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Messrs. Grant & Sheady Have a Camp on the Upper Lake and Have 35 Men Employed.

All plans have been perfected by Messrs. Grant & Co. for the erection of their big sawmill near Moyie. The site of the new mill will in all probability be on the lake shore about midway between the depot and the Lake Shore compressor building. W. H. Grant and Samuel Grant are now in the east purchasing the necessary machinery, which will include besides the regular mill machinery a planer, joiner and lather. The machinery will likely be purchased in Toronto and will be shipped to Moyie at once. It is the intention to have everything on the ground, and be ready for operations by the first of May. The mill will cost in the neighborhood of $7,500 and will have a daily capacity of 35,000 feet of lumber. It will give employment to between 75 and 100 men.

It is the intention of the company to have a tug built and put on the lake for use between their mill and their lumber camps on the upper lake.

Messrs. Grant & Sheady have established a camp near the head of the upper Moyie lake and have 35 men at work getting out timber. They want to get out two million feet of logs as soon as possible.

Messrs. Grant & Co. have plenty of capital back of them and intend conducting one of the largest lumber businesses in the province.

Presbyterian Social.

The first of a series of socials under the auspices of the Presbyterian Ladies' Aid, was given on Wednesday evening of this week in Mrs. Doig's dining hall, when a most enjoyable time was spent. The hall was handsomely decorated with evergreen and bunting and presented, with the gay and happy assembly, an animated appearance. Games were played, interspersed with music in which Miss Haggarty rendered an instrumental and Miss L. A. Finnis sang two solos, accompanied by Dr. Higgins, all of which were much appreciated. The corner where fortunes were revealed was a spot of unflagging interest and gave rare delight to its many patrons. Great credit is due the hostess for the cordial manner in which she welcomed the Aid and their guests. We understand it is the intention of the aid to furnish those treats monthly.

Ex-President Harrison Dead.

Indianapolis, March 13.—Genaral Benjamin Harrison died at 1:45 o'clock this afternoon without regaining consciousness. His death was quiet and painless, there being a gradual sinking until the end came, which was marked by a single gasp for breath as life departed from the body of the great statesman. The relatives, with a few exceptions, and several of his old friends were at the bedside when he passed away.

Petition For A Bank.

A petition was circulated this week and signed by the board of trade asking the bank of Toronto to establish a branch in Moyie.

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LOCAL NEWS.

T. G. Blackstock is expected in Moyie next week.

The miners union election will be held next Tuesday

Frank Danby has returned from his trip to California.

N. A. MacKenzie is rapidly recovering from his illness.

Collections promptly made by Beale & Elwell.

A baby girl was born at the home of E. Rondoni last week.

Government Agent Armstrong was Moyie Monday and held court.

H. Stenson has moved his jewelery stock back to Kaslo for the present.

Hill & Co. got in a nice line of goods this week.

Messrs Frith & Hamilton opened their hotel last Tuesday and are now doing a good business.

Joseph Schaich, the druggist, has one of the neatest and most attractive places in town.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Angers last Saturday morning a daughter.

F. C. Clapp, of the East Kootenay Bottling Co., Cranbrook, was in town Tuesday.

Michael Sheady will leave for St. Paul next week, and will return about April first.

Dominion Express orders for sale at Beale & Elwell's.

W. O'Brien, ex-president of the Rossland miners' union, is in town and is stopping at the Cosmopolitan.

The skating rink on the lake has been torn down, which is an indication that the skating season is about at an end.

Fred F. Pieper was in Moyie yesterday talking wallpaper, paints, oils, etc., and incedentally a little politics on the side.

Mrs. L. M. Mansfield is out from Fort Steele on a visit and is the guest of Miss Reid.

WANTED—Furnished or unfurnished house to rent. Apply at this office.

The postoffice is now kept open till 8 p. m., and on Sundays from 11 to 12 and from 3 to 4.

LOTS—for sale on easy terms in all parts of town. D. J. Elmer's Cigar Store.

Tomorrow will be St. Patrick's Day, and for the time being everybody will be Irish.

Hill & Co. and F. D. Hope have had attractive signs painted for themselves. Pieper & Co. of Cranbrook did the work.

The St. Eugene concentrator is running in full blast, and according to all accounts its run for March will be a record breaker.

Talbert Steeves, employed on the car tramway between the Lake Shore mine and the concentrator, had his foot run over last Tuesday and badly crushed. He was sent to the hospital.

In giving the list of disbursements in last week's Leader a slight error was made. The $70.50 paid to the St. Eugene hospital was for both McNeil's and Barrick's bills.

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Dr. Watt, of Fort Steele, passed through Moyie this morning on his way to Victoria. He is going to visit his son and also to do what good he can for South East Kootenay.

