



General News Float

In and About the Slocan and Neighboring Camps that are Talked About.

LOCAL NEWS FLOAT.

GIRL WANTED. for hotel work, apply at this office.

Neepawa shipped a carload of ore to Trail smelter on Monday.

The Wakefield has a carload of ore on the Silverton wharf for shipment.

William's store gives evidence that the strawberry is having its coronation.

A carload of zinc ore was sent out from the Enterprise Monday, for Belgium.

George Vallance was stricken with paralysis while working on the Red Fox this week.

There is nothing so good for the constitution as H. Byrnes' strawberries. A box or two will make you want a dozen.

The cry goes up from many a household for more furniture. It is always headed by D. J. Robertson & Co., of Nelson, provided the monetary arrangement is healthy.

The fishing at Slocan Junction draws many people to that spot, where J. H. McManus keeps a line of nerve-bracers that will console any amateur like Walton who falls in the aqua pura and gets his pants wet.

Life insurance is a duty and necessity, not a luxury, to yourself and family. Remember, The Mutual Life of Canada fills the need. See or write to W. J. Twiss of Kaslo for details and rates. You will save money by doing so.

Chas. A. Sandford and Miss Evangeline Kennedy were married Wednesday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Avison, Rev. G. A. Cropp officiating. The happy young couple left by the early boat on a trip to the coast.

Two Galicians who work on the section thought they would get a quick ride to Three Forks, and hitched their hand-car to an uphill express. The car jumped its job on a trestle and the Galicians had a few days business with the hospital.

"Judge not, lest ye be judged." Wm. McDams has been summoned to testify in the Court in Victoria why it is he, Billy, has no wings, and only one pair of boots, he may not reach the court, or if he does not, what will they do with Billy? Probably send him to jail or Sandon for 90 days.

Gentry Bron' animal show gave only one performance at Slocan City on Monday, the management deeming it unwise to light up in the evening. The afternoon performance was greatly enjoyed, and the attendance was good, but not sufficient to warrant a second performance by an aggregation of this magnitude. The attendance from the Slocan camps was not large.

Slocan City promises a big day July 1st. The Celebration committee has made extensive preparations for the entertainment of guests, and are anticipating a large attendance from this and sister camps. Especial interest is manifested in the drilling contest, several teams having already entered. The races and field sports promise to be of unusual interest, and the celebration throughout will be as good as the Committee can make it. Excursion rates will be given, the boat returning in the evening.

PICNIC ARRANGEMENTS.

The committees having in charge the arrangements for the Coronation Day picnic have everything in readiness for a good old time day of pleasure. About \$15 has been raised to make the thing a success. Fifteen dollars of this amount will be paid in prizes to the children; \$10 for ice cream and lemonade for the little folk; \$4 or \$10 for chartering the steam and naphtha launches. Alert and bustling in the face of all, \$100 for flag and incidentals, programs, etc. The funds have been placed in the hands of W. Gibbs, who has been made treasurer of the Committee on Contributions. In addition to the money contributions, number teams, and work have been freely given, and the grounds are in excellent condition. Tables of all sizes have been erected in the grove; a stand has been put up from which patriotic speeches of a few minutes each will be given, interspersed with singing, and a royal salute will be fired by the Miners' Union. All that is necessary to make the day a success is to bring the baskets well filled, for many friends will be present from sister camps who may come hungry and happy, but not with a basket. If possible the Committee will have the Sandon train leave

rious condition may be safely commended to the consideration of the Canadian people.—From the Canadian Trade Review, March 14, 1902

SOUTH AMERICA.

The United States was the first nation to recognize the independence of the South American Republics, and over them it raised the aegis of the Monroe Doctrine almost eighty years ago; yet, compared with the Europeans; we in America are profoundly ignorant about South America. We know almost nothing of the scenic wonders, for we do not visit them; our shares in its explorations is insignificant; what information the world has of its flora and fauna has been gleaned by Europeans mainly, our knowledge of its ethnology also comes from them, and the same may be said of the history of its people in the nineteenth century (from American sources almost no account of the rise of the Spanish republics can be had); and it is European capital that has opened up its wildernesses, built its cities and railroads, and established its industries. How many Americans have seen Ecuador's "avenue of volcanoes," twenty of whose mighty crests exceed 15,000 feet, one of them 20,000, and three others 19,000 feet? How many of the Americans have heard of the Paulo Afonso Falls, on the Rio San Francisco, with their descent of 300 feet and volume 150,000 cubic feet per second; or of the seven falls of Guayra, on the Parana, which in combination during the rainy season challenge the grandeur of Niagara?

