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## Bombardment of Taku Forts.

(Special to the Mail.)

LONDON, June 18.—Taku forts are occupied by the International troops. Seventeen forts opened fire on the warships whereupon the fleet replied and succeeded in silencing the Chinese guns. The International forces subsequently landed and seized the forts.

An official despatch from the German consul at Chee Foo received at Berlin confirms the arrival of Japanese torpedo boat with the following message: "Japanese torpedo boat reports that the legations at Peking have been taken." Whether taken by Boxers, Chinese troops or by a mob is not stated.

In the House of Commons to-day Mr. Broderick, parliamentary secretary of the foreign office, on behalf of the government, amplified Admiral Tye's news from Chee Foo. He said the Japanese war ships reported that the Chinese forts opened fire on the gunboats at the mouth of the river yesterday at 12.30 a.m. The gunboats then engaged the forts and the engagement was still proceeding when the Japanese ships left at 5.30 a.m. yesterday. Detachments from all the foreign war ships landed on Saturday to protect Taku whereon the Chinese war ships at Taku remained passive. Mr. Broderick added that the British, Russian, Japanese and French reinforcements are due to arrive about Thursday. Within the last hour Mr. Broderick said he had heard that the telegraph line from Taku to Tien Tsin had been restored.

Lord Salisbury being questioned in the House of Lords said that Admiral Seymour had returned to Tien Tsin but the Government did not know exactly why, nor what Admiral Seymour's intentions were.

The failure of the International forces to reach Peking greatly intensified the anxiety in London as of late Europeans are huddled together in the legations at the Chinese capital and it is feared also that the check administered to Admiral Seymour's forces has necessitated their return to Tien Tsin and will lead to large accessions to the ranks of the Boxers. Japan is sending 2000 troops to China, the United States are sending the 9th infantry from Manila, and the Seventh Bengal infantry have been ordered from Simla to Hong Kong.

A New York despatch says that ten thousand men now serving under General Buller in Natal have been ordered to China.

A despatch from Shanghai says that Russia has demanded 50,000,000 taels indemnity for damage done to Chinese railroad in which Russia is interested.

A despatch from Chee Foo says that the combined fleets occupied Taku north forts yesterday after exploding the powder magazine. The British gunboat Algerni was damaged and two of her officers and four men wounded. Japan and Russia are reported to be landing a large force of troops. All is quiet here.

Admiral Tye's officer arrived with the following despatch from Chee Foo: "The Japanese man of war Teyahasi has just arrived at Taku. She reports that the Commander-in-chief and International troops are back at Tien Tsin."

LONDON, June 19.—An official re-

ports states that in the bombardment of Taku forts, 3 Germans, 1 British, 16 Russians and 1 Frenchman killed and 1 British, 7 Germans, 45 Russians and 1 Frenchman wounded. The Russians heavy loss caused by the explosion of a magazine.

Four hundred Chinese were killed they being caught as they were retreating by the Russian troops. Thirty-two ships took part in the bombardment, several being struck. The forts it is said opened fire on the fleet by orders of the Empress Dowager.

## Latest News From South Africa.

(Special to the Mail.)

LONDON, June 18.—With the exception of a rumor at Capetown that Lord Roberts was about to seize the Delagoa Bay railroad at strong strategic points and the announcement of the completion of the new Cape cabinet, there is no news from South Africa.

A belated despatch from Capetown sent from Pretoria under date of June 16th gives the official version of an attack on the British post at Zand river on June 14th by the Boers with 3 guns, it says. "General Knox with a mixed force drove off the Boers who left four dead and four prisoners on the field. The British lost Major Seymour and two men killed and nine wounded."

CAPETOWN, June 18.—The new cabinet has been officially announced. Sir J. Gordon Sprigg is premier and treasurer; J. J. Graham, colonial secretary; Rose Innes, attorney-general and department of public works; Sir Peter Faure, agriculture; and Mr. Frost without portfolio.