Mrs. Alexander of Toronto is in Moyie with a nice line of millinery goods, and will locate here if everything is favorable. She is stopping at the Kootenay hotel, and invites the ladies of Moyie to give her a call.

Moyie Waterworks Co.

The Moyie Waterworks Co. is calling for tenders for the building of a dam on Campbell creek near town. Tenders will close on April first, and when the contract is awarded work on the dam will immediately begin. Already $5,500 worth of waterworks company stock has been subscribed for in town.

CANADIAN GOLD FIELDS

Report by Managing Director.

FOR THE YEAR OF 1900

It was a Year of Earnest Work, Steady Progress and Splendid Progress, Says Mr. Drewry.

The report of the Canadian Gold Fields Syndicate from January 1st, 1900 to January 1st, 1901, has reached this office. This is the syndicate of which Mr. J. C. Drewry is managing director, and which is now heavily interested in the St. Eugene mine. The Leader herewith publishes some extracts from Mr. Drewry's report to the directors of his company:

The year 1900 was an eventful one in the history of our company.

It was a year of earnest work, steady progress and splendid results, culminating in the advanving of our company into the list of dividend payers.

One year ago, our company owned the Sunset group at Rossland, on which a large amount has been expended in equipment and development; the "Jennie" silver-lead mineral claim, in the Slocan; six hundred and forty thousand shares of the stock of the St. Eugene Consolidated Mining Company, Ltd., and had $4,633.27 cash on hand with which to carry on operations.

January, 1901, found us in a greatly improved position.

The St. Eugene Consolidated Mining Company, Ltd., has entered the list of dividend payers, and has declared and paid a dividend of one hundred and five thousand dollars, for the quarter ending December 31st, 1900. This amounted to three per cent on its capitalization, our share of the dividend being $19,200.00. At the end of 1900, the issued capital of our company was $600,000.00, leaving shares of the per value of $400,000.00 still unissued in the treasury of the company. In November last, the Board of Directors declared a first quarterly dividend of three per cent, on the issued capital stock of our company, being at the rate of twelve per cent, per annum on the par value of the shares. This dividend has been declared and paid.

The St. Eugene Consolidated is now equipped with a concentrating mill of a daily capacity of four hundred tons, being double the size of any other concentrating mill in Canada. The property is so well developed that there is now considerable over two years' ore supply blocked out, in sight, and new ore reserves are being steadily developed. The St. Eugene Consolidated is now shipping from 2500 to 3000 tons of silver-lead concentrates per month, and besides earning and paying a dividend of three per cent, per quarter, has a large cash surplus on hand.

At the present market price of the St. Eugene Consolidated shares, our holdings in that company are worth more than the total issued capital of the Canadian Gold Fields Syndicate, Limited. This fact, taken in connection with our other large and valuable assets, shows the strong financial position of our company.

W. H. Jeffrey, the company's mining engineer, has the following to say of the St. Eugene mine:

I have visited the St. Eugene Group twice, the last time being in October, 1900. These properties are extensively developed, and equipped with a 17 drill compressor plant and a 400 ton concentrating mill. The tonnage in sight is very large, amply sufficient to keep the mill running for over two years. The veins are well defined fissures and the ore shoots unusually large. One ore shoot in the lower tunnel is being stoped out forty feet wide. You need never have a moment's uneasiness about the success of the St. Eugene Consolidated, as it is one of the biggest and best silver-lead mines in North America.

Its present output is from 2,500 to 3,000 tons per month.

Smallpox Scare Is Over.

The smallpox scare, so far as Moyie is concerned, is at an end. The quarantine at the St. Eugene mine was raised last Thursday, and the 67 men in captivity were allowed to go their way. However, the fact of them being quarantined effected them but very little, as most of them worked steadily in the mine.

Dennis Shea, the smallpox patient, is reported by Dr. Green to be nearly recovered and will be given his liberty the first of next week.

Nelson Miners Election.

At a recent meeting of the Nelson Miners' Union the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Robert H. Hunter, president; J. R. J. R. McPherson, vice-president; James Wilks, secretary-treasurer; W. E. Davis, conductor; W. M. Johnston, warden; Frank Phillips, Edward F. Blewitt and Geo. Matherson, trustees. The trustees will hold office for one year, while the officers' term is six months.

For a New Railway.

A petition has been sent from Kaslo to the provincial parliament asking for the right to incorporate a company to build and operate a railway between Crawford bay on Kootenay lake and Fort Steele, East Kootenay, the line to pass through the valleys of Crawford creek and the St. Marys river. The petition is signed by Robt. Irving, A. Whealler and W. N. Brayton.

Kaslo Passes By-Law.

