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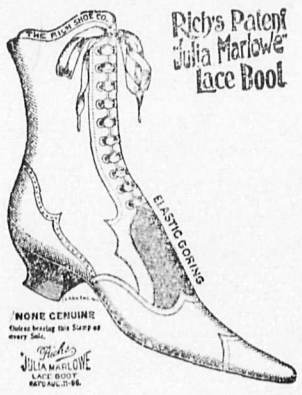

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DETAILS OF THE FIGHT.

COMMODORE SCHLEY ON THE BROOKLYN CAPTURED THE COLON.

Was First in the Fight.—Chased Her Many Miles.—Iowa, Oregon and Indiana Join In.—Spanish Captain Surrenders.

Off Santiago de Cuba, Monday, July 4, 6 p. m., per Associated Press Despatch Boat Cynthia, via Port Antonio and Kingston, July 5.—After a chase of 60 miles to the westward the Brooklyn, closely followed by the Oregon, overhauled the Cristobal Colon. After she had run ashore and had hauled down the flag Captain Cook of the Brooklyn went on board her and the commander of the Spanish cruiser surrendered, and was taken on board the New York, which came up an hour after the Brooklyn and Oregon had completed the capture of the Cristobal Colon. The latter was not seriously damaged though she was struck several times by shots from the Brooklyn.

During the chase a clever manoeuvre of Commodore Schley's in heading due west to Cape Caney while the Cristobal Colon had taken a more southerly course with a much greater distance to cover, rendered her escape impossible. There seems to be no doubt that the Cristobal Colon and perhaps the three other Spanish armored cruisers would have escaped hadit not been for the prompt action of Commodore Schley. The Brooklyn, his flagship, alone was in a position to attack the Spanish vessels as they left the harbor, and the commodore steamed towards them and engaged all four cruisers at once, inflicting great damage on them. The Oregon was the first to join the Brooklyn, and after a time the Iowa, Indiana and Texas closed around the Spaniards, all pouring deadly fire. But from the beginning to the end of the fight the Brooklyn, Oregon and Gloucester took the most important part in the destruction of the enemy. One man, George Henry Elliot, was killed on board the Brooklyn. His head was blown off by a shell. One other man on board of her, J. Burns, was also injured.

The Brooklyn was struck half a dozen times, but no injury was done to any of the other ships.

THE CENSOR AT WORK.

Associated Press Reports Suppressed in Madrid.

London, July 5.—The despatches of the Associated Press telling of the destruction of Cervera's fleet including the official accounts of the battle have been telegraphed to Madrid, and the despatches received at the office here of the Associated Press from Madrid for transmission to the United States giving the Spanish version of the sortie shows that the Spanish censor has suppressed the Associated Press despatches, or that they are regarded by the Spaniards as being incredible.

AMERICAN LOSSES.

Names of Officers Killed So Far as Can Be Obtained.

Headquarters of General Shafter's Army, July 4, via Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 5, On Board the Associated Press Despatch Boat Cynthia, via Kingston, July 5.—The following is a substituted list of the officers killed so far as it can be obtained:

Jules Jord, first lieutenant Sixth infantry.

W. H. Smith, first lieutenant Tenth cavalry.

William Ship, first lieutenant Tenth cavalry.

W. Santer, Thirteenth infantry.

John M. Hamilton, lieutenant colonel Ninth cavalry.

Albert C. Forse, major First cavalry.

E. N. Bruckey, second lieutenant Tenth infantry.

Weatherill, Sixth infantry.

D. Michie, Tenth infantry.

W. N. Dickinson, Tenth infantry.

INTERNATIONAL CHESS.

Vienna, July 5.—The chess players contested the twenty-fourth round of the big tournament today with the following results: Showalter lost to Marco, Alapin lost to Caro, and Pillsbury lost to Maroczy. Lipke and Tarrasch drew, Trenchard lost to Burne. Tschigorin and Schlechter drew. Steinitz and Blackburn, Halprin and Janowski, Baird and Wahlbrodt adjourned their games. Steinitz and Halprin have the better games, but the Baird-Wahlbrodt game is nearly even.

YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL.

July 5.—At Wilkesbarre—Wilkesbarre 8, Montreal 3.

At Washington — Washington 4, Brooklyn 2.

At Baltimore—Baltimore 7, Philadelphia 4.

At New York—New York 2, Boston 5.

At Pittsburg—Pittsburg 8, St. Louis 2.

At Chicago—Chicago 5, Cleveland 4.

HEARS FROM HONG KONG.

Madrid, July 5.—It is inferred that the news received in Madrid, to the effect that the British consular agent at Hong Kong sent a despatch boat to Manila for the purpose of informing Rear Admiral Dewey of the fact that Admiral Camara's squadron has traversed the Suez canal, refers to the British authorities at Hong Kong having taken that step.

TORPEDO BOATS GONE BACK.

Port Said, July 5.—Admiral Camara's torpedo boats have sailed, it is said, for a Spanish port.

OUTLOOK OF THE WAR

SHAFTER AND SAMPSON DIRECTED TO CONFER AS TO THEIR JOINT PLANS.

A Combined Land an Sea Attack is Probable.—Battleships Can Enter the Harbor of Santiago.—Mines Will be No Obstacle.

Washington, July 5.—As a result of the cabinet meeting today instructions were sent by the president to Admiral Sampson and General Shafter to confer together concerning a joint plan of attack upon the city. Upon the outcome of this conference depends the line of action of the immediate future. For the present the land bombardment has been deferred, as the situation is so completely changed by the annihilation of the Spanish fleet that it is manifestly the part of wisdom for the land bombardment to await the cooperation and support of a bombardment from Admiral Sampson's fleet.

General Shafter's demand for the surrender of Santiago on the pain of bombardment was made at 7:30 o'clock Sunday morning. An hour later Admiral Cervera made is suicidal dash from the harbor, resulting in a complete transformation of the naval and military conditions. Instead of a menacing Spanish fleet within the harbor, the way has been opened, save for the shore batteries, for the entrance of the American fleet up to the very wharves of the city. With this material change wrought it was obvious to the authorities here that the blow which was intended to be delivered by General Shafter alone would be doubly effective and decisive if the two forces could be brought together and blows delivered simultaneously from land and sea. It is for this reason that the conference to be held between the American general and admiral is to be held.

Up to the close of office hours today no word had come either to the war or navy departments as far as was disclosed as to what determination had been reached. At the same time it is the clear expectation of the authorities here that the conference will result in a determination by the admiral to take his fleet through the narrow neck of the harbor, make his way past the shore batteries and fortifications and take position before the city for bombardment.