Political Shuffle

VICTORIA, June 15.—Dunsmuir, Eberts and Turner were this afternoon sworn in as premier, president of the council, attorney-general, and finance minister, respectively, by governor McInnes. The cabinet will be completed, probably on Tuesday next, all three vacant portfolios going to the mainland. Both of North Victoria will probably be the speaker. The Times, Senator Templeman's paper, thinks the governor has made a good choice. It is generally believed that Dunsmuir will form a strong government, which will meet the house with a good working majority.

Printer's Eight-hour Day.

Rosslund Typographical Union some time ago decided that nine hours was too long to work in one day and accordingly changed the scale to provide a shorter day. It also did away with piecework. The matter was placed in the hands of the executive committee, which went quietly to work and secured the assent of every employer in Rosslund, to the proposed change, and also an agreement between them and the union for one year. At a special meeting of the union held last Sunday, it was decided to put the new scale into effect at once, and the next day the shorter work day was inaugurated without trouble of any kind.—Industrial World.

By the voice of the citizens at the polls yesterday the by-law to raise \$1000 to purchase a fire hall and site therefor, to purchase two electric fire alarms and to make certain improvements to fire halls was defeated by 43 votes, the vote cast being—For 51. Against 64, total vote 115. On the other hand the by-law to raise \$4,500 for the improvement of streets and sidewalks was carried by a majority of 47, the vote in this case being—For 82, Against 35, spoiled 3, total vote 120.

## The Municipal Council

At the regular meeting of the Council held on Friday evening there were present Mayor Smith, Aldermen McMahon, Newman, Abrahamson and Gordon.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted.

R. M. Smythe wrote asking permission to erect a shooting gallery next to his store. Permission was granted and the matter referred to the chairman of public works committee to see that a suitable building was erected.

Ald. Gordon asked if there was not some way of preventing advertising fakirs from coming in here and soliciting orders under the pretense that the work was to be done in town, he thought this was something which should be regulated. Referred to the city solicitor.

Ald. Abrahamson asked if anything had been done towards the appointment of a police magistrate. He pointed out that the matter had been laid over for some time and there had been no magistrate since last Christmas and thought council should take steps to have this state of affairs remedied.

The Mayor stated that Mr. Coursier had signified his willingness to continue doing the work until the government took action in the matter.

Ald. Abrahamson asked permission on behalf of the Revelstoke, Big Bend, and Trout Lake Telephone Co. to put one or two poles in the alley ways in the school yard and court house property. The company had been instructed by the council to run their telephone lines down the lane between First and Second streets, and in order to do this would have to cross the aforementioned properties.

Ald. Gordon moved, seconded by Ald. Abrahamson, that this council grant permission to the Revelstoke, Big Bend and Trout Lake Telephone Co. to put telephone poles in the school house grounds and the court house grounds on the site. Ays. The council then adjourned.

PREMIER DUNSMUIR

Unanimity of Opinion Expressed on Both sides at Ottawa.

At three o'clock Friday afternoon James Dunsmuir was sworn in as Premier of British Columbia. Thursday afternoon Premier Martin tendered his resignation to His Honor, Lieutenant-Governor McInnes, and it was accepted. His Honor at once made an appointment with Mr. Dunsmuir to meet him during the evening. At this meeting he asked him to undertake the task of forming an administration. Mr. Dunsmuir consented.

The new Premier requires but little introduction to the people of British Columbia—the name of Dunsmuir being so closely associated with the growth and development of the province. A son of the Hon. Robert Dunsmuir, he was born about 40 years ago at Vancouver, Wash., but the whole of his life, except his infant days, has been spent in British Columbia, where he has immense business interests and is the most wealthy business man in the province. He is half-owner of the extensive coal mines at Comox, Wellington, Alexandria and Extension, on Vancouver Island, and also half-owner of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway. He is the largest employer of labor in the province, his pay-roll, exclusive of that on his steamers, amounting to about \$120,000 per month. He was elected to the legislature from Comox in 1893, and at the late election was chosen by the people of South Nanaimo as their representative.