Kaslo ratepayers have unanimously passed the by-law to provide fifty thousand dollars bonus for a smelter and only two votes were recorded against the by-law to grant exemption from taxation for 10 years. A site has been secured and exceptionally good water power obtained at Fall creek, which provides a six hundred foot drop. A hopeful feeling prevails in the town and real estate is active.

Imperial Limited Service.

The Imperial Limited service over the C. P. R. will be put in force about June 10th, when a new time schedule will be in vogue.

Miner's Union Dance.

The miners are making big preparations for their dance which will be given next Monday evening in Morley hall. There will be good music led by Prof. Wilson, and supper will be served at the Central hotel.

CRANBROOK ITEMS.

Cranbrook Herald:

Dr. King is improving the appearance of his premises by having his house and fence painted. The doctor has one of the neatest looking places in Cranbrook.

Messrs. Hill and Joll have opened a new butcher shop in the Aiken block. They have made arrangements for a regular supply of beef and say they will continue the business.

Cranbrook intends to secure incorporation and next Monday evening the Board of Trade will present the matter for discussion. It is the intention of the people to commence the preliminary work without delay.

Constable Morris has received instructions to meet each passenger train and take the names of passengers who get off, where they came from, and their destination. This precaution is taken to assist in guarding against the spread of small pox.

"Mooch," The Herald's canine beauty, has passed through the hairdresser's hands and came forth a thing of beauty and a joy forever. He looks like a cross between a hyena and an Alaskan malamoot, with a little porcupine thrown in on the side.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I have been instructed to collect all bills and other debts due to Wm. Mills, sometime lessee of the Cosmopolitan hotel, Moyie. All parties indebted to Wm. Mills will please communicate with me forthwith.

LEWIS THOMSON,
Moyie, March 1901. 3-48

CALL FOR TENDERS.

Tenders for the construction of a dam on Campbell creek are now called for by the Moyie water Co., bids to be closed on April first. The company reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Plans and specifications can be seen at MacEachern & Macdonald's store.

A. P. Macdonald, Sec'y.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 1901.

It is not too early to begin cleaning up your yards.

The business men of Moyie want to do their banking business in their own town, and who can blame them?

The backbone of winter is broken and house cleaning time is almost at hand. Come, gentle spring, come.

The building of the "Crawford Bay and Fort Steele railways" is the latest work of the Fort Steele Prospector. Bro. Grace, your a peabeater.

Slocan City has just been incorporated and Moyie tips its hat in recognition. Moyie intends in the no distant future to be in the same boat.

When the new sawmill is built, 75 men will be added to Moyie's already substantial payroll. Moyie is a good town, and its prospects are becoming brighter each day.

Buy a ticket for the miners' union ball next Monday evening, and show that your heart is in the right place towards an organization which is of so much value to the town.

Cranbrook has five churches and they are all located on the same street. If there are any souls unsaved in Cranbrook it is surely not for the lack of gospel institutions.

John Houston, M. L. A. for Nelson, has been in Montreal lately. We are sure he must have met the president of the C. P. R. and shaken hands with him. He may have even had lunch with him.—Similkameen Star.

The people of Moyie are making a good move by corralling the bulk of the waterworks company stock. They are better deserving of the dividends which will in a short time be received than people on the outside.

You cannot get a house to rent in Moyie under any circumstances. Here is an opportunity for someone with a little captital to make a good investement. A dozen houses could be rented in Moyie within that many days.

A Vancouver minister has placed himself on record as saying: "I regard the typewriter as a blessing to humanity." He does not however, say whether it is the blonde or brunette typewriter that he refers to, nor does he mention her name.—Province.

Australian laws seem to be enacted for the purpose of protecting the employer and the wage earner equally. One of the laws now in force requires mine superintendents to be licensed and fines a miner for returning to a mine fired shot within a period of three hours.

If Moyie does not get better support from the government in the future than it has in the past there will be a good strong howl go up from its people. As it is there is not a town in the province for its size which is contributing more to the government and in return receiving less.

New Denver Ledge: In Nelson the other day a gentleman just out from London enquired whether snow shoes or moccasins were the better to wear in this country. He was advised to try moccasins, as the others were too well ventilated, and only worn by an inferior class of poker players.

You might talk yourself blind arguing that you are a friend of organized labor, but you will never convince union men unless you can show cause by patronizing the products and help to keep employed those who carry a union card. As your money is your own, place it where it will help your own kind of people.—Labor Advocate.

The Saturday Post, owned and edited by a woman, has appeared in Victoria. It is to be hoped, says the New Denver Ledge, that she will never sit down on the ink barrel, or stand around the stone jeffing with the comps for chewing gum, and that her lily-white fingers will always be tired counting the dollars sent in by subscribers who are not delinquent.

