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# From the Lake Towns

BORN: At New Denver, June 15, the wife of George Aylwin of a son.

Wm. Thomlinson is spending a few days in town.

Strawberries from Rosebery will be on the market next week.

Neil Gething is prospecting for coal in the Stewart lake country.

Sam Long has gone prospecting in the northern part of the province.

George Fairburn has returned to Vancouver for further optical treatment.

Tom Avison returned from Vancouver last week with his eyes almost as good as ever.

There are seven hotels in Slocan City. The landlords probably run them for diversion.

W. C. E. Koch shipped several carloads of lumber from his Ten Mile mill last week.

The train for Sandon is due at 4 54 p.m. at Denver Siding every day except Sunday.

The drowning of John Genelle, near Nakusp was declared to be accidental by the coroner's jury.

George Henderson is again landlord of the Arlington Hotel in Slocan City, Larry Knowles having retired.

J. F. Delaney received a telegram last week announcing the sudden death of his mother at Peterborough, Ontario.

W. D. Mitchell retires by rotation from the position of school trustee and an election for a new trustee will be held June 25th

For being a liberal D. S. McVannel has been appointed postmaster at Slocan City. The spoils system is one of the curses of party politics.

J. C. Fernow has rented Julius Wolff's house by cable and will be here in July. After his arrival work will commence on the zinc plant at Rosebery.

A. O. Ostby having sold his hotel interest in Poplar is devoting his time to the meat business in that city. He has a handsome shop and facilities for doing a large business.

Cows are obtuse in intelligence. Last Saturday we left the gate of our beautiful lawn ajar and only two bovines availed themselves of the chance to wallow in the sweet clover.

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian church intend having a sale of ice-cream and home-made candy, at the home of Mrs. A. E. Taylor, on July 22nd, weather permitting. Everybody come!!

New Denver Lodge No. 22 K of P wishes to convey its sincere thanks to all who so generously assisted them in their memorial service on Sunday last, especially to the ladies for their liberal donation of flowers.

Among the saloon passengers on the s. s. Republic, of the White Star line, which arrived in Boston from Liverpool Friday evening, June 3, were Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Robinson and daughter on the way to New Denver, B C

About a hundred people attended the Memorial Services in the Bosun Hall last Sunday After the services members of the different societies represented went in a body to the cemetery and planted flowers over the graves of the departed.

Nat Tucker had a narrow escape last Saturday. He was working in an open cut on the McAllister when a rock rolled down the mountain and struck him on the head. His face was cut and bruised but fortunately his injuries were not serious and in a few days he will be able to hit the drill

Services will be held in St. Stephen's Church on Sunday next. Matins and Holy Communion at 11 o'clock Evensong at 7.30 The preacher at both services will be the Ven. Archdeacon Beer, Archdeacon of Kootenay. On Tuesday the 21st inst. the Rt. Rev. Lord Bishop of New Westminster and Kootenay will consecrate St. Stephen's Church. The service will begin at 8 p.m. C. Arthur Mount, vicar.,

Everybody ought to take this opportunity of seeing Mr. Robert Buchanan the well-known comedian who appears at the Bosun Hall on one nigh only, June 16. All remember his excellent show here three years ago which is still refered to as the best ever seen in the district This time he produces the bright farce comedy "An Eye on Hubby" with himself in the role of Brown and supported by an excellent company. On Thursday, June 16, he will produce the farce "Who's Who?" at Silverton.

Under the blessing of the papal benediction F. J. Finucane was wedded to Miss Mary Sweeny in New York last week. The bride was dressed in satin, lace and diamonds, and carried in her hand a prayer book. The despatch does not give any account of what Finucane wore. The papal benediction (probably from its expense) is an honor conferred only upon rare occasions. The happy and loving couple have gone to Europe upon a four months' honeymoon. Finucane has been singularly successful in love and finance and his many friends in the Slocan are pleased at his ability to reach and stay upon the high levels of prosperity.

## MEMORIAL DAY.

And once again the friendly and social societies of New Denver united in unison under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias to hold the annual memorial services.

Prompt on time the Knights, Miners, and Foresters formed in procession and marched down to the lake front where Wadds Bros. registered their photos. Reforming, the march was again taken up for Bosun Hall where all lined up and with mutual salute stepped in and took their places The Hall was artistically decorated. A beautiful wreath of snowballs embedded in living green, and another beauty of the twining honeysuckle occupied the centre. The platform and all available points were loaded down with bouquets in all the loveliness and variety of the flowers of the mountain, the garden and the conservatory, while the gallery was filled with buds and blossoms, the youth and beauty of the land

Vice-Chancellor G. B. Garrett, assisted by his officers and the representatives of the sister societies, conducted the society ceremonies with admirable tact and promptness.