How many Americans are familiar with General San Martin's achievement in making the passage of the Uspalata Pass, 12,700 feet above the sea level, with an army of 5,000 men, infantry, cavalry and artillery, in the war of independence in 1817? The Great St. Bernard, over which Napoleon led his army, is 5,000 feet lower than Uspalata. And writ in water so far as the most of us are concerned, is the heroic defense of the Paraguavians in the war of 1865-70 with Brazil, Argentine and Uruguay, when the population of Paraguay declined from 1,200,000 to 226,000, and none but women, old men and children were left of a people distinguished for their gentleness and amiability.

For the American naturalist, botanist, hunter and traveler, no part of the world should have more attractions. Brazil alone has 1,700 species of birds, many of splendid iridescent plumage; no less than fifty kinds of apes; fifty varieties of snakes including the water boa, which swallows horses and men; eight species of alligators, the vacarezuzu, 27 feet long; twenty-four bats, including the loathsome vampire (Phyllostoma Spectrum), 2 feet in wing stretch, that kill cattle and fasten on sleeping children; 1,800 distinct marine creatures. Eight thousand species of beetles have been recorded in Ecuador; in the calambo it has a snake which is domesticated and trained to patrol gardens, and in the flautero a bird whose song so resembles the sound of a flute as to deceive the practiced ear. Among the apes of equatorial South America is the howler, which has developed a kind of tribal organization under a chief who leads a chorus of dismal music, unlike that of any other animal and heard for miles at dawn and sunset. A curiosity of the plant world in Peru is the tamal caxpi, or rain tree, which grows to a height of 60 feet and absorbs the humidity of the atmosphere in such abundance that in droughts water drips from its branches. So many strange things there are in the animal and vegetable kingdom of South America that no prudent person would do more than suggest the wealth of them. In the first quarter of the twentieth century most of the exploration and exploitation of South America will be done by citizens of the United States, because the commercial interest of this country will point the way. The political are growing in importance.

A NATURAL WONDERLAND.

Alinworth has a natural phenomena which should attract the attention of scientist and tourists if properly advertised. On the Carbonate claim, just below the historic Skyline property, about four miles and a half from Alinworth, there is a mammoth cave which has never been fully explored and even the existence of which is not very generally known. It is situated in the big lime rock which cuts across the formation there for times and dips into the lake at Alinworth. The cave has already been noted for its hot springs and other natural phenomena, but the cave is the greatest wonder of all. Theodore Adams, Henry Cody and Jack McKinnon, all of Kaslo, visited it not long ago and very much enjoyed it.

The cave can be reached by the Skyline wagon road and a short trail which runs to within a few hundred yards of it. The entrance which is situated in a rock slide, is small only permitting one at a time to enter. The exploring party took ropes, picks and lanterns and entering the cavern's mouth they followed down a natural tunnel which led in on a pitch of about 45 for 50 feet, and then opened out into an immense cave with a roof a hundred feet high, lined and fringed with stal-

zing crystals and beautiful stalactites, which shown and glistened like diamonds, reflecting back the light of the explorers lanterns. Along the main cavern, in which there runs a stream six feet wide and a foot deep, they followed to where they came to a water fall which emptied into a second large chamber of unknown proportions. Other large chambers open on every side and the cave is undoubtedly an extensive one as a brisk wind blows through it everywhere. The stream drops in from above by a funnel-shaped sink hole and follows along the floor of the cave for a long distance, finally disappearing into a crevasse which probably leads to another extensive cavern below and the explorers believe it is the source of the hot springs, the water following through the lime dyke for four miles.

It is the intention to run an excursion up from Kaslo some time in the near future and thoroughly explore the cave. The Kaslo Miners' Union may take it in hand and supply all the facilities for a complete investigation, after which the cave could be chartered and made a point of interest for tourists, scientists and others interested in natural phenomena. The scenery along the route is the grandest in the Selkirk range. From the Skyline wagon road the whole of Kootenay lake, right to its head at Bonners' Ferry, seventy miles away, can plainly be seen and the grand panorama of glaciers, peaks and pinnacles simply beggars description. The great cave at Alinworth is sure to take a place among the attractions of this nature's Wonderland called the Kootenay.—Paystreak

SLOCAN ORE SHIPMENTS.