The House at Ottawa acted wisely in passing the resolution offered by Mr. Costigan in connection with the alleged insult to Catholics in the coronation oath. There is no reason why the king or queen of England should be required to declare himself or herself in a manner distasteful to the Catholic or any other religious denomination. This portion of the oath is away out of date and should be abolished.

Whenever you find a man finding fault with a local paper, open it up and ten to one he hasn't an advertisement in it; five to one he never gave it a job of work; three to one he does not take the paper; two to one that if he is a subscriber he is a delinquent; even odds he never does anything that will assist the publisher to run a good paper and forty to one that he is the most eager to see the paper when it comes out.—Exchange.

Only a Printer.

"He is only a printer." Such was the sneering remark of a leader in a circle of aristocracy—the codfish quality. Who was the Earl of Stanhope? He was only a printer. What were prince Edward William and Prince Napoleon? Proud to call themselves printers. The present Czar of Russia and the Duke of Batenburg are printers, and the Emperor of China worked in a private printing office almost every day.

William Caxton, the father of English literature, was a practical printer. What were G. P. Wills, James Gale, James Parker, Horace Greely, Charles Dickens, James Buchanan, Simon Cameron and Schuyler Colfax? Printers all and practical ones. Also Bayard Taylor, the poet.

Mark Twain, Amos Cummings. Bret Harte. Opie Reid, are plain printers, as were Aremus Ward, Petroleum V. Nashby and Sut Loyingwood. Senator Plumb was a printer, and so is James S. Hogg, of Texas, and the leader of science and philosophy, Benjamin Franklin, in his day made it his boast that he was a printer.

In fact thousands of the most brilliant minds in the country are to be found toiling in the publishing houses of large cities and towns. It is not everybody that can be a printer—Brains are absolutely necessacry.—Our Companion.

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Notice is hereby given that I, D. H. Martin, miner, intend 60 days after date to apply to the chief commissioner of lands and works for a special license under land act to cut and carry away timber on the following described lands situated in the vicinity of the upper Moyie lake towit: Southwest corner post situated about one half mile northeast of Moyie river falls; thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to place of commencement.

D. H. MARTIN.

Moyie, B. C. Feb. 23th 1901. 3-16.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I, Ben J. Ryley, miner, intend sixty days after date to apply to the chief commissioner of land and works for a special license under land act to cut and carry away timber on the following described lands situated in the vicinity of the upper Moyie lake towit: South east corner post situated about 3½ miles north west of the Moyie river falls: thence west eighty chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to the place of commencement.

BEN J. RYLEY,

Moyie, B. C. Feb. 23th 1901. 3-16.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I, Malcolm Grant, of Moyie, B. C., contractor, intend 30 days after date to apply to the chief commissioner of lands and works for a special license under land acts to cut and carry away timber on the following described lands, situate in the vicinity of Moyie aforesaid, towit: The south east corner post of said lands is situated about three miles west of the lower end of upper Moyie lake and south of Lamb creek, thence 160 chains west, thence 20 chains north, thence 160 chains east, thence 20 chains south to point of commencement; containing 1,000 acres or thereby.

MALCOLM GRANT,

Moyie, 24th November, 1900. 3-33

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"Overexertion at practical joking."

"Tell that to the lambs."

"That's dead right, sonny. Cracked one too many, and it left me lame for life. Ask any of the old boys. That game of cinche came in when I was traveling to what were then the new silver mining districts in Colorado. You call it pedro in this state, I guess.

"Well, I had a reputation for joking those days—sort of an advertisement, you know. There was a good deal of shouting and shooting through the ceiling that night, but everybody was good natured and jolly until five bands were played without a pedro being caught. The bidders did nothing but go in the hole and were getting uglier every deal.

"At last I could contain myself no longer, and announced with an uproarious laugh that I had abstracted the five spots. The general storekeeper was a friend of mine and promptly threw me from the second story window. But they are great wing shots out there, and two of them got me. You'll notice that the lobe of my left ear is gone. The other bullet was extracted from my leg under the supervision of the vigilance committee. I have been an ex-joker ever since."

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Thomas Wasson, Sheffield, N.B.

The Address He Got.

A Russian gentleman tells a funny story of his first encounter with the English language.

The day after his arrival in London he made a call on a friend in Park lane, and on leaving the premises inscribed in his notebook what he supposed to be the correct address.

The next day, desiring to go to the same place again, he called a cabman and pointed to the address that he had written down. The cabman looked him over, laughed, cracked the whip, and drove away without him.

This experience being repeated with two or three other cabmen, the Russian turned indignantly to the police, with no better results. One officer would laugh, another would tap his head and make a motion imitating the revolution of a wheel.

Finally the poor foreigner gave it up, and, with a great deal of difficulty, recalling the landmarks which he had observed the day before, found his way to his friend's house. Once there, and in company with one who could understand him, he delivered himself of a hot condemnation of the cabmen and the police of London for their impertinence and discourtesy.