The memorial sermon was delivered by the Rev. W. G. Brown from a bright and radiant and lofty plane of thought and scored high on the target and then came "Showers of myrtle leaves
By soft winds fanned."
The services were mingled with choice selections of music by the choir and altogether a most pleasant and memorable function was successfully carried out and closed in harmony by the vice-chancellor. W. D M.

## GOLD IN THIBET.

The statement that the British are invading Thibet because of the existence there of great virgin gold fields would seem to be at least partially borne out by the general reports in the surrounding countries. The Nepalese have a saying that there is more gold than gunpowder in Thibet, and certain travellers have asserted that there is, as a matter of fact, a vast quantity of untouched gold in the southeast corner of the country, and we have been regaled with stories of how shepherds, watching their flocks, often sit down for a spare hour or so to wash gold from the nearest stream. It is asserted that gold is extensively employed in the manufacture of domestic utensils for the use of heads of monasteries but the Thibetans will not dig for it, being afraid of the anger of the demons who they believe reside in the bowels of the earth.

Always have a bottle of Sandon beer in your pocket when you go fishing. Write to the New York Brewery and get a case.

## A SCENT AT LARDO.

Lardo is a little town at the head of Kootenay lake, with a history. Some of the lots bought in 1892 cannot be found without sinking a shaft. Still, in spite of the flood the town has a population and does considerable business with the crowds going to the Poplar gold fields. Trouble seldom comes to the burg but the other night a band of skunks held a conference around Frank McQuiston's chicken factory. Within its walls scores of fat pulletts roosted in a dreamless sleep. The skunks sawed a hole through the hen house and made pie of twenty handsome birds. Big Frank heard the horrible din made by the dying birds and thought that the Japanese army had broke away from Port Arthur in search of a summer holiday. He seized all the guns available around the bar and made a sortie in the dark. When Frank opened fire upon the perfumed marauders it woke up the town. In great alarm the postmaster hid his roll under the bed, Jack McLachlan held onto his wife, Ulvin said his prayers and the colored woman down on the beach clutched a rabbit paw in sheer desperation After the shooting was over fear fled and the citizens crowded around Big Frank while some of them counted 40 skunks lying redolently among the dear departed chickens. However when the funeral occured at sun-up only two of the perfumed villains could be found. Frank conducted the services by filling his nose with cotton batting and packing the two stiffs to their last resting place. After the ceremonies were over a barrel or two of boozerine was put in circulation to clear the tainted ozone, and by the time the Gerrard express whizzed into camp nearly everybody was so happy that they could not tell a skunk from a dead Russian or a chunk of deceased limburger cheese

## TOBACCO IN B.C.

A new local industry will be started in Winnipeg shortly, and a somewhat unusual one It is a cigar factory where cigars made from Canadian grown leaf will be manufactured, and the syndicate owning the same will be all Canadians. The tobacco used will not be the peculiar leaf so well known in the eastern provinces as the Quebec product, but will be manufactured from the finest Cuban leaf from seed sown and grown in the far-famed Kelowna valley of the Okanagan, a few miles from Vernon, B.C. This will be the first time in Canada that the fragant Havana will be grown and manufactured in the Dominion J. H. Inkster, of the British Land Company, who is at the head of the new Western Canada Tobacco Syndicate, says that the British Columbia product is indistinguishable in flavor and texture from the real Havana product, except to a few experts on the Cuban leaf. Mr. Inkster, who is very enthusiastic, states that the leaf has been pronounced the very finest grown in North America, and that the Kelowna valley is capable of producing 10,000,000 pounds of this tobacco yearly --Commercial.

## SILVER-LEAD QUOTATIONS.

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# Sandon News Croppings

The Eagles are getting ready to sit in Sandon.

It is reported that the Lucky Jim will work in a few days

Several ore buyers from the east will be in Sandon this month

Murhard has a brand of Manilla cigars that have no equal in the Slocan.

The R.E. Lee is being prospected for a shoot of ore in one of the tunnels.

George Roger goes to the Lardeau next week to work on his bonanza.

