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bred boar (Poll. China) one year
old. Apply to N. Robinson,
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Easily Acquired

"If you have never had any
military experience how did you
happen to get the title of colonel?"
asked the inquisitive stranger.

"Well, if you must know," re-
plied the old-fashioned gentleman,
"early in life I gave \$5 to a col-
ored head waiter and I've been a
colonel ever since."

The British Columbia Nurseries
Co., Ltd., of 1493 Seventh
Ave. W., Vancouver, B. C., are
offering a pretty colored calendar
for the current month to all in-
tending planters who ask for it
and mention "The Ledge."

Last Saturday Finlay McLeod
bet Nelse Lemieux \$5 that he
could cover the distance between
Phoenix and Greenwood and re-
turn in 90 minutes. He won the
bet with one minute to spare.
Then Arkansas bet Nelse \$10
that Mrs. James Marshall could
do it in less time. Mrs. Mar-
shall made the round trip on foot
in less than 80 minutes.

Around Home

Chas. Dempsey is spending a
few days in town.
James Dimmick left for New
Deuver on Sunday.

A wagon road is needed from
Christina Lake to Paulson.
D. McKenzie is prospecting in
the vicinity of Beaverdell.

W. Thompson is working at
the Bell mine, near Beaverdell.
Last Sunday, 26 years ago, the
first railway train arrived in
Nelson.

Mrs. J. H. Wilcox is on a visit
to her brother Thos. Willey, in
Hedley.

The S. K. Power Co. is build-
ing a new sub-station at the
Emma mine.

Frank Lathé, assayer of Grand
Forks, has gone to Chile to work
for the Guggs.

Victor Grove is moving his
undertaking business from Che-
saw to Molsou.

Mrs. James Sutherland has re-
turned from Texas, much im-
proved in health.

Two Seattle mining engineers
are looking over some mining
property at Carmi.

Ben Haley had a leg broken
while running a wood-sawing
machine near Molsou.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Biner and
daughter returned to Phoenix on
Tuesday from Seattle.

Oroville defeated Chesaw at
baseball at the latter place on
Sunday last by a score of 5 to 1.

Last Sunday, Hon. Wm. Sloan,
Minister of Mines, passed through
Greenwood on his way to Fernie.

Miss Ruth Anderson returned
on Tuesday from attending the
Sacred Heart Academy at Ward,
Wash.

Leslie Brown, a representative
of the Saturday Night, Toronto,
was in town on Monday and
Tuesday.

D. L. McElroy received the
contract for hauling a shipment
of ore from the Bell mine to
Beaverdell.

Up in Phoenix, Big Andy
Johnson is always pleased to see
friends and strangers at his well-
known hotel.

Sir George Bury, Grant Hall,
and F. W. Peters passed through
Greenwood last week on a tour
of inspection.

James Sutherland came to town
last week from Beaverdell, where
he is prospecting the hills for
wealth producers.

James Drum is spending the
balance of this month in Van-
couver. He will begin mining
again at Beaverdell next month.

The city is doing considerable
work, that is necessary, on the
Lynn creek pipe line, when fi-
nished the water supply will be in
good shape.

Send one dollar to Walter G.
Kennedy, Trail, B. C., and re-
ceive one of those famous John
Cotton pipes; two shapes, bent
and straight.

Sam Matthews and Frank
Peterson of Grand Forks, are
having the license from the
Great Northern transferred to the
Pacific hotel.

The auto speed mania is ram-
pant in Grand Forks. Some of
the people in that beautiful town
are hardly normal in any other
kind of speed.

The sawmill of the Western
Pine Co. near Grand Forks, has
been moved to Lynch Creek where
it will be operated by Mark De-
Cew and B. Lequime.

The infant child of Mr. and
Mrs. Isaac Fillmore, of West-
bridge, died in the Sacred Heart
Hospital on Tuesday. Inter-
ment took place at Westbridge
on Wednesday.

A. C. Mesker should have four
bars on his coat, for he has been
running trains for 20 years in
B. C. During the past year he
has not missed a shift on the
Boundary express.

M. P. Wetherell, manager of
the Empress theatre, Grand
Forks, has accepted a position of
manager of the new Trail opera
house, and will take up his new
duties about July 1st.

In the police court at Pent-
ton last week, two dogs were
tried for killing chickens, and
sentenced to death. Pity to
waste so much good sausage
meat these hard times.

"The World's Great Snare"
featuring Pauline Frederick and
Irving Cummings makes an ex-
ceptionally strong programme at
the Star Theatre tonight. That
dainty little star, "Marguerite
Clark" in "Molly Make Believe"
will be the feature Saturday
night.