The news of the acceptance by James Dunsmuir of the Premiership of British Columbia created great interest at Ottawa. The selection, however, is considered a good one, members of both political parties being of opinion that with the knowledge Mr. Dunsmuir has of British Columbia, that he should be able to get a strong cabinet together, and wise legislation will follow as a result.

Members of both political parties express themselves as satisfied with the selection of Dunsmuir as Premier.

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INCREASING THE POLL TAX.

Royal Commission to Inquire into the Matter of Oriental Immigration.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier introduced a bill in the House at Ottawa last Thursday to restrict Chinese immigration. The Premier gave a history of the whole question, dealing with Japanese immigration as well. He said that British Columbia had grievances from both classes, and it was the intention of the government to issue a royal commission to investigate Japanese and Chinese immigration and lay the whole matter before the Imperial authorities so that the matter could be properly dealt with.

The Premier in stating that the government had decided to increase the poll tax to \$100 showed that this was the amount which was asked for several years ago by the legislature of British Columbia. There was just one departure from this and that was in 1890, when the legislature asked that the tax be increased to \$500. To double it at once would be a considerable step in the right direction.

Colonel Prior did not agree with Sir Wilfrid Laurier, but on the contrary there would be general regret in the province that the Natal Act was not adopted.

Clarke Wallace, on the other hand, agreed with the premier that the present was not the time to do anything that would interfere with Imperial interests in the East.

GRIP AND PASSWORD

I. O. O. F. Grand Lodge Meeting at Victoria.

The Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., completed its sittings at Victoria, on Friday evening, a banquet at the Clarence Hotel being the final function of the session. The next meeting place of the Grand Lodge will be in Nanaimo; Nelson and Rossland competed for the honor, but as the cost of holding the lodge in either of these towns would exceed \$1,000, the Black Diamond City was selected.

At the final business session of the lodge the following officers were installed for the ensuing year:

- W. E. Johnstone, Vancouver, Grand Master.
W. Hogg, Vancouver, Deputy Grand Master.
A. Graham, Victoria, Grand Warden.

Fred Davey, Victoria, Grand Secretary.
G. T. Fox, Victoria, Grand Treasurer.
H. J. Raymur, P. G. M., Grand Representative.
R. May, New Westminster, Grand Marshal.
A. Parker, Vancouver, Grand Guardian.
J. Palmer, Donald, Grand Conductor.
J. Newton, Nanaimo, Grand Herald.
C. E. Arthur, Nelson, Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Master appointed the following District Deputy Grand Masters for the ensuing year: District No. 1, James Pottinger; No. 2, D. McPherson; No. 3, George A. Thompson; No. 4, James Glenn; No. 5, T. Knight; No. 6, G. L. Conley; No. 7, W. J. Kerr; No. 8, R. Cassford; No. 9, J. A. Stone; No. 10, R. L. Collishaw; No. 11, A. H. Clements; No. 12, S. W. Hagan; No. 13, S. C. Smith; No. 14, Thomas Humes; No. 15, P. Wade; No. 16, J. B. Bryson; No. 17, S. Churchill; No. 18, H. L. Calvert; No. 19, C. A. Warren; No. 20, F. Frouch; No. 21, W. M. Clark; No. 22, W. M. Law; No. 23, George Waite; No. 24, P. Hauck; No. 25, J. R. Hamer; No. 26, R. E. Beattie; No. 27, P. Ryan; No. 28, E. H. Ladd.

Among the incidents of the session was the conferring of the Scarlet Degree upon a member of Dominion Lodge, No. 3, by the team from Columbia Lodge. The lodge room was crowded with Grand Lodge representatives and members of city lodges, and the unanimous verdict of all was that they had never witnessed a better illustration of the beautiful work of the third degree, and that Columbia Lodge had a degree team of which she might well be proud. Much of the credit for the efficiency of the team is due to the painstaking efforts of the captain, Bro. G. T. Fox, who naturally came in for a good deal of congratulation on the success of his labors.

Permission was also granted the Odd-Fellows Relief Association of Kingston, Ont., to solicit business in this jurisdiction, upon complying with the laws of the Order in British Columbia.

