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The Miner.

THE ORES ARE HIGH-GRADE IN
GOLD, SILVER, COPPER
AND LEAD.

WHOLE NUMBER 267.

Nelson, British Columbia, Saturday, September 28, 1895.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

METAL QUOTATIONS.

NEW YORK.				
Sep. 21	21	24	25	26
Silver	104	104	104	104
Lead	315	315	315	315

ORE SHIPMENTS.

No returns to hand since last week.				
Total shipments since June 1, 1895:				
Nelson	290			
Ainsworth	1			
Trail Creek (gold ore)	3			
Slocan via Nakusp	173			
Slocan via Kaslo	194			

BULLION SHIPMENTS.

The stack at Pilot Bay is still closed down.
Total shipments since June, 1895, 1160 tons.

MINING TRANSFERS.

NELSON.

September 20—Louell—Jas A McViechie to C A Innis, \$1.
September 21—Culgary—Mrs. McNeill McLeod to Neil McLeod, \$1.
September 22—Vaverey—Isaac Holden to Hugh Nixon, \$1.
September 26—Toronto—Swan Nelson to M. Nelson, \$1.

NEW DENVER.

September 9—Molloy—T McGown and W Franklin to J Wallace, \$1.
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September 11—Washington—Fraction, Carlotta, Herbert, C T Porter to Bank of Montreal, \$1,400.
September 16—Nabob—T T Lowery to L Serran, \$1.
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NEW LOCATIONS.

NELSON.

September 20—Gutaway—Mrs. McNeill McLeod, Toad Mt.
September 21—Cariboo—M. J. Will, Toad Mt.
September 21—Narrow Gauge—Mrs. Neil McLeod, do.
September 25—Alaeca—Mack Cyr, Duck Ck. Columbia R.
September 25—Twy—E J Roberts, Salmon River.
September 26—Spokane—Helo—B W Bowden, do.
September 26—Fitzroy—Thos Booth, Whitewater creek.

NEW DENVER.

September 12—Bonanza—J Woods, Carpenter creek.
September 12—Kvelling—C H Lovison, Sandton creek.
September 12—Tibex—E G Smith, Loma creek.
September 12—May Flower—F E Caldwell, Lemon creek.
September 12—Albion—R R Curdwell, Carpenter creek.
September 14—Slocan Eagle—W M Cook, adjoining California.
September 14—A R N McNaught, adjoining Silverton.
September 14—Argentine—W M Cook, Fimel creek.
September 14—Surprise Extension—A Smith, adjoining Surprise No. 3.
September 17—Bristol—G Kenger and D K McDonald, Eight Mile creek.
September 17—Superior—J G McGuigan, west of Noble Five.
September 17—True Blue—H A Hicks, Dayton creek.
September 17—Producers—D McLeod, Gold creek.
September 17—Defender—A J Murphy, Howson Basin.
September 17—Blizzard—E H Hamilton, near Last Chance.
September 17—Tones—W Gough, Eight Mile creek.
September 18—Crusader—H Welay, Lemon creek.
September 18—Pilot—J T Kelly, Lemon creek.
September 18—Valkyrie—B N Walton, Condy creek.

MORE DIVIDENDS.

The Idaho and Alamo Mines Pay Handsome Returns.

On Monday last at a meeting of the directors of the Alamo Mining Company, held at the concentrator, Three Forks, a dividend of 7 1/2 per cent., amounting to \$35,000, was declared.

At the same time the proprietors of the Idaho, which is a private partnership, divided \$4,500 among themselves. In April last they received \$30,000. Very little ore has been shipped from the mine during the summer, which accounts for the disparity in the dividends. Work is now fully resumed and the output will soon be large. The Alamo is supplying the concentrator with sufficient ore to turn out 20 tons of concentrates a day.

THE DURRANT TRIAL.

The case for the prosecution was closed on Wednesday last and Attorney Duprey began his opening statement for the defence. Great sensation was caused by counsels opening statement that Durrant did not commit the crime but that the Rev. John Gibson, Pastor of the Emmanuel church did. The case for the defence not only rests on an alibi which is usual, but goes further and practically tries another man for the crime which is not at all usual. In his address Mr. Duprey professed to be able to account for Durrant's actions during every minute of the 3rd April last, the day on which the murder was committed. If the defence can uphold the professions of its counsels opening, Durrant will walk out of the court a free man.

Mr. Duprey severely censured the press of San Francisco for the merciless way in which they have been hounding Durrant to death.

POSTMASTER CONVICTED.

In the United States court at Spokane on the 25th inst., F. E. Scriber, postmaster at Boundary, was convicted of embezzling government funds in the sum of \$1712. It was charged in the indictment that the defendant was short this amount in his cash account when the inspector visited his office. In reply he said that his safe had been robbed of about \$700, that something over \$485 had been lost in the mail while being sent to Spokane and that he had paid out for the carrying of the mail during the floods over \$200. The jury apparently did not believe his statements, for they were not out over 20 minutes when they returned a verdict of guilty.

NEWS OF THE CAMPS.

TRAIL CREEK.

The right-of-way to the Crown Point is being cleared.

Building at Trail is fairly busy and will be more so as soon as lumber can be obtained.

The Homestake ledge is looking well. It carries over 100 ounces in silver and \$12 in gold.

The Le Roi is putting out about 90 tons of ore a day and shipping from seventy to seventy-five.

The talk of the town is the alleged murder of Langtree by Maurice O'Connor. A warrant for the arrest of the latter was issued on Wednesday. The latest news is to the effect that Langtree is not dead.

The Crown Point fraction has been bonded by W. H. Mead. This fraction is an excess of the Crown Point location of about 400 feet which was cut off when the survey was made.

Owing to the recent rains both the Northport and Trail Creek roads are in bad condition. The Government is spending \$1500 on the latter and putting in a good top dressing of broken granite.

A great deal of material is at Northport waiting until the roads are in repair again to be brought to Rossland. There are two large boilers for the War Eagle and a set of air pipes for the Centre Star.

The owners of the Commander are hard at work on their property. The shaft is down about 18 feet. An assay of the ore showed 30 per cent in copper and \$12 in gold. This ore is the highest grade in copper in the camp. Last week a solid body of ore 8 feet wide was discovered.

Work is progressing on the smelter at Trail. It will have a capacity of 125 tons a day. Of this amount about 100 tons will be received from the Le Roi, leaving only a capacity of 25 tons for other customers work. Mr. Heinze however says that as soon as there is sufficient ore offering he will double or treble if necessary the accommodation of the works.

The Iron Horse which is under bond to Mr. Humphreys is showing up exceedingly well. The ledge which is 21 feet wide like so many other Trail Creek properties gets richer as it gets down. We have been shown the assays of rock representing a fair average sample for each day's work. For the last six days, these have ranged from \$34 to \$36 per ton, giving an average of about \$36 in gold. Mr. Humphreys is naturally more than pleased with his property. A trial shipment of the ore has gone to Tacoma.