From Qualicum Beach

Military Hospital,
Qualicum Beach, V.I., B.C.
June 7th, 1917.
EDITOR THE LEDGE
SIR:

Kindly publish this let-
ter in your honorable paper.

To THE CITIZENS OF GREENWOOD:
I feel that it is my duty to
thank the citizens of Greenwood
for the whole-hearted and loyal
welcome I was given on my re-
turn from the far-flung battlefields
of Europe. I must say, that I en-
joyed every minute of my stay and
was rather disappointed at not
being able to stay longer.

I wish to thank you one and all
for the kind and sociable way I
was treated while visiting different
friends; also for the watch pre-
sented to me, which I shall al-
ways value as a token of friend-
ship.

I should also like to thank you
all for the splendid send-off I was
given, it was without doubt the
proudest moment of my life.
Thanking you all. I remain
Your everlasting friend,
PRE. GEO. MARIO.

Foreign Labor

There has been considerable
comment of late on the amount of
foreign labor employed in the
mines of Northern Ontario, but we
fail to see any cause for complaint,
unless it should be considered good
policy to prohibit such labor, shut
down the mines and stop at its
fountain head the main source of
wealth production. The labor sit-
uation is not confined to the mines
of Canada. The same conditions
holds good in the mines of the
United States, and if it were not
for the supply of foreign labor the
mineral industry would be unable
to continue, let alone extend the
development for which there is
such an active demand. Speaking
at the Mining and Metallurgical
Society meeting at New York, S.
J. Jennings, who is connected
with the Franklin Mining, Rhode
Island Copper and Tennessee Cop-
per company, said: "The mining
of ore in the United States is done
almost entirely by foreigners. In
the mines with which I am con-
nected, 27 different nationalities
are represented." The reason is
not far to seek. Britishers, Can-
adians and Americans are not sat-
isfied to work as common laborers,
but demand and obtain the posi-
tions involving the control and
direction of such, so that the mines
have to fall back on such labor as
offers or shut down.

Small Mines Give Increase

In an interview with an official
of the Miners' Union, the North-
ern Miner learned, it was claimed,
that some small Porcupine mines
had given increase to the wage
scale demanded and that one of
the large mines in that camp
had raised the wages of muckers
twenty-five cents a day to \$3. In
the same mine a slight increase
was also reported as having been
given to machine helpers. While
the increase given by the large
mine did not meet the demands
of the union it is considered by the
union official to be a step in the
right direction.

No replies to the demands of
Cobalt mine operators have been
received by the union.

Asked whether or not the union
would apply for a Royal Commis-
sion the Union official stated that
it was always considered good pol-
icy to refer back such a move to
the men and it was likely that a
ballot would be taken before ap-
plication was made.

The impression seems to be
growing that the labor situation
has passed a crisis and that a
Royal Commission will not be ap-
plied for.

The increase given by some Por-
cupine mines puts the scale of
wages for that class of labor on a
par with what Cobalt miners were
receiving when the second bonus
was given.

Western Float

Wyndel now has a factory.
Poker is almost a lost art in the
Slocan.

Bees are being exported from
Creston.

Cranbrook will hold a fair in
September.

The curfew bell is ringing again
in Chilliwack.

C. H. Irwin has opened a dental
office in Golden.

The movies work on Sunday in
Chesaw, with a matinee.

Plums and peaches will be a
good crop around Creston.

Save that crust of bread! You
might need it next winter.

There are 489 autos in the Okan-
agan, and 53 motor-cycles.

Just 20 years ago the mining
craze died out in Chilliwack.

Large quantities of lettuce are
being shipped from Erickson.

The names of over 1,000 women
are on the voters' list at Fernie.

Alice Siding will have a heavy
crop of strawberries this month.

The B. C. Telephone Co. is
building a new office at Mission
City.

A large number of returned
soldiers arrived in Vancouver last
week.

J. C. Bolander is becoming the
historian of New Denver and the
Slocan.

Upon a score of economy two
fire halls have been closed in Van-
couver.

The Home Bakery at Fernie has
suspended operations until the war
is over.

Early in May, Sergeant S. A.
Love of Chilliwack, was killed in
France.

There promises to be an im-
mense apple crop in the Okanagan
this year.

The world seems to be slowly
slipping back to an era of refined
barbarism.

In the United States the bees
make \$6,000,000 worth of wax and
honey a year.

