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Passing Throng

A few more settlers arrived at Carmi this fall.

The Boundary Fraction shipped some ore last week.

J. D. Spence is spending the holidays in Vancouver.

The ice harvest is rather early this winter in Greenwood.

Wm. Davidson of Sandon was in the Boundary last week.

The children at the Mother Lode are glad this week. They all got prizes.

W. S. Keith is in Seattle, where he is interested in a new process for smelting ore.

Ernest Bunting is on the staff of the Kelly-Carruthers supply Co. in Prince Rupert.

Greenwood has more dealers in wood than any other town of its size in the Province.

The western branch of the Canadian Mining Institute will meet in Greenwood January 14th.

Miss Tillie Graham is home from school in Spokane to spend Christmas with her mother.

It is reported that tracklaying will begin next week upon the V., V. & E. west of Keremeos.

A. D. Broomfield will give a turkey shoot and raffle at Westbridge Saturday next, 26th inst.

James Marshall of Phoenix is putting up a silver cup for competition between local curling clubs.

Joe Murphy and Bob Johnston have shipped some ore to Trail from their mine near Bridesville.

Dr. Simmons is spending the holidays in Vancouver. He will visit Harrison Hot Springs before returning.

There will be a 26-pound turkey dinner at the Northern hotel in Eholt upon Christmas. Dinner will commence at 12 o'clock.

Saturday, December 26th, and January 2 having been proclaimed public holidays, the banks will not be open upon those days.

Robert Keffer is home from college to spend the holidays with his parents. He states that there are 1,400 students in the college at Pullman, Wash.

The postoffice at Bridesville was held up by three masked men on Saturday evening and $70 contributed by the postmaster. No clues are reported.

In Phoenix on Christmas Jim Marshall will provide the finest dinner ever seen that high up the mountains, and it will pay to get there even if you have to take a balloon.

The annual Christmas Tree and entertainment given by the Methodist Sunday school will be held as usual on Christmas night, Dec. 25. No admission fee, collection taken during the evening.

Phoenix and Greenwood lodges, A. F. & A. M., will attend St. Jude's church Sunday, next, Dec. 27 at 11 a. m. Members will meet in lodge at 10:30. All regular masons cordially invited.

J. W. Frost will reside this winter at Fruitvale in California. He does not intend to again make his home in Greenwood. His many friends entertained him with a concert at the Pioneer hotel previous to his departure.

Charles Johnson and John P. Anderson were killed in one of the Granby mines at Phoenix last Friday night by an explosion of dynamite. Both were young men well known in the camp. The funeral took place upon Sunday.

A new provincial police district has been established, comprising the electoral districts of Grand Forks, Greenwood and Similkameen, with headquarters in Greenwood. C. J. Bunbury of Kamloops will be chief constable, and will assume his duties January 1st.

Those who attended the banquet from outside points given in honor of Martin Burrell at Grand Forks last week were Dr. W. E. Spankie, F. W. McLaine and O. Hawtery, of Greenwood, G. W. Rumberger of Phoenix, and T. J. Hardy and J. R. Jackson of Midway.

John Calder, who was with the Canadian Mounted Rifles in the South African war, has received his scrip, which entitles him to 320 acres of land. He has already had enquiries from parties in Ottawa wishing to buy it, but as John is a farmer himself he will not sell it for any ordinary price.

The fire brigade boys held their annual banquet Monday evening in the Windsor hotel. The boys formed a procession at the fire hall about 8:30 and, dressed as hobos, marched through the town. At the cafe a splendid banquet was served by Howard Moore. A long toast list was gone through with, and a very enjoyable evening spent by all.

A Macedonian cry came from Beaverdell this week. A resident of that town sent word to his friends in Greenwood that Beaverdell was a "dry" town and Christmas would be December 25th. The will was nobly responded to, and if the special stage which left here Tuesday arrives on time, Beaver creek water will not be the only exhilarant in the little West Fork town on Chriftmas Day.

The city court of Revision was held Monday evening, with Mayor Bunting and Alderman Fleming as the court, Alderman Gulley, the other member, being absent from the city. Eight names were struck off, the court of revision taking a different view from a decision recently given by a county court judge in Kamloops. Our lawyer-made laws appear difficult of interpretation. This is to be expected of laws framed by lawyers and doctors, many of whom are innocent of even a rudimentary knowledge of English grammar. The court of revision were perhaps correct in taking an opposite view from that held by the county court judge, as they at least have an even break with the lawyers in their interpretation of the law.

In Phoenix D. J. Matheson has the agency for nearly all the best life, fire and accident insurance companies. He also insures plate glass, and if you are looking for insurance drop him a line with particulars of what you want.

Boundary Falls.

The closing exercises of the semi-annual examination of the school at Boundary Falls took place on the 18th inst. in the presence of a dozen visitors, parents and relatives of the pupils.

In addition to the written examination on the programme of studies, the scholars were orally reviewed in reading, spelling, history and geography by the teacher.

The children of the school and visiting friends sang "The Maple Leaf" and the "Red White and Blue," with Mrs. Moore presiding at the organ.

The proceedings closed by the distribution of Christmas cards as souvenirs, and the singing of the National Anthem.

At the Turkish Bath house in Nelson you can get Turkish, Russian, salt water, medicated, and tub baths. The Turkish bath is one of the greatest health-producers in the world.

Polmatier Sisters.

There is no room for doubt that the concert by the Polmatier Sisters Orchestra and Concert Co. at the Auditorium, Greenwood, on the night of Monday, Dec. 28, will be the most pretentious musical event of the season. They are too well known here to need much introduction, and one can get a good idea of the quality of the concert and the ability of the artists by reading the following notice from the Edmonton Bulletin, where they recently played a week's engagement under a heavy guarantee;

"The Dominion theatre was filled to capacity last night with an audience who went to criticize the Polmatier Sisters if they failed to make good, but they did. The work of the girls was of the very best class. The various numbers were each gems in themselves and the audience called for encore after encore, to which the girls graciously responded. The quality of the work of these talented artists can best be judged by the difficult programme they attempted and rendered to perfection. That the Polmatier Sisters have made a "hit" with the citizens of Edmonton is unquestionable, and at the end of the concert they were each presented with a bouquet by the young and hand-some men of the city, known as the Law Students."

Large variety of Jewel Boxes, from 75c. to $15.00, at Coles' Book Store.

Ernest Downs and Archibald Wilkinson were drowned in Christina lake while returning to their homes in a boat after buying provisions in Cascade. A search is being made made for the bodies.

You have a long time to live yet. Decorate your homes with pictures from the New Art Store.

The Sunnyside hotel in Nelson under its new management is doing a large and increasing business.

Pipes in cases, gold-mounted cigar and cigarette holders, pouches, etc., at Cole'.

Rossland is, according to late reports, becoming a very prosperous camp.

Widdowson, Assayer, Nelson, B. C.

The Kootenay Belle reigns supreme in many a camp. It is a cigar that brings delight and appreciation wherever smoked.

Western Float

Louis P. Eckstein is a candidate for the mayoralty in Fernie.

T. R. Drummond is now manager of the Newhouse mines in Utah.

In Vernon wood is $5 a cord, coal $10.50 a ton, and fresh eggs 55 cents a dozen, while apples are 1 to 2 cents a pound.

More than five hundred men are working in the coal mine at Coleman, Alta.

Drilling for oil goes on without stopping south of Pincher creek.

A motor line is to be established in Revelstoke between upper and lower town.

T. J. Smith has raised $200,000 in the last year and placed the Diamond Vale coal mine in Nicola upon a sound basis. The mine is now turning out 100 tons of coal daily.

The strike has ended at the Nicola Valley coal mine and the men have returned to work, it being agreed to arbitrate the trouble under the provisions of the Lemieux Act.

The Bank of Commerce opened its new building in Vancouver last Monday. The bank employs a staff of 38.

Permits for nearly $6,000,000 worth of buildings were granted in Vancouver this year.

Up to date the government has expended forty millions and the railway company twenty millions upon the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific.

In the Kamloops camp a shaft will be sunk on the Kimberley next spring.

In Cranbrook this year the customs collections amounted to $35,000 and the inland revenue to $12,000.

In Revelstoke any citizen installing an electric light upon his verandah can have the juice for it supplied free by the city. This makes Revelstoke one of the best lighted towns in the mountains.

The bonspiel at Rossland will start about the 20th of January.

A white deer was recently killed upon Sumas mountain.

Kelowna carried off $4,600 in prizes for apples at the Apple Fair in Spokane. That's a peach of a town, sure enough.

There are forty men working at the Republic mine in Republic, and a railway spur is being built to No. 3 tunnel.

The Chesaw News says that work has been resumed on the Bi-Metallic mine.

The Bank of Hamilton is opening a branch in North Vancouver.

The price of electric lights in Vancouver and other coast towns will be reduced next month.

More game birds are to be imported and turned loose around Chilliwack.

Allan Kennedy, who was injured by a building accident in Fernie, died in the Cranbrook hospital last week.