There is reason to believe that the instructions to Admiral Sampson at least conveyed the desire, if not the instructions, that he enter the harbor, but it is said that the admiral and the general continue to be the supreme officials in authority, and that being on the scene and alive to all the conditions, their judgment will be taken as final. There is said to be no obstacle so far as navigation is concerned to the entrance of the harbor by the American fleet. The Cristobal Colon, which cleared the Merrimac and got out of the harbor on Sunday, draws 23 feet of water, which is within seven inches of the draught of the battleships Iowa, Indiana, Massachusetts and Oregon, and is more than the draught of the battleship Texas. Moreover, the navy department has known for the last ten days that the neck of the channel was open, despite the sinking of the Merrimac, and that there was a clear seaway of seven fathoms, through which any ship in our navy could sail. This removes all difficulties except those arising from submarine mines and shore batteries. As to the mines, little account is taken of them since the Spanish fleet passed over them. The Spaniards are in the habit of using contact mines, so that there is little likelihood of there being mines operated by electric connection with the shore.

The forts and batteries have been badly weakened by the constant fire of the fleet for many weeks past, and while still a factor, they are greatly disabled. Once opened to the city, the fleet and army could combine in a terrific double fire.

No less than 292 heavy guns would be trained from the warships on the city, and at the same time the siege guns would rain down a torrent of steel from that quarter. The siege guns throw shells of 135 pounds. There are four mortar howitzers and a large number of smaller howitzers. These are in the heavy artillery, while the light artillery embraces a great number of 32-caliber guns. This combined fire from land and sea would be terrific in its effects. The action of the foreign representatives at Santiago has been an additional reason for deferring the bombardment. It was made known late today that one of General Shafter's despatches stated that the representatives had joined in a request to him to put off the shelling of the city for another brief period until their respective colonies could be removed. This accounts for the departure of the foreign warships from Santiago harbor, as they are bearing away the foreign residents before the bombardment begins. The activity of the consuls at Santiago has led to no diplomatic complications which have reached the state department so far, and the authorities here feel that nothing of that nature will develop.

The state department today took occasion to dispel some of the Spanish illusions over the escape of Admiral Cervera's fleet. It seems that Madrid is not alone in the belief that the fleet made a handsome sortie from Santiago and left the American ships far in the rear. Today a cablegram came from the United States minister at Caracas, saying the Spanish residents there were glorifying the Spanish naval victory. The minister was informed briefly that Cervera's fleet had been destroyed, that the admiral had been made a prisoner and that Shafter had demanded the surrender of the city. The definite official report reached here today that the Spanish fleet had entered Suez canal, made no change in the plans of the navy department as to sending Commodore Watson's squadron to the coast of Spain. Secretary Long said it would start at the earliest possible moment, but he did not care to give the day of departure.

PLANNING THE SORTIE.

Plan Was Adopted by a Small Majority in a Council of War.

Off Santiago de Cuba, the Afternoon of July 4, via Port Antonio, July 5, via Kingston, Tuesday, Noon.—Admiral Cervera held a consultation with his officers before sailing from the harbor of Santiago de Cuba, and by a small majority the move was agreed upon. The minority said that their destruction was sure, as many of the firemen had mutinied and the best men in the fleet were worn out by serving the guns on the shore batteries. Early on the morning of the sortie careful observations were taken of the sea east and west. Admiral Cervera decided upon taking the westward course with Manzanillo, Cienfuegos or if possible Havana as the port to be reached. He would have gone east but for the sighting of a large transport fleet off Siboney, and but for the assurance that the convoy of war vessels was still with the transports. As a matter of fact there are no war vessels there any larger than a converted yacht, except the New York, that could not have obstructed Cervera's escape to the eastward.

Naval men say the Spanish vessels could have disabled or sunk the New York and escaped had the eastward course been chosen. It was feared for a time by many that some of the sailors and officers who swam ashore from the Vizcaya and the Almirante Oquendo and the Maria Teresa were killed by the insurgents who were seen in the chapparal near the beach. This could not be verified at time of writing, as no accurate estimate of the loss of the Spanish fleet was obtainable. It is claimed that one shell killed 100 men on the Vizcaya, raking the vessel fore and aft.

CLARA BARTON IS THERE.

Food and Medicine Being Landed Under Great Difficulties.

New York, July 5.—Chairman Stephen E. Barton of the Red Cross society has received the following cablegram from Clara Barton, the despatch coming through the war department, from Playe del Este, and bearing date of July 4:

"Lesser and her force are attending the wounded here. They are constantly coming in. Elwell and his forces are landing supplies from the State of Texas in the surf, day and night, without docks, under great difficulties and dangers. General Shafter sends us urgent appeals from the front for medecine and food; none there. Will try to send them by four-mule wagons to him tonight and go on ourselves."

Miss Barton does not give her exact location.

REVOLT IN MONTE VIDEO.

The Government Is Holding Its Own —Martial Law Declared.

Washington, July 5.—The state department has posted the following bulletin:

An official telegram was received yesterday by the department of state from Monte Video announcing a military revolt against the government at the capital in which many were killed and wounded. Martial law has been declared and the citizens are being called out in defense of the government, which is now said to be holding its own, although a renewed attack by the revolutionists is momentarily expected.

BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Victoria, July 5.—The Baptist convention opened today, the Rev. W. Trotter delivering an address of welcome to the visitors which was replied to by H. C. Newcombe of Vancouver. New officers were elected as follows: President, Rev. W. Trotter, Victoria; vice president, E. B. Morgan, Vancouver; secretary, S. C. Schooley, Vancouver; treasurer, W. Marchant, Victoria

AS THEY WANTED IT.

THE SPANISH REPORTS ARE GARBLED BY THE CENSOR OF THE PRESS.

Admiral Cervera is Thought in Spain to Have Escaped From Santiago.—Various Madrid Despatches and Reports.

Madrid, July 5.—Almost indescribable enthusiasm continues to prevail here over the supposed escape of Cervera and his squadron from the harbor of Santiago de Cuba.

The admiral's name is on every tongue and it is claimed that it was he who saved Santiago de Cuba by "adding to General Linares' handful of soldiers his brave sailors to man the guns ashore and repel the Americans under General Shafter."