The War Eagle mine has put out and shipped 7015 tons of ore to date. The last 27 shipments amounting altogether to 2300 tons brought an average return from the smelter of \$48.30 per ton. From this must be deducted \$10.50 for freight and treatment, \$2 per ton to haulage to Trail and \$4 for mining, leaving a net profit of \$31.30 per ton. A new tunnel is now being run in from below to tap the vein, which is expected to reach in 1800 feet. Two new boilers of 100 horse power each are under order and are expected to arrive shortly. They will be used for driving from 10 to 12 drills. The driving power will be located in one place and will be available by means of compressed air to operate drills in any part of the mine.

INTERNATIONAL ATHLETICS.

The following is a full account of the athletic contest between the London and New York clubs, which took place at the latter place last Saturday.

In the 800 yard run, with which the games began, Kilpatrick and Lyons were selected to meet Horan and Lewis, the English representatives. After a beautiful race Kilpatrick won by ten yards.

When the numbers went up and the time was announced, beating the world's record by a second, the crowd cheered wildly and argued that this was a good omen for the success of the American team.

The 100 yard dash was the second event. Bradley, the English champion, and Stevenson represented England, while John B. Crum of Iowa and B. J. Wefers, of Lowell, Mass., represented the American team. When the pistol shot rang out Wefers was seen to be in front from the start, with Bradley second, Crum third and Stevenson fourth. There was no change throughout the race, Wefers maintaining his lead to the tape by two feet, with Bradley second, about 12 inches ahead of Crum. When the time, 9.4-5 seconds, was announced, the audience got to cheering again, for the world's record had been equalled and the Englishmen convinced themselves that 10 flat could be broken.

The running high jump then interested the onlookers and while the Englishmen confessed that they could not come anywhere near Sweeney, the latter had a bit of a surprise up his sleeve. Baltazzi, the youthful jumper, was selected as a second string, to the champion, while Williams, of the Edinburgh University, and Johnston, of Cambridge, were pitted against them. All but Sweeney soon fell out as the bar was raised. It was placed at 6 feet 5 1/2 inches in order to give Sweeney a chance to break his own world's record of 6 feet 5 1/2 inches. With a superhuman effort he made the jump and cleared the bar amid great applause. Thus he established a new record of 6 feet 5 1/2 inches, which was increased to 6 feet 5 3/4 inches, when the height was remeasured at the request of the bystanders. Baltazzi was awarded second place.

In the mile run, with Coneff and Orton of the New York Athletic Club, and Latyens, the only representative of the London Athletic Club, the Englishman

fell out and lay on the grass about 150 yards from the tape. Coneff finished first, in 4 minutes 81.5 seconds.

The 220 yard run brought together Jordan and Downer of England and Wefers and Crum of the New York Athletic Club. Wefers won by fully 3 yards from Crum, who was about a yard ahead of Jordan. Again a world's record had been broken, as the time was 21.3-5 seconds.

In the hurdles Captain Godfrey Shaw and Oakley were against Chase and Oakley. Chase managed to beat out the English captain by about two feet, with Oakley three yards back. Once more a world's record was lowered, as the time, 15.2-5 seconds beat Chase's world's record by 1.5 of a second.

The prettiest race of the day was the 440 yard run. Fitzherbert, the Cambridge University man, who has a record of 48.3-5, was partnered by Gilbert Jordan, both of them Englishmen, while Burke and Sands did battle for America. About 100 yards from home Jordan took the lead. The Boston boy, Burke, finally caught his man a yard from the tape and won by a couple of inches in a great effort. Sands was a good third. The time was 49 seconds, which was only half a second behind the world's record.

In the field events the Americans had a walkover, Gray winning the putting of the 16-pound shot.

Mitchell won the hammer contest with a throw of 137 1/2 feet, and Roberts, the only English competitor, was away off, having six feet in his six atter of the shot.

In the broad jump Bloss and Sheldon made 22 feet 6 inches and 21 feet 11 inches respectively, beating the English representatives.

In the three mile run Horan and Wilkins, Englishmen, ran against Coneff and Kilpatrick. At the beginning of the third mile Horan led Coneff by a yard, but was showing signs of distress. Coneff went past him at the club house and Horan quit. Coneff increased his lead to about 20 yards, and sprinting in the home stretch, beat the Englishman by 150 yards in 15 minutes 36 seconds.

This ended the day's sport, which proved so disastrous to the English visitors. The Englishmen have no reason to complain, however, as the crowd was most impartial. Every effort of the Britishers was well applauded.

THE NEW TARIFF.

A new joint freight tariff, governed by Western classifications or Canadian joint freight classifications went into effect on 20th September and in consequence a car load of groceries for Nelson was shipped on that day by Simon Leiser & Co. The new tariff places Victoria on an equality with Vancouver and Tacoma in competing for the upper country trade. Heretofore she has been obliged to pay 10 per cent more than either of the cities mentioned. Of the abolition of this extra charge the Northern Pacific has been a strong advocate and will now no doubt profit by it. The connections of the Northern Pacific are the Spokane Falls & Northern, the Nelson & Fort Sheppard and Columbia & Kootenay. Steam Navigation Co. The new rates, in cents, per 100 pounds, exclusive of marine insurances, are as follows: The figures in column (1) are the rates to Robson, Nakusp, Trail Creek and Waneta; those in column (2) apply to Nelson, Ainsworth, Balfout, Pilot Bay and Kaslo:

CLASS.	1.	2.
First	183	135
Second	159	114
Third	135	98
Fourth	109	75
Fifth and A	102	71
A and sixth	72	59
Land seventh	4	43
C and eighth	74	77
D and ninth	68	68
E and tenth	58	58

There are in this good town of Nelson four churches. The congregations of three of these report on Sundays to their respective places of worship spontaneously and of their own accord. The fourth requires the invitation of a harsh and evil sounding bell. This bell is so atrocious in its strident tones that we have seen strong men winces as its terrible strokes came, shrieking down the breeze. We know for a fact that the prayers of the pious people who are scared into their churches by this cracked old wreck of a bell cannot possibly atone for the general chorus of curses and the pile of bad language that is poured forth in that part of the town where the bell is placed. For this sin the ringer of the bell and the congregation that aids and abets him are entirely responsible, and if they imagine that each Sunday in that little church they wipe out their account with Gabriel, they will find when the book is finally balanced, a large amount of profanity placed to their debit for which they have made no provision.

At this season of the year when stoves are in such demand it is well to know what the leading paper in the Province says about the home-manufactured article. Here it is: That the exhibit of the Albion Iron Works is creditable is conceded by all who have examined the display; it is more, it is a feature—a chief feature of this year's fair, and doubtless an appreciative public will not be slow to recognize this fact and in preparing themselves for the coming winter will, by ordering their stoves and ranges from this firm, give practical proof of approval of the efforts of a local industry to place in the market the best article at a reasonable figure.

CHURCH NOTICES.

SUNDAY, September 29, 1895.