Lucky Newspaper Man.

One of the luckiest of northwestern newspaper men is J. J. Young, brother of Dave Young, merchant of Kaslo. J. Young, with a few dollars' capital, took over the Calgary Herald some time since, and began to coin money. He became interested in mining in the Larder, a distinct district from the Larder and still his star shone. He became connected with W. B. Poole, one of the best known of the old time prospectors, and through him secured an interest in the Nettie L. on Poole creek. The other day he was offered \$100,000 in hard cash for his share, but so great is his belief in the property that he refused to sell out. The man who made the offer was P. W. Good, salt of the Little Paul and the Black Diamond, of Ainsworth. - Nelson Tribune.

Antoinette Trebelli

It is impossible to say all that might be said of the different numbers and to discriminate almost equally difficult. The old English ballads were sung with that simplicity of manner which alone can make such music effective, and as a contrast to these the "Parantelle" must be mentioned. To interpret a national dance in song is somewhat difficult, but Mrs. Dolores achieved this in her execution of Beethoven's work, and with an apparent effort sang the intricate music in a very pleasing manner. The Norwegian song by Greig was beautifully characteristic, as is all the music of great composer, and again the singer entered into the spirit of the composition with fine effect. And as a climax, came at the conclusion of the programme the celebrated "Laughing Song." And the audience first smiled, and then smiled audibly, and finally gave way to their inclinations, leaned back in their seats, and laughed and laughed again. - Winnipeg Free Press, June 14, 1900.

T. V. Downing came up from Larder last evening.

S. M. McGuire, of Salmon Arm, was in town Sunday.

T. Graham, of Albert Canyon, was in town yesterday.

H. Perry-Leske returned last evening from French creek.

John Grant, who is well known here in connection with the Waverley mines, returned this week from London, Eng., and will again visit the properties.

Kootenay Lodge No. 15 A.F. & A.M. The regular meetings are held in the Masonic Temple, Bonrue Hall, on the third Monday in each month at 8 p. m. Visiting brethren cordially welcomed. H. J. PRATT, SECRETARY.

REVELSTOKE LODGE, I. O. O. F., No. 25. Regular meetings are held in Oddfellows' Hall every Thursday night at eight o'clock. Visiting brethren cordially welcomed. T. J. GRAHAM, N.G. - E. A. KETTLESON, Sec.

SELKIRK LODGE NO. 12, I. O. O. F. Meets every Tuesday evening in Oddfellows' Hall at 8 o'clock. Visiting brethren cordially invited to attend. B. HANBURY, N.G. - W. MATHIE, Sec.

COURT MT. BEGEBIE I. O. F. No. 341. Meets in the Oddfellows' Hall on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. Visiting brethren invited to attend. K. D. J. JOHNSON, N.G. - C. W. MITCHELL, Sec.

Gold Range Lodge, K. of L., No. 26, Revelstoke, B.C. Meets every Wednesday in Oddfellows' Hall at 8 o'clock. Visiting Knights invited. J. W. CROSS, M.D., C. C. - W. WINSON, K. of R. & S.

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COURT OF REVISION. SOUTH WEST KOOTENAY. A COURT of Revision and Appeal under the Waverley Mines Act will be held at the Court House, Revelstoke, on Thursday, the 21st day of June, 1900, at 10:30 a. m. WILLIAM J. DICKIE, Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal.

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A COMPLICATED QUESTION.

The Mean Trick a Desperado Played on His Widow.

For a western town, which was rather wild and woolly than otherwise, she was a very presentable woman in manner and attire, and when she came into the lawyer's office and said she had some important business for him, to handle for her, he felt that he had struck a rich lead.

"Well, madam," he said, when he had seated her comfortably and fixed himself to listen, "if you will tell me the nature of your business, I shall be glad to give you the best advice and service at my command."

"It's about some money that my husband left," she said for a beginning.

"Is he dead?"

"Yes, sir, I'm Bill Nelson's widow."

"The notorious—excuse me, madam—the celebrated desperado who killed so many men?"