St Elmo Davis has gone back to Virginia to raise chickens and be happy.

There are thousands of fish in Slocan lake awaiting a chance to visit Sandon.

J. W. Power and Archer & Holder will open a hardware store in the city.

The C P R. would gain some admirers by running a Sunday train to Rosebery.

Farrel and his partner will drill rock at the contest in Nelson on Dominion Day.

Mrs O. V. White and family have taken up their residence at the Slocan Star.

Wm. Karr and the other Karrs have gone to Lemon creek to do assessment work.

Reddy says it is not nice to tip the rice just because a chap goes to New Denver

S. C. Jackson has gone to Lemon creek to do assessment on a bunch of his claims.

John Bough and Howard Anderson have gone to Summit creek to work on their gold claims.

The Hotel Sandon is being beautified. George Clark is always up-to-date, except in the morning.

Ed McLeod and his partners have sold the Silver Glance for something like $10,000. It is located in the Lardeau.

Prof. Parks inspected the Noonday on Sunday and in company with Dr. Sussman took a look at the Jackson on Monday.

Wm. Garbutt and R. D. Mitchell have gone to Hedley city where they will work all summer on their group of copper claims.

Parson McIntyre has been removed to the coast. He left many warm friends in this camp who wish him luck in his difficult profession.

A lady just out from the east said: "Sandon is such a lively place, but when I visit New Denver and Slocan City I am afraid to speak above a whisper for fear of waking up somebody"

The adjustment of freight rates so as to place Sandon upon an equal footing with Nelson cannot be brought about by abuse, orally or in print The matter should be taken up by the Board of Trade and persistently followed until Sandon merchants receive their rights

## BERRY CROP THREATENED.

A bore in a newspaper office is bad enough, but in a strawberry bed it, or he, is worse. The season as far as the local strawberry crop is concerned, opened well. Hopes were high, and expectations great Now expectations are dashed to the ground. The little green borer is getting in its deadly work. Mr. David Grey of South Vancouver has only a small section of his strawberry acreage left The rest may as well be ploughed under. Mr. M. J. Henry, Westminster road, has already ploughed under a quarter acre to save the rest of his crop In Burnaby the borer has worked terrible destruction, and [illegible] fruit may say that the upper country is far from free. The borer does not bother the fruit above ground but confines his attention strictly to the roots. —Vancouver World.

The Kootenay Saloon in Sandon is never snowslided by cheap beer, or whiskey that has lost its vigor.

## THE SLOCAN MINES

The Club has 20 inches of ore in the face of the tunnel

Last week the Enterprise shipped 20, and the Rambler 60 tons.

Tom Mulvey and J. M. Benedum will work the Josie, on Dayton creek.

J. W. Power has a contract to haul 30 carloads of ore from the Idaho to the train.

George Williamson sold R. I. Kirkwood an eighth interest in the Mabou for $500.

Jack Campbell and his partners are again working No. 1 level of the Payne under lease.

On silver mountain Cecil McRae and his partners are looking for the Bosun lead on the Hastings.

W. H. Sandiford and Nick Dingman are working the Heather Bell, a property near the Cinderella.

The ore at the Reco will be shipped this month There are about 60 tons ready for the pack train

There are signs of a mine around the Colorado, on Twelve Mile. It is owned by Ralph Gillette and others.

The Alamo concentrator resumed operations last week. This makes seven mills now in operation in the Slocan.

A second zinc mill with English capital behind it is reported as getting ready to build a plant near New Denver.

Two tons of ore were shipped from the Morning Star on Goat mountain on Wednesday morning to the Nelson smelter.

The Wakefield, Comstock, Hewitt and Fisher Maiden are the only mines working tributary to Silverton this summer.

The lead on the Sweet Grass continues to improve and some very fine ore is being taken out, a sample of which is on view in Hoben's store.

At Slocan City for the current year 161 miners' and three companie's licenses were issued. This is a slump of nearly a hundred from last year.

Angus McGillivary, Ed and Dick Shannon went up Ten Mile this week to work the Edison group. This group of three claims adjoins the Neepawa.

The upraise on the Mountain Con has been completed. The lessees are finding plenty of ore in the Con and it will be a prominent shipper this summer.

About 18 men are working on the Monitor flume. When it is finished the force will proceed to Rosebery and construct over a mile of flume for the zinc plant

There seems to be a hoodoo hovering around the Chapleau It seems to ship more trouble than ore, although report whispers that there is plenty of gold in the property.