His friend asked for a look at the mirth provoking address, and the mystery was solved. This was the entry:

"Ring the bell."

The Russian had with great care copied, character for character, the legend of the gatepost, supposing that it indicated the house and street.—Pearson's.

Her Conclusion.

Herr Almquist—The paper tells about a girl who has slept for six weeks.

His Wife—It must be one of our former housemaids.—Sondags Nisse.

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BRIER AND BUR.

I hear our folks a-talkin 'bout the weather an the crops,
Er politics an issues of the day;
So when the knowin clatter kind of dies away an stops
I think it's time fer me to have my say.

I ain't got much to offer, but it's common sense an sound,
Although my views don't often make a stir,
But I say when you're buyin of a piece of farmin ground
You've got to take the brier an the bur.

The world hez got to spinnin out its theories so fa—
We mostly seem to live up in the air;
We want to give perfection jest a little extry shine
An rout the very devil with a dare.

We're goin to make men equil by the passage of good laws;
We're goin to make 'em happy, free an rich;
We're refinin of religion an a-fightin for the "cause,"
So the world kin run along without a hitch!

But the Lord he made the waters an the dry land to appear;
He made the gentle sunshine an the rain;
He made the law of labor an the heart of man to fear;
He made the sense of pleasure an of pain.

An we've got to keep a-workin 'spite of learnin an of creed,
Always savin fer the comin rainy day:
We've got to help a brother in his time of tryin need,
An there never can be any other way.

The crops'll keep a-failin till winds are laid to rest,
A man must go accordin to his will;
We're bound to cross each other, though we do our level best,
An win er lose the prize we covet still.

An so there'll be misfortune under any kind of rule,
An things'll be unequil to the end,
But ef we look at livin ez a kind of trainin school
The worst of times'll somehow seem to mend.

An after all your talkin an your tryin this an that
You've got to take the bitter with the sweet.
The road of life is up an down an dreary when its flat;
You've got to fight the battle er retreat.

So when your troubles thicken an you're seekin fer the right,
Jest be the happy worker that you were;
Go on about your farmin till the quiet of the night,
Regardless of the brier an the bur.

—Charles W. Stevenson in Boston Transcript.

An Unforeseen Contingency.

Captain Staysail—Yes, madam, the needle of the compass always points to the north.

Miss Sweetthing—How interesting! But suppose you wanted to go south?—Brooklyn Life.

Brilliant Henry.

Economical Wife—Henry, we must cut down our expenses this month. Can you think of anything we can do without?

Henry—Well, there's your mother, for instance.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

THE WHIRL OF FASHION.

Gowns made entirely of panne velvet are among the winter fancies.

Winter turbans are wide, as a rule, the brim rolling up some inches away from the crown.

It is quite a fad of the winter to have turbans or English walking hats made of velvet, with fur trimmings to match the costume or redingote.

The beautiful crepes de chine in cream, ivory or pearl white or any of the lovely evening tints are greatly favored among fabrics for full dress uses.

Combinations of cloth and corduroy are seen upon a number of the latest Parisian models, designed for walking, traveling and skating costumes.

Velvet costumes made by French ateliers with regular tailor finished skirts are the smartest and most elegant gowns that have appeared this season.

New hats for bridesmaids' wear are formed of white chiffon and ermine fur, with a bunch of shaded roses and a soft white aigret set at one side toward the front of the hat.

So many Russian blouses of baby lamb have been made to wear with skirts of cloth the furriers declare that the tailors and dressmakers have already nearly exhausted their winter supply of the uncut pelts.

Lace as a garniture is still greatly favored, but more in the form of beautiful half yokes at the edge of the low necked bodice or as oddly arranged appliques and insertions, jacket fronts, flat epaulets and revers rather than in full jabots, cascades or gathered ruffles.

Among other elegant creations of French dressmakers are long coats in empire style, formed of the leading shades of finest kid finished cloth, lined with white or very delicate mauve, blue or old rose satin, with standing and cape collars of panne, edged variously with sable ermine, otter, mink or chinchilla fur.

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"'Did you ever make any moonshine whisky?'

"The old man looked at me with tears in his eyes. 'Henry,' he said, 'I knowed your father, and he never would have asked me no such question as that.'

"I let him go."—Baltimore News.

The Little Boy and the Inevitable Man.

Once upon a time a little boy went fishing of a Sunday and met the inevitable man in the white choker.

"Why," asked the inevitable man, "do you fish upon the Sabbath day?"

"Oh, sir," protested the little boy earnestly, "it is because I have thought of something quite original to say if anybody shall ask me what becomes of little boys who fish on Sunday!"

The inevitable man did not rise to the occasion, but went his way much dazed.—Detroit Journal.