It is said that the profits of the Nickel Plate mine at Hedley will be $350,000 this year.

There are 66 sawmills in the interior of B. C.

The King Lumber company are starting their sawmill at Yahk next month with Sam Benzie in charge.

A Spokane company has been formed to work a coal mine about one mile from Coleman. J. F. Povah is the manager of the new company, which has a capital stock of three millions.

It is reported that the B. C. Copper company will resume the payment of dividends next month. The company has had a successful run since last May.

The cigar factory in Kelowna employs 22 hands and makes 6,000 cigars daily.

There is an epidemic of typhoid in Peachland and several deaths have occurred.

D. A. McKenzie died in Rossland last week. He was a brother of Mrs. Al. Barton of Seattle and the funeral took place in that city.

A. B. Mackenzie of Rossland is recovering from his late severe illness.

W. F. Boyer is running a logging camp for the Adams River Lumber Co. near Shuswap.

Angus Stewart, the railway contractor, married Miss Florence Sharpe in New Westminster a few days ago.

The G. T. Pacific will put two steamers in operation between Vancouver and Prince Rupert. They will make 21 knots an hour.

Turkeys were selling in Prince Rupert this week for 22½ cents a pound.

A company has been formed to work the Golden Zone in Hedley camp.

The Daly Reduction Works at the Nickel Plate have shut down until April owing to the shortness of water. About twenty men are still working in the Nickel Plate upon development work.

J. Peck MacSwain replied to the toast of the press at the Burrel banquet in Grand Forks a few days ago.

Armstrong has decided to buy the electric light plant in that town for $24,000, the people being in favor of municipal ownership.

After a hot fight a license has been granted to the new Royal hotel in Kelowna.

Kelowna's water and electric light plant will be in operation this week. It cost $36,000.

At Claresholm in Alberta the people voted against local option.

Billy Pool is turning out real gold bricks at Salmo.

That excellent hotel, the Hume of Nelson, will adopt the European plan next month.

Eighteen inches of good ore is in sight on the Pontiac, a mine on Woodberry creek, not far from Ainsworth.

W. R. Smith has left Kaslo for Seattle where he will reside in the future.

A company has been formed to work the Kootenay Chief, near the Bluebell upon Kootenay lake.

Cosgriff & Bonner have started a bakery in Kaslo.

It is likely that F. E. Archer will be the next mayor of Kaslo.

Messrs. Gillett, Selous and McMorris are the mayoralty candidates in Nelson.

After the holidays a sharp improvement in the stock market is expected.

Frank Boyd of Rossland and Bert Lewis of San Francisco are having a 20-round glove contest in Rossland this evening.

Joe Murphy died in Phoenix, Arizona. His father is shift boss at the Center Star in Rossland.

The close season for quail, grouse and pheasants begins on the first of January. Ducks can be killed until the end of February.

Creston expects to have telephone connection with Nelson in a short time.

Claude Merrill from Calgary has bought Miss Snell's barber shop in Creston.

L. W. Shatford and Dr. White are putting 400 acres of fruit land land on the market, adjoining Keremeos.

Last spring there 48,000 fruit trees shipped into Creston.

Bob Stevenson has recovered from his recent hard experience going over the Hope trail.

Dr. McGregor has formed a partnership with Dr. White in Penticton.

E. W. Monk, the powder man, has left Nelson for Montreal, where he will reside in the future.

Adam Gamble was found guilty of manslaughter at Republic. He was tried for the killing of A. T. Thomas in Malo last September.

It is reported that the C. P. R. will run its Boundary passenger trains from Nelson in the night.

All the latest books in fine holiday editions, and the standard poets in elegant leather editions, at Coles' Book Store.

Curling.

Thursday evening of last week the skips of the Greenwood curling club were elected and the following rinks chosen by the skips:

C. A. Dempsey	— Cummius
N. McLeod	J. Grier
J. D. Spence	Dr. W. E. Spankie
H. Bunting, skip	W. G. McMynn, skip
A. Greig	A. H. Noyes
O. Hawtrey	W. C. H. Wilson
N. Lamont	D. C. McRae
K. C. B. Frith	D. A. MacDonald, skip
T. Jenkin	Rev. V. Venables
— Merrihew	C. McClung
A. Thomas	E. G. Warren
H. McCutcheon, skip	E. W. Bishop, skip
Rev. F. J. Rutherford	A. M. Davidson
G. Evans	D. Ross
T. Gulley	C. H. Fair
J. S. Birnie, skip	Dr. Simmons, skip
J. E. McAllister	J. N. Dunlop
J. R. Brown	H. T. Hunter
G. B. Taylor	Chas. Summers
S. M. Johnson, skip	E. B. Dill, skip
— Rochfort	A. Barnett
J. McCreath	S. M. Tees
C. J. Wilson	E. R. Redpath
J. A. Russell, skip	J. L. Coles, skip

The President vs. Vice-President games are now being played, and the draw for the Warren cup will be made next week.

CROFOOT HAS RIVAL.

Promoter of Industrial Enterprises Finds He's an Amateur.

TOLD OF SOME GOOD THINGS

What a Caller Had to Offer People With Money Seeking an Investment. Four Hundred Per Cent In Dividends on $5,000,000 Capital.

[Copyright, 1908, by T. C. McClure.]

Major Crofoot, grand promoter of thirty-two of the grandest enterprises on the face of the earth, sat in his office dead broke. He had two keys in his pocket, but not a stiver in cash. His landlady had given him the cold hand that morning, and his office rent was due, and he was expecting the landlord every minute. He was wondering if the last sucker in America

THE MAJOR LAID HIS HEAD ON THE DESK AND WEPT.

was dead when there was a step in the corridor, and his half open door was pushed open and a stranger entered and queried:

"Is this Major Crofoot, please?"

"It is."

"The man who always has a good thing for investors?"

"Sure."

"My name is Dawson, and I have come in to talk business to you."

Things changed with the major in an instant. The usual smile came back to his face, the usual blandness to his voice, and as he bade the stranger welcome he toyed with the six old check books stacked up on the desk to show that he was doing business with six different banks.

"What is the best thing you can offer an investor today?" continued the caller as he seated himself.

"You mean something extra good?"

"The very best there is in the box. Don't talk to me of anything paying less than 30 per cent dividends."

Would Pay 60 Per Cent.

"No? Well, I've got just what you want. Yesterday I just finished incorporating the Great American Novelty Refrigerator company. It's going to be the greatest thing on earth. It's sure to sweep the land like a tornado. I'm the inventor, patentee and president of the company, capital $5,000,000, and I feel sure I can guarantee you 60 per cent dividends. You put hot water into the refrigerator and it freezes it to ice. Attached to and working with it are a music box, an alarm clock, a French dictionary, a typewriter, a washing machine and a phonograph. Can be worked singly or altogether. Keeps tabs on the hired girl. Records the exact moment the husband comes in at night. Can be fitted with a torpedo to blow up tramps calling for something to eat. Possibilities unlimited, and the demand will be unprecedented. The czar of Russia writes"—

"Never mind the czar of Russia," interrupted Mr. Dawson. "Is that your very best?"

"But think of it, man, 60 per cent dividends, and I make you general manager at a salary of $20,000 a year."

"Poor, very poor. Not half good enough. I thought you had something gilt edged. It wouldn't pay to fool away my time on that."

"But, man"—

"Come in with me and learn how to promote. You don't know the A B C of it yet. One of the very poorest companies I have is the Arabian Celery and Horseradish syndicate. We propose to buy 5,000,000 acres of desert land and supply the world with celery and horseradish. The dividends are positively guaranteed at 75, and yet we don't think much of it. We shan't try very hard to push the stock. I could give you the vice presidency at a salary of $50,000 a year, but I don't want to see you starve to death."

The major turned pale, opened his eyes very wide and began to breathe hard.

"A promoter who can't see an even 100 per cent dividends in an enterprise should drop it," continued the caller. "It's one horse. It's wasting his time. I organized the Universal Gas Saving company and figured out it would pay 90 per cent dividends. Looked to me like a big thing in my then callow days, but I laugh at it now. It cut gas bills down from $6 a month to 15 cents and is still doing it, but the stockholders are kicking for greater dividends. Ninety per cent looks like skimmilk to them. The secretary resigned last week, and I could give you his place at $30,000 a year, but I know you'd refuse it. You would consider it small potatoes."

"Great Scott!" whispered the major as he leaned forward in his chair.

"After the Gas Saving company was out I saw I was wasting my time. I then originated and promoted the Great Sahara Fruit and Vegetable company. Twenty million acres of land to grow strawberries in summer and sweet potatoes in the fall. The enterprise is referred to in the press as colossal. Kings and emperors have written to us commending it. We let the Rothschilds in on the ground floor, and they were tickled to death, and yet when we came to figure up the dividends they didn't go but [illegible] was so disgusted with the thing that I came near dropping out of the promoting business. I did think of turning the presidency over to you at a salary of $100,000 a year, but I knew you'd refuse it. It isn't up to a man of your caliber. You don't want to fiddle faddle with trifles."