The total amount of ore shipped from the Slocan and Slocan City mining divisions for the year 1901 was, approximately, 80,000 tons. Since January 1 to June 21, 1902, the shipments have been as follows:

	Week	Total
Payne	80	470
Wanderer	80	175
Wanderer (Jackson Basin)	80	641
Reco.	20	322
American Boy	41	554
Newton	20	143
Howell	20	648
Bosun	20	310
Last Chance	80	150
Wanderer	80	150
Enterprise	80	150
Lavina	85	85
Bismarck	25	22
Alton	20	143
Queen Bee	80	150
Silver Glance	37	37
Whitewater	191	251
Quartz	80	60
Neepawa	80	60
Hartney	80	60
Marion	80	60
Alton	80	60
Paystreak	27	27
Surprise	27	27
Slocan Star	60	444
Duke	20	150
Emily Edith	20	150
Prescott	20	150
Rambler	25	150
Silver Glance	20	150
Washington	20	150
Pollock	20	150
C. O. Hill	20	150
London Hill	20	150
Total tons	975	14509

LOOKING TO THE PACIFIC.

The town of Edmonton is making very steady progress, as is Strathcona, its neighbor on the southern bank of Saskatchewan. The railway is almost completed across the bridge into Edmonton, and by this long-awaited improvement the merchants and visitors will be greatly benefited. Business in the town is prosperous, and failures are rare. There is an active board of Trade, the largest in Manitoba, or the Territories outside of Winnipeg, and a useful organization, of which Mr. J. H. Garley is President, and Mr. Frasier, Time Secretary. It was on the initiative of the Board of Trade that a large shipment of Alberta oats was made last year by the Government to South Africa. The members of the board very generally hold the same view expressed by the President at the annual meeting recently, that the grain crop of Alberta and the Saskatchewan Valley must seek the ocean by the Pacific slope, and they are trying now to interest the British Columbia sports in their views. It has been pointed out that from the ports of Oregon, Washington and California 25 1/2 million bushels of grain were shipped in 1901, while not a bush went out from Canadian ports on the Pacific. The grain production of northern Alberta last year was over seven million bushels, and it is only a matter of a very short time till it will reach twenty. That is why the Alberta people took to the Pacific for an outlet that has been had, and secured only by paying a rate of 50 cents per 100 pounds in winter for oats, a staple, and 45 cents during lake navigation. Oats are reckoned at 84 pounds per bushel, so that the winter rate is really about 17 cents a bushel by water, whereas the rate by rail for which the producer gets from 24 to 30 cents at this rate of haulage added to cost is a pretty big item. With a short haul over the mountains to a Pacific port, even allowing handsomely for the much longer sea voyage and the non-completion of the Isthmian canal, it is believed that from five to eight cents more would be realized for every bushel of grain grown in Alberta.—Globe.

Southern Pacific shippers at Houston are stirred up over the short hour question.

The Crowning of a King

The Extravagance of Such a Ceremony Beyond the Conception of the Average Mind.

They were to have crowned King Edward today, but his sudden illness at the last moment has prevented the big event coming off according to the time card. The millions spent in such extravagance would make quite a gash in the debt created by the Boer war. It would also make thousands of poor people happy, but of course this would not suit the British idea, they must have something to take off their hats to, something to burrah about, something to worship. Hence they keep up kings and bishops and glory in it, for of such is the stupidity of man. King Edward has some tact. He is throwing a good dinner in the evening into thousands of the poor of London demonstrating that he knows the power of beef and beer upon the average Britisher's heart. Here is a condensed account of the program that will be carried out:

At about 10 o'clock the procession will form near Buckingham Palace starting with the blare of trumpets and a squadron of the household brigade. Then will follow the ambassadors and ministers, the bands, more cavalry, the carriages of certain dukes and duchesses and more mounted bands. The Kings bargemaster and some 50 special riders will precede about 20 royal carriages, which will contain the members of the royal household.

Next will come the great state carriage drawn by eight cream colored horses in which will be the king and queen so conspicuous that every one can see them.

The royal couple will be followed by the Royal Archer guard of Scotland and another batch of cavalry.

Along the route to Westminster abbey the guards will ride in this fashion, its members finally disposing of their selves according to rank in the procession. The royal personages, lords, lieutenants, viceroys and governor's generals, high constables, earls, dukes and peers will all be marshalled according to the proper order of precedence in the procession.

The regalia will also be carried according to the formula used at previous coronations.