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A one-sided quarrel never lasts long.

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BILL OF THE PLAY.

A daughter of Roland Reed, it is said, is to appear soon upon the stage.

Yvette Guilbert is so far recovered that her reappearance is announced.

Melbourne MacDowell is to lead a St. Louis stock company during a season of Sardou plays.

Ellen Terry denies once more the rumor that she is about to retire from the stage because of growing ill health.

In the days of their greatest prosperity Gilbert and Sullivan are said to have divided between them $200,000 a year.

Mary E. Wilkins' novel, "Jerome, a Poor Man," is being dramatized and will be given an early presentation in New York.

Nance O'Neill, who continues a great favorite in Australia, is reported to be arranging for her early appearance there as Lady Macbeth.

"The Mormon Wife" is the name of a play which is to take advantage of the prominence which the sect of Utah has recently enjoyed and will shortly be produced.

William A. Brady has under consideration an offer for the right to translate "Way Down East" into French and German and adapt the play to the stages of those countries.

At the time of her death in Rome a few weeks ago Abby Sage Richardson, one of the adapters of "The Pride of Jennico," Mr. Hackett's play, was writing a play for Bertha Galland.

Jobyna Howland is perhaps the most photographed actress on the American stage. She was one of the most famous of the Gibson girls and posed for many of his notable works in recent years.

Julia Morrison, who shot Joseph Patterson, stage manager of the "Mr. Plaster of Paris" company about a year ago, filed papers for divorce from her husband, Fred James, in New York recently.

He Understood.

"It must be a great responsibility," said the young man, "to undertake to direct the movements of the ship of state through all the tempests and currents of the years."

Senator Sorghum looked dazed for an instant and then responded, "Oh, yes, I understand you—you mean that when a man once embarks in politics there's no telling where he is going to land."—Washington Star.

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'TWAS EARLY MORNING.

"When I leave you tonight," said Mr. Borem, "I hope you——"

"Gracious! Are you coming again tonight?" exclaimed Miss Tiredout.

Then, for the first time, the proximity of the morrow's dawn dawned on him, and he lit out.

Duty very often lingers and permits curiosity to get there ahead of it.

The head should be educated to think, the heart to feel and the body to act.

BAD HABITS.

I have a lot of habits bad,
I'm ready to confess;
To banish them I would be glad;
They give me much distress.
To some of these I meant to say
In firmest accents "Scat!"
But, ah, to drive them all away,
I couldn't promise that.

I like to smoke a mild cigar;
I fear I smoke a lot.
To claim my liking goes too far
Would be a center shot.
But though I very freely say
A swear off might be pat
Or just a cut to twelve a day,
I couldn't promise that.

I like a seat within a car;
I always hate to stand.
I hate the swaying and the jar;
I don't know where I'll land
To dames who stand I ought to yield
The place where I have sat,
But, ah, my heart is firmly steeled;
I couldn't promise that.

Sometimes I say a naughty word
About the "busy" line.
Such things, you know, are often heard;
They come without design.
Of course it is an awful bore
Just when I want to chat;
But, ah, to darn it nevermore,
I couldn't promise that.

I really ought to make a list
And set my follies down,
Though some of them might ne'er be missed
And some should make me frown.
To pick them o'er would be no fun;
The job would tumble flat;
To really squelch a single one,
I couldn't promise that.

—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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CRANBROOK ITEMS.

Cranbrook Herald:

The quarantine on Rev. Holford's residence has been raised, and once more the reverend gentleman is able to circulate among his friends.

W. W. Doble went to Macleod last week to put the books for the new market acquired by M. McInnes & Co. in shape for business. He was gone three days.

W. T. Reid & Co. have built an addition to their store to meet the demand for more room to accommodate their increased business. It will make quite an attractive improvement to the store room.

J. R. Costigan returned from Ottawa last Saturday after an absence of several weeks. His professional services were in immediate demand, and he had to attend to several hours' work at the government building before he could find time to go home.

Have You Talent?

"One good way, I think, to judge whether we have a talent for anything or not is to watch the motive that draws us toward doing a thing," writes Helen Watterson Moody, in the March Ladies Home Journal. "If we do it because it is the fashion, or because other girls are doing it, or because we have to do it for some useful purpose, it is not probable that we have a real talent for it; but if we find ourselves doing it just because we really love it, and would rather do it or not; if it is doing the thing itself that attract us, and not the eclat it is going to give us in the eyes of others—why then I think we may reasonably conclude that God has given us a real talent for that particular sort of thing."

Was Run Out of Butte.

Butte, Mont., March 12—A man who registred at a hotel as Janes J. Cook was escorted out of this city tonight by about 75 union miners. Cook was taken to the Northern Pacific railroad track, southeast of town. He was compelled to kneel down in the mud and swear that he would never show his face in Silver Bow county again. He was then started on foot on the railroad track for Silver Bow Junction, the mob jeering him. He was told to go straight ahead and not look back, and he obeyed.