METHODIST CHURCH. Home's Hall, Vernon Street. Services at 11 a. m. and at 7.30 p. m. Morning subject: "In Time of Need." Prayer meeting Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School (Union) at 2.30. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 8 p. m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH. Services first and second Sundays of the month at Nelson. Mass at 10.30. Vespers at 7.30.

DEATH OF MR. FINDLAY.

A Well Known Citizen of Montreal Passes Away.

Montreal Star: The death is announced of Mr. Jonathan Duncan Gleig Findlay, which occurred at his residence, 49 Metcalfe street, Tuesday afternoon. Deceased, who was 85 years of age, was a past provincial grand master of the Manchester Unity of Oddfellows and for many years a trustee of the Mechanics' Institute, a position from which he retired ten years ago. He was all his lifetime closely connected with the Congregational church and was a deacon of Zion church at the time of his death. Hon. Jonathan Duncan, one time Governor of Bombay, was an uncle of deceased.

Mr. Findlay entered the service of the Honorable East India Company in 1822, as midshipman, and passed through the Burmese war, receiving numerous wounds in affairs with pirates. In 1838 he left the service of the East India Company and received an appointment as chief officer of H. M. S. Trident, and acted as such, when in 1842 Her Majesty Queen Victoria returned on this ship from her visit to Scotland. Coming to Canada in 1843, the deceased gentleman took contracts for building locks on the Lachine canal, and later on for the part construction of the Canadian Atlantic railway. When the Canadian Pacific railway was being built Mr. Findlay was Government inspector of the line from Ste. Therese to St. Jerome and from St. Rose to St. Scholastique.

An interesting incident in the career of the late gentleman occurred during the time that he was acting as contractor for the entrance lock of the first Lachine canal. The late Hon. Alexander Mackenzie, who at that time was but a foreman on the works, proved disobedient to the orders issued by Mr. Findlay, and as the latter had no other course open, he was compelled to dismiss the future Premier of Canada. Mr. Mackenzie in later years often referred to this in a jocular manner, and although differing in politics, both gentlemen remained close friends until the death of the ex-premier.

Mr. Findlay leaves a widow, 3 married daughters, Mrs. W. H. Wier, of Montreal; Mrs. Frost, wife of the manager of the Ville Marie bank, Lacute; and Mrs. Swanson, wife of a Congregational minister in Odell, Mich.; and five sons, Mr. J. A. Findlay and Capt. Findlay of Montreal, and three others at present in British Columbia, one of whom is Mr. J. Findlay, manager of British Columbia Iron Works, now in Nelson.

A GREAT MINE.

John Howell is one of those instances of a man who has become very wealthy after passing the meridian of life. Seven years ago he went to New Zealand on a cable order to inspect a mine and to erect works there. He was then asked to take charge of the famous Broken Hill and two other mines, of which he is general manager.

Mr. Howell arrived in San Francisco recently, having just completed a tour of the world, for which purpose he was granted a year's leave of absence from his duties at the mine.

In speaking of the great lead and silver mine yesterday he gave the following outline of its history and his connection with it.

"I was for thirty-five years a practical mining man in California, Utah, Arizona and Montana, so that I served quite an apprenticeship in the business before becoming the general manager of the Broken Hill Proprietary mine in Australia. The mine was located about ten years ago. It is situated about 330 miles from Adelaide in New South Wales, in the North-west corner of that country. The lode is about two miles in length, and stands up above the level of the plains, at the highest point, about 80 feet. It is a massive surface of iron-manganese, carrying about 15 to 25 per cent lead, and from four to twenty ounces of silver to the ton. At the time of the location of the mine the first ore found was of too low grade to pay for working, but at a depth of sixty to seventy feet a much richer body came in and extended to a depth of 400 feet. At the latter depth we struck water and the charge was sent to the surface in a pipe of oxidized ore we had been working. This sulphide contains a high per cent age of zinc, which is difficult to handle, and as a consequence the mine has practically been worked only down to the 400-foot level.

"In the nine years that the mine has been worked it has yielded over 70,000,000 ounces of silver and upwards of 300,000 tons of lead. For the past six years it has paid six million pounds sterling in dividends. In the first three years it paid about \$300,000 a month in dividends, but since the fall in the price of silver it has been paying about \$250,000 a month. There are about 16,000 stockholders, half of them in England and the majority of the remainder in Australia.

Connected with the works is one of the largest metallurgical plants in the world. Twenty-four eighty-horse capacity smelting furnaces are in continual operation, and there is a large leaching and chloridized plant, a 60-stamp mill and huge concentrator. The company employs between 4,000 and 5,000 hands. The fleet of vessels in the employ of the company is very large, as there is a continuous arrival of vessels from Sydney with coal, from England with coke and from Oregon with lumber. The output of the mines goes to England, China and India.

"The character of the ore we are now working will last about a couple of years longer. It will become exhausted and then we will have to depend on the sulphides, which are very difficult to work because so much coal is required and fluxes must be used in large quantities. The ore must be taken to the seaboard, where both the immense surface and the most readily obtained. I am now going to erect a plant, that is to say a metallurgical works at the seaboard which will cost about \$100,000, for the treatment of the Broken Hill ores and similar refractory ores of other Australian mines."

Mr. Howell is a Canadian by birth, though he considers himself a Californian, having spent 35 years there.

LOCAL NEWS.

There was a sharp white frost this morning.

Twenty-six tenders were received for building the extension of the C. P. R. from the Wigwam to the head of the lake.

Mr. J. R. Anderson, collector of statistics of the Department of Agriculture, and Mrs. Anderson arrived on a visit to Nelson on Tuesday.

As will be seen by a paragraph in another column, the new C. P. R. tariff between Victoria and points in Kootenay is now in force.

Before leaving Nelson Mr. Mars told a friend that it was certain that there would be another session of the Dominion Parliament before the elections.

There is a demand in Nelson for small cottages renting at from ten to twenty dollars a month. E. Applewhite is putting up three on his property on Victoria street. They were all let as soon as commenced.

Mr. H. Walkem, C. E., who has recently been laying out the new spur which is to be put in at Spruce Landing, finished his work on Tuesday and left in the s.s. Nakusp for Wigwam, where he will superintend the construction of the new branch.

The unfortunate man O. Booth, upon whom an operation had been performed in the hospital, died there on Tuesday evening. Being an Oddfellow his brother members attended his funeral on Thursday.

Mr. Harrison Watson, caretaker of the Canadian section of the Imperial Institute, was in town yesterday, having travelled overland from Nakusp to Kaslo. He left in the afternoon for Rossland.

A flag staff is to be erected opposite the Customs House, upon which the Customs Flag will be displayed during business hours. A fine stick has been obtained for the purpose, measuring 90 feet from tip to butt.

Visitors to the Spokane Fruit fair, which takes place next week, will find that the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway have been mindful of their wants. Special reduced fares will be issued for the train leaving Nelson on Oct. 2, good until and including the following Saturday, Oct. 5.