The interior of Westminster abbey has been transformed to accommodate the seven thousand guests who will witness the august ceremony. The principal galleries have been erected in the north and south transepts. Those unfortunately enough to get seats in the galleries along the nave will be unable to see anything of the crowning of the king and queen, owing to the screen formed by the masonry at the eastern end. Those who occupy these seats will have some compensation inasmuch as the king and queen and all the nobles must pass along the stately pathway immediately before them in all the glory of their coronation robes.

The diplomatic corps will be allotted the seats next to the space immediately beneath the lantern, while the peer and peeresses will occupy galleries in the transepts, from which an excellent view of the actual coronation will be obtainable.

The royal procession will enter the abbey by the west door, passing through the body of the church and through the choir, until they reach the high altar.

Previous to their arrival at the abbey the ampulla containing the anointing oil will have been placed on the altar with the coronation spoon.

The entrance of the royal party into the abbey will have been the signal for the shouts of the king's scholars and after this has subsided the king and queen will kneel at the high altar in front of their chairs to engage in private devotion in front of their thrones.

Having performed these devotions, the archbishop of Canterbury, the lord chancellor, the great lord chamberlain and garter king of arms will in rotation turn to the four sides of the "theater" and will formally present "King Edward VII, the undoubted king of this realm."

When these dignitaries assent to do so, the king will rise and the queen will stand to the right, with the exception of the sword which will be placed upon the altar.

Then commences the ecclesiastical service and after the sermon by the bishop of London, the king who has received the sword, will turn to the right of crimson velvet turned up with ermine.

The king will then take the oath, shortly afterwards being anointed, for which purpose the crimson robe and cap of state will have been removed. Four knights of the garter will hold a rich pall of cloth over the king during the process of anointing.

The king will next be invested with the superunicus, and the spurs will be presented to the king.

The king then will hold the sword of state in his right hand and the primate

will charge him to do justice. After this the king will make an oblation at the altar when the royal robe and cross will be delivered to him.

It is then the duty of the primate to place a ring upon the king's fourth finger and the lord of the manor of Work-sop by reason of an ancient right will present the king with a pair of white gloves.

The presentation of his scepter to the king by the archbishop of Canterbury follows and the prelate then takes up the crown from the altar, making a short prayer before he places it upon the king's head, while his majesty is seated in King Edward's chair.

The trumpets now resound again and their blare mingles with the roar of guns being fired at the tower and other points after the crowning, announcing to the millions outside that the great event, so long and carefully prepared for, has been accomplished.

The Bible is now presented to the king, and after the benediction and the Te Deum the king will be enthroned. Then the peers do homage and the queen is anointed and crowned.

Both the king and queen participate in the holy communion and then the solemn and stately service ends.

Just at this time London is fairly overrun with Americans and colonials. Platforms are being erected at points of vantage along the route and the preparations transcend anything ever heard of here before. How the millions of visitors who will seek the city from the provinces for the two or three days around the coronation will be accommodated is a mystery.

The police authorities are notifying the reserves to be in readiness to return to duty for a week or two while the excitement lasts and there will be plenty for them to do. It transpires on the very eve of the coronation that London's police facilities are miserably inadequate. Her nearly seven hundred square miles of territory are so sparsely dotted with police that a riot could spread to an enormous proportion were the military not promptly called out to assist the civil authorities. Fortunately, however a London mob seldom gets disagreeable, and under the circumstances, with two free dinners to every inhabitant, as well as provided for at the coronation, it is not likely to.

The naval parade at Spithead will be a fitting corollary to the royal procession in London, warships of all nations taking part in it on a scale of unprecedented grandeur.

LAURIER'S TIMIDITY.

The timidity shown by Sir Wilfrid Laurier in respect of the settlement of the Alaskan boundary is met for the Anglophobe New York Sun. The Sun says:

It will be observed that the distinguished Canadian statesman speaks of the boundary question as "an old dispute." Neither the noun or the adjective is especially well chosen. The only "dispute" about the boundary is that which certain politicians of the Dominion started very recently in the form of a claim for territory to which our title has been established by purchase and unquestioned for about 80 years, ever since the United States acquired Alaska from Russia. It is a dispute entirely Canadian in its origin, and the claim was never heard of until the development of the Klondyke suggested the desirability of a boundary theory which should give the Canadian Yukon region a seaport by cutting through the American panhandle.

Such is the "old dispute" which Sir Wilfrid Laurier professes himself to be anxious to arbitrate, in order to avert a "disgraceful conflict."

FIRST OF JULY EXCURSION RATES.

An account of Dominion Day the C. P. R. will have in effect July 1st, 1902, between all stations on June 28th, 29th, 30th, and July 1st, good to return July 3rd at fare and one third.