Such is the exultant eulogy of Admiral Cervera heard on all sides. This state of public feeling is due to the official announcements from Santiago de Cuba. For instance, one statement from Santiago de Cuba is as follows:

"When Admiral Cervera found that it was certain that Colonel Escarios' reinforcements were in close proximity to Santiago the admiral held a council of war with the commanders of his squadron, disclosing a plan to force the blockade in broad daylight. The commanders responded unanimously." It was then arranged that the torpedo boat destroyers should take the lead, feigning an attack, and discharge their torpedoes against the enemy's ships, the cruiser Cristobal Colon protecting their advance, sheltered by the batteries of Morro Castle and distracting the enemy's attention while the remainder of the squadron sailed out of the harbor. The Americans at first were taken by surprise. Then they opened a tremendous fire, especially against the torpedo boat destroyers, whom Admiral Cervera had instructed to steer an opposite course to the squadron. The Americans were deceived, and maneuvred towards the supposed course of the Spaniards, while Admiral Cervera went full steam ahead, maintaining a continuous fire until clear of the American lines, and then steamed away westward, pursued for some distance by the swiftest American vessels until they were lost to sight from Morro Castle.

In the meantime the torpedo boat destroyers sank under the rain of shells from the numerous American warships. It is presumed that part of their crews were saved by the enemy or swam ashore.

The foregoing is the popular Spanish version of the sortie of Admiral Cervera from the harbor of Santiago de Cuba, and the sacrifice of the crews of the torpedo beat destroyers is said to be highly appreciated by the Queen Regent, while the general public is overjoyed at their conduct. It is supposed here that Admiral Cervera is running for Havana, since he has not been reported as arriving at Cienfuegos, and there will be tremendous anxiety here until it is known that Cervera and his squadron are safe in Havana harbor.

Hopes are expressed in this city that the Spanish admiral may capture or destroy some American vessels while on his way to Havana. Foreign news giving contradictory versions of the sortie have cast a tinge of perplexity and dampness upon the general rejoicing. In military circles it is considered that General Shafter has been checked, that Rear Admiral Sampson has been baffled and that the aspect of the war has been changed. But the universal expression is that peace is impossible until something occurs which is satisfactory to the national feeling.

London, July 5.—The Madrid correspondent of the Times says that Admiral Cervera's family have received a telegram professedly from him stating that he is a prisoner, but its authenticity is doubted. The following is the only official despatch the government has received since yesterday:

"At dusk last night there reached the Socapa battery seven shipwrecked men from the sunken torpedo boat destroyers. They said the Infanta Maria Teresa was steaming in an undamaged condition behind Point Luzon out of sight of the town, and that the Almirante Oquendo was afire. Subsequently other sailors, I don't know how many, got ashore, and confirmed the above. The enemy attacked our forces during the morning, causing a loss of seven wounded. Colonel Escarios' columns have arrived."

The despatch goes on to describe the intervention of the foreign consuls at Santiago, and the offer of the Americans to delay the bombardment until July 5, provided the Spanish refrain from attacking them. It concludes with the words, "I have agreed."

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TO ADVERTISERS.

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THE SMELTER STRIKE.

On the first of July, as previously announced in our columns, the Hall Mines Co., Limited, cut the wages of the roustabout laborers 20 per cent, the rate falling from 25 to 20 cents an hour. The result has been that the smelter men have struck work. The Miner has hitherto refrained from commenting on this state of affairs in the hope that the trouble would be quickly settled, and that it would be therefore unnecessary to give publicity to this most unfortunate disturbance of our chief local industry. Unfortunately these hopes have not been realized, and it has become necessary to put some of the facts of the case before the public.

This reduction in wages is most regrettable, and is extremely unfair to the men. Those who will feel it the most are the married men, many of whom have families, and who find it impossible to live and bring up their children properly on less than $2.50 a day. Were it possible for them to work every day of the month it might still be possible for them to live decently on the reduced wage, but everyone who is conversant with the affairs of the smelter is aware that it is not possible for the roustabouts to get regular work owing to the constant closing down of the big blast furnace, which has been occurring with great regularity nearly every month, and also owing to the nature of the work, which varies in amount from time to time. Many of the single men who chiefly board at the boarding house have found even at the old rate of pay, that their monthly cheques were practically eaten up by their board bills, while some did not earn enough to keep out of debt.

In the face of this irregularity of employment the men are, we consider, perfectly right to refuse to accept the cut. Anyone who knows what smelter work is, knows that it is extremely hard, hot and trying work, probably the most fatiguing form of manual labor, and no company has the right to expect men to work like slaves or beasts of burden, thankful to be able to get enough money to pay for what they eat, and without a chance to better themselves, to save a dollar for times of sickness, provide any comforts for their homes, or decent clothing and education for their children.

The action of the Hall Mines' management is, from their own point of view, a short-sighted one, and was adopted, there is good reason to believe, against the advice of the superintendent of the smelter. The men who have been working up to date were an intelligent, orderly and hard-working set of men. Every man thoroughly understood what he had to do and worked with a will for the good of the company, not shirking the increased burdens some of them latterly have had to bear. And their reward is a reduction in wages.

The company cannot hope to fill their places. The best they can get will be a set of inefficient, inexperienced, worthless men, probably dagos, a class of labor, that for all the good they do the country, is hardly preferable to Chinese. The sympathy of the people of Nelson is entirely with the men in their present struggle.

Another crushing defeat has been inflicted on the Spaniards, and their only squadron that was near enough to the scene of action to have a chance of doing any effective work has been completely annihilated. As at the battle of Manila, the loss to the Americans was practically nil, while every ship in Cervera's squadron was destroyed. The perfect immunity from damage so far enjoyed by the American fleets will go down in history as the most remarkable ever known in any war. Whatever happens to the Spanish troops, Santiago is now indeed a doomed city. Nothing can save her from annihilation by Sampson's squadrons. While General Linares and his men have, as their only alternative to surrender, the desperate chance of cutting their way through the cordon of enemies surrounding their city.

The coast newspapers that support the Turner government claim that their return will bring "progress and prosperity" to the province. In fact, "progress and prosperity" is the rallying cry of the Turner forces. In this riding the men who are conducting A. S. Farwell's campaign use the same words for their rallying cry. Yet Mr. Farwell poses as an independent; even so independent that he cares no more for the Turner crowd than he does for the opposition crowd, and the kindest expression he has ever used in referring to the members of the opposition is, "Oh, they are all a lot of fools." "Progress and prosperity" are high sounding words, but what has Mr. Farwell ever done towards bringing about prosperity in Kootenay or progress in Nelson? His independent followers will probably tell us before election day.

At the office of the Hall Mines, Limited, on Toad mountain, is posted a sheet of paper on which are a number of names of employees of the company. There is also a notification on that sheet of paper to the effect that $5, the price of a miner's license, will be retained from the pay of each name on the list. This is the tax that Premier Turner has refused to do away with, although his party has been petitioned to do so for ten years past. Premier Turner is the man whom A. S. Farwell will support if he is elected to the legislative assembly, for does he not denounce the opposition on every occasion as a lot of fools. The working miners of this riding would be worse than fools if they cast their votes for a man who in any way supports the Turner government.