When the B. C. Board of Trade left New Denver for Nakusp, Mr. Cassidy was hunting up a mining property on the Galena Farm. Consequently he will have three more days to examine that most promising locality. It is to be hoped he will not require to take his purchase home in a wire cage.

Mr. R. G. McConnell, of the Dominion Survey Department, has finished his season's work and left for Ottawa on Friday. This year he has been at work chiefly in the Slocan and Ainsworth districts. He hopes that the department will shortly be in a position to issue a sketch plan.

At a meeting of the South Kootenay Board of Trade held at Nelson on Monday last, the following officers were elected: President, John A. Turner; Vice President, J. F. Hume, M. P. P.; Secretary, J. Houston; Committee, G. A. Bigelow, R. E. Lemon, T. Madden, J. Gilker, P. B. C. Turner, W. Jewett, E. Applewhite, W. F. Teetzel and C. Hamber.

Many guesses are hazarded as to the object the C. P. R. had in view in employing Mr. J. Sussman, late of the Kansas City Smelter Co. We are in a position to state that his employment has nothing to do with the establishment of a smelter. His duty is to visit all shipping mines and keep the Company informed of the amount of ore that may be ready for transport during the season.

With every changing season lovely woman finds an excuse to buy a new dress. The crisp feel of the first bright autumn feelings, such as we have now, turns her thoughts to rich material of gorgeous tint and somewhat stouter fabric than her summer raiment. She sees the hills around clothed themselves with gold and scarlet and purple and she is perfectly right in considering that she is entitled to do the same. Knowing this A. T. Garland has imported a large stock of all the newest autumn goods, so that even here in the mountains ladies can have as good choice as their sisters in more populous cities.

Several moves in the town are taking place. W. H. Graham has moved his stock of boots and shoes into the new building on Baker street, and his old stand, together with the adjoining store is occupied by T. Booth, who is in the candy and pipe and tobacco business. Mr. Booth is a recent arrival from Kamloops. A. T. Garland is just about to move from his present position to the empty store in the Barnard Block next to the Bank of British Columbia. Macdonald, the wholesale grocer from Winnipeg, is opening a branch in the other vacant part of the Barnard Block.

The report published last week that the house boat belonging to some gentlemen at Kaslo had been lost on Kootenay Lake, and a Chinaman drowned in it, is not true. Our contemporary in its garbled report announces that the boat left Kaslo on Thursday morning and was lost on Wednesday evening. The truth of the matter was that the house-boat left Kaslo for Goat River in tow of the Flirt on Wednesday morning. In the evening the Flirt came on to blow so hard that the little tug was unable to make headway. A sea anchor was rigged but in spite of it the two craft drifted backwards into Crawford Bay. When it was seen impossible to save the house boat the Chinese cook was taken on board the Flirt, which went for safety into Pilot Bay. The house boat was found next day not much injured in about 3 feet of water.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

PROVINCIAL.

An Indian in Victoria has been fined \$25 for offering grouse for sale.

The proposal to bonus a smelter at Vancouver has been favorably received by the city council.

The first clock made in the Province has been exhibited at the fall show in Victoria. It is the work of Charles E. Redfern & Co., of Victoria.

The Anglican synod of the diocese of New Westminster will meet in Vancouver on November 7th. It is understood that meanwhile important changes are contemplated in diocesan management, the additional endowment being divided and a second archdeacon appointed for the mining and other important districts of the upper country. The ends in view to be accomplished, it is expected, within a comparatively brief period of the future, are the appointment of an assistant bishop, also acting as archdeacon for a large and unwieldy diocese, and a complete division of the same into two independent sees.

Speaking of the seizure of the schooner Martin, Collector Milne, Victoria, said: "Capt. Hooper of the Risk is pursuing and persecuting our sealers, and I have no hesitancy in saying so. The vessel was out on the high seas, 40 miles from the prohibited zone and 100 miles from land, and I deny that he had a right to board or search her. If he had reasonable grounds to suspect her of an infraction of the law and had chased her from inside the zone, then he would be justified in boarding and searching her. He has overhauled some of the Indian schooners, which have only spears on board, and pulled their skins out of seal two or three times. It is dangerous to skins and seems to be done just to harass dealers. The charge is most flimsy and not only is evidence lacking that seals were shot, but that vessels' crew shot, assuming that it was shot. Capt. Byers counted his ammunition at Atu, and it was checked by the officers of the H.M.S. Phœnix. The latter checked it again at Unalaska, and not one shell had been fired. One aggravating feature is that the vessel driven from the sea and her chances of getting perhaps a thousand more seals are destroyed." The documents in the case, with the suspicious seal skins, were sent to Rear Admiral Stephenson. It is believed that he will order the vessel released, as it is deemed impossible to secure her condemnation in the admiralty court.

CANADIAN.

The latest news from the St. Luc catastrophe states that a parcel of land some seven acres wide and over ten acres deep gave way and slid into the Champlain river. Normand's house was buried to within a few inches of the top. The father, mother and three children were buried alive, but two children sleeping in the upper part of the house ran to the neighbors and gave the alarm. The slide filled up the river and up to the last reports the water had not found its course.

The Governor General has been hastily summoned back from Vernon to Ottawa to confer with Sir Julian Pauncefote the British Ambassador to Washington. It is said that the subject of their conference is the tenure of Great Britain for the immediate payment of the indemnity by the U. S. to British Columbia sealers. This was part of the Paris Award but the United States Senate refused to pass it.

Mrs. J. S. Allan of Montreal has entered an action to secure from her absent husband a monthly allowance of \$600, and to ensure that his income be before judgment in the hands of the Mercantile Bank, Molson's bank, Montreal Loan and Mortgage company, Montreal Safe Deposit company, Canada Paper company and trustees to the marriage settlement. Mrs. Allan was allowed \$300 per month but now claims this amount. The case recalls the noted society scandal caused by Allan's departure with a Bank of Montreal official's wife some years ago.

FOREIGN.

The receivers for the Northern Pacific Railroad have tendered their resignation to Judge Jenkins at Milwaukee.

The Coeur d'Alene iron works, two miles from Wallace, were burned the morning of the 23d. The loss will be about \$20,000, with no insurance. There seems to be no doubt but that the fire was of incendiary origin. Messrs. Farrell & Thompson, the owners, have already secured a location within the city, and will commence the erection of a larger plant at once. They expect to be ready for business within ten days.

Affairs are reaching a crisis in Cuba. The rebels are within 70 miles of Havana. On Monday last 85 persons were arrested in the capital and confined in the castle of Mora. Rumors were soon flying around that a great conspiracy had been discovered and the initial step was to have been an attack with dynamite on the steamer Santa Barbara, having a battalion of 1000 men on board. The sequel came at midnight when there was a frightful accident in the harbor in the sinking of the Spanish cruiser Baracestequi, in which 40 lives were lost.