When a hen begins eating ticks,
she probably has some notion of
laying a carpet.

Recently in one day, 23 boxes
of rhubarb, were shipped from
Creston to Lethbridge.

Stanley Reid was killed at Vimy
Ridge. Before enlisting he was a
trapper in East Kootenay.

S. Fader of Armstrong claims to
have discovered a cure for cancer.
If so he can make millions.

The C. N. R. car shops at Port
Mann are completed and should
soon be making freight cars.

Hardly an editor in B. C. owns
an auto. Most of them do not
make enough to buy gasoline.

Pure bred cattle are being ship-
ped from Manitoba to the Okan-
agan. Some of the cows cost \$300.

Near Kaslo several Austrians
quit working for the C.P.R., be-
cause Chinks were employed on
the work train gang.

Francis Gott, of Lillooet, is 63
years old. He has just returned
from France after serving many
months at the front as a scout and
sniper.

More than half a million dollars
has been raised by the Royal S. P.
C. A. London, England, for the
care of sick and wounded war
horses.

As Roy Geer of Oyama was dy-
ing on a battle field in France he
said to his brother, "Ollie, don't
forget to read the Bible, it sure is
sweet!"
George Bartley is now editing the
Weekly Courier. George is one of
the leading humorists of the
west, and will miss a drink at any
time to tell a good joke.

B. C. Mines

A tale mine is being worked at
Reardan, Wash.

Italy is short of coal. It does
not stand alone in this respect.

Al Hagelberg is working the
Copper King near Olalla under
lease.

A small shipment of ore has re-
cently been made from the Sooke
district.

The Ladysmith smelter will
treat 700 tons of ore daily, prin-
cipally copper.

The abandoned mine at Mount
Sicker will be re-open and ship
ore to Ladysmith.

An ore shoot has been found in
the lower tunnel of the Hudson
Bay, near Salmo.

The Victor-Silver Leaf group,
eight miles from Fort Steel will
begin shipping this month.

It is expected to uncover another
vein of ore, by ground sluicing on
the Capella, near New Denver.

In the Olalla camp the coal
strike has caused the Dolphin and
Horn Silver to cease operations.

New York capital has taken over
the Ikeda mines on Morsby Island.
W. G. Morrie is consulting
engineer.

More work has been done on the
Molly Hughes near New Denver
this spring, and this mine is now
in better shape than ever before.

The Gold Cure group near Kaslo
will be worked by a Spokane syn-
dicate. A. G. Copeland is man-
ager. Some years ago George Cole
shipped two carloads of ore from
the Gold Cure.

Several diamond drill holes are
being sunk on the Lucky Mike,
on the divide between Nicola and
Mammette lakes. The result of
the drilling is awaited with inter-
est by mining men around Merritt.

The Tenderfoot group near
Kamloops has been bonded to Ed-
monton men. There is consid-
erable copper ore on the dump and
shipping will begin this month.
A tram, 2500 feet will be built.
R. W. Gibbs, formerly of Rosland
is manager.

Because of threatened labor
shortage the Colorado Metal Min-
ing association has asked the Spo-
kane Chambers of Commerce to
use its influence with congress to
suspend all assessment work on
unpatented mining claims during
the war and for six months after
the war ceases.

No one knows the exact date of
the first gold discovery in British
Columbia, except that it was some-
time during the middle fifties.
The great Fraser strike in 1857
and the subsequent stampede to
the Fraser and the Thompson in
1858 marked the commencement
of the settlement of the interior,
and brought about the advance-
ment of British Columbia into a
Crown colony. This was the first
of the great gold strikes in the
province, and, occurring at a time
when the yield from shallow dig-
gings in California was on the
wane, stimulating an exodus of the
"forty-niners," who flocked in
thousands to the new Eldorado.
The Fraser strike was followed by
stampedes to the Cariboo in 1861,
to the Big Bend country during
1865 and 1866, and to the head-
waters of the Peace river, in On-
ineca, during the three years fol-
lowing. Thibert Creek entered
the field in 1873; it was the fifth
of the series of strikes that fol-
lowed each other so rapidly. There
have been other gold finds since
then, notably in Kootenay and the Sim-
ilkameen, but the stampede to
Atlin Lake during 1898, following
close upon the heels of the great
Klondike rush in 1897, was the
only one entitled to rank among
the old timers.

His Mistake

"Are those eggs fresh?"
"Yes, miss. They wouldn't
have been laid till tomorrow if I
hadn't made a mistake and torn
an extra leaf off the calendar."
Ideas.

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