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WM. R. HEARST: "I have seen the most beautiful lakes in Italy and Switzerland, and all those lovely spots, but I have never seen anything finer than the Kootenay lake and the Arrow lakes. We had a delightful time there. This was my first trip through there."

# THE ECONOMIST.

PROF. MILLS has never seen anything finer than the fruit of Nelson district. He added: "I didn't see the cherries or raspberries or gooseberries, but if they compare with the apples, pears and plums, you have here a fruit country unsurpassed by anything in the Dominion."

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## CALGARY AND EDMONTON

### Chinook City Must Look to its Laurels.

The fight between Port Arthur and Fort William is no keener than the contest between Edmonton and Calgary. At present the C. P. R. town in each case has the most wealth and business. Though it is the spirit of rivalry that now exists between the two young prairie cities, it is not long since it was jealousy, green-eyed and designing.

Until recently, Edmonton from her magnificent situation on the high banks of the mighty Saskatchewan, has for years cast envious eyes upon her sister city, Calgary, and muttered maledictions on the C. P. R. Sidetracked and ignored by the great transcontinental road, she had to meekly watch Calgary increase in population and wealth and receive the princely benefactions of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

The chinook city at the confluence of the Bow and Elbow Rivers, was on the great highway between the Orient and the Occident. She had every convenience of the modern city save street cars. The luxuries of life were easily obtained. Her population was not a transient one and was steadily growing. She was the centre and the shipping point of the great ranching country. She built the largest stock-yards and packing-houses in the west. Also an abattoir with a capacity for 160 cattle per day, and cold storage for 4,000 carcasses. This caused her to be advertised as "the sirloin of Canada." She had the western divisional headquarters of the C. P. R., and the railway alone spent hundreds of thousands in the city every year. There great shops were erected which had a payroll of a million annually. Also came lumber mills, now manufacturing seven million feet annually, elevators with a capacity of 160,000 bushels, flour mills turning out hundreds of barrels per day, and other manufactories to support thousands of families.

Calgary and the west returned Conservative members to Parliament with majorities in the thousands. A Conservative Government dispensed its patronage as lavishly as does now the railroad which it built.

Edmonton had to remain away to the north, unknown and almost unheard of, the headquarters of the north country trapper. Her ambition to be on a railway was kindled by the building of the Calgary and Edmonton Railway, but it was rudely discouraged, for the steel never came. Edmonton refused to draw on her little treasury to bridge the Saskatchewan to admit the road, and it stopped on the south side of the river, and built the town of Strathcona.

That was a bitter disappointment and much to Edmonton's mortification, her name does not appear on a railway ticket in Canada. But wait three or four months. The Canadian Northern Railway will carry Edmontonians east to "the old folks" for Christmas. Edmonton has no love for the C. P. R. The merchants have to order their summer goods the preceding autumn and have to pay more for freight rates than for the goods. Sometimes the consignment never arrives, and the claims agent complacently files their claims, they say, and that is the end of it. In 1896 Frank Oliver was sent to parliament to scatter a few wads of his burning language, in the hope that redress could be got, but Frank was so breezy and so independent that his complaints were not heeded nor his suggestions considered.

The Klondike rush in 1897 brought Edmonton to the fore. Misinformed Englishmen by the hundred flocked there and spent thousands for outfits to travel to the Yukon by the overland route. The north country trails are marked to-day with their bleaching bones and rusting tools in their rotting kit bags.

William Mackenzie and Daniel Mann not long after saw the youthful town at the head of the fruitful Saskatchewan valley, and concluded that there would be the terminus of their railway—at least for a few years. Their executive agent, Hugh Sutherland, saw how this could be the inland collecting place for traffic for his cherished Hudson Bay route and Edmonton's future was assured. When the acorn of Sutherland's mind becomes the oak in reality Edmonton will be as near Liverpool as Port Arthur. It is 4,228 miles from Winnipeg to Liverpool via Montreal, and 3,626 miles via Hudson Bay.

One day last Autumn Charles M. Hays and his retinue arrived in Edmonton in their private car and secured a tract of land in the heart of the town for the divisional headquarters for the new transcontinental railway. There shops and offices are to be built and there the trains of the Grand Trunk Pacific will take fresh engines, fresh water and more ice before they start north for Dunvegan, the Rockies and Port Simpson or Laurierville—in 1910 or 1911.

Alberta is now to be a province. A Liberal Government is in the saddle. Frank Oliver is now a straight Grit and is the Honourable the Minister of the Interior. His home town is to be the capital. Edmonton citizens are grateful to him for the Federal money that is being spent there in public buildings. Fears that he will be defeated while a candidate for Parliamentary honors need not be entertained for a few years to come.

Edmonton with her 10,000 inhabitants (including Strathcona), with her avenues of homes rather than streets of warehouses, and calling herself the Albertan capital, considers herself the superior of the commercial cattle city of Calgary. The Ottawa of the north points out that the C. P. R. has found an easier road through the mountains than by way of Calgary. In the near future the prophecy is that all the through traffic from the east to the west and from the west to the east will be diverted south at Dunmore through the Crow's Nest and the Boundary country to Vancouver.