Charles Day Rose, of the London Jockey Club, the latest yacht club challenger, is a former Montrealer, the son of Sir John Rose. He was noted as an athlete during his residence in Montreal and won many prizes as a snowshoer. He has two brothers, Willie and a younger one, who was appointed an officer of the Tenth Hussars, who went through the Afghan campaign. He also has two sisters, one of whom married Colonel Stanley Clark, who was out here with the 13th Hussars. The other being Mrs. Sloane Stanley. Mr. Rose did not forget his Canadian friends, and when the Canadian lacrosse team went to England he entertained them at his house in

TIS NAUGHT.

9 out of 10 call "naught" an "aught,"
 A "naught" being 20,
 4 you will see the figure "40"
 Is "naught" by looking through.
 It's like a strange "hole" number," true.
 And still there's "nothing" then.
 But if one stands be-4 it, you
 Can see a roughish 10!
 —Boston Transcript.

TWO HIGHWAYMEN.

I began at last to think that the ball would never come to an end. I had looked forward to it with absolute dread, for I was well aware of the plan which my uncle and Madam Treloar had devised between them. I had already recognized that the lady's son was charming in his boyish frankness, but I had seen from the first that it was intended he should propose to me before the night was ended—this night of all nights in the year!—and I was resolved, on my part that he should do nothing of the sort.

Truly, he was a gallant boy. I can fancy—for an old woman may surely tell her grandchildren she once was beautiful—that we made a pretty couple as we danced together. I know that madam treated me with quite unusual consideration, and once I caught her watching us with an altogether delightful air of satisfaction. Frank, too, did his dutiful best to offer me such attentions as are proper in a lover, and though I was resolved to thwart his mother and to keep him from courting rejection I could not but enjoy the little play in which I was acting. I pictured the surprise of all the good folks who were now watching me when the news of the morrow should reach them. And though I longed for the end of the ball, and the more serious adventure which was destined to follow, I found the situation vastly amusing.

Perhaps it was this fact which chiefly helped me to keep Frank at a distance. "You are always laughing at a man," he said reproachfully during an interval between two dances, and upon my soul I was hard put to find an answer. I could scarcely say that for him I had only pity, and yet this would have been the truth, even though I was well aware that his disappointment would be only for a week or two.

At any rate, when the hour of our departure had come, his devotion was still undeclared, and madam looked upon me a shade less kindly, I thought, when I went to take farewell of her. But, in truth, I was by this time too completely overcome by excitement to notice little details in the comportment of these people. They were all conspirators against my happiness and Dick's. I knew they would be checked within the hour, and already I could have laughed in their faces.

My uncle was a great gamester and never known to lose his coolness. On this night he had gained a large sum at cards. But, for all that, I fancy he had taken a goodly quantity of liquor during the evening. I noticed that his voice was a little thick. No sooner were we seated in his coach than he lay back in a corner and slept peacefully; soon he was snoring.

I was thus left alone. Indeed I could not have talked with him had it been otherwise, yet I now wished I were compelled to try, for the excitement I was in came near to being unendurable. I could see nothing through the windows of the coach—nothing but the dim reflection of my own pale face against a background of utter darkness. Had I been able to take note of the landmarks as we passed them I might have been calmer. As it was, we had hardly been gone from the house five minutes when I began and continued to feel passionately assured that the very next moment would be productive of the event to which I looked forward so eagerly.

The drive appeared interminable. I began to think that Dick must have come early and grown tired of waiting, and I knew that if he did not keep tryst my heart would simply break. And then, frightening me despite my eager anticipation of it, came the first sign.

I saw a sudden blackness move past the window. A pistol cracked, and as the carriage ceased to move I heard a man's voice speaking sternly to the coachman and his companion on the box. It struck me like the sternness was singularly well acted, for the coachman had been in the plot from the first. He happened to have a fancy for my maid, Genevieve, and Dick's bribe was a superfluous once she had undertaken to make sure of him.

My uncle stirred in his corner, muttering incoherently, but he was still more than half asleep when the door of the coach was opened, and a tall, graceful figure—how well I knew it, having met him frequently at dusk on the edge of the old plantation—stood dimly outlined against the darkness. The newcomer was masked, and put a pistol to my uncle's head.

"You ride late, sir," he said. And I wondered at the skill with which he disguised his voice. "I presume you carry firearms and must ask that you will trust them to my keeping."

I can hardly report my uncle's words. Indeed they were not coherent, so great was his indignation, but he gave up his pistols, and the highwayman straightway flung them far into the darkness.

"Your purse," he continued politely. Then, when he had received this also: "Sir Richard Courtney's luck at the cards has passed into a proverb. Tell your friends, sir, that you have given their L. O. U.'s to one who will never ask for payment, for I have no doubt I shall find them here."

He put the purse into his pocket. "There is a diamond ring, too," he said, "and a watch." And these things he also received and pocketed.

All this time my uncle had been cursing him for a thief and swearing he would see him hanged within a month upon the highest point of the moorland. As for me, I had enjoyed the proceedings to begin with, but now I began to be afraid. Precious time was being

wasted. There were others who must use this road in returning from the ball, and there was the risk of their coming to the rescue of my dear uncle and spoiling the plans on which so much depended. Moreover, I conceived that my uncle would be hugely angry when he discovered how prettily he had been deceived. It was possible he might be carried by his resentment so far as to make it appear that this mock robbery was real and so bring Dick to serious trouble. It was with great relief I saw that it was ended.

The highwayman spoke again. "You have a lady in your company," he said. "I must trouble her!"

"Scoundrel!" said my uncle, angrier than he had been at all. "Do you rob helpless women also? Oh, but you shall hang high!"

"Beauty," quoted the highwayman—"and I am sure the lady is beautiful—Beauty unadorned is best adorned." I must ask the lady to step from her carriage a moment and give me the jewels of which she surely has no need."

My uncle would have hindered me, but I was past him in a moment and stepped out of the carriage.

"Your necklet," said the highwayman, holding forth his hand.

I took the pearls from my neck and pressed his hand in passing them to him. "Be quick!" I said in a whisper. "Where is your horse?"

He paused a moment. "I saw the gleam of a bracelet," he said. "I must relieve you of that also."

Again I obeyed him, but the fear that others would come while he still stopped fooling became more urgent. "I'm ready," I whispered so eagerly that I wonder my uncle did not hear. "Why do you wait?"

Again there was a pause. He appeared a little disconcerted. "And I think you are wearing a ring," he went on.

I took the ring from my finger. As I gave it to him I clutched his hand, secure in the protecting darkness. "Take me!" I said. "Take me!"

Again he was silent for a moment. When he spoke, it was in a curiously altered voice and with a little delighted laugh.

"Dost mean it, sweet?" he cried. "Come, then!"

I gave a scream of alarm—a portion of the play we had arranged together—as he caught me round the waist and landed me upon his horse. A moment later I was clinging to him for dear life as we dashed, headlong into the black night and went forward across the moorland. I heard him chuckle as my uncle roared his indignation after us.