Mr. E. V. Bodwell at the meeting in Rossland wanted to know "the definition of the policy of the independent government party; if they cannot support the government why are they not oppositionists, and if they support the government how can they be independent?" Should any independent candidate get a majority of votes on Saturday next (it is, however, confidently expected that none of them will) the government papers in the next issue will be found numbering them as supporters of Mr. Turner's opposition.

The management of the Hall Mines, Limited, are open and avowed supporters of the candidacy of A. S. Farwell. They are also open and avowed in their attempts to lower wages in this section. They want men to work in their smelter for twenty cents an hour.

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Josie—A. B. Shannon, J. Moen, ¾ mi n of w arm of Kootenay lake and 13 mi n of Shannon ck.

June 23—

Aberdeen—A. B. Shannon, J. Moen, n side of and ½ mi up Shannon ck on n side of w arm of Kootenay lake.

Pennsylvania—J. Garber, on center fk o 49 ck, adj Northern Light.

Castle—J. Garber, on center k of 49 ck, adj Morning Star.

Mint—M. W. Brewster, on s fk of Wild Horse ck ½ mi from Wren.

THE METAL MARKET.

New York, July 5.—Bar silver, 59 1-8. Mexican dollars, 45½.

Copper, quiet. Brokers, $11.75; exchange, $11.75 to $11.87½.

Lead, very firm. Brokers, $3.80; exchange, $4 to $4.05.

Tin, firmer. Straits, $15.75 to $15 85. Plates, quiet.

SHAFTER REINFORCED.

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County Court Judge	J A Forin,
Registrar	E T H Simpkins,

PROVINCIAL JAIL DIRECTORY.

Warden	Capt. N Fitzstubbs.
First Jailer	R Liddell.
Second Jailer	Geo Partridge.
Third Jailer	John McLaren
Senior Guard	R Ince.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND—Matin 11 a.m.; Even Song, 7.30 p.m. every Sunday. Holy Communion on 1st and 3rd Sundays in the month after *Matins; on 2nd and 4th Sundays, at 8 a.m.* Sunday School at 2.30 p.m. Rev. H. S. Akehurst, Rector. Cor Ward and Silica streets.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Services at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Sunday School at 2.30 p.m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 8 p.m.; Christian Endeavor Society meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. R. Frew, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH—Corner Silica and Josephine Streets. Services at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p. m.; Sabbath School, 2.30 p.m.; Prayer meeting on Friday evening at 8 o'clock; Epworth League C. E., Tuesday at 8 a.m. Rev. Geo. H. Morden, Pastor.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH—Mass at Nelson every Sunday at 8 and 10.30 a.m.; Benediction at 7.30 to 8 p.m. Rev. Father Ferland, Priest.

BAPTIST CHURCH — Services morning and evening at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.; Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 p.m.; Meetings are held in the school house. Strangers cordially welcomed. Rev. G. R. Welch, Pastor.

SALVATION ARMY—Services every evening at 8 o'clock in barracks on Victoria street. Adjutant Millner in charge.

LODGE MEETINGS.

NELSON LODGE, No. 23. A. F. & A. M. meets second Wednesday in each month. Visiting brethren invited.
G. L. LENNOX, Secretary.

I. O. O. F. Kootenay Lodge No. 16, meets every Monday night, at their Hall, Kootenay street. Sojourning Odd Fellows cordially invited.
WM. HODSON, Secretary.

NELSON LODGE No. 25, K. of P., meets in Castle hall, McDonald block every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, All visiting knights cordially invited,
J. J. MALONE, C.C.
(826) GEO. PARTRIDGE, K. of R. and S.

NELSON LODGE, I. O. G. T. Meets in Castle Hall, McDonald Block, every Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting Templars cordially invited.
JOHN TELFORD, Chief Templar.
George Nunn Sec'y

NELSON'S QUEEN NO. 241 SONS OF ENGLAND, meets second and fourth Wednesday of each month at K. of P. Hall, MacDonald Block, cor. Vernon and Josephine streets. Visiting brethren cordially invited.
ERNEST KING, Worthy President
CHAS. H. FARROW, Secretary.

COURT KOOTENAY, I.O.F., NO. 3138 meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday in each month in the K of P Hall. F W Swanell, C. D. S. C. R.; J R Green, C.R.: J. Purkiss, Secy.

NELSON LODGE, NO. 10 A.O.U.W., meets every Thursday in the I.O.O.F. hall. F W Swanell, M.W.: W Hodson, Rec.-Sec.; J. J. Driscoll, Financier F. J Squire, Receiver and P. M. W.

NELSON L.O.L. No. 1692 meets in the McDonald block every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting members cordially invited. John Toye, W.M.; F. J. Bradley, R.S.

GENERAL LOCAL NEWS

EVENTS OF INTEREST IN AND AROUND NELSON.

Brief Mention of Happenings in the District During the Past Few Days.

E. King of King & Burdick, merchants, Kaslo, spent yesterday in the city.

N. F. Mackay, a Kaslo barrister, arrived from Slocan City last night.

G. A. Farine of Toronto is at the Phair.

W. G. Mackenzie of Vancover is in the city.

J. Fred Ritchie of Rossland left for home on last night's train.

J. R. Leatle and W. R. Leatle of London, England, are in the city.

Mr. Harry Abbott returned to Vancouver by yesterday evening's train.

The water in the lake is going down at the rate of several inches each day.

Superintendent Hedley of the Hal Mines smelter went to Trail yesterday morning.

W. G. Eakins, Toronto, and John Knox, Hamilton, registered at the Phair last night.

Architect S. D. Curtis has moved his office to room 5 in the Turner-Boeckh block.

A newspaper has been started at Greenwood City, with F. H. McCarter and Sons as proprietors.

D. J. Dewar, principal of the Trail schools, arrived in the city last night and registered at the Phair.

C. W. McMillan, travelling representative of the Calgary Brewing and Malting company, is in the city.

W. J. Quinlan, dentist, has returned from the coast, where he attended the meeting of the grand lodge A. F. & A. M.

Frank Fulmer, Brooklyn; B. D. Ross, Montreal; T. B. Hill, Vancouver, and J. McMaster, Revelstoke, are registered at the Queen's.

The special 12 o'clock edition of The Miner yesterday, containing the late war despatches, was greatly appreciated by the citizens of Nelson.