Started New Company.

The major opened his mouth and tried to speak, but words would not come.

"Then I originated the world wide lemon squeezer. Up to that date any one who wanted to squeeze a lemon had to call in the hired man or place it under a board and stand on it. Hitting a lemon with a sledge hammer wasted part of the juice, and sometimes it dodged the blow, and the cat or one of the children was killed. I saw what was needed and invented the squeezer. Our first order was for a million. The sultan of Turkey ordered half a million right off the reel. Couldn't keep up with our orders and can't now, but what do you suppose the dividends are? Just a measly 120 per cent. Rockefeller and Morgan sold their stock in digust after the first year. I believe that a few widows and ministers still call it a fairly good thing, but think of financiers like us being satisfied with such dividends. I could offer you"—

"Yes, yes; you could offer me"—

"I could offer you the vice presidency and a salary of $150,000 a year for life, but I don't want to insult you. I must look for some cheap skate."

"I—I might take it!" groaned the major.

"Nonsense! You take a cheap thing like that and humiliate yourself to the earth! I won't be a party to it. I have now finally got a thing worth looking at—worth investing in. Have you heard of the Universal Instinctive Bedstead company?"

"N-no."

Behind the Times.

"You haven't? Why, you are away behind the times. Thought you kept better track of things financial. My dear sir, you must have heard that there is an electric current sweeping through the earth from north to south?"

"Yes."

"And that all human beings should lie with their heads to the north in order that they may first receive this current on the back of the neck?"

"Yes."

"Well, there you are. You go to a hotel and the bedsteads may stand east and west. The landlord doesn't care a copper for your health. My instinctive bedstead instinctively turns itself north and south, no matter where placed. Keeps the current flowing from head to heel. Hotels have got to have 'em or go out of business. We start on a capital of $5,000,000, and the lowest we can figure the dividends is 400 per cent. Some of us think they will reach 500. The principle can be applied to bunks on Pullmans and aboard steamers. Baby's crib and family lounge have got to head to the north. Will save a million human lives a year and put 10,000 drug stores out of business. I could let you in on the ground floor and pay you a salary of a quarter of a million dollars a year as secretary, but I won't insult you. You have probably got something much better on hand. Ta, ta, major. I must be going."

And when the man had departed the major laid his head on the desk and wept. He was a failure, and he realized it. M. QUAD.

Youthful Assurance.

"When I was your age," said the stern parent, "I was accumulating money of my own."

"Yes," answered the graceless youth, "but don't you think the public was easier then than it is now?"—Washington Star.

Worth the Risk.

Jenny—If you eat all those sweets and fruits, ma says you'll die.

Freddy (his birthday)—Oh, death, where is thy sting?

Literary Note.

"What did he get for his last novel?"

"Well, the publisher says that had he been a judge he would have given him three years!"—Atlanta Constitution.

SWIMMERS' CRAMP.

Some Mistaken Notions About Drowning Corrected.

An expert swimmer says that all the talk we hear about cramp as the cause of drowning is wrong, says the Chicago News. There is only one form of cramp that is fatal to a swimmer, and that is cramp in the stomach, which is very rare. The popular notion is that it is a cramp in the arms or the legs that makes people drown. Cramp of this kind does sometimes attack a swimmer; but, though it is painful, it is not dangerous. He does not, if so attacked, become paralyzed and go to the bottom, but begins to struggle and to cry for help. If he will stand the pain for a short time and keep his head he can by his own efforts work the cramp off.

Another mistaken notion is that a drowning man throws up his hands just as he is sinking. As a matter of fact, it is only a good swimmer that can throw up his hands in the water, for he has to tread water to do it, and a man drowning does not tread water. If he did he would not drown.

POOR OLD HAMLET.

How the Natives Produce Shakespeare's Masterpiece In Malaysia.

An interesting performance of "Hamlet" has been given in the Malay tongue at Wayang Kassim. In reporting this production the Singapore Free Press says: In this instance, as in the case of Malay translations of other plays with which Europeans are familiar, the Wayang Kassim people somewhat embellished and added to the well-known Shakespearean story. The results are somewhat astonishing, but none the less interesting. The play is made to begin at a period before the good old King of Denmark is murdered by his brother, and both plot and murder are carried out with careful detail. The wicked brother's sobs on discovering that the king was dead—from the effects of the poison he himself had administered—were delightfully realistic. Then the love affairs of Hamlet and "his intended"—as the program gracefully expressed it—came under notice.

Ophelia, in what seemed like a bridal costume, sang and wailed and bemoaned her fate in a way that suggested intentions of suing the faithless prince for breach of promise. He on his part preserved a sad and solemn face as if resigned to his fate, and quite prepared to accept the jury's verdict. In the meantime the queen and her new husband were chuckling over the success of their monarch-removing scheme. Several scenes of this sort of thing occurred before the real Shakespearean beginning of the play was reached. This was where the ghost had his innings. In this Malay version of "Hamlet" the ghost scene is worked chiefly on comedy lines. The ghost himself has clearly a keen sense of humor. He makes a great sport with the watchman on night duty. The latter evokes roars of laughter by his comic fright on beholding the apparition. The first thing he does, when he has recovered his wits, is to run to the telephone!

He succeeds in getting his call through, and as a result of his agitated communication his superior officer appears. After telling all about the ghost, the watchman throws down his gun and cap and says, figuratively, "I'm chucking this job. I didn't contract to interview ghosts." The sergeant, noting this, says, "How dare you throw down your gun? I shall fine you 60 cents for that!" As the jaga continues to protest he adds fine on fine. But he takes it all back when the ghost gives him a turn. Later he reports the matter to Hamlet in the good old-fashioned police-constable style: "I was on duty at so and so, and at three minutes past one I . . ." etc. Hamlet next has an affecting interview with the ghost, and after learning all about his father's murder, sings something to the tune of "O Maritana!" After this, it does not much matter about the rest of the play. It is all equally good. The more one sees of the Indra-Zanzibar people the more one likes them.

Prima Donna's Joke.

Mme. Fanny Moody, who is appearing with her husband at the Lyric Theatre in London, confesses to a fondness for practical joking. Even her husband has suffered at her hands. One day, disguised in a wig and a pair of spectacles, she applied to have her voice tried by the manager of the Moody-Manners Opera Co.—her own husband. "I took the conductor's hand," says the prima donna, "and, imprinting upon it a devout kiss, called him my 'dead master.' He did try my voice, and as I indulged in the excruciating shrieks ever heard in 'music,' he told me, gently but firmly, to go back to any other occupation in my limited capacity. My husband confirmed this comment, and then I threw off my disguise and revealed my useless self. I draw the veil over what followed." But Mme. Moody is not quite so useless as she would have us believe; for, in addition to her operatic abilities, she knows not a little about the culinary art, and her husband has been heard to confess that when she has time to cook a dinner he does not want to go to the Carlton or the Savoy.

Suffragist and Authoress.

This month is a busy one in the program of the "Women's Votes" campaigners, and in addition to numerous meetings, at-homes, demonstrations, and so forth, a new book "for the cause" is appearing. This is entitled "Outlawer," and Mrs. Despard, the Woman's Suffrage sister of Gen. French, is named part authoress. Mrs. Despard like most of her colleagues, has had a turn of sampling H. M.'s prisons, but did not find the officials very sympathetic. She declares that when she said "How do you do?" to a fellow-sufferer she was told to "stand back, and don't gossip." On another occasion, when she went to chapel, she found a woman looking very pale, and said, "Cheer up!" A female official nearby rushed up and told her to "keep quiet." On receiving an answer, the woman asked Mrs. Despard whether she wanted to reform prisons, and Mrs. Despard replied, "Perhaps I do." And if ever opportunity arises, doubtless Mrs. Despard will.

An Eye to Business.

Looking at the pigeons in a dealer's window in Dunedin, a boy saw amongst a miscellaneous lot set apart for gun practice a bird that took his fancy, whereupon he ran home, picked out one of his own undesirables, took it to the shop, traded off his reject for the new pigeon for the consideration of three pence, and promptly entered the purchased bird at the show. It gained first and special prizes as a working homer and was awarded another prize as the best of the boys' pigeons.—Auckland, N.Z., Weekly News.

Cargo of Stowaways.

The West African mail steamer Falaba, which arrived at Plymouth recently from Forcados and intermediate ports, brought no fewer than 12 Krooboy stowaways, who had been found in various parts of the ship after the Falaba left Sierre Leone.

Blenheim.

A very "famous victory" was that of Blenheim, which is our corruption of Blindheim, the village on the upper Danube where John Churchill won his dukedom, his magnificent palace in Oxfordshire and his yearly pension of £5,000. This is still enjoyed by his heir, the present Duke of Marlborough, who annually places a French fleur-de-lis flaglet over the bust of his ancestor in the guardroom of Windsor castle, the condition of his tenure of the estate of Blenheim.—London Answers.