"The same one."

"Did he leave much of a fortune?"

"A good deal for me; about \$10,000."

"A very snug little sum, I am sure," smiled the lawyer with a rearing smile.

"But it isn't mine altogether," she explained.

"Why not?"

"That's what I come to see you about. Perhaps it is mine."

"Tell me the particulars."

"Well, it's this way: You see, when I married Bill I was poor and had no home, and I married him because he had money, and I thought there was a good chance of my getting it, for, you know, Bill went around with his life in his hands all the time. He knew I never married him for love, but he didn't care about that so long as I would marry him. He said he was likely to go any time with his boots on and was willing for me to marry again, but he wanted me to marry a better man than he was, and he made a will leaving me everything on condition that I would marry the man that killed him. That suited me well enough, because I knew there wasn't any less desirable man for a husband than Bill was, so I agreed to it in writing. Then Bill went it too strong and got the sheriff after him for shooting a man without provocation, and the sheriff had been an old beau of mine, and Bill didn't like the looks of things and what did he do when he was close pushed but shoot himself?"

"Qu!" exclaimed the lawyer, startled by the suddenness of the tale.

"And he done it just to spite me," whimpered the widow, "for with that signed agreement of mine along with the will what was I to do? That's what I've come to see you about. I can't very well marry the man that killed Bill, and if I marry anybody else I'm going to lose \$10,000. At least, that's the way it looks on paper. I'm tired of being a widow, but I'm not \$10,000 worth tired, and I want you to tell me the law on the situation."

"At last, accounts the lawyer, was knee-deep in lawbooks looking up authorities."

—Detroit Free Press.

A Dangerous Nap.

That travelers in the desert would be wise not to take a nap when ahead of their caravans is proved, though it hardly needed proving, by the experience of Robert L. Jefferson, F. R. G. S., who relates his adventure in The Wide World Magazine:

"I had got ahead not only of the caravan, but of Bekel (his guide) and, wearied with my exertions, lay down on the sand. I think I must have fallen asleep. I certainly remember picking from my face what looked like an enormous spider."

"I thought nothing of it until I began to feel a pain underneath my left eye similar to that left by a mosquito sting. In ten minutes my cheek had swollen enormously, and it was clear that I had been stung by some venomous reptile or insect. By the time Bekel came up the swelling had increased so much that I could not see out of the left eye."

"As soon as Bekel saw my face he seemed stricken with terror. He leaped from his horse, knocked rather than pushed me down and with the fingers of both hands commenced pressing the protuberance under my eye."

"The pain was terrible, and I yelled in my agony until I think I must have fainted, although I well remember one of the Kirghiz coming with a long knife, when at once the idea entered my brain that they meant to 'do for' me. The knife, however, was used only to extract the sting of the tarantula."

"When I reached Petro-Alexandrovsk and related the incident to the doctor of the lazaret there, I learned that I owed my life to the promptitude of Bekel and the Kirghiz. Another hour, and help would have been too late."

F. Hopkinson Smith's Method.

F. Hopkinson Smith, that most versatile of men, engineer, artist and writer, says that he stumbled into literature. It was when he was past 45 years of age that he wrote some stories to accompany a number of his water colors, which were being published, and the success of this initial venture led to the writing of "Colonel Carter of Cartersville," which established his literary reputation.

He is as conscientious about his writing as he is in the filling of an engineering contract or the painting of a picture. He writes his notes on the pages of a copy book, leaving the opposite page blank. He fills in corrections and amplifications, writes and rewrites, until he feels perfectly satisfied that he has done the very best he can with the matter in hand. There must not be a superfluous word or an unclear expression anywhere in the story, and only then is the artist satisfied. It is because he works so hard at his writings that it is such easy reading. Perhaps he could teach a few of our obscure impressionists a few of his secrets.—New York Journal.

CHURCHMEN.

The Rev. William Elliott, who has just died in San Francisco, established in 1845 at Pella, Ia., the first Baptist college in the United States.

Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott has always cultivated the art of using public libraries. He spends much of his leisure time in the old Astor library of New York before a table literally burdened down with books and papers.

Rev. Dr. Hillis, pastor of Plymouth church, Brooklyn, conceded on Sunday that the faith cure idea was a half truth, but advised the employment of physicians. He surprised his congregation by expressing a partial belief in spiritualism.

Bishop Potter says that, coming of an ecclesiastical family, he owes his love of preaching to "those grandfathers and great-grandfathers." He adds: "I began preaching before kilts gave place to trousers. My pulpit was an empty stall in the barn; my audience the chickens and the hired man."

DIE WACHT AM RHEIN.

The German press does not show that sincere sympathy for Great Britain which would indicate the imminence of a defensive alliance. In fact, its observations are very offensive.—Buffalo Courier.

The Kaiser will not urge his naval bill upon his present unwilling bunch of lawmakers, but will take the easier course of rounding up a new lot who will pass the bill without trouble.—Kansas City Star.

Emperor William says that with God's blessing and a strong fleet, he hopes to see German colonies advance until they become a blessing to the fatherland. In the hurry of the moment his majesty probably forgot the men behind the guns.—San Francisco Call.

They Protect Themselves From Theft by Opportunely Ringing.

The tables in the restaurant of a well known hotel in the central part of the city were recently equipped with silver bells for the use of patrons in calling the attention of the waiters. The bells are of the kind that wind up and are rung by merely pressing little knobs on their tops. They cost something like \$5 or \$6 each, and the proprietor of the hotel is naturally desirous that covetous guests shall not carry them off. In order to prevent such surreptitious removal both he and his employees keep a watchful eye on the bells, but not a little aid is rendered by the bells themselves. An evening or so ago, while the saunterer was in the restaurant, two handsomely gowned young women and a stylishly dressed man got up from one of the tables. One of the young women allowed the waiter to help her on with her jacket, but the other seemed particularly anxious that he should not assist with hers.

The reason became apparent half a minute later. With one arm in the sleeve to which it belonged, the young woman essayed to find the opening to the other sleeve with her remaining arm. The job was evidently one to which she was not accustomed, for she struggled and squirmed and grew red in the face. Then from the innermost recesses of an inside pocket of the jacket there came a sound that caused everybody to look in the young woman's direction.

It was the "whirr-rrr" of one of the silver bells. The young woman had accidentally struck the knob with her hand, and the bell had promptly responded to the touch. Of course the young woman blushed when the head waiter came rushing up, and of course her escort made some ghastly humorous remarks about it being "all a joke," but it took a bill of substantial denomination to induce the head waiter to say nothing about the little affair and allow the trio to depart. Equally, of course, the trio lost no time in departing.

Another evening, not so very long ago, one of the bells was heard by the waiters to ring as if it had been muffled. Searching glances were cast in everybody's direction, but no one looked guilty, and, as none of the guests was on the point of leaving, nothing was done. But shortly after the departure of a couple a waiter saw something shining under the young woman's chair. It proved to be the bell.

"I had a narrow escape that time," said the proprietor, in telling of the incident. "If that young woman hadn't accidentally pressed the knob and set the thing going just as she was about to slip the bell into her pocket, there would have been a hell missing, and I'd probably had some difficulty in figuring out just how it had been smuggled away."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

The Mighty Elephant.

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J. D. Boyd returned Sunday from Downie creek. He now makes four trips a month with the Big Bend mails going through to French creek on the first and third; the second and fourth only to Downie creek.

The latest aspirant for journalistic honors in the province is The Outcrop, published by W. P. Evans at Canterbury, one of the numerous new towns which are springing up in the Windermere mining division of North East Kootenay.

An "extra" of the B. C. Gazette published on Saturday contains official notice of the appointment of the Hon. James Dunsuir to be President of the Executive Council; Hon. David MacEwen Eberts, Q. C., to be Attorney General and Hon. John Herbert Turner, to be Minister of Finance and Agriculture, of the province of British Columbia.