In New Denver 317 miners and nine companies' licenses have been issued for the current year. This is much greater than the majority of record offices in the province.

Seven men are working at the Fisher Maiden driving a tunnel to get under the ore shoot that was worked in '01. The tunnel is now in 850 feet and will be driven another 150 feet

Four men are working on the Sweet Grass. The work is being done mainly on the surface with a view of finding one of those rich croppings so common with Goat mountain properties.

The Comstock [illegible] the hottest mines in the world Not only is the air heated but springs of boiling water add their quota of heat to the mine workings In 1877, or thereabouts, a spring was opened in the Savage mine whose waters showed a temperature of 137 degrees F and soon after another spring was met with that when a thermometer was inserted showed a temperature of 170 degrees F.

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ALL heroes are not clad in ragged coats, nor every hollow tooth filled with gold.

TO A certain extent the destiny of the Slocan is now in the upper stope of Prof. Parks.

FAR from the gold-crazed crowd the Lucerne of America is gently sleeping and dreaming of the day when the world shall peep o'er the hills and discover it.

VIRTUE is often its own time-check. The Victoria Progress says: "The Ledge has done more to make New Denver and the Slocan known to the world than any other agency."

OTTO ROSENDALE is sometimes mentioned in the Oregon papers as a mining man. In B.C. he is known as a cheap deadbeat, and worthy of about as much respect as a rattlesnake suffering from smallpox.

HEINZE may return to this province and do business in mining. His Napoleonic method of pushing matters is needed in this province, where so many doughheads have partly lifted our mining industry on the bacon train.

THE folly of too many townsites and a government trying to please everybody in order to catch a few votes is plainly noticeable in the Slocan. Where there should be but one good town we find half-a-dozen sickly things mouching along like a band of coons to a negro funeral.

BY STEALING a plank from the Socialists (Government Ownership) the Conservatives will win in a walk at the next general election. In Canada just now no hole card beats government ownership. We must own the railways instead of them owning us and making us pay for the slavery.

GOLD is where you find it. A number of ducks have been found dead near Basin City, Utah, from eating small nuggets which lodged in their crops. A nugget found in [illegible] was worth $11.75, and the citizens are now making it profitable to hunt ducks. We believe that drinking water taken out of Poplar creek will have a similar effect upon the human race. The particles of gold clog the throat and cause an illness something like la grippe. Visitors and residents in Poplar should strain the drinking water as gold taken internally is as disastrous upon the system as lead.

CARTER COTTON has been dealt a good hand in Victoria and before he gets through playing it, some of the chubbers, who have been lucky, will have joined the rubbernecks. Cotton has cold, gray matter in his upper stope. He is astute, aggressive, dignified and calculating. He is a man who can edit a morning paper on 15 cent meals or talk royalty to an English fluke. He has an air of solidity about him, but no frills. His editorials have always put us in mind of a dinner of cheese without soup, pie, nuts or ice-cream. He does not love the wine when it is red or yellow, and is too old to be melted by the light of a woman's eye. Hence he may succeed in leading B. C. politics out of the brush. He will probably be premier in a short time, as men of his formation never care to follow especially when the procession is piloted by a younger and fatter man.

IN THE past British Columbia has been governed by a band of legislative pirates, wine lushers, chippy chasers and brainless imitations of men. Their chief aim in life was to fatten themselves at the public expense, and feed crumbs to a hungry pack of pap suckers, toadies, lickspittles, softsoapers, and poor relations. The present government we will not condemn until more of its workings become apparent. The glory or disgrace of the Conservative party depends upon its actions. With one or two exceptions the present government is of low-grade material—too low for shipping purposes, or even to be milled on the ground. Some of the members are more at home sitting upon the knee of a courtesan and watching the corks fly upward than they are spouting logic for the benefit of the country. However, the members of a party government weigh very little. It depends upon the leader. All the rest are little wheels around the big shaft.

### GOOD REASON FOR IGNORANCE.

Santos Dumont, on his last visit to America consulted a New York lawyer about certain air-ship patents. The lawyer, discussing the young man the other day, said:

"Santos Dumont has an alert, quick mind. He is both intelligent and witty.

"He told me of a rather neat retort he had made to a lawyer in Paris last year. He was on the witness stand, he said, testifying in a case that concerned a will. He had no interest in this will; he had only known well the old man who had made it. Nevertheless, the lawyer for the contestants browbeat and bullied him, as lawyers sometimes will, and altogether he made rather a sorry figure.