UNWILLING GUESTS.

A Turtle Feast With Indians on the Amazon River.

"One of the strangest situations I was ever in," said a man who has traveled much, "was down on an island in the Amazon river. I was looking up lumber for an English syndicate. I had another white man with me, and we went up the river 600 miles in a launch. The crew of the launch were half Indian and half negro. We had been caught by a swarm of Indians who swept us along with them up the river until we reached this island I speak of. There was nothing to do but go with them, as they were several hundred to one of us. They landed on the island, which was quite sizable and sloped to the river's edge, the shores being sandy. There we camped for the night. Next morning when we wanted to leave the natives would not let us go, insisting on our remaining. I did not like this, but there was nothing else to do, so we stayed. Well, that night we saw something moving all about the island, and presently turtles began to crawl out of the water on to the shore. There were hundreds of them. They came there to lay their eggs. It was an annual visit, and the Indians knew and kept track of it. They were there to have a feast. As soon as the turtles were well on the island the fun began. With a big pole we would get after a turtle and upset him on his back, where he was helpless. Scores were caught in this manner. For those they did not want to eat at once the Indians scooped a hole in the sand and dropped the turtle down on his back, and there he remained until dragged out to be killed. The weird and fantastic performances we saw there beat anything I ever saw before or since. The Indians would eat and dance and dance and eat until they fell down, unable to move. As soon as they had rested they would get up and go at it again. They kept that up for nearly a week. Then we got away. How much longer they remained I cannot say, but suppose they remained as long as there was anything to eat."

A Purely Vegetable Pill.—The chief ingredients of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are mandrake and dandelion, sedative and purgative, but perfectly harmless in their action. They cleanse and purify and have a most healthful effect upon the secretions of the digestive organs. The dyspeptic and all who suffer from liver and kidney ailments will find in these pills the most effective medicine in concentrated form that has yet been offered to the suffering.

A cracked egg can be boiled without any of the white running out by putting a teaspoonful of salt in the water.

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A medicine that will keep babies and young children plump and good natured, with a clear eye and rosy skin is a blessing not only to the little ones but to mothers as well. Baby's Own Tablets is just such a medicine. They cure all the minor ailments of children and make them eat—well, sleep well and play—well. They are used exclusively in thousands of homes when a child medicine is needed. Mrs. G. Collins, Hirkella, Man., says:—"Baby's Own Tablets are the most satisfactory medicine I have ever used for ills of young children. They are as good as a doctor in the home." Sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25c a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Place a cup containing vinegar on the stove near the pan in which you are cooking cabbage or onions and the odor will not spread all over the house.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

Gilt picture frames may be revived by beating up the whites of eggs with 1oz. of soda, and then, after cleaning well with a dust cloth, rubbing them over with a soft brush dipped in the mixture.

Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

A Red Dinner.

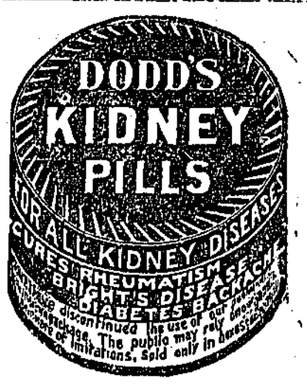
A woman who is always on the lookout for novelties in the way of entertaining her friends gave a red dinner at her country home the other day. All the viands served were red, not such a difficult achievement as it sounds, for red is a popular color among eatables. A blue dinner, now, would be a hard thing to get up.

The menu follows:

Tomato Soup.
Baked Red Snapper, with Cardinal Sauce. Soft Shell Crabs.
Bocuf Tongue a la Horley.
Stuffed Tomatoes. Compote of Red Cherries.
Ribs of Prime Beef. Broiled Lobster.
New Beets. Stewed Young Carrots. Red Sweet Potatoes.
Peach Shortcake. Raspberry Ice. Watermelon.
Demi Tasse a la Red Currant.

The place cards were printed in red and tied with red ribbon. The decorations were massed blossoms of the beautiful salvia, or scarlet sage, as it is sometimes called, and crimson gladioli. If preferred, roses could be used, or masses of crimson phlox would be very effective.

When washing floors or cleaning windows always put a few drops of paraffin in the water, and this will keep away flies, moths and other insects.



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"Don't you know," thundered old Croesus, "that my daughter has always lived in the lap of luxury? Can you maintain her in the style to which she has been accustomed?"

"Yes, sir; I'll guarantee it."

"But suppose you don't?"

"Then I'll return the goods!"

Relief for Suffering Everywhere.—He whose life is made miserable by the suffering that comes from indigestion and has not tried Parmelee's Vegetable Pills does not know how easily this formidable foe can be dealt with. These pills will relieve where others fail. They are the result of long and patient study and are confidently put forward as a sure corrector of disorders of the digestive organs, from which so many suffer.

Wigg—So you believe in signs, eh? Well, when a man is always making new friends what is that a sign of?

Wagg—It's generally a sign that his old friends are onto him.—Philadelphia Record.

Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

Long—Your landlady tells me you are behind with your board.

Short—Well, perhaps I am; but I'm about $40 ahead of her game.—Chicago News.

Any person who drinks 25c tea and once tastes 30c "Salada" will see that it is not only finer in flavor, but that as one pound makes many more cups, it is economical to use. 79

"John," said Mrs. Binks, "I wish you'd give Jimmie a good hard spanking. I can't get him to take his bath, and he's about as dirty as he can be."

"Oh, I don't think dusting his jacket will clean him up," returned John.

"I don't want you to dust his jacket," said Mrs. Binks. "I want you to soak him for fair."—Lippincott's.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

THE RIGHT THREAD.

Rules Governing the Use of Filo Embroidery Silk.

Embroiderers are often at a loss to know whether to use a single or double thread when working in filo silks.

The rules that govern the use of the single or double thread are based upon the general principle that the finer and more delicate the work and material the finer should be the thread.

Thus on sheer handkerchief linen or mull or for a very small design on a heavier fabric use a single thread of filo throughout; otherwise the work will look rough and coarse.

Sometimes indeed the thread is split for the shading in the center to give a more delicate effect. This, however, is rarely necessary. It is a fairly safe rule for large designs or heavy materials to use two threads of filo, at least for the outer edges. Frequently the entire flower is done in the double silk, but quite as often the outer portions and the foliage are worked with the two strands, while for the shading toward the center the single thread is used. This treatment gives both greater richness and depth to the work, besides filling more rapidly, always a desideratum in an intricate piece of embroidery.

In using two strands of silk it is important to thread the needle properly. Do not fold over a single thread in the eye, as it will cause the silk to twist, roughen and cut. Instead, draw out from the skein two threads of exactly the same length and thread the needle with both together.

The Latest Sweet.

Fudge has been supplanted in the fancy of the college girl lately by a new sweet which is called "divinity."

It takes two saucepans to make the candy—one for three cupfuls of granulated sugar, a cupful of thick sirup and two-thirds of a cupful of water, the other for a cupful of granulated sugar and half a cupful of water. The contents of both pans are allowed to cook until the sirup in them will spin a thread when poured from the spoons or make a soft ball between the fingers when dropped in very cold water. When both are ready the sirup in the first pan is turned slowly over the stiffly beaten whites of three eggs, a continual beating going on during the process. Then the second sirup, with the addition of a cupful of nut meats, is turned over, and the frothy mass is turned into a buttered tin and when cool enough is marked into small blocks.

Sour Cream Filling.

Whip very sour cream until stiff. Add a cupful and a half of English walnuts or hickory nuts chopped to a powder, sweeten to taste, and flavor lightly with vanilla. This is extremely nice and, moreover, a novelty.

THE BOTTLE TREE.

A Life Saver For Cattle During the Australian Droughts.

"It was like a real bottle, thirty feet high, covered with the bark of a box tree and with a gum tree growing out where the cork ought to be."

Such was the way in which an Englishman described the first bottle tree which came under his notice, and truly one who does not know the tree its sudden appearance in his pathway, often in the midst of dense scrub, must make a vivid impression.

The lower part of the trunk is thick and cylindrical, decreasing in size toward the top, its shape being that of a gigantic living bottle, from the neck of which spring the only branches and leaves that the tree possesses. In this respect it carries to an excess the peculiarity of most Australian trees—namely, their lack of branches for a considerable distance up the stem.

The bark is of grayish color and is very hard, says the Philadelphia Inquirer, but the wood inside is soft and moist. The latter can be chewed in the same way as sugar cane, but as it lacks its sweet, pleasant taste it is rarely used in this way. This peculiar characteristic of the tree, however, makes it a valuable food for cattle.

Indeed, during the long droughts which occasionally visit Australia hundreds of settlers have to thank the bottle tree for saving them from ruin. Sometimes for more than a year and in the inland districts for still longer periods scarcely a drop of rain falls.