There will be a cricket match on Saturday afternoon next at 2:45 o'clock between an eleven of cricketers and an eleven of baseball players.

Reports from Northeast Kootenay are to the effect that W. C. Wells, the opposition candidate, will be elected by a large majority on Saturday.

In the report of the I. O. O. F. installation of officers for Nelson lodge the name of Mr. J. Scoley, inner guard, was accidentally omitted.

S. Ukita, secretary to the Japanese consul at Vancouver, who is visiting the Kootenay country for the purpose of securing information regarding the mines, is in the city.

A meeting of the celebration committee will be held this evening at the office of R. S. Lennie, to wind up the business of the committee and prepare a statement of finances.

A. Whitelaw and G. Guise are opening out in business under the firm name of "The Lister Produce Co.," in the Hume block on Vernon street. They are wholesale and retail dealers in produce

A scratch lacrosse team is being gotten together to play the Nelson team, who won the championship of the Kootenay at the tournament held here on July 2. The game will be played next week.

A political meeting will be held at Ymir tonight, at which J. Fred Hume, opposition candidate, and S. S. Taylor will address the electors. Mr. Farwell and his friends have an invitation to be present.

R. A. Janes of Calgary, who is largely interested in ranching operations in southern Alberta, accompanied by Mrs. and Miss Janes, arrived in the city last night and are registered at the Queen's.

John Shollast, for drawing a knife and threatening to do bodily injury to Fred Swanson, was fined $20 and costs or two months in jail by Police Magistrate Crease yesterday. Swanson is an engineer and Shollast was employed as a bottle-washer. The men got into an altercation, with the result as stated.

NEW ENGLISH CHURCH.

Sketch of Plans of the New Church to Be Erected by Nelson Parish.

A Miner reporter was yesterday shown the plans for the new English church in Nelson, the contract for the erection of which was recently let to Contractor Young. The plans provide for a very beautiful and substantial structure, and were prepared by G. D. Curtis, architect. The style is gothic, perpendicular. The roof will be open, the windows of cathedral glass in small quarries. The cornice will be moulded and carved. The main body of the church will be 60x38 feet, the east end being built of wood, in view of the further additions to as necessary. Below the roofing the walls will be of stone, and the gables in magpie work, timber and plaster. It will be built on the site of the present mission church, which is being removed to the east side of the grounds to make room for the new structure. When completed the new church will cost $3500, and will have a seating capacity of 300. It will be an ornament to the city and a credit to the parish.

THE HARRY LINDLEY COMPANY

"A Noble Outcast" was a great improvement on Monday night's performance and won well merited applause and laughter from a large audience. Harry Lindley was in an especially happy vein, having a part which gave him many opportunities of which he made the most. The support given by the Misses Mathes, Leonard and Nathol and Messrs. Chapman and Lewis was uniformly good. By special request "East Lynne" is to be produced tonight, and this popular drama has been most successfully produced by the company in various cities, whose principal dailies are eulogistic in its praise.

EFFECT OF TRUCK ACT.

The Le Roi Boarding House Closed—Storekeepers Will Gain.

The Le Roi boarding house has been closed owing to the coming into force of the Truck Act. The late manager says that now it is not worth while continuing the business, as the accounts have to be collected from the men and cannot be withheld by the mining company, and thinks the men are the losers. There is no doubt, however, that the act is greatly to the advantage of all married men, and no man, whether married or single, liked being obliged to board at a house named by the company which employed him.

The store-keepers of Rossland will benefit by the change.

A CHAIN OF PAPERS.

The Spokesman-Review is authority for the statement that R. E. Brown, the mining man, who is largely interested in Kootenay properties, is now organizing the biggest newspaper enterprise ever launched in British Columbia. He proposes to establish a chain of papers through the mining districts of the province, to include Rossland, Nelson, Kaslo and one town each in East Kootenay and the Boundary district. The general manager of the chain of papers will be Harold Boice, who has been engaged by Mr. Brown, and who left Spokane for the Kootenay yesterday.

LORD STRATHCONA.

Now Mentioned as Likely to Succeed Lord Aberdeen.

It is now said in London that the name receiving most attention as the probable sucessor to Lord Aberdeen as governor general of Canada is that of Lord Strathcona, who is now Canada's high commissioner.

MINING STATISTICS.

No effort should be spared by those who have the matter in hand to compile and publish at the earliest possible moment fresh and reliable statistics. The mining industry has progressed so rapidly in British Columbia in the past year or two that the figures for 1896 which adorn the pages of volumes on 1897 (said volumes published along in the year 1898), convey about as adequate information as an encyclopedia of 1850. At least every six months there should be published bulletins which would bring all necessary inforation down to date. Surely with an army of gold commissioners, none of whom are fainting from fatigue, the department of mines, aided by the government mineralogist, could keep a little nearer the head of the procession.

A would-be investor glancing over the results of last year would in many cases form an entirely wrong impression of the progress of affairs in some particular section. To be valuable our mineral statistics and information generally intended for the outside world should avoid as far as possible dates belonging to ancient history.—Mining Critic.

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY.

Talk of Satan reproving sin, the present campaign has produced nothing funnier than the alien editor of the Colonist lecturing Joe Martin because he once said that if the Macdonald government didn't treat Manitoba fairly the people of the province would become annexationists. Here is the Colonist whooping it up for Britain and howling pro-British sentiments, when only a short time ago its editor solemnly swore to renounce Queen Victoria and uphold the constitution of the United States.—The Province.

The opposition is accused of having no policy. Its policy is a fair redistribution of seats that the will of the people may be expressed in the legislature of the province.—The Rossland Leader.

If Cassiar, with two or three hundred voters, is entitled to two members, and if Vancouver, with five or six thousand voters, is only entitled to four members, how many eggs make a dozen?—The Province.

We publish in today's issue a letter, written by an observant business man of Vancouver, who has lately visited the interior and more especially the cities of the great mining districts of our province, and whilst quietly doing his own work, taken note of the general political feeling of the merchants and representative men of all classes, with whom he came in contact. He corroborates to the full the confident anticipation of our party in Vancouver and on the coast generally, that the upper and inner country, and more especially the progressive mining districts, will at the coming election be found strong for the opposition cause.—News-Advertiser.

The opposition is accused of having no leader. Mr. Semlin is commander in chief, Mr. F. C. Cotton is general of division, and Mr. Joseph Martin is attached to the staff.—Rossland Leader.

If the British Columbia elector will stop to think a moment what he is about to do in voting; if he will remember that his descendants will probably occupy this province; that it will be his sacred duty to aid to the utmost of his power in smoothing the path of those descendants by voting against anything like the wild, reckless extravagance of Turnerism with its quixotic ambitions and wild goose schemes—if the elector pauses to consider all these things and not the vain and empty promises of selfish politicians clinging desperately to power, he will cast his vote resolutely against Turnerism.—The Kootenay Mail.