We rode on and on through the darkness. At first my excitement was so great as to render thought impossible. Moreover, the riding was of the roughest, and I had all I could do to keep my seat. But gradually, as I began to grow more accustomed to my situation, I was overtaken with a most dreadful misgiving. The rider had hitherto seemed like enough to Dick, for I had known he would do his best to change his voice, and, as for his foolish robbery, it was just of a piece with his natural love of mischief. But now I began to feel certain that some impostor had taken his part; that I had eloped with another man—and he a common highwayman. Imagine my distress! I could conceive of no method of extricating myself from the position. A sense of blank helplessness came over me, and I could do no more than cling tightly to the highwayman and await the event.

We had ridden some miles when he suddenly drew rein and dismounted, landing me lightly beside him.

"Upon my soul," he said, "here is a pretty adventure! Heaven knows that I had always a passion for the unusual, or I should be still a humble usher in Brancaster academy. But, tell me, what am I to do with you?"

I suppose I had hoped against hope. To find my fears justified was a disastrous blow to me, nor could I make any answer.

"I would not wish a braver sweetheart," he continued, speaking with an odd and attractive perplexity. "But what have we gentlemen of the road to do with wives? Why, sweetheart, you heard the promises of your guardian. He will surely do his utmost to fulfill them, and how should I dare go to the gallows if I knew that I left you widowed and alone? I trust a score of maids would weep a little if poor Jack Arthur went the common way, but God forbid that any should remember him at a week's end. It may seem that I am ungallant, yet I protest I do not like my share in this adventure. Kiss me, sweet, and then fancy I am old and very wise and take my counsel, which is that you permit me to conduct you back to some place near your home. And yet—I would not wish a braver sweetheart!"

And then, moved by the kindness of his words and his pleasant voice, I lost command of myself and burst into foolish weeping.

"Sir," I said, "I am altogether at your mercy. I have done that which will shame me all the rest of my days. But indeed I thought you were another—my sweetheart, whom I should have married tomorrow."

I fancied he spoke less gayly than before. Perhaps he had not hoped altogether that I would take his sage advice. "Ho, ho!" he cried, "then my good fortune is but another theft to my account? I do not understand. You were to have married your lover tomorrow, and yet you eutreat a stranger, and a highwayman at that, to carry you off! This is the maddest of adventures."

"Sir!" I said, "my uncle stands to me in the place of father and mother."

The highwayman chuckled. "Poor child!" he said, and softly stroked my hand, which, it seems, he had been holding for some minutes. "Poor child!"

"He would have me marry one whom I do not love, and I began to fear that presently he would overcome me and compel—"

"The old hunk!" cried the highwayman. "You shall marry whom you (Continued on Page 4.)

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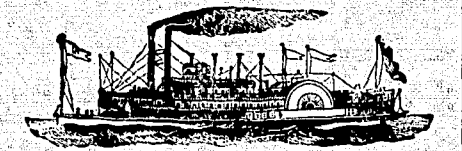
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NOTICE.

A COURT OF ASSIZE, Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery will be held at the Town of Nelson, on Wednesday, the 2nd day of October, 1895.

By Command
 JAMES BAKER, Provincial Secretary.
 Provincial Secretary's Office,
 28th August, 1895. (190)

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Kamloops	Monday 7th October
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"Fire Insurance Policy Act, 1893." As Amended by the "Fire Insurance Policy Amendment Act, 1895."

NOTICE is hereby given that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has further postponed the commencement of "An Act to secure Uniform Conditions in Policies of Fire Insurance," from the 1st day of August, 1895, until the 1st day of October, 1895.

JAMES BAKER, Provincial Secretary.
 Provincial Secretary's Office,
 30th July, 1895. (97)



NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned respective amounts will be paid as bounty for the head of every panther, or wolf coyote killed in a settled district of the Province on the certificate of a Justice of the Peace that such animal was killed in a settlement, and that the head was produced to and destroyed by him, namely:

For each panther, seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50).
 For each wolf, two dollars (\$2.00).
 For each coyote, one dollar (\$1.00).
 By Command.

JAMES BAKER, Provincial Secretary.
 Provincial Secretary's Office,
 22nd August, 1894. (26)



Southern Division, District of West Kootenay

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the "Assessment Act" are now due for the year 1895. All of the above named taxes, collectible within the Southern Division of the District of West Kootenay, are now payable at my office.

Assessed Taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

If paid on or before June 30th, 1895—
 One-half of one per cent. on real property.

Two per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

One-third of one per cent. on personal property.

One-half of one per cent. on income.

If paid after June 30th, 1895—

Two-thirds of one per cent. on real property.

Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

One-half of one per cent. on personal property.

Three-fourths of one per cent. on income.

Provincial revenue tax, \$3 for every male person over 18 years.

O. G. DENNIS, Assessor and Collector.
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KOOTENAY DIVIDENDS.

A news note in another column announces the payment of dividends by two of Mr. Humphrey's properties in the Slocan. A year ago the title of this article would almost have appeared like the name of a castle in Spain. To-day the news of dividends rains upon us. The War Eagle started the game. The Slocan Star followed suit quickly followed by the Le Roi. Now the Alamo has joined the glad throng and the Idaho keeps up its place. This latter is not a stock company, but a private concern and so its finances are not so much a matter of public interest. But a Kootenay mine that pays a dividend must not be allowed to hide its light under a bushel.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN BOOM.

Never since the days of the South Sea Bubble in England and Law's great Mississippi scheme which nearly ruined France about the same time, in the early part of the last century, has there been such mad speculation as is running rampant in England just now. The El Dorado that is luring people on to certain destruction, is South Africa. An instance of the mad inflation of stocks may be quoted. The stock of a group of companies, eight mines and three financial concerns which stood only a few months ago at \$12,000,000, is now quoted at \$25,000,000 an increase for which no justification other than mad speculation exists. The hero of the time is one BARNEY BARNATO, who appears to know only too well how to pull the silly public into losing their golden sovereigns. Notoriety is to him success. With a view to accomplishing this he has asked the Lord Mayor of London to sell him the Mansion House for a cool million pounds, to be used as an office. The excitement is not confined to England, but has spread to France and Germany, fostered by the rose tinted reports of the experts sent out by the latter country.

The press of London is already warning the public against the crash that is as sure to come as the day of Judgment. We notice that some of the journals of New York are inclined to blame their English contemporaries for not being more energetic in their warnings, apparently forgetting that by so doing they would precipitate the crash in its worst shape, while, by the adoption of more moderate measures it is to be hoped that the fall may be broken and the shock lessened. A New York journal boasts of the "persecution of our moneyed men and speculators" in keeping out of the swim. That journal can hardly ever have been out West, and must be strangely blinded even in the East.