"He kept an eye open for his innings, though, and sure enough, at the end of the cross-examination the chance that he was looking for came.

"'Tell me, monsieur,' the lawyer said, 'did not the old man talk to himself when he was alone?'

"'I don't know,' said Santos Dumont.

"'You don't know? And yet you claim to have been so intimate a friend of his? Why don't you know?'

"'Because,' said Santos Dumont, 'I was never with him when he was alone.'"

### BAD POSTAL SERVICE.

Tailor—The postal service is in a wretched condition.

Friend—Never noticed it.

"Well, I have. During last month I sent out one hundred and eighty statements of account, with requests for immediate payment, and so far as I can learn, not more than two of my customers received their letters."

### MAL DE MER.

Seth Low, who is in Rome, narrated recently to an American, a good instance of the vicissitudes of sea travel in rough winter weather.

"When you cross the ocean December or January," said Mr. Low, "you are apt to be awakened in the middle of the night by the plaintiff voice of a child in the next stateroom crying:

"'Mamma! mamma! my dinner won't stay swallowed.'"

### A MISPRINT.

The editor of a New York journal once wrote an obituary notice on a man of some prominence, and among other things said: "He was educated for the Bar, but was tempted away from the legal profession by a love of letters." He did not read the proof, and the next morning was horror-stricken on picking up the paper to read in the obituary notice: "He was educated for the Bar, but was tempted away from the legal profession by a love of bitters."

### FOLLOWED DIRECTIONS.

The New York Tribune tells the following story: "A Western teacher, instructing a class in compssition, said: 'Do not attempt any flights of fancy; be yourselves and write what is in you.' The following day a bright pupil handed in the following: 'We should not attempt any flites of fancy, rite what is in us. In me there is my stomach, lungs, heart, liver, two apples, one piece of mince pie, three sticks of candy, a hull lot of peanuts and my dinner.'"

### DIARY OF A MORMON.

Monday.—I am feeling very tired today. I came home late last night and was met at the head of the stairs by the entire outfit. This was a case of where there was only one listener, and the lecture was given by the audience. Oh, my!

Tuesday.—I wired East today for another carload of cribs. Hope they will get here soon and relieve the pressure. I heard this morning that fourteen kids had begun to cut their teeth. More trouble!

Wednesday.—Croup! And only two gallons of ipicac left in town! Yet it might be worse.

Thursday.—It is worse. Five new arrivals last night. Doctors report all doing well. Great Zedediah! I never wake up in the morning that I don't wonder how many more it will be in the evening.

Friday.—Today my nurses struck! Came forward in a body and demanded eight hours a night. As if I could guarantee them any thing in the present state of affairs.

Saturday.—Spring openings! Today five of my better sixteenths stole away from me while I was smashing some much needed rest and went shopping. I see my finish.—Life.

### EITHER ONE.

"What are you going to do this summer?"

"Well, we haven't quite decided whether to go to St. Louis for two days or to the seashore for a month."

### THOUGHTFUL GEORGE.

"George, dear," asked the fair female in the hammock scene, "was you ever in love before?"

"Sure," answered the masculine portion of the sketch. "You don't think for a minute that I'd practice on a nice little girl like you I hope."

### ASKED AND ANSWERED.

"Look here," said the bartender in a wet goods emporium to a liberal patron of the lunch department, "what do you want for a nickel, anyway—the earth?"

"Not guilty," replied the hungry party; "it's two-thirds water."

### THE PRETTY MAID.

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?" he asked.

"Should the weather indications continue of an auspicious character my intended destination is yonder enclosure, where my unswervable determination is to extract such an amount of lacteal fluid from the gently articulating kine as may be deemed necessary and advisable," calmly replied the rustic girl. And she passed on, leaving a gibbering idiot grovelling upon the ground where had stood a dandy masher.


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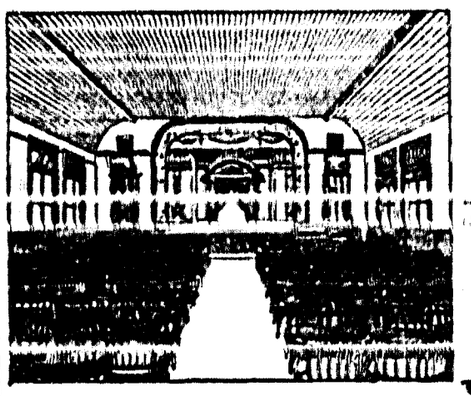

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# CONSCIENCE

"CONSCIENCE makes cowards of us all." The immortal Shakespeare knew everything in his day and if he were to break the bonds of death and return to us now he would not be a glaring fossil mixed with the modern literati.