It was a little before midnight the affair happened. Cook was compelled to tell where his partner was, and it was expected he, too, would be run out before morning. Cook refused to join the union. It is said he was a deputy sherrif in the Coeur d' Alenes during the bullpen times.

"You can convince a woman that the earth isn't round," said the breakfast cynic, "but you can't convince her that the druggist doesn't make 50 per cent profit on postage stamps."—Philadelphia Record.

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GREATEST MOVE.

BY EMMA M. WISE.

After the fifth year of Mrs. Osgood's widowhood had passed away everybody in Lebanon commenced to say it was a shame that she didn't marry again. There had been a time half a year before when it seemed as though there was a possibility of her doing such a thing, and then the vacillating public had thrown up its hands in horror and had declared that to so desecrate the memory of a loved one in such a short time was sacrilege pure and simple, and that no right-minded woman would think of bestowing herself as helpmate upon another before the lamented Osgood was cold in his grave. Four years and a half was hardly sufficient time for a person to attain a state of frigidity, reckoning by Lebanon standards. But when her cousin, who had been visiting her for a short time, went back east and the severely censured widow very clearly demonstrated that her intentions had been entirely misunderstood, Lebanon, collectively and individually, began to lean toward the other side of the fence, and it wasn't long till it had jumped clear over and was equally loud in its renunciations of a woman who was selfishly withholding the light of her comely countenance from some poor wayfarer whose path might need illumining by her presence.

Perhaps the one person in all Lebanon who was most sincerely grieved by Mrs. Osgood's oft-repeated and evidently meant assertion that she had no desire to renounce her widowhood was Joseph Lawrence. Lawrence was a retired politician, who for some twenty-odd years had served his country in one capacity and another, but who had at last grown tired of originating and executing schemes for the party's aggrandizement and had settled down on the proceeds realized, which, though large, were not commensurate with the prodigious amount of work which he had conscientiously performed. He had long looked with coretous eyes on Mrs. Osgood, and even when the report that she had pronounced her ultimatum in regard to second marriages was tripping from tongue to tongue, the natural buoyancy of his nature prevailed and he bolstered up his spirits with the hope that the widow had wisely declined to set up the true secret of her heart to be pecked at by social daws. Hope did not allay suspense, however, and in order to relieve the troubled state of his mind he decided to content himself no longer with second-hand decisions, but to apply directly to the court of justice as administered by the widow, for a verdict.

Mr. Lawrence's experience as a politician had bred in him an air of extreme urbanity when in the presence of women and children taken as a collective part of a voter's possessions, but dealing with one of the opposite sex at close range and as a distinct individual was something rarely essayed by the erstwhile wily manager, and the morning when he called on Mrs. Osgood to learn whether or no there were good grounds for the rumors then afloat his manner gave evidence of a trepidation such as he could not remember ever to have floundered in before. The candid greeting which his hostess always extended to callers, instead of putting him at his ease, only served to bewilder him the more and, with a bluntness which would have filled his diplomatic soul with horror in a political move, he went at the subject that was responsible for his visit.

"Mrs. Osgood," he said, between asthmatic catches of his breath, "I hear it said throughout the village that you never intend to marry again. My neighbors—your neighbors—our neighbors—consider this not only folly but a positive wrong on your part. I see, more clearly, perhaps, than any other, the fallacy of your conclusions and beseech you to reconsider, if gossip has reported you correctly. Mrs. Osgood, do you mean never to marry again?"

The lady's face was tinged with a slight flush, and she hesitated a moment before answering.

"Really, Mr. Lawrence," she replied at length, "your question is a very pointed one, and I was trying to decide whether or not you have a right to expect an answer. But as it is a matter on which I have no reason to maintain any particular secrecy, I don't mind telling you that I am decidedly prejudiced against second marriages. Such a course might be pardonable in some cases, but in this instance, never." Lawrence's countenance was elongated to a ridiculous degree.

"Since you have positively stated that much," he hazarded, "perhaps you will tell me what is your reason."

She turned in her chair till her gaze rested on the figure of a boy, who was training vines in the garden beyond the wide driveway.

"My life belongs to him," she said, softly, and the tears welled up in her pretty eyes and trembled on her long lashes. "He is my only child, and so long as I can keep him with me I shall have no desire for another companion. When he marries, which time, please heaven, will never come while I live, then I may consider the advisability of choosing another husband."