Now all this has a most distinct and important bearing on the fortunes of this country. While the excitement lasts, British Columbia will have no chance of being heard. South Africa and South America alone claims the public attention. When the crash comes it is not unlikely that the word "mine" will so stink in the City that not another cent will be available for that class of security, either here or anywhere else. In one respect it may do us good. We have several mines in this country that are sound, business concerns and we have good reason to suppose that we shall have more. There is no rash speculation in their stocks, though their dividends are large. As long as the owners of these concerns keep their heads they will go through the fire unscathed and come out brighter than ever by comparison with the blackened ruins of the wrecks around them. No fever of speculation, no ruin that a financial crash spreads over the land can hurt a property that is soundly initiated, carefully financed and has the right stuff in it, and of such are many of the mines of Kootenay.

Almost as certain as the coming crash in South Africa, is the coming boom in British Columbia. It has taken about fifteen years to inoculate the world with the Kaffir poison. It may take as long to work it up about Kootenay, but things look at present as if when it does come, we shall have plenty of good sound investments for sale and that London, Paris, New York and Berlin will not be seen in ecstasies over a Rocky Mountain wild cat.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Four and a half millions in gold going to Europe from America is a serious thing for the latter country. It is estimated that there were 100,000 American tourists in London this summer. Allowing \$1,000 to each, which is a moderate estimate, makes the enormous sum of one hundred million dollars which these people took with them from America to spend in England.

Another challenge for the American cup has come forward in the person of Sir George Newnes, who a few years ago was only an ordinary newspaper reporter. Now he is the owner of the Strand Magazine, Tid-Bits and the Westminster Gazette. Sir George was a member of Parliament but he took up with the Anti Gambling Association and so Hugh McCallum the popular racing man was put up against him and knocked him into a cocked hat. A condition of the challenge is that the race shall be where there is no fear of interruption.

An idea has got abroad and has found expression in more than one journal that the Northwest Miners' Association is a Society for the reduction of wages. This is absolutely erroneous. The prime object of the organization, at any rate on the American side, is to send properly qualified men to Washington or to various State legislatures to watch the doings of these bodies in relation to mining laws, to offer timely suggestions and generally to try and make the law at once workable, simple and just. In British Columbia the Association will find lots to do. It has nothing to do either with party politics or questions relating to labor.

Whatever opinions there may have been about the race, the fact can be none about the athletic meeting last Saturday in New York. We got licked and that is all there is to it. It was the hottest day in the year and the heat may have had something to do with it, but it is doubtful, though the American papers are good enough to throw us this straw to save our vanity. The meeting was a memorable one also for the breaking of records. It was finally decided that an American can run 100 yards in 9.4 seconds. The Englishman, Bradley, was 2 feet behind him. The quarter mile was a good race, being won by only two inches. Sweeney made a new high jump record of 6 feet 5 1/2 inches. The English team were apparently well received and great impartiality of applause was shown.

It is impossible to close our ears to the clamor about Alhambra. We have heard music of a like kind before, and we sincerely hope that this music has come to stay. We urge upon our Victorian friends to be cautious. Thousands of prospects will not make a mine. The latter has two essentials in its being. First it must contain a ledge, and secondly it eats up hundreds of thousands of dollars before it ever gives up one in return. If there are claims, as stated, with ledges 400 feet wide going, after "repeated trials," from \$400 to \$500 to the ton, the good people of Victoria will not have long to wait for the development of their field. Indeed, the hundreds may be left out; \$4 to \$5 a ton and close to the water, with a 400 foot ledge of free milling ore would be in a very short time the wonder of the world among gold mines.

What is known as the Venezuelan Question is probably coming to the front again, and as we are very likely to hear a good deal about it in this country it is just as well to know what it is all about. In 1814 the Dutch settlements of Demerara, Essequibo and Berbice were ceded to England and became the Colony of British Guiana. At that time what is now the Republic of Venezuela was a colony of Spain. The question to-day is to decide what was the boundary then, eighty-one years ago. As it is not unlikely that the American jingo will chip into the controversy with his Munroe Doctrine, which has become the banner of his order, it may be well to remember that this doctrine was not promulgated until the year 1823, nine years after the British acquired the territory. Plainly the United States had nothing to do with the matter, then and we trust that its cooler heads will not be pushed into a position where they will have to be told that they have nothing to do with it now.

The Slocan humorist is pretty well known throughout this part of the country. His sleek, black attire is almost clerical in its sobriety. His otherwise curly locks are carefully subdued and plastered into oleaginous obedience; his mild blue eyes beams through a gold-rimmed spectacle. But for a certain lack of portliness he is Slocan-Pickwick. But Mr. Pickwick had his lapses, in which he beamed forth all the more witty and philanthropic. Who would have supposed that under the mild outside appearance of our New Denver friend there lurked a desperado of the blood curdling kind? No one would. But it is a fact nevertheless. So much was he worked up over the visit of the B. C. Board of Trade to his beloved city that he threw off all disguise. His golden spectacles were cast aside, leaving his eagle eyes flashing like Spokane diamonds. His rosy ringlets fell to his shoulders. On his head he wore a hat of broad brim, turned well up in front. His moustache bristled until the people quailed before it. In this terrible and awe-inspiring state he appeared in one of New Denver's chief saloons. Every effort was made to calm him. More sugar than ever was put into his lemonade and the proprietor went below and fetched a bottle of his oldest and rarest sarsaparilla. As a last resort essence of ginger was suggested and more than one dark hint was thrown out about the effect of a mustard plaster on his stomach. To none of these blandishments did he pay the least attention. Stamping his high-heeled boots on the floor until the great Mexican spurs rattled again, he demanded gain. The horrified landlord hastened to comply, but not quickly enough for this now desperate ruffian. From some secret recess about his person he produced two immense horse pistols and began shooting at the inoffensive lamps. This was more than the populace could stand. With a rush they bore down on him and mastered him. They carried him home and soon reduced him to the ordinary milk and water condition by the application of those same mustard plasters that have been mentioned before.

Notice of Application for Timber License.

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that 30 days after date the Hall Mines Co. (foreign), intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated in the Nelson District of West Kootenay.

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N. FITZSTUBBS,
Government Agent.
Nelson, B. C., Sept. 9, 1895. (173-3,5,9)

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Nelson, B. C., Aug. 1st 1895. (174-3,5,9)

Notice of Application for Crown Grant.
TAKE NOTICE that Edmund Hancey has filed the necessary papers and made application for a Crown Grant in favour of the mineral claim "Legal Tender" situated in the Trail Creek Mining Division of the District of West Kootenay.

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Nelson, B. C., Aug. 1st 1895. (177-3,5,9)

Notice of Application for Crown Grant.
TAKE NOTICE that A. S. Farwell, as Agent for J. A. Finch and M. R. Galusha, has filed the necessary papers and made application for a Crown Grant in favour of the mineral claim "Lumber" situated in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay.

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N. FITZSTUBBS,
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Nelson, B. C., Aug. 26, 1895. (196-31, 5, 9)

Notice of Application for Crown Grant.
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Nelson, B. C., Aug. 3, 1895. (188-17, 5, 9)

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TWO HIGHWAYMEN.