Every blade of grass is dried, tanks become empty, creeks no longer run and in many cases dry up altogether, as do nearly all water holes and lagoons; cultivation is impossible, and fodder for cattle and horses is extremely difficult to procure. Then the bottle tree comes to the rescue. Every scrub is searched for these living bottles, and everywhere is heard the ringing of axes as the strange, attractive trees are laid low.

As soon as the trunk has been stripped of its bark the cattle are brought to it if within easy distance, and there they remain till neither leaves nor wood is left. In places where the settlers have no scrubs of their own they will drive many miles in order to obtain a wagon load of this great treasure.

Sometimes instead of allowing the animals free access to the tree the settlers cut the trunk into strips, put the strips through the cutter and thus make a substitute for proper chaff.

In many instances during a drought, except for prickly pears and the foliage of trees, cattle are fed on these living bottles alone, and they have been the means of saving large quantities of stock.

It seems strange that in the absence of rain these trees should retain their moist interior, as the majority of others look dry and drought stricken.

But throughout all the bottle tree flourishes, lifting its dark green leaves toward the sky, whither the farmers and squatters turn longing eyes in hopes of the wished for rain.

When the dry season ends and the land in a very few weeks is covered with fresh green grass, the work of the bottle tree is done. But, mindful of its past usefulness, no farmer unless under absolute necessity fells this tree, and it may often be seen standing in solitary grandeur, its strange shape outlined against the blue sky, while the land at its base has been put under cultivation or has been converted into grazing grounds for the cattle.

Designations.

Some foreigners and even certain Americans are disposed to stand aloof from what they haughtily term the working classes of the country. It is to be regretted that they could not have overheard the conversation which took place on an East river ferryboat not long ago between a recently introduced—shall we hazard it?—wheelwright and shopgirl.

"Do you attend in Barginer's establishment?" he asked.

"Yes; I am one of the emporium ladies," she replied, with becoming dignity. "Where are you engaged?"

"I am one of Banks & Co.'s repository for carriages gentlemen," he informed her.

"Boys and girls under eighteen should be strictly forbidden to read in bed," says the Lancet, on authority of Dr. Feilchenfeld, of Berlin, who declares that in the case of young persons whose eyes are not fully developed the practice is likely to induce myopia. While young people run the greatest risk, the Lancet thinks that reading in bed is undesirable for persons of any age, and states that "in the case of aged, anxious, worried, and bedridden people, to whom it would seem cruelty to deny what may be almost their only luxury, for fear of inducing some slight error of refraction, care should be taken that the light is sufficiently brilliant, the eyes being shaded from it and that the patient lies on his back with head and shoulders raised."

Do not let a cold settle on your lungs. Resort to Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup at the first intimation of irritation in the throat and prevent disease from lodging in the pulmonary organs. Neglected colds are the cause of untold suffering throughout the country, all of which could have been prevented by the application of this simple but powerful medicine. The price, 25 cents, brings it within the reach of all.

Dangers In Mercury.

Mercury is a foe to life. Those who make mirrors, barometers or thermometers, etc., soon feel the effect of the nitrate of mercury in teeth, gums and the tissues of the body.

Politeness In Tibet.

In Tibet it is a sign of politeness when meeting a person to hold up the hand clasped and protrude the tongue.

Not In a Position, Etc.

I'd like to tackle any game.
I'd like to prove my heart is true.
I'd like to give some one my name—
And all because of Y-O-U.

And yet, so minus is my stack,
Your dad I dare not interview.
Alas, alack, I must hold back—
And all because of I-O-U!
—Kansas City Times.

Untidy.

Precise Aunt (trying to amuse Kate, who had come to spend the day)—Oh, see pussy washing her face!

Kate (with scorn)—She's not washing her face. She's washing her feet and wiping 'em on her face.—Judge's

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The cause of piles is very different in different cases, but there is always relief and with regular treatment thorough cure in the use of Dr. Chase's Ointment.

There is nothing severe or disagreeable about this treatment, for by its soothing influence it helps almost as soon as applied. You feel the benefit, and know for a certainty that it is doing you good.

On the circular which goes with every box of Dr. Chase's Ointment are given full instructions as to the use of the ointment for itching, bleeding and protruding piles, and itching skin diseases. If you follow directions we guarantee satisfaction as a treatment for every form of piles.

Mr. D. MacVicar, Caledonia Mines, N. S., writes:—For years I was troubled with bleeding, protruding piles and could not obtain a cure. I would be laid off work for weeks. Two boxes of Dr. Chase's Ointment completely cured me."

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Dr. Chase's Ointment has an unparalleled record of cures; 60c a box, at all dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

Not Tempted.

Tommy—Ma, I met the minister on my way to Sunday School, and he asked me if I ever went fishing on Sunday.

Mater—And what did you say, darling?

Tommy—I said, "Get thee behind me Satan," and ran right away from him.

Worms sap the strength and undermine the vitality of children. Strengthen them by using Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator to drive out the parasites.

Lady—So you wish my daughter for your wife?

Suitor—Partly that, madam; and partly because I want you as my mother-in-law.

He got them both.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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"Well, I don't know. Will there be any chance for a commission, or fat jobs of any sort?"—Washington Star.

A Ready Weapon Against Pain.—There is nothing equal to Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil when well rubbed in. It penetrates the tissues and pain disappears before it. There is no known preparation that will reach the spot quicker than this magic Oil. In consequence it ranks first among liniments now offered to the public and is accorded first place among all its competitors.

Maclyn Arbuckle always arouses the loyalty of his young friends in the audience when he sadly murmurs in the last act of "The Round Up," "Nobody loves a fat man.' Here's a few childish wisdom pearls Mr. Arbuckle has garnered from his little adorers.

"Dust—Mud with the juice speezed out of it."

"Snoring—Letting off sleep."

"Apples—The bubbles that apple trees blow."

"Backbiter—A mosquito.

"Fan—A thing to brush the warm off with."

"Ice—Water that went to sleep in the cold."—Youth's Magazine.

Cure Your Dandruff

Why? Because it is annoying, untidy. And mostly, because it almost invariably leads to baldness. Cure it, and save your hair. Get more, too, at the same time. All easily done with Ayer's Hair Vigor, new improved formula. Stop this formation of dandruff!

Does not change the color of the hair.

Formula with each bottle

Ayer's

Show it to your doctor

Ask him about it, then do as he says

The new Ayer's Hair Vigor will certainly do this work, because, first of all, it destroys the germs which are the original cause of dandruff. Having given this aid, nature completes the cure. The scalp is restored to a perfectly healthy condition.

—Made by the J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.—

RICE ENTREES.

Tasty Dishes That May Be Compounded Quickly and Easily.

The housewife who is merely acquainted with rice in its dual aspect—that is, as a pudding or as a more or less indifferently cooked adjunct to curry—will be, I imagine, greatly surprised when she finds that quite a number of delightfully savory little entrees may be achieved with its aid.

Here, then, are a couple of recipes wherewith she may proceed to astonish the mere man at dinner or luncheon:

Boil half a pound of well washed rice in salted water till very tender. Drain thoroughly. Let it dry. Place an ounce of either butter or oil (roughly, a large teaspoonful) in a clean stewpan. When very hot add a finely minced onion and a few picked shrimps. Fry for a few minutes, then add the rice and fry, turning frequently, until of a light golden hue. Add cayenne or white pepper to taste and a large heaped tablespoonful of grated cheese. Any sort will do, but Parmesan gives the best results. Make very hot. Pile upon a hot dish and serve at once.

Take some smoked sardines and make them hot on a saucer in the oven in a little of their own oil. Have ready half a pound of well cooked rice. It must have been cooked in salted water till very tender. Drain it well. Dry it. Place a large tablespoonful of either butter or oil in a clean stewpan. Melt or bring to the boil, then add the rice, together with a teaspoonful of very finely minced shallot. Fry a light golden hue. Add a large tablespoonful of tomato catchup, a tablespoonful of grated cheese and pepper to taste. Make very hot. Pile up on a hot dish. Drain the sardines quickly on clean blotting paper. Garnish round the base and serve at once. Anchovies may be used in place of sardines if liked. Turn the rice frequently when frying it.

THE BUSINESS WOMAN.

Smiles Will Help to Lighten the Day's Work.

Business women should enjoy life—every bit of it. To do this they must keep alive and not forget they are living.

Many business women have lost and are losing a third of their lives. The instant they leave their homes in the morning they become entirely different beings, forgetting entirely that they are alive. They become mechanical beings for their employers. They never smile, never tell or think of humorous incidents apropos of the dark happenings of the day. These would flavor their existence.

This is not the view of an idealist or dreamer who spends all of life in trying to find amusement to pass the hours away and who only pictures the business woman's life, but is the view of one hard in the harness of the business world and one who strongly advocates working as hard as strength will permit, always busy as a bee and working earnestly and faithfully for the employer's interests.

Cultivate a smile, be an optimist, enjoy every minute of your lives, sisters! You will profit and be years younger instead of years older if you do.

The Ironing Board.

