet oil, and sulphuric acid in a bottle would result in an explosion and the ruining of his clothing, if nothing worse happened.

I have been in the prescription business pretty much all my life, and each month am making an effort to serve my customers better than the month before.

GEO. F. CURTIS

"THE DRUGGIST"
Successor to the McD. A. W. Co.
Revelstoke Station, B.C.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL BRIEFS

The Salvation Army moved uptown this week.

D. E. Groves, of Complix, was in town Thursday.

Mrs. Murray Hume left Thursday for a visit to Kamloops.

Policeman Shaw took the sneak thief, Stirling, to Kamloops Friday night.

Part of the material is now on the ground for the sidewalk up Douglas street hill.

Hardware stoves, granite enamelled ware, copper and nickle plated goods. W. M. Lawrence.

Miss McAlmon passed through Revelstoke on her way from Nelson to the coast Sunday.

Rev. J. P. Westman, of Golden, made a flying visit to Revelstoke Thursday evening.

The provincial parliament will convene on January 4, instead of the 7th as at first intended.

Mrs. R. N. Doyle received word Friday night of the sudden death of her father in Manitoba.

D. Robinson's tender for building the wagon road was accepted by the department at Victoria.

Conductor Fred Morrow, of the S. & O. branch, left yesterday for Greenfell, Assa., on a vacation.

The water mains are being lowered this week. In a few days they will all be below the reach of frost.

Arrangements were made yesterday by which A. C. Thompson will remain with the MAIL until New Years.

Arrangements will probably be made for the Smily company to play a return date here some time this month.

Percy Lewis, with his sister, Edith, left for Winnipeg on Thursday morning where they will visit for a month or so.

Scotts emulsion for coughs and colds, the Canada Drug & Book Co. have just received a large supply and all fresh.

TO CONTRACTORS

Plans, etc., of Curling and Skating Rink can be examined at Union Hotel. Sealed tenders for construction must be in by noon on Monday December 4th.

31-11 J. M. SCOTT, Sec'y.

To the Electors

OF THE CITY OF REVELSTOKE.

Gentlemen: In response to the request of a large number of ratepayers I beg to announce myself as a candidate for the office of Mayor of the City of Revelstoke for 1896, and should you confer the honor of electing me the ensuing year some of the principal objects which in my opinion it will be my duty to promote to the utmost means in my power as Mayor of this city are:

1. To preserve the financial credit of the city by strict economy in the administration and expenditure of the city's revenue.

2. Equalization in taxation by raising the tax on land and lowering the tax on improvements, would receive my support.

3. I would consider it my duty to contribute to the comfort and convenience of a greater number of our citizens by adopting and carrying out a well prepared plan of street improvement by means of substantial work, embracing as long as existing conditions the greatest good for the greatest number.

4. The extension of the protection.

5. As our population spread over a large area I consider the present simple system of assessment, if strictly enforced, sufficient at present to protect the health of our city and save the ratepayers much expense.

6. The moral and social elevation of the citizens must receive the encouragement of every one who has its highest and purest interest at heart, and any civic legislation that might be intended to conserve or advance these interests, would receive my support.

7. The payment of the highest standard rate of wages to be paid for labor on municipal works, and the residents of the city to have the preference on all civic works.

8. Should I be elected it will be for the city as a whole and should not neglect any portion of the city.

9. Concerning public ownership of all franchises in our city, when it can be proved to be a profitable investment and a good means of raising revenue for the purpose of carrying on civic improvement, I should favor a vote of the electors. The majority would have my support.

10. In conclusion I beg leave to say I am as the independent nominee, and that if elected I shall endeavor to maintain that independence of any party or corporation to safeguard the interest of the city.

Trusting that I may have the opportunity of meeting, for public discussion of any matters that you may wish to bring to public notice for the general welfare of Revelstoke.

Taking my stand on this platform I claim the votes and support of the electors.

I remain, gentlemen,
Your very truly,
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NEWS FROM THE FRONT

The battle is over in Cursons and winter has commenced in earnest. We have other lines to provide for our families and others besides flour as will our stocks and prices at the new Cash Bazaar. We have a full and complete line of groceries and provisions and the coming season will be specially adapted to the wants of the people. Our goods are all fresh and of the best quality, but of course their price is low.

Bargains for Monday

Boots and Shoes

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R. Tapping,
Agent,
Revelstoke.

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Prospector's Handbooks—by Osborne, Lake and Anderson.
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with a home production. And the "Mail" feels confident that next year will see many more orders placed in advance for the class of work. Size them up when you see them. Then for any class of work in the printing line call on

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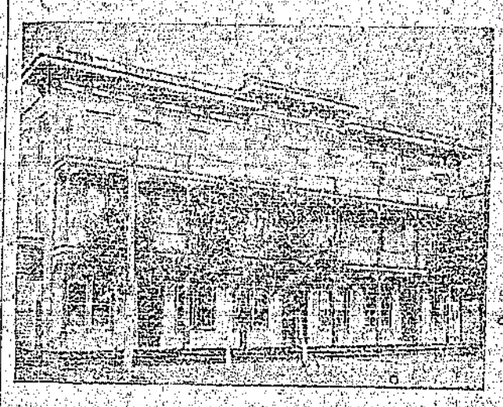

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