Since the Camp Bird group of mines, in Colorado, has passed to English ownership, the following statement was made by Lord remarks that the future of the very promising group is not at all assured now in view of the methods of other English Syndicates in Colorado. The leading newspaper of American mining interests depreciates the tendencies of London capitalists, having more direct reference, of course, to the late career of Stratton's Independence, of Cripple Creek.

There was a heavy wind storm in East Texas Monday, which did some damage at Texarkana and Queen City.



THE LEDGE is two dollars a year in advance. When not so paid it is \$2.50 to parties worthy of credit. Legal advertising 10 cents a nonparial line first insertion, and 5 cents a line each subsequent insertion. Reading notices 25 cents a line, and commercial advertising graded in prices according to circumstances.

THE LEDGE.

A pencil cross in this square indicates that your subscription is due, and that the editor wishes once again to look at your collateral.

THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 1902.

FROM THE EDITOR'S UPPER STOPE.

In America the dollar has long been crowned as King.

British Columbia needs more farmers and fewer tinhorn legislators.

If you would have a pure complexion bathe your feet every night in hot water.

The fact has now leaked out that the mules from the United States protracted the Boer war.

The race is not always to the swift. The last man to sit in the game often takes away the money.

The Boers hate France and Germany and express a desire to fight with the British against those countries.

A severe wind storm swept over Kaslo one day last week. The competition was not welcomed by the citizens.

Joe Chamberlain gets the credit of being a great statesman, and perhaps there is something in it. He owns powder factories.

A Galt man has invented an explosive that will destroy any ship afloat. This should do away with the building of war vessels.

The British Government will not brook a tariff war with other countries by showing Canada any preference in custom duties. Thanks!

While across the sea Jim Dunsuir might get a few pointers from Jack Dillion and Bill Redmond on the best way to run a rough house.

The killing of the C. & K. railway bill in the local legislature is a sign that the graft of the land grabber is slowly dying in this province.

Many a town in the west has money to burn over the Coronation of King Edward, but not a dollar for the widows and orphans in Fernie.

Last year more than \$200,000,000 of foreign capital was put into the mines of Mexico. Mexico must have laws and a wage scale that appeals to capitalists.

The closing of the war has thrown quite a number of people out of employment in Chicago. Collecting money for the Boers was profitable while the job lasted.

The shipment of silver to India and the Straits has increased since the 1st of May. The low prices are being taken advantage of by those in need of the white metal.

Cannibalism is still going on in British Guinea. Some of the natives who practice it attend church twice every Sunday. They may take the Lord's supper too seriously.

Commandant Krige, of the Boer army says that King Edward is the wisest and most shrewd Englishman living. Krige is probably troubled with a desire to wave his mitt.

In many ways judicial administration in this province, is rotten, but if an editor dares to touch upon the matter, he is liable to lose his liberty. Free speech seems to be barred locked when judges and

their way of doing things are touched upon. Nice state of affairs in a country that does not belong to Russia.

In the leaden financial sky that hangs o'er Kootenay like a shroud over a dead coon, there has at last appeared a little bright spot. The local Legislature has disbanded for the season.

Silver seems inclined to lift its head and seek a seat further up the aisle. Its friends are delighted for they do not like to have their favorite metal trail its white face in the mud of low prices.

For nine years this journal has advocated the establishment of a mint in Canada, and now the report reaches us that our dream is to become a reality. Who says that advertising does not pay?

The farce so long on the boards of the legislative pandemonium at Victoria would make a hit if properly staged and played in New York by the original cast. Premier Jim in search of a tin title would be a button burster.

Kitchener gets \$250,000 for his services in—South—Africa. The amount is none too high, as the value of money goes, and now that the war is over Tommy Athins will probably notice that he is once more just an ordinary white chip.

One of the greatest attractions on earth for tourists is produced every year in British Columbia, but the business men of this Province are evidently too much engrossed with other matters to pay any attention to it. This is the Passion Play by the Indians on the Coast.

The man who does not advertise is either ignorant of business methods or so fond of a dollar that he lacks public spirit. If neither of these things can be said of him, then he is a contented man who is satisfied with a mere existence, and with desire dead in his heart, he crawls along while others ride in automobiles.

In Canada last year the Presbyterian church raised \$4,000,000. What a waste! Just think if all that money had been used in buying Lowery's Claims what the result would have been. It would have reformed the world, or at least the experiment would have been worth trying, provided the editor had no objection.