Lawrence sighed. In his calculations of prospective happiness the widow's son had never been considered an unknown quantity, and he knew to a degree of commendable exactness the age of the young hopeful in question. He wouldn't be 16 until the following December. The prospect was not very encouraging. Under the laws of the state it was highly improbable that he should take unto himself a wife before he was 21, and, viewing the matter even from that extraordinarily favorable standpoint, the old man's heart grew heavy with apprehension as he thought of the years that must necessarily

She nodded.

"And when your son marries, then, I take it, there will be no harm done if I bring up this matter again?"

"No harm, certainly not," was the smiling rejoinder. "But don't think of that improbable event. It belongs strictly to the far-away future."

That ended the politician's courtship of Mrs. Osgood, and gradually the affection which he had always cherished for the mother seemed to be withdrawn from her shrine and deposited at the feet of the son. Lorain Osgood was possessed of his mother's ardent disposition, untempered by her reserve, and he returned the proffered friendship in good measure. The boy's 16th birthday and four succeeding ones came and went, making great red-letter days in Joseph Lawrence's calendar. When the younger man was 20 some of the native acuteness which Lawrence had partially repressed since his retirement from politics again cropped out, and he decided that it was time to make a dextrous stroke. He took young Osgood into his confidence.

"Lorain," he said, one night, looking at the young man sadly, "I've made a good many mistakes in my life, but the greatest of all was my neglecting to marry in my early days. There's nothing so conducive to happiness and prosperity as an early marriage. Think over it, my boy, and if you find a face and character that please you and that give promise of making you happy, don't mock fate by throwing your chance to the four winds. You wouldn't mind marrying by the time you are of age, would you, Lorain?"

Lorain laughed.

"No," he returned. "I guess not. Find me some one to love, and I will do the rest. I half believe you are right, Mr. Lawrence. Early marriages are undoubtedly to be commended."

Lebanon was beside itself with curiosity when Joseph Lawrence's sister-in-law and her daughter came down to the old place from the city to keep house for him. There had long been a rumor current that Lawrence was not as generously disposed toward his relatives as his circumstances would permit, and his sudden relenting was a matter for much surmising. But all guessing invariably ended in Lebanon society congratulating itself upon the acquisition of a valuable addition to its ranks in the person of Joseph Lawrence's niece, who was a remarkably pretty girl, and who, it was hinted, would inherit the major portion of the politically-acquired property. Mrs. Osgood was the only one who viewed the new-comers with alarm. She had never objected to the strong attachment existing between her son and the rejected suitor, but when it dawned upon her that the affection was becoming a family affair in which the niece was receiving all the homage naturally due her from an earnest, romantic young man, her fond mother's heart ached with an indefinable dread and she trembled at the thought of another woman reigning supreme in her boy's life.

Just after Lorain was 21 the decisive blow came. Lorain himself was the one to strike it.

"Mother," he cried, and he drew the trim figure up close beside him, "I've news for you—glorious news. I'm to be married, mother, soon."

She did not cry out. She even ceased to tremble, but she did not answer.

"Why don't you say something, mother?" he laughed, raising her pale, drawn face and kissing her. "Aren't you glad?"

The joy that quivered in every line of his boyish face touched her heart and for his sake she tried to conceal the pain.

"I had hoped I should not hear that news for many a year," she whispered, "but your happiness has always been mine, you know."

"Dear mother," he murmured, fondly, "of course you know whom she is—Irene Lawrence. Her people are more than delighted with the match. The old man is especially elated. The fact is, mother, I think he has been the prime mover in assisting me to win her."

Mrs. Osgood's memory took a sudden leap backward.

"Ah, yes," she sighed, reflectively, "I shouldn't wonder."

They were married in the early summer and went away for a short tour through the west. The Sunday after the wedding Joseph Lawrence, protected by a double-plate armor of self-assurance, made his second call on Mrs. Osgood. He found her sitting near the same window against whose light her wholesome beauty had been silhouetted on the occasion of his first proposal. His heart was less flurried than on the first day, but his method of treating the errand on which he had come was hardly less abrupt.

"Mrs. Osgood," he said, "do you remember a little conversation we had in this self-same place six years ago."

Great sobs lodged in her throat and she coughed a reply. His own memory was very active then and her words: "Which time, please Heaven, will never come while I live," thundered in his ears and pronounced him guilty of wrecking a mother's happiness. They had taunted him a good many times in the last few months, but never so loudly as then. But the politician had ground his ax all but the finishing touches and he didn't intend to let the grindstone rest at that late day.

"Perhaps you'll recollect," he continued, cautiously, "that at that time you told me I could broach a certain subject again after your son married. Lorain has gone"—she looked out [illegible] the garden where her boy had [illegible]

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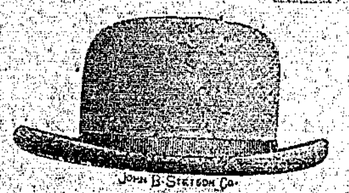

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