Holland window shades no longer fit for the windows may be utilized in several ways. First, they should be cleaned by soaking from ten to fifteen minutes in cold water and then boiled in soap and water in the boiler for five minutes. They can then be easily cleaned. They may be used to cover the ironing board and will be most durable and satisfactory. They may also be shaped into aprons by cutting.

Mutton Tallow Uses.

Ink stains may be removed by pouring melted mutton tallow over them before putting the garments in the wash. The tallow should be allowed to get cold before the garment is washed.

HOUSEWIFE HINTS.

Mayonnaise seasoned with chili sauce gives a variation for fish and meat salads.

Carpets should be beaten on the wrong side first and then more gently on the right. Never put a carpet down on a damp floor, for this often results in the carpet becoming ruined.

If when using lemon for flavoring you need only half a one, put the other half on a plate and cover with a glass tumbler. This excludes the air and prevents it from drying up or getting moldy.

A linoleum may be freshened perceptibly if given a coat of linseed oil and paraffin. Boil the oil and wax together and apply while still hot with a brush. Use only enough to cover the surface and when finished wipe it off dry with a cloth.

To dry lace curtains without a stretcher wind quilting frames with muslin. Pin each point of the curtains evenly to the muslin. Two or three may be put on at once, one over the other. Dry in the open air or indoors in a warm room.

Never paper a wall that is inclined to be damp without first making it impervious to moisture by applying a varnish of one part shellac to two of naphtha. The disagreeable odor will soon disappear, and after papering there will be no more trouble from moisture stains.

To remove stains of long standing from marble mix one gill each of soapsuds and ox gall and half a gill of turpentine. Then add as much fuller's earth as will make a paste and rub it on the stains. Leave it on a few days and then wipe off. It may be necessary to repeat the operation.

What He Knew.

"Do you believe that love makes the world go round?" queried the sentimental maid in the big touring car.

"I don't know about that," replied the practical young man at the steering wheel, "but it is gasoline that makes the wheels go round on a grade like this."

And, realizing that it was a hopeless case, the sentimental maid closed her face and proceeded to get interested in the scenery.—Detroit Tribune.

A CURE FOR RHEUMATISM

The Trouble Yields to the Rich, Red Blood Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Actually Make.

Ask any doctor and he will tell you that rheumatism is rooted in the blood; that nothing can cure it that does not reach the blood. It is sheer waste of money and time to try to cure rheumatism with liniments and lotions that only go skin deep. You can speedily cure rheumatism with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which enrich the blood, drive out the poisonous acid and loosen the stiffened, aching joints. Among the thousands of rheumatic sufferers cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is Mr. W. A. Taylor, Newcastle, N. B., who says:—"For a number of years I was a great sufferer from rheumatism which was seated in my shoulders and knee joints. I tried liniments and blistering, but with no effect. In fact the trouble was getting worse, and my knee joints grew so stiff that they would snap if I stooped, and I could scarcely straighten up. Altogether I was a terrible sufferer, and nothing I did or took gave me any relief until I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I took the Pills steadily for a couple of months and every vestige of the trouble disappeared. That was two years ago, and as I have had no return of the trouble I feel safe in assuming that the cure is permanent."

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Here is a good cure for corns. Put about a dessertspoonful of common washing soda in a bottle and add a wineglass of vinegar. Cork up, and in eight days it is ready for use. Well soak corn and apply night and morning. This remedy is generally successful.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, &c.

Combs should not be washed with water. This is apt to split the teeth. A stiff nail brush is a good thing to keep for cleaning them.

Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

Homemade Barometer.

Those who love experimentation may try the following method of making a cheap barometer practiced in France: Take eight grams of pulverized camphor, four grams of pulverized nitrate of potassium, two grams of pulverized nitrate of ammonia and dissolve in sixty grams of alcohol. Put the whole in a long, slender bottle closed at the top with a piece of bladder containing a pinhole to admit the air. When rain is coming the solid particles will tend gradually to mount, little star crystals forming in the liquid, which otherwise remains clear. If high winds are approaching the liquid will become thick, as if fermenting, while a film of solid particles forms on the surface. During fair weather the liquid will remain clear and the solid particles will rest at the bottom.

JAPANESE DOCTORS.

New Ways to Pay Old Debts in Far Japan.

A Japanese doctor, it seems, never even dreams of asking any patient, but a poor one especially, for a fee, however legitimately the money may have been deserved, for this proverb is the motto of all Japanese physicians:

"When the twin enemies, poverty and disease, invade a home, then he who takes aught from that home, even though it be given him, is a robber."

"Often," says Dr. Matsumoto, "a doctor will not only give his time and his medicine freely to the sufferer, but he will also give him money to tide him over his dire necessity. Every physician has his own dispensary, and there are very few chemists' shops in the empire. When a rich man calls in a physician he does not expect to be presented with a bill for medical services. In fact, no such thing as a doctor's bill is known in Japan, although nearly all the other modern appliances are in vogue there. The doctor never asks for his fee. The strict honesty of the people makes this unnecessary. When he has finished with a patient a present is made to him of whatever sum the patient or his friends may deem to be just compensation. The doctor is supposed to smile, take his fee, bow and thank his patron."

A Pugnacious Super.

When F. R. Benson, the actor, was training two armies of "supers" for a battle, he had some difficulty in persuading the weaker side to submit to be conquered. Even at the first performance the vanquished force, which included a somewhat pugnacious Irishman, who may be called X., upset traditional usages by severely mauling its victors, and the play must have suffered if the hint of one of the warriors had not been taken.

"Look a-here, Mr. Benson," he said, "if you want us to be beaten, you must put X. in the other army. That's the only way."—London Standard.

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THREE ARTISTS.

The Wonderful Success of Christy, Fisher and Hutt.

Howard Chandler Christy is said to have "cleaned up" $80,000 in one year, which sum is something more than the combined salaries of all the members of President Roosevelt's cabinet. This may be an exaggeration. It probably is, and it should be. Yet that it is possible for Christy to make such a sum and that it is probable his income for a twelvemonth has climbed well up toward that figure are proved by the fact that his royalties on an edition of one portfolio of drawings, the execution of which probably occupied less than a month, was $13,000 the first year it was out. The advertising value of Christy's name is so great that he has been offered handsome studio apartments rent free if he will only move into them and establish the reputation of the building. Harrison Fisher is another popular artist who has found the public very practically appreciative. His career in many respects has been similar to that of Christy, also his income, though it is doubtful if the latter has ever reached the high water mark set by Christy's star year. Record has it that Fisher's brush brought him $20,000 in seven months at one time.

Henry Hutt is also a member of this class. In ten years he sprinted from a four dollar a week artist's "devil" in a Chicago engraving house all the way to a seat of honor in the real artists' club. While the first years of Mr. Hutt's "career" were somewhat stormy, at least they were proportionately short. He early found himself and fixed a rising scale of prices on his work. This proved an excellent plan, the only change necessary in the programme being a readjustment of the scale in order to frighten off the buyer with a limited purse. The real financial success of these three men—Christy, Fisher and Hutt—lies in their ability to produce. Except when selling stuff on a royalty basis, the prices paid them, while seemingly enormous, are actually not record breaking.—Bookman.

A Story About "Fighting Bob."

The other day at Lake Mohonk a friend of Admiral Evans asked him:

"Admiral, is there any truth that after the battle of Santiago you called out from the bridge of the Iowa to a captain of another battleship, 'Those Spaniards can't fight a thing except water?'"

Admiral Evans laughed and replied: "I will tell you what I really said and what the incident really was. One drizzly day during the blockade we stood in toward the harbor and shelled the shore batteries. It wasn't as exciting as it might have been, for, whether we hit anything or not, I know the Spaniards did not quite come near us. After the shelling was over a press boat lay alongside my ship, and a newspaper man asked if we had been hit. I shouted back: 'They didn't touch us. The Spaniards didn't hit anything except water, and they couldn't have hit that if there wasn't so much of it.'"

Wolseley Is Hard Up.

Lord Wolseley, who used to be known in England as "our greatest general," is in straitened circumstances and has given up his residence, the Farmhouse, Glynde, Sussex, owing to the expiration of his lease, and the furniture and contents of the modest little mansion have been disposed of by auction. The distinguished soldier has received in his time several liberal grants from a grateful country for services rendered to it, but it is understood that his lot has now fallen on rather evil times, the more so as his state of health has prevented him from completing his "Life of Marlborough." Still, the suit of apartments that was granted him and Lady Wolseley at Hampton Court palace remains at their disposal.

Routed by Beggars.

Miss Anna Morgan, heiress to $300,000,000, says a Vienna paper, was driven out of Berlin, where she hoped to study politico-social conditions, by the beggars, high and low, of nobility and otherwise, who no sooner heard of the arrival of the rich American girl than they set siege to her dollars. Individuals, societies, churches, charitable institutions and promoters of business schemes wrote, telegraphed and sent messengers. It all looked funny to the young woman at first, but it became a nuisance, from which she escaped by means of her automobile, in which she hastened to a nearby summer resort.