There seems to be some delusion about the power of lyddite shells. During the late war the Boers experimented with it. They placed ten goats behind a kopje and fired shell at them for several hours. Upon examination all the goats were untouched and had increased their number by one, a kid having been born during the roar of the fusillade.

Stories are rife these days about plots to kill King Edward. Why kill the King? He has never done anything. The fools who are always seeking the death of rulers should kill the root and not the fruit. The world cannot progress by shooting down an innocent and defenseless man, and only insane cranks would think of such a method.

Principal Grant, one of the greatest thinkers Canada ever had was opposed to prohibition as applied to the liquor question. When he was slowly dying letters were sent him by parties who wished that his soul might go to hell because of his attitude upon this question. People who would write a dying man in such a way, are human muckworms, who have evolved

from a swill barrel in hades and will return there when this earth is no longer polluted by their slimy presence.

As a result of the Coronation, tin titles threaten to become a drug on the Canadian market.

News must be scarce in Kamloops for we notice by the Standard that a rancher recently drew a load of wood into that burg.

So much is this journal appreciated in Three Forks that all the business men of that camp advertise in it, with one exception.

The War still goes on in the Philippines, the United States are fighting for an eternal command of that country and there is no other point at issue.

At a hanging in Montreal the other day, the police sold tickets for admission at various sums. What is Montreal coming to when authorities permit the dignity of legalized murder to be dragged in the mud by the cold contact of greedy commercialism.

A man hitting the ties in the Slocan will notice not far from Three Forks this sign: "Three Forks, One Mile—Water." As there is water everywhere to be seen, it is difficult to understand what the railway company means. If the sign stated that there was whiskey in Three Forks strangers would know what to do when they struck the hill trail below the town.

England should reform its army. The little dude officers from Piccadilly who go to the front armed with napkins, spoons, marmalade, and stunkies to look after them, should have no place on the firing line. Blue blood cannot pass for merit where the cannons do real business, so in the future England should keep the dude officers at home and give the ladies a chance to admire the gold lace on their uniforms.

The anniversary of the battle of Waterloo was celebrated in Kaslo by a birth, a marriage, a fire, a runaway and a cyclone that made the citizens put lead in their shoes in order to keep themselves on terra firma. It was a grand chance for them to get away, but the love of home was so strong that none of them took the air line for other towns beyond the hills. Circum-

Lowery's Claim for July is out

If you cannot buy it around where you live, send 10 cents to the editor at New Denver, B. C., and you will receive the straight goods by return mail. Lowery's Claim is explosive, and should not be read by those weak in intellect or short on mental stopping ground

stances taken at the high wind often lead on to fame and fortune, but not in Kaslo.

The daily press, of Toronto, dare not defend strikes that occur in the great stores of that city. The editors are gagged by the counting room while the downtrodden working people buy goods in the big store and the daily papers, thus cutting their throats in two places. The love of gold is too strong in the Toronto papers for them to give the poor a square deal from the top and no humps in the box.

In the United States trusts advance the cost of living 50 per cent which virtually means a cut in wages. When union labor strikes for increased pay to meet the increased cost of living he is mauled into subjection by the police and soldiers, the trust want no unions but their own. Greed is their God and they care nothing for the labor that produces it. Revolution is rife in the States, but after a time the laboring man will learn how to vote right and then the trusts will take a dive into the soup and stay there.

In the recent conflict the Boers covered themselves with undying fame. They pushed the heroic record of Athens and Sparta into a keyhole whisper. They had a Thermopylae several times a week and won a score of Marathons. Their Delawares were crossed a hundred times and their Bunker Hills were innumerable. For two years every camp was a Valley Forge without the snow. For ages orators will use their heroic deeds as a theme in many an outburst of eloquence, while poets will burn their praises in words that sting until time slows down and everything human has been lost in the smashing of planets and the ruin of matter. The Boers have made some history that you do not see every

Fishing Tackle

All New Complete Outfits from \$3.50 to \$6

Nelson's Drug & Book Store New Denver, B. C.

Town Lots FOR SALE

Have received instructions to sell the following groups of town lots:

Terms: Cash or its Equivalent Price, \$125 per group

Group No. 1	Lots 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	Block 35
Group No. 2	Lots 19, 20, 21, 22, all of	Block 31
Group No. 3	Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20	Block 51
Group No. 4	Lots 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	Block 68
Group No. 5	Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20	Block 46
Group No. 6	Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20	Block 52
Group No. 7	Lots 19, 20, 21, 22, all of	Block 41
Group No. 8	Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, all of	Block 41

Also for sale, terms to be agreed upon: Lot 1, 2, Block 18, Wardside Cottage; Lots 3, 4, 5, Block 18, C. C. Clay's garden and trees; Lot 21, Block 18, McKeeville Cottage; Lot 10, Block 16, Perkins' Cottage; Map of New Denver, B.C.