SPANISH NAVAL LOSSES.

Madrid, July 5.—An official despatch from Havana says that in the fight on July 2 three men were killed and seven wounded on the Reina Mercedes. Of the troops disembarked by Admiral Camara 71 were rendered hors de combat.

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which no well appointed home should be without during the warm weather.

We have also constantly on hand a full line of . .

Plumber's Supplies, Steam Fittings, and Hardware

of every description which we are offering at very low prices.

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Vancouver & Nelson, B. C.

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NELSON RINK

TONIGHT

The Harry Lindley Comedy Co.

In a new version of the most popular of dramas.

"East Lynne."

"At the third performance of East Lynne the house was crowded"—News-Advertiser.

The Best Comedies. The Newest Songs. Artistic Dancing.

Tickets on Sale at The Canada Drug & Book Co.

PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting will be held in the FIRE HALL, Nelson, on

Friday July, 8, at 8 p.m.

Mr. J. Fred Hume

will address the meeting and

Mr. A. S. Farwell is invited to attend.

W. A. GALLIHER,
Secretary.

For Member of the Legislative Assembly for the Nelson Riding of West Kootenay District.

JOHN FRED HUME.

PLATFORM OF PRINCIPLES.

Adopted by Delegates in Convention on The 21st Day of June, 1893.

"Whereas, The Turner government by its class legislation, (1) by imposing a tax upon the output of metalliferous mines not imposed upon the output of coal mines; (2) by refusing to remove the tax imposed on men working in metalliferous mines; (3) by denying the people of the province equitable representation in the legislative assembly, has proven itself unworthy of further confidence or continuance in office; and,

"Whereas, The railway policy of the present administration is inimical to the best welfare of the province as a whole therefore be it

"Resolved, That the interests of the Nelson riding of West Kootenay district demand that the electors return as their representative in the next provincial legislature a man who will not only strongly advocate but will also use his influence with the members of the legislative assembly opposed to the present administration to secure the following reforms:

"First—An equitable plan of representation in the legislative assembly on a basis that will recognize that an elector in one portion of the province is the equal of an elector in any other portion where like circumstances prevail.

"Second—Equalization in taxation with respect to mines, so that if the output of the metalliferous mines be taxed, the output of all coal mines shall be treated in the same manner.

"Third—Repeal of the special tax imposed upon working miners in the metalliferous mines, which partakes of the nature of a trade tax and is an unjust exaction.

"Fourth—An amendment to the assessment act which permits what is virtually dual taxation, under the indefensible mortgage tax, or tax upon poverty.

"Fifth—The passage of a general railway act, which will allow the building of railways by bona fide railway men without cost to the province either in cash subsidies or land grants.

"Sixth—The starving out of railway charter mongers by refusing to grant any further land subsidies in aid of railway construction, and by insisting wherever cash subsidies are granted that such subsidies shall be by way of loan secured by a lien upon the railways when built.

"Seventh—The absolute prohibition of the immigration of Chinese into the province, and the exclusion of Chinese from employment by any company receiving any concession whatever from the crown.

"Eighth—That in employing labor on public works preference be given to citizens of the province, and also that all government offices be filled by capable bona fide residents of the district where the vacancies exist.

"Ninth—Due recognition of the fact that the mining industry is the chief attraction for outside capital to the province, and is responsible for the increase in its population; that this industry may be vitally affected by legislation, and its importance demands that we should have in the cabinet a practical rather than a theoretical representative.

"And with a view to securing the above reforms, we pledge ourselves to support by our votes and influence the nominee of this convention."

NOTICE

Applications for the position of Secretary to the British Columbia Chamber of Mines will be received up to and including July 18th., 1898. Applicants will please state qualifications, remuneration expected, references, etc.

FRANK S. TAGGART,
Sec. protem.
Vancouver, B. C.

PUBLIC MEETING.

Mr. J. Fred Hume will hold a public meeting at Ymir on Wednesday evening, July 6. Mr. A. S. Farwell is invited to be present.

W. A. GALLIHER,
Secretary.

CLOSING OUT SALE

OF MILLINERY AT COST.

For the next thirty days **Flowers** and **Hair Goods.**

Room 6, Turner-Boeckh block. Entrance Baker street. Open from 8 a. m. to 4.30 p. m.

TO THE ELECTORS

OF THE NELSON RIDING OF WEST KOOTENAY ELECTORAL DISTRICT.

Gentlemen,—I offer myself as an independent candidate to represent you in the next Provincial Parliament.

Should I be fortunate enough to secure your support I shall endeavor to bring about the following reforms:

(1) A change in the Mineral Act to compel all partners in a mining claim to bear their share of the assessment work or forfeit their interest.

(2) An amendment to cause litigants to put up reasonable security for costs before adversing applications for certificates of improvements,

(3) Regular promotion in the Civil Service, avoiding the injustice of the appointment of outsiders over the heads of men already in the service, all vacancies being filled by our own people.

(4) The removal from the Statute book of the discriminatory tax of $5.00 per annum on mechanics, miners and others employed in our metalliferous mines.

If returned I pledge myself to work to the best of my ability to secure a local expenditure of public monies in proportion to the revenue collected in the district, and to ensure such expenditure being laid out to the best possible advantage.

The mining interests of British Columbia have now reached such proportions that it is desirable they should be administrated by a separate department under the charge of a minister who would devote his undivided attention to the subject.

I shall endeavor to rescind the legislation of '96, by which mining suits were taken out of the jurisdiction of the County Court and relegated to the Supreme Court, thereby entailing increased costs and interminable delays.

During the past eight years Kootenay has been represented by straight government supporters and by an out and out oppositionist, the result in neither case has been satisfactory. I consider the time has arrived when all the Kootenay members should join in advocating measures for the benefit of this district as a whole and for its special industry, without regard to party.

A. S. FARWELL.

WHAT DO YOU WANT For One Cent a Word?

You can find a buyer for "Any Old Thing" if you advertise.

Classified Advertisements.

All advertisements in this column are 1 cent a word each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 25 cents.

FOR SALE

Old papers at THE MINER office. 25 cents per hundred.

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$50 REWARD.

Fifty dollars will be paid by me for the arrest and conviction of any person for poisoning or attempting to poison dogs.

A. M. JOHNSON.

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MILLINERY

I will sell at cost for the balance of the season all trimmed millinery, children's hats and bonnets, sailors and shirt waists.