I presume there are very few people who do not accept the adage: "Conscience makes cowards of us all" But is it a fact? Is it not a lack of conscience that makes cowards of us all?

Conscience means knowledge of one's own acts—conviction of right or wrong.

There is a world of assumption; people assume to know much, but when what they assume to know is pushed to ultimate analysis they must confess that their real knowledge vanishes into mental mist.

The knowing man is always a brave man; it is the doubter—the man who has what he thinks he knows censored by some special standard who is a coward.

When knowledge becomes a conscience—a factor of our being—it gives us pluck, energy, bravery. The knowledge may not be the truth, but it is our truth and we are willing to lay down our lives for it. This is the secret of all martyrdom The martyr is the man who has a conscience—he knows something, or he thinks he does, and it matters not how much of a physical coward he is on every other subject, about the one around which he has grown a conscience, he is brave, heroic and will suffer torture, or even die for; this is because conscience is man's saviour.

The coward is the man without a conscience—the man who lies to the world and to himself. He professes to believe something, but when danger comes his professed belief does not serve him and he has not time to make an honest efiort to find the truth. He is like a ship without a rudder—he is lost and he knows it. Without hope—knowledge—conscience—he is damned, for is not fear hell?

This is the only rational explanation for hypocrisy. It is not reasonable to believe that the world of hypocrisy that is seen on every hand, in all lines of business and in the church, is due to dishonesty—a lack of real moral force in this world. It is not; people do not believe the foundation on which our moral, social and political ethics is built, but they have not time nor inclination, or do not know how, to investigate for themselves to get a better belief, hence they acknowledge, either actively or passively, their belief in the popular order. In this they are not honest; hence they are cowards. The knowledge they profess has not taken hold of their conscience; hence they have not the courage of their conviction.

Just as soon as something presents itself to these passive, hypocrital minds that promises light—enlightenment they are transformed from a passive, negative, cowardly pretension to an active, positive, declarative, forceful enthusiasm If thought that comes to them and makes this change, becomes a living conscience they are changed beings from that time on, but if it lacks the virility of satisfying truth, or they fail from lack of mental industry to make it into conscience, they drop back into the mental sloth from whence they were temporarily drawn and become the same cowards they were before.

Every church, society, order and belief on earth has been recruited in this way, and on every register there are a few who have the creed conscience and are willing to fight or die for the cause, but the roster is largely made up of those who have no conscience, hence are cowards and traitors to the cause they pretend to uphold

Those who come under the head of hypocrits or traitors are not so to any other minds except the few who are class or clan conscious; it is true they are untrue to the cause they affiliate with, but this is often a forced expediency over which they have no control, and as they have no conscience in the matter they are not outraging any real sense of duty

The hypocrite cannot outrage his conscience, for he has none; hence he is in no sense a criminal, neither is his nature outraged, and this is why the soul of society is moral and honest in spite of appearances

No man can be a conscious traitor to his country, for he has no conscious country. He does not love his country He either does not know the laws of his country, or does not understand its constitution and cannot love it, for no one can love what he does not understand, or he understands his government and does not love it. One country is as good as another to the traitor. The same is true all along the line of human action; if it is not there is not enough moral force to keep society together, which a rational mind cannot believe

The Mormons are being persecuted for conscience sake The Mormon is honest and is right from his point of view, and he has as much of natural law and order behind his belief as has the monogamist; for proof of which allow me to point to the mistresses of his persecutors Of the two the polygamous Mormon is more logically moral than the monogamous Mormon

If the monogamous belief is right, why does it not become the conscience of those who profess it? Because they are liars. They do not believe it or they would practice it. That they do not practice it goes without saying, and if the infractions of their pretended belief were a crime against their conscience there would not be enough moral force left in the world to perpetuate society. The fact is so-called moral crimes of civilization are crimes against a fictitious code, and not the moral conscience of the people. It is true we have punishment and ostracism for the criminals (?), but how many are punished and how much heart is there in their prosecution? The prosecutor has a force behind him impelling him on, but his conscience is not inlisted. How can a man prosecute without a conscience ? Then will anyone ask: Why this laxity of law?