THOMPSON, MITCHELL & CO., New Denver, B. C., June 1st, 1902

day. They have been crushed and will now be folded in the formation of the British empire.

"You love my daughter?" ejaculated the old man. "Love her?" he exclaimed passionately; "why, sir, I would die for her! For one soft glance from those sweet eyes, I would hurl myself from yonder cliff, and perish upon the rocks two hundred feet below!" The old man shook his head. "I'm something of a liar myself," he remarked; "and one is enough for a small family like mine!"

The venerable Senator Pettus, of Alabama, says that the secret of living long is to work. "I am eighty-one, and happy and healthy as a boy," he remarked, the other day "I notice that all of my neighbors who got rich and retired, are all dead. I never got rich, and never retired. I tell you young man, the most fatal disease that I know of is to quit work. It kills every time. Keep working and you'll keep alive."

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There's a sadness stealin' o'er ye,
When ye'r growin' old,
Th' don't pear so much before ye,
When the world grows cold,
Ye'r a' standin' in th' evenin'
Where th' shades unfold,
When th' light o' day is leavin'
An' ye'r growin' old.
Night is drawin' o' her curtain,
Sof' a bell is tolled,
Things look sort o' gray, uncertain,
Where th' shadows fold,
Th' landscape waverin' pictures
They are all unrolled,
When ye'r life is in the twilight
An' ye're growin' old.
Like a fire that's sort o' fadin',
When the ashes hold
But a sort o' ghostly shadin'
Of a joy that's cold
Like a sweet song, but whose echo
May ye'r memory hold,
When the sunset gilds the hilltops,
An' ye're growin' old.
But the light beyond th' hilltops,
When th' gray an' cold,
Out beyond the crimson sunset,
There is dawn unrolled,
Te's a glow o' promise beamin'
Of hopes that fold
Ye'r heart and bring it comfort
When ye'r growin' old.
—J. W. Foley, Jr., in Bismarck Tribune.

JUST ABOUT CYNICS.

The absurdest characters in history are all cynics. Diogenes himself was only a life-sized fool. He thought too much of Alexander the Great when he told him to get out of his sun light. He indulged in an inordinate egotism to such an extent that he even offered a louse as a sacrifice upon the altar of Diana. In both cases, Diogenes evidently felt his inferiority to both the man and the goddess. In his expression of contempt, his motive must have been to lower and not to exalt either below the level of himself. If he regarded them as above him, his conduct could be attributed only to jealousy; if on an equality with him to foolishness; if below him to insanity. In other words, cynicism is absolutely lacking in logic. The gifted Byron fretted his life and genius away in hating others. He became angry with a world that was not angry with him. He thought well of himself and forgot that other people thought the same of themselves. He idolized Byron and was maddened because Smith idolized Smith. Such is the mistake of cynicism.

The world is beautiful. Byron himself has matchlessly sung of its manifold glories. He worshipped the world in its physical beauty. "Jeura crags" and "the dark deep blue ocean" were his favorite themes. He despised man—and women—because they did not worship him. In this the poet was insane. He realized the immensity of the ocean, but not the littleness of man. He could grasp the grandeur of "the roofless coliseum," but not the insignificance of a frivolous woman. In the full possession of his self-composure, he could moralize upon the vanity of empire, but when his wife grew weary of him, he broke up the furniture, and called her "the queen of a fantastic realm." That is, she was crazy because she did not love George. It may be well at sometimes to play the role of cynic for the amusement that it gives. But it is the rankest folly to hate men for hatred's sake. Men prefer to be loved but hatred is better than indifference. Hatred not less than love, disturbs the serenity of the mind. We are anxious to serve those we love and hurt those we hate, and when both sentiments are of equal intensity, the result in mental decomposition is the same.