A meeting of householders and freeholders, who have been resident in the district for a period of six months, will be held in the school house on Saturday, June 30th, for the purpose of electing a school trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of C. F. Lindmark, whose term of office expires on that date.

The Columbia river has been rising rapidly during the past few days, playing havoc with the river bank. At the smelter site some 60 feet has been washed away and again near the new skating rink about 25 feet has been broken off. Gold Commissioner Cousier has wired the state of affairs to the government at Victoria.

An interesting bicycle race took place last evening between Ald. Abrahamson and Mining Recorder Fraser. The race was from the lower town to McKenzie avenue and return. It was generally thought that Fred Fraser would win but Ald. Abrahamson proved himself a stayer winning out by a foot and a half. C. J. Aman acted in the official capacity of referee.

The Young Ladies Astronomical Club is the latest addition to the list of organizations in Revelstoke. Every evening when the sky is clear a number of young ladies may be seen gazing earnestly heavenward. It is rumored that something unusually interesting was to have happened Saturday evening as a special meeting of the club had been called, but the hopes of the young ladies were cruelly shattered as the evening was dark and cloudy.

A subscriber writes: "In regard to that \$21,000,000 bet from A as relative to the question of payment made for Cuba I am willing to go halves with B. The U. S. did not pay a cent for Cuba their only interest therein being control of affairs until such time as the country was ripe for the adoption of its independence in accordance with the promise made by Pres. McKinley when the war broke out. Evidently A is somewhat mixed, the U. S. paid Spain \$20,000,000 for possessions in the Philippines including the islands of Mindanao, Leyte and Gnamete."

### CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

notice.  
Alice, Alice Fraction, Bonanza King, Crown Point, Gloucester, Last Chance, mineral claims, situated in the Revelstoke Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Ground Hog Basin.  
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Mr. Art Johnson of the Herald left on Sunday night for the coast.

Mrs. D. Little returned home last evening to Kamloops.

A court of revision and appeal will be held at the court house on Thursday next, 21st inst., at 10:30 a.m.

Mlle. Antoinette Trebelli, the celebrated singer, will appear in Revelstoke next Monday evening.

A cricket match between teams composed of Married and Single players is billed for next Saturday afternoon on the recreation grounds.

Members of Selkirk and Revelstoke lodges of the I. O. O. F. paraded to the cemetery Sunday afternoon and decorated the graves of deceased brethren.

A. G. Stoddart who fell through a bridge, while working, near Glacier, paralyzing his limbs and body, was removed from the Revelstoke to the Kamloops hospital Sunday night.

On Friday night last a bridge on the C. P. R. line at Pennys, a short distance west of Kamloops, was washed out delaying the trains from the west for a couple of days.

Joe Morgan has opened a barber shop in the Manning Block on McKenzie avenue. The other half of the block will be occupied by J. B. Cressman, the tailor, who is moving in this week.

Rev. Stuart of Kamloops, preached an appropriate sermon from the text, "Follow thou me," to the brethren of Court Mt. Bighie, Independent Order of Foresters, who attended the Presbyterian church Sunday evening.

At the police court yesterday the Chinaman who threw a man named Crowley off a C. P. R. work train near Glacier three weeks ago, breaking Crowley's collar bone, was committed for trial.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mathie arrived on Saturday evening from Gourock, Renfrewshire, Scotland, and will make their home in Revelstoke for the present. Mr. Mathie is an old school mate of D. M. Rae's of the MAIL staff.

Dr. Cross and Mr. James Taylor have made arrangements for the appearance in Revelstoke on the evening of the 25th inst. of Antoinette Trebelli, (Mlle. Dolores) the celebrated soprano, daughter of the late Zelic Trebelli, the famous contralto, whose glorious voice and art are yet fresh in the memory of the musical public of the whole world. The efforts of the above named gentlemen in bringing such a talented singer to the city should be much appreciated by the public of Revelstoke. Mr. A. Matthews, Revelstoke's famous violinist will also take part on this occasion. The plan of reserved seats is now open and may be seen on application to Mr. James Taylor at R. H. Mayne's office, First street.