It is said that every man has his price, It should be: every man without a conscience has his price. No man with a conscience can be bought.

Of all the multitudes taught by Christ there were but twelve who were conscious Christians and one of these was Thomas; are there more to day?

Conscience is a most potent force; it requires but little to leaven society. Whenever found it is never a coward, but always a willing martyr.

In my work I have no trouble with those in whom I can build a conscience.

I meet with many people who are willing to be cured of their sickness—stupidity—provided I can do it without their assistance, but as I do no curing, but simply undertake to teach them how ts cure themselves, they become faint-hearted.

In the first place the patient has to become conscious that his disease is due to infraction of nature's laws; after this he must become couscious that his mode of living is not only a cause of disease, but that he is handicapped physically and mentally—that he does not get all there is in life for him and that he is bringing on premature death.

No man will give up a habit in which he takes pleasure unless he is conscious of the fact that he is being cheated out of more than his pleasure comes to. The merchant must be convinced that if he gives up his habits he will be better able to meet his opposition in business; the lawyer must know he will be a better lawyer; the woman must know she will be better looking—more taking. I am sorry to say that I meet but few women who will make any sacrifice if promised they will be more intelligent, but if promised a better shape, or a finer skin, they (some of them) will then consider the matter. The student must be convinced or at least stimulated to believe that he can make more headway in his studies. Many people will make no change unless convinced that death is imminent.

Then comes the teaching how to live and the correcting of errors in daily life. Of all these things most applicants are profoundly ignorant, and they must be convinced that their lives are wrong. To offset all I can say they can cite many who are living the same and are getting on well. Just at this point is where stupidity credulity and inability to be taught make their appearance. Those who can be educated into a conscience of the right and wrong life can be cured and made permanently well. There are some who cannot be given a conscience in the matter, but because of a fear of death they will make enough sacrifices to get well, but they are looking forward for the time when they can revert to old habits, which, of course, means a return of their trouble sooner or later. Such people have no conscience in the matter; they follow instructions reluctantly and often stupidly; they require much talk and they have to be told the same thing over and over, and the more than twice told story is always a surprise They are like the blockheads in school who never have a lesson and who fall through the examinations by the aid of ponies and all sorts of lazy contrivances.

Such people never do any good for themselves nor anyone else. They are the people who are dreadfully sorry for themselves and are talking their hardships over to everyone they meet, soliciting sympathy and concocting every excuse possible for their stupidity If they would work as hard for knowledge as they do for a little puerile sympathy they would soon evolve to the point of despising the latter. The "old" chronic—the never-do-well, is the sympathy hunter, he is talways so sorry for himself that he has no time for anything else.

When people want health they are going to get it and keep it just so soon as they develope a conscience and not before. So long as a man is not convinced that tobacco hurts him he will use it. He may say he is convinced that it hurts, but he is falsifying, the same as the man who says he is a Christian and fails to practice the teachings of Christ.

No man is safe so long as he follows health laws to keep from dying, for as soon as he feels safe he will go back to old habits, but when he is conscious that his health and well being, both mental and physical, depend upon the proper care of himself, and that all the best rewards are for the one with the best health he will educate himself in health laws and then it can be said he has a conscience.

A lack of conscience makes cowards of us all and we fly for relief from a threatening danger and seek everywhere for relief, to at last flounder in cowardly dejection in our own ignorance,

It is not hard to find victims of appendicitis for the knife, but you do not find surgeons afflicted with the disease flying to the knife; they fly away from it. Doctors will take the knife when they get a little gas crossways in their lower bowels, but you do not find surgeons taking any of their own knifing. Why? Because they have a conscience that the knife will not save anyone except their own victims. Doctors do not take their own dope! Why? Because they have a conscience that it will not cure any but their victims They are cowards because the conscience they pretend to have is not a conscience at all. They are cowards and fly for relief to others Their lack of conscience makes them cowards —Dr. Tilden, in A Stuffed Club

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From a sermon preached at Petworth by Dr. Richard Chambers, in 1620.

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### BRIEF BLISS.

Russel Melville is a wealthy ranchman from near Calgary, N. W. T. He came to Toronto last summer so says the Toronto World, and stopped at the Walker house. While there he met his fate in the person of Kate Cole, a dashing dining room girl, who had only a short time before arrived from old London. It was a case of love at first sight. At least it was on the part of Russell, and Kate evidently made the ranchman think that it was the case on her side, too.