The ideal intellectual life is that of being in full possession of one's faculties. Hatred is akin to anger, and the angry man is certainly not self-possessed. It is said that God is slow to anger, and if it so, it must be that he is wise rather than powerful. We cannot think of the creator of the universe flying into a passion any more than we can think of his sighing with Romeo beneath a balcony. The "foremost name in history" belonged to a man who was neither a remarkable lover nor a remarkable hater. Julius Caesar "loved" all women, and forgave all enemies. He would have forgiven Brutus for stabbing him had he survived it. That he did not love his wife is evident from the fact that he divorced her for not being above suspicion. "Love is blind" and Caesar was the most clear-sighted of men. The cynic is as blind as the lover. One cannot see anything good in those whom he hates, and the other cannot see anything evil in her whom he loves. The cynic, however, fares worse than the lover, for the lover finds pleasure in his folly, while the cynic finds only pain. No man hates that which serves him, and the fellow who said that the more that he knew of men, the better he liked dogs, evidently found it easier to handle dogs than men. It is the same with the woman hater. Schopenhauer said that there was no hope for the betterment of society as long as there

was a woman in it. He was a confirmed misogynist. The German sage was doubtless angered because women think more of feathers than philosophy. They find infinitely more in a serie than in syllogism, in which there is absolutely nothing to excite any sane man's anger. Why not get mad at children that they take to toys rather than books? It is the same as getting mad at men because they prefer amusement to instruction. It is not more difficult to master men than it is to master a musical instrument. Paderewski is as great as Caesar. His sphere of action is narrower, that is all. The piano responds to the master-hand and mankind and especially woman-kind respond to the master liar. Max Nordau lamented the fact that the man with the latest necktie was more popular with ladies than the man with the latest book. He seems to think that a scientific theory ought to be more seductive than a fast horse. The songs of the spheres are no doubt pretty fair music, but ragtime melodies are really what the people want to hear.

"A little learning is a dangerous thing." It is not enough to be wise. You must be wisely wise. The truth will undo a man unless he is experienced in handling it. It is the same way with lies. No one can afford to be a careless liar. It is as dangerous as smoking in a powder-house. The higher mathematics are truth, but there is something just a trifle more fascinating in a liason than in a logarithm. But why turn cynical because there is? Why live in a tub and refuse to bathe because men and women would rather osculate than to cogitate? Osculation has its uses. Like whiskey you must not get to liking it too well. Certain foolish philosophers denounce kissing. They say it is weakness. Even so. What would the adventures do if deprived of the uses of her red, pouting lips? A few well-directed kisses has lifted many a woman from the work day world to affluence. Olga Nethersole kissed her way to fame. The lovers of Archimedes did no more for him.

To be disliked by others does not justify misanthropy. In fact there is no justification for the man and woman hater. If you do not get what you wish from men and women it is because you do not know how. Fortune tellers and mediums, palmist and mindreaders, gypsies and quack doctors, nice young men and real swell fellows get everything that is not tied down or guarded by a spontaneous shot-gun. A really wise, a wisely wise man should do as well as any of them. The chief function of wisdom is to enable us to get what we want from the world. It may be that there is not much worth the having, but because there is not, it is not worth the while to get mad about it. Cynicism, pessimism, etc., are certainly the least desirable of all things. The moral of the story is: find out what you want and go after it. Select the instrument that you wish to play upon and then practice. In the meantime you might remember that there are plenty of automatic musical instruments, people who will work themselves if you will only give them a chance.—J. Guy Reed.

EXPERIENCES OF PRIEST.

Here are a few examples of the absurdities arising out of the extreme simplicity of some Irish folk. A young man came to confess to an Irish priest in London, whose experiences of the humors of his fellow-countrymen would fill a book. "Well, my man," said the priest, "and how do you earn your living?" "I'm a scowbat, your reverence." The priest was nonplussed. "I'll show ye what I mean in a brace of shakes," said the penitent, and in a few moments he was turning himself inside out in the most approved acrobatic fashion in and out of the pews. An old woman who had followed him to confession looked on horrified. "When it comes to my turn, father," she gasped, "for the love of God don't put a penance on me like that; it 'ud be the death of me!"

I think it was the same good father who, observing the regular attendance at a Lent mission had done nothing to reform one of his parishioners, told him so, and asked him the reason of it. "Ah! father," he replied, "I can manage the faith right enough, but the morals bate me!"

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with him. The world is not prepared for an abrupt change to Christian Socialism. Men must first get those old and misshapen ideas of God and duty out of their heads, and get them replaced by better and truer views, before they can enter into such a broad field of philanthropy successfully.—F. D. Cumming.

For the people of keen innate sense of moral beauty there is no good of any other motive (to discharge any moral duty). What they want is knowledge of the things they may do and must leave undone, if the welfare of society is to be attained. Good people so often forget this that some of them occasionally require hanging almost as much as the bad.—T. H. Huxley.

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