Sheep Fattening Sheds.

At Aurora, Ill., there are frequently to be seen as many as 50,000 sheep at one time housed in fattening sheds, where they are put in prime condition for the market. Herds numbering 75,000 are to be encountered on the ranches of the far west, but at Aurora so many sheep in one bunch right in the midst of a popular farming district is a novel sight. The sheds at this point have accommodations for 75,000 animals, but there has yet been no occasion to tax the establishment to its full capacity.—Baltimore American.

Australia's Wild Oysters.

Oysters are sometimes regarded as dangerous, but they are not usually considered savage. A Queensland judge, however, has decided that they are wild beasts. Before a royal commission on the pearling industry, which has been sitting at Brisbane, a witness stated that eight years ago he had laid 100,000 shells in the neighborhood of Friday Island. The Japanese stole the shells, and the district court judge held that as pearl shell oysters were wild animals there was no penalty for stealing them.—London Globe.

London's Plague of Whistles.

While a noise crusade is going on in New York there is another in London which beats it. The latest London noise is the whistle. It begins in the manufacturing quarters somewhere in the early hours. Then comes the whistle of the early worker—the morning whistler, the metaphorical "plowboy," who merrily takes his way, whistling as he goes, and then, day in and day out, there is the whistle for the cab, and the taxicab demands three multiplied by thirty. And London has always been held up to New York as a model of a quiet city.

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SEPTEMBER AT BRAEMAR.

Some Picturesque Ceremonies Take Place at Mar Lodge Every Autumn.

Undoubtedly the most important of the many "gatherings" which take place in Scotland during September is that of the Braemar Royal Highland Society, which was held recently, in the Princess Royal Park. The "gathering" is under the patronage of the King and Queen, the Prince and Princess of Wales, the Princess Royal and the Duke of Fife; and though Their Majesties were not, of course, present, the other royalties were. Just as Braemar is the chief of the gatherings, so is Mar Lodge the chief of the many Scotch houses that are noted for their splendid hospitality during the autumn, though the Princess Royal does not entertain very largely. Dinner at Mar Lodge after a big day with the deer is always an impressive affair. To begin with, the Princess Royal always, by custom, precedes her guests to the heather and rowan decorated table. During dessert the Duke of Fife's pipers march round and round the table, playing Highland melodies, and later in the evening there is often a "deer-dance". The noble quarry are laid in a heap in front of the castle, whilst gillies, keepers, and other retainers carrying torches, dance round them to the accompaniment of weird pipe music. Scotland is nothing if not picturesque, and there is, perhaps, no part of the kingdom where more quaint customs survive.

Rival Dignities.

An Englishman, fond of boasting of his ancestry, took a coin from his pocket and, pointing to the head engraved on it, said, "My great-great-grandfather was made a lord by the king whose picture you see on this shilling."

"What a coincidence," said his Yankee companion, who at once produced another coin. "My great-great-grandfather was made an angel by the Indian whose picture you see on this cent."

Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

"I've just figured out how the Venus de Milo came to lose her arms."

"How?"

"She broke them off trying to button her shirtwaist up the back."—Puck.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in cows.

What's this lunch doing in the safe?"

"That's an election wager," explained the junior partner. "A fellow just bet me a dollar to a doughnut on the result."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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Thomas Wasson, Sheffield, N. B.

"And if there is no moonlight will you meet me by gaslight, Georgiana?"

"No, Adolphus; I'm no gas meter."—New York Telegram.

Success is the ability to forget failure.

"We will give you some orators who will fire your imaginations," said the campaign worker.

"I dunno's I want anybody's imagination fired," answered Farmer Corntossel. "What we want is to get some of the fellers that's holdin' office fired, so's to give our friends a chance."—St. Louis Republic.

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THE EMPIRE-BUILDERS

Western Newspaper Man Is Author of Cleverly-Written Book of Poems.

"The Empire Builders," a little volume of poems, by Robert J. C. Stead, of Cartwright, Man., has recently been issued from the press of William Briggs, Toronto. It is but natural, perhaps, that we of the west should be particularly susceptible to the influence of the author or poet who depicts in a genuinely realistic manner that which is essentially western. Within recent times, Western Canada has attracted the attention of many writers of note, as a country rich in literary material, but it will be left to those who have lived the life of the west, and who have taken a part in the making of the country, to properly reflect in prose and verse the life, characteristics and aspirations of its people. It is quite evident that Mr. Stead has caught the inspiration from a source which could be only gained from personal knowledge, and has set his thoughts to metre in a clear-cut and pleasing manner. Two short poems, "The Homesteader" and "The Prairie" are excellent examples of Mr. Stead's descriptive powers, and also give expression to the dominant idea and motive that permeates every page, the cultivation of a proper realization of the possibilities and worth of our Western Heritage. To quote from "The Homesteader":—

For here on the edge of creation,
Lies, far as the vision can fling,
A kingdom that's fit for a nation—
A kingdom—and I am the King!

A stanza in "The Prairie" treats in a similar way:

Where wide as the plan of creation
The Prairies stretch ever away,
And beckon a broad invitation
To fly to their bosom and stay;
The prairie-fire smell in the gloaming,
The water-wet wind in the spring—
An empire untrod for the roaming—
Ah, this is a life for a King!

And while our favored country is thus delightfully portrayed, we are reminded that we are but a unit of the Empire, and of the position we occupy in relation to the Mother Country. In the initial poem, "The Empire-Builders," as well as in "Manhood's Estate," "Mother and Son," and "The Charity Ward," a strong imperialistic note is sounded, and a plea made for the furtherance of the unification of Greater Britain. Of our own responsibilities in this connection what might almost be considered as a caustic reminder, is set forth in "The Charity Ward":—

Is't well to boast of Empire and brag
of Britain's might,
Is't well to sing of her soldiers or
hurry them into the fight,
Is't well to raise your anthem for the
King upon his throne,
While ye leave the Mother Country
to bear the load alone?

A perusal of the volume will well repay the reader's attention. The poems which are almost entirely of a patriotic and kindred nature, are certainly treated in a vigorous and original manner. It may be safely predicted that "The Empire-Builders" will take the prominent place it deserves in the field of Canadian literature.

Newspaper men of the west will no doubt take an especial pride in the distinction Mr. Stead has obtained in the publication of this volume. Mr. Stead, as is well known, is the editor and publisher of the Review, Cartwright, Man., and the Courier, Crystal City, Man.

R. J. C. STEAD,
Author of "Empire-Builders."

"I hear you are quite a sportsman," said the shovel to the coal.

"Never handled a gun in my life," said the coal.

"Why, I'm certain I overheard some one say that he'd seen the coal shute."

"Oh, please stop poking me!" said the fire to the poker. "You tickle."

"Our master's house is beautiful upstairs," said the furnace to the poker. "The flues are going up there all the time, and they told me all about it."—Philadelphia Ledger.

A NEW WRINKLE.

Ferns as a Preventive In Keeping Food Fresh.

The housekeeper who is ever on the alert for new wrinkles in keeping food fresh and sweet should test for herself the power of fern leaves as a preservative.

The consul general at Frankfort is responsible for the statement that ferns keep meat, fruit, butter and fish in a good condition longer than grape leaves, straw or any other packing medium.

They are much used to bring produce to the English markets, and the Manxmen use them entirely to pack fresh herring for shipping.

The high percentage of salt in the ferns appears to be responsible for their preservative qualities, and the strong odor of the leaves wards off maggots and prevents early decay.

This is a good time for the housekeeper who lives in the country, where ferns are plenty and where food must be stored in quantities, to try this remedy for herself.

Potatoes and apples packed in ferns are said to keep many months longer than if stored in any other way. The garden vegetables which are usually covered with straw until needed can have fern leaves put over them instead. Even fresh meat can be wrapped in them and kept longer without spoiling.

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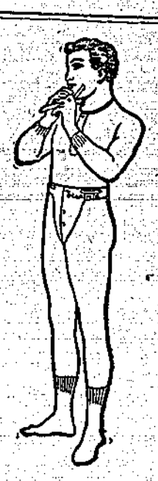
Tourist—What are those bells ringing for, my lad?

Urchin—'Cause somebody's pullin' 'em.—Tit-Bits.



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LOCAL OPTION.

Local option promises to be a lively question in the legislature at Victoria this winter. The movement has been growing in the province during the past two years and there will no doubt be something doing in a short time. Local option can never be anything but a partial success until the tastes of the people are changed by education and right modes of living. The stopping of the making and importation of alcoholic beverages would do away with the necessity of any further legislation upon the matter, but this move would be so radical that it would stun the country. While there is a profit in the business it will be found difficult to eradicate the evils attached to it. In the meantime those who drink should do it slowly. The cause of nearly all drunkenness is fast drinking and the treating system. Eradicate those two things and the evils of drink will be reduced to a minimum and look like a knifeblade seam in a mountain of granite.