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choose. Nay, I withdraw my foolish wisdom. Come with me, and before the night is here again you shall be Mistress Arthur. Believe me," he added, with a pretty conceit—"believe me, there are many who will envy you."

"But, sir," I interrupted, "you forget what I have told you. Of late I have been closely guarded, for my uncle had discovered that I have given my love to a yeoman of the place. Tonight there was a ball at the house of Madame Trellawney, a great lady, whose son was destined by my uncle and by her to be my husband, and it was arranged that he should stop the coach on our return and carry me away with him."

The highwayman laughed loudly. "And that is why you did not faint or scream?" he said. "I fell in love with you because of that, and that is why I was so flattered at your suggestion of an elopement. But—what will the real lover do? Will he stop the coach a second time and find the bird flown? I warrant he will play the part execrably. I should hardly be surprised to hear he had let himself be captured."

"I could not endure his jesting. 'Sir,' I said, 'I am in your hands, and it is small wonder you find my plight only laughable. I have made myself a show for all the country to laugh at. Never a peddler but will be selling ballads in a se'night about this that I have done tonight. Yet I could believe you kinder than most. I entreat that you will help me.'"

He was sober in a moment. "Upon my soul," he said, "the case is one to puzzle a very Solomon! I would do much to help you, but I am not altogether free to do so as I would. To be frank, my life hangs upon my escaping out of these regions with all the celerity I can command. And my life—but listen!"

He broke off, and kneeling placed his ear to the ground. Then he arose, with a curious, excited laugh. "The adventure grows in interest," he said. "Here comes the honest yeoman, and in hot haste."

I listened eagerly and heard far off the sound of a horse galloping furiously along the rough track, which was then the only road across the great moorland. I saw a sudden movement on the part of my companion and perceived that he was fingering his pistols as he stood silent in the darkness.

"Not that!" I cried entreatingly. "There will be need of an explanation of some kind," he said. "Perhaps you will undertake it. I confess I have not a sufficient gift of words, and I am a little inclined to doubt whether your sweetheart will be in the mood for verbal explanations. Doubtless, as a gentleman of the road, he will ride armed."

The sound of the hoofs grew nearer. He was silent now and listened most attentively to the approaching sound. Presently the rider was quite near.

"Dick!" I called. "Dick, all's well, and I am in the company of a friend of yours and mine."

A moment later he was upon us, and sure enough he held a pistol in his hand. He jumped from his horse in an instant and caught me to him. But it was the highwayman who spoke first.

"Sir," he said, "I see by the pistol you carry that you take a very proper view of the situation. And yet I believe that everything may be explained. If you will consult the lady?"

"Dick," I said, "this gentleman is a friend. He took me with him, very much against his will, because I asked that he would take me, and I did that because I thought that he was you. You know our plan. He is?"

I paused. The highwayman laughed. "I follow day by day the trade which it pleased you to adopt for a single night. I anticipated you by a few minutes. We are both of us tall men, and the lady took the difference of voice and manner for a clever disguise. I was engaged about my ordinary business when she appeared to suggest that I should elope with her. I will confess my good luck amazed me at first, but I was quick to embrace it, nor did I discover how far astray my conceit had led me until the very moment of your approach. We were endeavoring to devise a method of restoring the lady to her friends when you appeared to solve our difficulty."

"You forget," said Dick doggedly—"you forget the little matter of the money and jewels you have stolen."

The highwayman started. "Convey," the wise call it," he replied, "with some turnness. 'But the only course is that I should surrender everything to you, and then it should be clear to you that I am no less a messenger of Providence to you and the lady—a god from the machine.'"

Dick was silent, his arm about my waist, his figure held ready for action.

"The good uncle has been robbed of goods and niece," went on the highwayman easily. "You come upon him in his distress, hear the tale and straightway go in pursuit of the thief—the good uncle called me 'thief'—and compel him to disgorge. In truth, the least he can do is to give you the lady in return for his goods. For, though perhaps you do not guess it, you have shown some bravery tonight."

The thing was beautifully clear. "Indeed," I cried, "he shall do no less. Dick, we will go back, and I promise you shall marry me when you will and with his consent. Do you not see it?"

"He ought to do so," said Dick grudgingly. "I suppose we must thank you, sir."

"Oh," said the highwayman lightly, "there is no need of thanks. Here are the jewels and the purse. But first!"—he opened the purse and extracted some scraps of paper—"I promised to liberate certain poor debtors, and that promise I must keep."

He tore the papers into fragments and leaped upon his horse.

"Farewell!" he cried and vanished into the night. Nor did I hear of him

again until he was hanged, two years afterward, for a most daring robbery. At least there was one who wept at the news of his death—and she a happy wife.—H. D. Lowry in Strand Magazine.

A Surprise Auction.

At a recent progressive enclure party the prizes were on an original plan. Each winner of a game was given a bean to put in a tiny bag bestowed upon him or her for the purpose before the playing began. When the games were ended, the company took seats in a circle and armed with their bean bags around the host, who had a variety of small packages before him. These he proceeded to auction off for beans. Nobody knew what was in them, so that the element of chance added to the charm and the fun of the thing. Some of them, when opened, were found to contain all sorts of pleasant trifles that were inexpensive to provide, but that served this purpose admirably.—Philadelphia Press.

Spanish Salads.

It is a sad fact that there are but few places in London where a properly dressed salad is obtainable. Faulty dressing is bad, but it was given to a well known place to go one worse. They absolutely brought me a lettuce salad that had been cut with a knife and covered with some highly noxious compound in the way of a patent salad dressing.

You can get good salad in the French and Italian restaurants round Soho, but for the best in the world you must go to Spain. The recipe there is peculiar. Mustard and egg are not tolerated, and oil is to vinegar in the proportion of three to one. The leaves of the salad are plucked and wrung dry. Various savory herbs are chopped up on a plate at your side, and the dressing is only poured over the leaves when you are just ready to eat them. The vinegar is mixed with an equal part of water, but this is, I imagine, on account of its strength. I do not wish any harm to the barbarian who first invented a compound salad dressing, but should like him to taste a salad dressed by a Seville chef and then be condemned to take his own concoction for the rest of his unnatural life, which would not, I think, be long.—London Sketch.

Plum Pudding Thin.

A story has got into print of a Frenchman who, eating plum pudding for the first time, was so pleased with the dish that he begged his English hostess to give him the recipe for it. This she did, and he took it home for an early test at his own mahogany. His wife, on learning his enthusiasm, elected to surprise him one day, and the dish was served at dessert in a soup tureen and in soup plates. Not recognizing the mixture, the master of the house asked what it was and was told it was "plum pudding." When he disputed this, he was confronted with his own recipe. Alas! the lady who gave it to him had forgotten the cloth. All the ingredients had been put, according to directions, into a pan of boiling water, had been cooked the prescribed time, and the result was—soup.—New York Times.

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The sitting of said Court fixed for the 2nd day of October for Nelson, and the 5th day of October for Rossland, stands adjourned until the 15th day of November and the 25th day of November, 1895, respectively.

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