MRS. M'LAUGHLIN

Josephine st., Nelson.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Elmer E. Dills will apply to the Gold Commissioner of West Kootenay, B. C., thirty days after date, for a license to sell liquor by retail at my hotel, located at Brooklyn, in the West Kootenay district.

ELMER E. DILLS.

Dated at Nelson, B. C., this 27th day of June 1898. 924

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

TAKE NOTICE that I, W. H. Walmsley, will apply to the Gold Commissioner of West Kootenay, B. C., thirty days after date, for a license to sell liquor by retail at my hotel, located at Brooklyn in the West Kootenay district.

W. H. WALMSLEY.

Dated at Nelson, B. C., this 2nd day of July, 1898. 924

STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

THE CITY COUNCIL ORDERS WORK TO BE DONE BY DAY LABOR.

The City Engineer Reports on the Powder Magazine Across the Lake.—Estimated Cost of Diverting Streams on Addition "A" into Cottonwood Creek.—Tenders for Laying Water Pipe.

At the regular meeting of the city council on Monday afternoon there were present Mayor Houston and Aldermen Hillyer, Gilker, Malone and Madden.

Considerable business was transacted in the way of ordering public improvements.

The city engineer, as authorized at the last meeting of the council, reported in reference to the powder magazine across the lake, as follows:

"Gentlemen: With reference to the effects on the city of Nelson of the explosion of the powder magazine, situated on the opposite side of Kootenay lake, I herewith give the following experiences in other places from explosions of dynamite in quantities.

"First—The explosion of powder mills at Shagtierke, N. Y., in 1872: This explosion shook in buildings in Shagtierke village two miles away, and Valley Falls, two miles distant, and scarcely a window remained whole.

Second—A magazine containing 2600 pounds of dynamite exploded in 1895 near Lockport, on the Chicago drinage canal, 30 miles distant from Chicago. The shock took place during the night and was sufficient to awake all the people in Chicago and to frighten the residents of the country for 50 miles in every direction. Hundreds of windows in Lockport and Joliet were shattered. A boarding house a quarter of a mile from the magazine was nearly shaken from its foundation, throwing the inmates from their beds.

"Third—A powder factory at Shamokin, Pa., in 1892, 19 miles from Pittsburg, in which the shock was felt 60 or 70 miles away.

"Fourth—Twenty thousand pounds of dynamite at Sunneytown, Pa., in which the shock was distinctly felt at Reading, 30 miles away

"Fifth—Besides these there are many others of which I have not particulars just now. At Johannesburg, Transvaal, at Stratford, Ont., where there was considerable destruction of property.

"The results of an explosion of the Nelson powder magazine would depend to a considerable extent on the condition of the atmosphere. With a dense, heavy condition of the atmosphere the effect would be greatest. The explosion would certainly shatter windows all over the city and might do much greater damage. In any case, the location of the present magazine is a serious menace to the security of life and property in the city of Nelson.

(Signed) "A. L. M'CULLOCH."

The report was ordered to be forwarded to the attorney general, to take action in the matter.

The city engineer also reported as to the cost of draining the streams flowing across Addition A into Cottonwood creek, which he estimated would cost about $225. The estimated cost of diverting the creeks flowing across locks 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 33, 34 and 28 into Ward creek as an outlet is $600.

It was decided to grade a road on Cedar street in front of Judge Forins' residence at a cost of about $35; to grade a road on Silica street in front of block 24, 25 and 26 at a probable cost of $50 to $75, and also to expend about $35 in improving Mill street from Hendryx to Cedar. The work was ordered done by day labor.

H. Stutter wrote offering to the city three buildings on the recreation grounds for $110.

By-law No. 30, imposing a tax of $200 on insurance companies doing business in the city, was finally adopted.

The following resolution was on motion of Alderman Hillyer, seconded by Alderman Madden, adopted:

"That, in reference to open heap roasting at the Hall Mines smelter, it be referred to the medical officer to report as to whether the same is injurious to vegetation or to the health of the city."

Tenders were received for laying 9000 feet of water pipe as follows:

Lemon & Co., $720, for laying 6-inch pipe and backfilling; 8 cents per lineal foot.

James Thompson, $585, for 6-inch pipe, 5 cents per foot; for 4-inch pipe, 5 cents; hydrants, $3.

Minero & Hair, for 6-inch pipe, 7 cents; 4-inch pipe, 6 cents; hydrants, $6.50.

W. P. McEachern, $810; for 6-inch pipe, 8 cents; for 4-inch pipe, 4 cents; hydrants, $2.

Henry Hodskinson, $460; for pipe, 7 cents; hydrants, $5.

Lawrence Hardware Co., 6-inch pipe, 8 cents; 4-inch pipe, 6 cents; hydrants, $3.

Noll & Thompson, 6-inch pipe, 9½ cents; 4-inch pipe, 9½ cents; hydrants, $2.50.

On motion it was decided to award the contract to the lowest tenderer.

The city clerk was authorized to write to Premier Turner requesting that a pension be granted to W. Smith.

Several complaints were received in regard to cattle running at large in the city, and the poundkeeper was instructed to take steps to abate the nuisance.

A number of accounts were passed, after which the council adjourned.

TROUT LAKE MINING NEWS.

Mineral Claims Being Developed in the Trout Lake District.

The Mountain Goat, on North Fork, about 12 miles from Trout Lake City, has an exceptionally fine ledge of copper ore.

Anderson & Craig of Kaslo were in town last week to record assesment work on the Pawn Broker group, situated on Hope creek, about three miles from the Lardo river. They have a six-foot ledge of fine galena and iron ore in quartz in a contact of lime and slate. The ledge is opened up with cuts and stripping for a distance of 1500 feet and appears to be a strong vein. Their samples are a high grade cube galena.

On the Glacier, about four miles from here, is the the claim, owned by Moyer &Co. They are running a tunnel, which is now in 90 feet. The Klondike group, owned by Thomas Wilson of Trail, Graham Fowler of Rossland and Nathan Lay of Trout Lake, consists of five claims. The work is being done on the Northern Bell. They have a 20-foot shaft and a 12-foot crosscut. The ledge is about 12 inches wide, and surface assays gave 760 ounces of silver and about $3 in gold.

Mobile claim, owned by Charles Dillon and J. Bruno of Trout Lake, has a 12-foot shaft on an 18-inch ledge.

The Norway group on Five Mile creek, owned by Gus Johnson, Gus Zulquist, Ole Avorg and Ole Larson, has a fine surface, showing a high grade of galena and grey copper. They are running a tunnel, which is now in 5 feet to crosscut the lead.