Another most effectual way of doing away with the liquor business is to give us free whiskey. Let it be as cheap and easy to obtain as water and in one year nobody would drink it, and we would get rid of all the hopeless inebriates at one fell swoop. Give us free whiskey and the deed is done, for the more you hedge anything with all kinds of fences the more eager does perverse human nature incline to jump over all obstructions and take a chance at something that is contrabrand. Local option seeks to trim the branches without cutting the root.

It takes an old prospector for a hard trail.

The Ledge wishes all the world a Merry Christmas.

Do not try to eat all your plum pudding at one meal.

Sinners seldom reform while their nerves hold out.

He who would reform the world must first reform himself.

There is wonderful activity just now in the good resolution market.

The boy is out of luck who has a hole in his stocking this evening.

Even in Cranbrook no bananas have been picked during the past few weeks.

Every hobo should change his shirt next week and start the world afresh.

Build up your town by buying your goods at home and speaking well of your neighbor.

Bright days are ahead of Greenwood, and the sun will soon be shining on both sides of the street.

The lawyers seem to be fleeing from Nelson. Mining litigation must have died out in Kootenay.

In Summerland the people are praying for their daily mail. They already have bread and preserved peaches.

Millionaires seldom laugh, but this is not a sure guide, for you oftsn meet a hobo who never smiles unless somebody else has the price.

Never quit tooting your horn while you are in business. Keep your ad. always in the papers so that the people will talk about you and not think you are dead.

It is the custom in Canada to feed condemned murderers upon the morning that they are hanged. This looks like a strange piece of extravagance that could be easily avoided.

There are a large number of bank notes in this country that should be called in and washed. Send some of them to this office for subscriptions and we will attend to the washing.

Adversity helps to build up the people or a community. Without opposition we suffer from ennui and finally lapse into a condition in which we can hardly sit up and reach for the hot cakes.

The sun stopped going south on Monday and is now on its way north to gladden the heart of man.

If Old Sol ever forgets to turn north at this time of the year it will be a sad thing for the human race, and completely obliterate the price of real estate.

The government has sent us a circular asking our advice on how to increase the export trade of Canada. We would suggest the advertising extensively in foreign countries of our goods and following it up by sending nervy drummers all over the world.

Not long ago the Kaiser of Germany swore off drinking, using at banquets nothing but mock champagne. Now the report comes that he is crazy and spends hours in bed praying and reading books on religion. Thus we see that emperors have their troubles and do not always rest easy. The actions of the kaiser in the past have denoted incipient dementia and his friends in this country are not surprised at his present condition.

For Christmas and New Year holidays the Canadian Pacific railway announces a rate of fare and one-third for the round trip. Tickets on sale for Christmas December 24, 22, 23, 24, and 25; for New Years, December 28, 29, 30 and 31 and January 1, final return limit on all tickets January 5, 1909.

In Nelson the street cars will commence to run again next month. The city will give the company free power.

Pictures from 10 cts. up at the New Art Store.

The lawyers seem to be deserting Nelson, even if the new court house is one of the finest in the province. W. A. Macdonald is going to Vancouver to enter into partnership with Geo. H. Cowan, M. P.

The Kootenay Cigar Co. of Nelson have in the Royal Seal a cigar that is known and smoked between the wheat country and the blue Pacific.

F. W. Russell and A. W. Fraser have bought the Granby hotel in Grand Forks from John Temple for $12,000. Temple will move to Victoria and go into the same business in that city.

All goods marked in plain figures at Coles' Book Store—a square deal to all.

Grand Forks has some of the best dramatic talent in the Province.

Splendid assortment of Ladies' Hand Bags at Cole's Book Store.

The greater comprehend the less; but the less cannot comprehend the greater.

Widdowson, Assayer, Nelson, B. C.

Joe Fox has sold the Windsor hotel in Nanaimo to some Calgary men.

The largest variety of Fancy Hand-painted China in Greenwood, reasonable prices, at Cole's.

Captain Tatlow will return to Victoria from England this week.

Portrait enlargements done at the New Art Store, from $1 to $25.

The smelter at Ladysmith is again in operation.

Toilet sets in Ebony and Sterling Silver mounts from $2.50 to $20 at Coles' Book Store.

The Victoria Colonist is fifty years old.

Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pen at Eastern prices, $2.50 to $5.0, make an ideal Xmas gift. At Coles' Book store.

It is said that 100 men will be employed at the Iron Mask mine near Kamloops next summer.

Souvenir spoons and buckle pins can be had at Coles' Book Store.

Five new pianos were received at Ladysmith in one day, an ample proof of prosperity.

The Ledge will send a copy of Float to any address for 25 cents.

To Our Customers

The partnership of White Bros., Druggists and Opticians is to be dissolved in January, when Mr. R. C. G. White will retire from the business.

In order to materially reduce our stock before that time we offer you on cash sales a discount of 25 per cent. on the following lines of superior goods:

Leather Goods, Fancy Goods, Rubber Goods, Trusses; Brushes, from Brush-Sets to Children's Tooth Sets.

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REPAIR WORK A. LOGAN & CO. WATCHMAKERS JEWELERS ETC. ETC.

John W. Smith has struck a strong lead of what he thinks is gold ore on the shore of Mara lake, about eight miles from Sicamous. A company is being formed to work the property.

The Granby is not in the copper combine recently formed in New York.

The C. P. R. has agreed to make reductions in freights to Kootenay points.

There is a revival in the Klondike and more mines than usual are working around Dawson.

Next year the C. P. R. will build barges for the fruit traffic upon Okanagan and Kootenay lakes.

Spelter is now being made in Nelson by the electrical process.

In Oroville the mayor has closed down gambling.

Between the woman who can keep a secret and the woman who can keep a cook, gimme the cook keeper.

Character is the result of two things, mental attitude and the way we spend our time.

Do not fear being misunderstood and never waste a moment thinking about your enemies.

Most of the great men in America have warmed their bare feet frosty mornings on the spot where the cow had lain down.

We are heirs of the past, both its good and its ill.

Nature punishes most sins, but blasphemy, sacrilege and heresy are things that nature does not provide any punishment for; therefore man has to look after these things himself.

All fall openings are not for women. There are coal holes, for instance.

If there is any other way to teach virtue than to practice it, I do not know it.

Job Printing at The Ledge.

The Columbia cigar is a large and free-smoking cigar. It is sold in all mountain towns and made in Nelson.

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A company has been formed to operate the creamery at Oroville.

Epson salt and Soda are to be shipped east from the deposits near Oroville.

Nelson is prosperous, as there is not a store for rent near the center of the city. Should build some more.

Next week the Kootenay Liberal will change its name to the Kootenay and Board of Trade Journal. A. W. Dyer should make a great success of this paper if the name does not strangle the newsboys.

Thomas Taylor, M. P. P. for Revelstoke, has been appointed minister of works, the new cabinet position created at the last session of the B. C. legislature.

Joe Martin is leaving Vancouver to take up his residence in England. Perhaps he wants to get where they will not call him fighting Joe.

On Lynn creek, about ten miles from Vancouver, three shifts are working on the copper properties of Dr. Swayne, and it is expected that ore shipments will commence in June. The ore is self-fluxing and runs 6 per cent in copper besides its gold values.

Fred Hurry, formerly of Nelson, was married in Spokane last week.

When you want a monument or headstone, write to the Kootenay Marble Works, Nelson, B. C. *

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MINERAL ACT

Certificate of Improvements

NOTICE

"Pandre", Mineral Claim, situate in the Greenwood Mining Division of Yale District. Where located: At Camp McKinney.

TAKE NOTICE that Samuel T. Larsen, Free Miner's Certificate No. B 14124, and Alex D. MacIntyre, Official Administrator of the estate and effects of Edward James, deceased, Free Miner's Certificate No. B 03159, intend, sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 13th day of October, A. D. 1908.

S. T. LARSEN,
ALEX. D. MACINTYRE,
Official Administrator

TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNERS

To J. P. Myers Gray and to the Estate of the late Judge Leamy, or to whomsoever they may have transferred their interests in the Jenny Fraction Mineral Claim, situated in Deadwood camp, Greenwood Mining Division of Yale District, B. C.

You are hereby notified that I have expended $100 upon the above mineral claim, and that if, within 90 days from the date of this notice, you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of the above mentioned sum, together with the costs of advertising your interests in the said claim will become the property of the undersigned under Section 4 of the Mineral Act Amendment Act, 1900.

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Regular monthly meetings of Greenwood lodge No. 28, A. F. & A. M., are held on the first Thursday in each month in Fraternity hall, Wood block, Government street, Greenwood. Visiting brethren are cordially invited to attend.

JAS. S. BIRNIE, Secretary.

W. F. M. Greenwood Miners' Union, No. 22, W. F. M., meets every Saturday evening in Union Hall, Copper street, Greenwood, at 7:30.

Also in hall at Mother Lode mine Friday evenings at 7:30.

GEO. HEATHERTON, Secretary.

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Hugh Niven, Prop