Kate said she used to be an actress in London, and according to her own story, she had Vesta Tilley beaten by several blocks, as a favorite in the 'alls. She could sing and dance and kick high.

Russell proposed marriage and was accepted on certain conditions. Before going out to Calgary to settle down on a ranch for the rest of her days, she must run across to London to see her parents and take a last farewell of them. He certainly was good to her. He agreed, paid her passage, gave her an abundance of spending money and presented her with a gold watch and chain diamond ring and brooch and other expensive trinkets, kissed her good-bye and wished her bon voyage. She was gone two months. He met her in Montreal on her return.

They were wed and left for the big ranch to bill and coo and live in peace ever afterwards, just like two turtle doves

But alas and alack, something must have gone wrong—in fact, did go wrong Whether Mrs. Kate grew tired of life among cattle, or whether she missed the music of the street pianos around the Walker House, is a deep, dark mystery.

But after three months of life as a ranchman's wife, the lady disappeared, overlooking the fact that her husband might like to have been informed of her trip. Anyway she went and Mr. Melville is now in Toronto in search of her, and if he is to be believed, there will be a whole lot doing when he meets her.

So far he has found no trace of Mrs. Melville. If she came to Toronto none of her former friends have seen her.

### PRUSSIAN POTASH MINES.

The potash which is dug from the royal Prussian mines, located at Strassfurt, ninety miles from Berlin, is the sole source of the world's supply. Before the mines were discovered the best substitute which could be found for the product was wood ash, such as the southern plantations used in the old days for making lye soap. The Prussian mines are twenty seven in number and were devoted to the production of salt before rock salt was discovered. When the new variety of salt was given to the world the Prussian mines were temporarily abandoned, and in a few years a search for rock salt was instituted. The salt was found, but in a badly adulterated condition and an analysis of the adulterant revealed the fact that it was the most valuable part of the mineral. The potash was at once turned to use as a commercial fertilizer. The mines are controlled by a syndicate. They employ 21,000 men and yield 1,200 car loads a day of potash. Of the entire output, 75 per cent is used for agricultural purposes, while the remainder is used for chemical purposes. It is largely utilized in the cyanide process of extracting gold from the ore

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Deliberate with caution, but not with decision and promptness —Colton.

There is not a single moment in life that we can afford to lose.—Goulburn.

Truth is the foundation of all knowledge and the cement of all societies.—Blair.

Method is the very hinge of business; and there is no method without punctuality.—Cecil.

I have always been a quarter of an hour before my time, and it has made a man of me.—Lord Nelson.

We are not sent into the world to do anything into which we cannot put our hearts.—John Ruskin

He who remains within himself and rules his passions, desires and fears is more than a king.—Milton.

We exaggerate misfortune and happiness alike We are never so wretched or as happy as we say we are.—Balzac

Have a heart that never hardens, a temper that never tires, and a touch that never hurts —Charles Dickens.

Good sense, kindness of heart, and a proper self-respect are the elements of the best manners.—Tyron Edwards.

Politeness is a mixture of discretion, civility, complaisance, and circumspection spread over all we do and say.—St. Evremond.

I could never think well of a man's intellectual or moral character, if he was habitually unfaithful to his appointments.—Emmons.

### SAYS RIEL IS ALIVE.

The Winnipeg Telegram published an interview with a Woodstock man, who says that Louis Riel, the leader of the breeds in the Northwest Rebellion, was not hanged at Regina, but escaped to Chicago, where he lived under the name of Jonathan Matthews, and is now a prosperous rancher near Rollins, Wyo.

### THE FUTURE OF B.C.

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And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 21st day of April, 1904.

## NOTICE.

TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNERS.

To G. F. COPELAND, deceased, or to whom his interest has been transferred in the Morning Star mineral claim, situated on Goat mountain, Slocan Mining Division, West Kootenay.

YOU are hereby notified that I have expended $710.00 in labor and improvements on the above mentioned mineral claim under the provisions of the Mineral Act, and if, within 90 days from the date of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of the above mentioned sum, which is now due, together with all costs of advertising, your interest in the said claim will become the property of the undersigned under Section 4 of the "Mineral Act Amendment Act 1900."

JOHN CAROLAN.

New Denver, B. C., April 7, 1904.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that 30 days after date we intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described tracts of land, situated in West kootenay district:

FIRST LOCATION.

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