The Spokane Boy, also on Five Mile creek, is owned by B. Joice, and is showing up nicely. The ore is a fine cube galena and resembles that of the Silver Cup closely.

The Bad Shot, on Duncan river, owned by Fred Johnson, William Johnson and Fred Campbell, has a 150-foot tunnel on a ledge of fine galena and grey copper. The property has recently been bonded for $100,000, and experts are now examining the claim in the interests of the bondholders.

A. Sandreen, Morrison Lindgren and Mr. Nelson, all of this city, have a group of 13 claims on Canyon creek about 11 miles from the lake. The Pedro has a two-foot ledge from which surface assays gave 106 ounces of silver, 17 ounces in copper and 5 pwt. in gold. On the Lotten they have an 84-foot shaft on a ledge of galena and iron in quartz. The Columbia, on the same ledge, owned by Ed Sandreen, has a shaft down 90 feet, and is in a coarse cube galena which runs about 171 ounces in silver and 75 per cent in lead.

Jack Atkinson was down a few days ago from Gainer creek. He says things are looking remarkably well on his property, the Milton. The lead on which he is located is supposed to be that of the Wagner group, and samples have been taken from this lead showing an average of 170 ounces in silver.

The Lade brothers went up to their property on Gainer creek several days ago to thoroughly develop and ascertain the value of the strike they made last year. This was a rich strike of telluride ore which gave returns of $220 to the ton in gold from a sample shipment made to Nelson smelter last fall.

CONGRESS THANKS SCHLEY.

The Men Who Did the Work Recognized by the Nation.

Washington, July 5.—Representative Berry of Kentucky, a member of the house committee on foreign affairs, introduced the following resolution today:

"Resolved, That the thanks of congress and of the American people are hereby tendered to Commodore Schley, United States navy, and the officers and men under his command, for their heroic and distinguished conduct in destroying the Spanish fleet in Cuban waters on the third of July last."

Mr. Berry in speaking of his resolution said:

"I propose that the officers to whom the glory is due shall be recognized. Schley is the real hero of the incident. Sampson commands the fleet in the waters, but it was Commodore Schley in command when Cervera and his fleet made the plucky attempt at escape, and it was through the ships under Schley that every one of the Spanish fleet met its destruction."

SPAIN WILL STILL FIGHT.

Madrid, July 5.—The cabinet council this evening after a short session decided not to open negotiations for peace, but to continue the war at all risks while a single soldier remains in Cuba. The government has no news as to the bombardment of Santiago and has cabled Governor General Blanco for details of the naval battle.

REFUGEE STEAMERS ARRIVE.

Kingston, Jamaica, July 15.—The British warships Alert and Pallas, the former with 14 refugees aboard, and the latter with 28, and the Austrian man-of-war Kaiserin Maria Theresa with 38, arrived at Port Royal this morning.

THE PAINFUL TRUTH.

Madrid, July 5.—Senor Sagasta has announced that Admiral Cervera's squadron has been defeated, that the Almirante Oquendo has been burned and the Infanta Maria Teresa sunk, andthat Admiral Cervera himself is a prisoner of war.

NIGHT ATTACK.

Americans Driven Back, But Rally and Rout the Enemy.

Santiago de Cuba, July 3, 5:20 p. m., per Associated Press Despatch Boat Dandy, to Port Antonio, via Kingston, Jamaica, July 4, 11:30 p. m.—The Spanish made a desperate night attack on our left shortly before ten on Saturday evening. The assault was directed at the positions that had been carried by General Kent's men. The Spaniards leaped trenches and charged across the open, striking heavily upon General Wykoff's brigade, consisting of the Ninth, Thirteenth and Twenty-fourth infantry. They were reinforced by a heavy fire all along their line of guns and batteries, and succeeded in driving some of our men from the trenches, but a heavy fire was in turn poured in and staggered the Spanish line and sent it reeling backward with heavy loss. The Americans had advanced from the trenches for the first time, and while the Spaniards were in the open, some of the American gatling guns did terrible execution.

SPAIN TAKES NEWS QUIETLY.

London, July 5.—The correspondent of the Times says the despatches received from American sources describing the destruction of Admiral Cervera's squadron, which the morning papers considered wild and exaggerated and consequently held back, have now been published in special editions. They are generally regarded as substanitally true, and have produced a almost painful impression among all classes, but there is perfect tranquility. I perceive no symptoms of dangerous popular excitement.

ADAMS APPOINTED AGENT.

Buffalo, N. Y., July 5.—At the meeting of the Buffalo railway passenger committee held here today Mr. Charles F. Adams was appointed joint agent of the Baptist convention, to be held in Buffalo on July 14 to 17, 1898. Mr. Adams conducted the G. A. R. joint agency last year with signal success.

AUGUSTI'S FAMILY SAFE.

Madrid, July 5.—The Spanish consul at Singapore wires the following message from General Aagusti, captain general of the Philippines:

"The situation is unchanged. My family has succeeded in miraculously escaping from Miocabora in a boat, and having passed through the American vessels, arrived safely at Manila."

TO THE ELECTORS

Of the Slocan Riding of West Kootenay Electoral District.

Gentlemen:—At the request of a large proportion of the community representing every section of the Riding, I beg to announce myself as a candidate for your suffrages in the coming elections.

In respectfully soliciting your votes and support I declare myself a supporter and follower of the Hon. J. H. Turner as the Leader of the only Party in this Province with a defined Policy and coherent existence.

During my eight years residence in this District I have been a consistent supporter of his Party in recognition of their attitude in meeting, and in cases anticipating the requirements and expansion of this great mining region. I am in favor of the following reforms:—

(1) The abolition of the Tax upon working miners.

(2) The abolition of the Mortgage Tax.

(3) The distribution of seats in the Legislature in direct proportion to population.

(4) I do not approve of the Policy of the late Legislative Assembly in using their influence to exclude foreign railroads, such as the proposed railroad to Boundary Creek.

(5) I favor certain revisions in the Mineral and Land Acts, particularly some easy plan by which the holders of claims can advertise out their defaulting co-owners.

(6) In filling all Government appointments I am in favor of appointing bona fide residents of the District in all cases where such can be found competent to act.

(7) I believe that the Provincial Legislature should bring all the aid and influence at its command to the assistance of the lead mining industry, especially in the direction of obtaining stronger recognition from the Federal Government at Ottawa of the importance of this industry and the disadvantages under which it now labors.

If you do me the honor to elect me as your representative I will at all times endeavor to protect and further the interests, not only of the prospector but also of all those employed in and around our mines, recognizing that our entire community is dependant upon the mining industry.

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