This does not disturb Calgary's serenity. Her 10,000 residents complacently point to her busy streets of stone warehouses and stores and refer to their northern neighbors as a "shack" town. Their city is growing and there is a country to support it. The irrigated lands of the C. P. R. near the city are attracting the small farmer and the market gardener and the cost of living will be reduced. People are crowding in by every train and work is plentiful. The C. P. R. is about to double its plant and will manufacture locomotives and rolling stock there.

The ranchman no longer has the rolling prairie to himself. The farmer finds he can grow winter wheat of unrivalled quality on those lands all the way from Ponoka to the Montana line. This discovery has caused quite a rush of settlers and the land is fast being taken up. The rancher feels that he is being ousted and it is alleged he pays representatives to stop at Calgary hotels and discourage would-be settlers.

The land, black loam, is so rich that at Red Deer, some fall wheat inspected there was growing so thick that it was tangled and lodged. The grain reaches eight feet in height in places.—Correspondence Toronto Telegram.

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Relatives are wanted of William Anderson who died in British Columbia. Deceased left Ayr, Ont., for the Cariboo gold mines in 1862 and was more or less successful. William Adams, writing to the Galt Reporter from Springfield farm, presumably near Galt, says he would be glad to hear from any relative of the deceased.

## THINGS TALKED OF IN NELSON DURING THE WEEK.

Undoubtedly the Fair committee acted wisely in selecting Mrs. Jennie Harris to take charge of the baby show. Mrs. Harris is working night and day to make this feature a success, which it will be in the natural course of events. This much is admitted, but there will be some who will not endorse Mrs. Harris in writing to President Roosevelt for a contribution to the baby show, that is in the way of a substantial prize. President Roosevelt is highly esteemed in British Columbia, as he is in his own country, and justly so, but that is no reason why he should be asked to contribute to a baby show in a country in which he can have nothing more than a friendly interest. If he is anxious to promote and encourage the struggling infantile industry, it is quite possible he can find an opportunity of doing so in his own country. A few prospective voters more or less in British Columbia will have little bearing on the growth and population of the United States, and this apparent attempt to hold up the ruler of a hitherto friendly nation is altogether out of place. It may not lead to "grave international complications," as the Tribune would express it, but it will give the president a very poor opinion of the ability of British Columbians to finance a baby show without asking for outside assistance. If Mrs. Harris had called upon Premier Laurier or Hon. R. L. Borden to subscribe to this well-deserving benefit for the babies, no doubt either would have been only too pleased to cut a slice out of their recently increased salaries to help out the Nelson baby show.

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During the time of the Fair the local militia company intends to hold a military shoot, and invitations have been sent to all the rifle associations and military units in the Interior of the Province to send representatives. This event will take place during the three days of the Fair and it is confidently expected that there will be a large attendance of all those throughout the Interior who are interested in this most exciting sport. The prize list is a generous one, and there are are provisions in it for the youthful shots as well as for those with more experience. It is hoped that arrangements may be perfected for organizing an Interior Rifle Association, which will include all the rifle associations and military corps throughout the Interior, so that these meetings may be held annually.

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The popular Canadian star, Mr. Harold Nelson, whose appearance here is always welcomed by a crowded house, will be seen here this season in an elaborate production of Prince Otto, a dramatization of Robert Louis Stevenson's famous novel. Prince Otto is a romantic drama dealing with the ruler of a German principality during the times of a serious rebellion. It allows of bright comedy situations, of pretty love scenes, and of the strongest of dramatic climaxes. Mr. Nelson will have in the title role a part admirably suited to him, and should add another to his long list of successful character delineations. He will have the support of a most excellent company, headed by the handsome and talented favorite, Mr. Clifford Lane Bruce. Prince Otto will be seen here during the Fair week.

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The departure of J. T. O'Connor, Mayor Houston's driver, for Spokane, will cause sincere sorrow in Nelson. To Mr. O'Connor, this country is indebted for having introduced several novel features in the way of training horses for fire duty. To such a state of perfection had he trained his horses that he could turn their heads in the direction of the fire, and they raced to the desired destination of their own free will and accord. Mr. O'Connor's equestrian exhibitions will live long in the memories of those who have watched him jumping from the fire wagon while the horses were running at full speed. As time rolls on, it may be that there will be many other drivers in the Nelson fire department, but the assertion is made without fear of successful contridiction, that none of them will ever duplicate O'Connor's flying leap. Well did he win the following tribute from George Meikle, the Fernie poet:

Oh, say, did you see Jack O'Connor,
His friends all thought him a goner;
D'dn't all others feel cheap
When he made the great leap
That won him distinction and honor?

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James Gill, the book-keeper who was sentenced to two years imprisonment this week by His Honor Judge Forin, is an example of the folly of young men gambling. It is not likely Gill was a thief by nature. The passion for gambling simply dwarfed his moral sense, and when he lost he had to make good, even if a trusted employer was to be the victim. At first no doubt he played with his own money, but as the passion developed and his losses absorbed his own salary, he turned to the money of others. He intended to pay it back some day, but Hades is paved with good intentions. There are many young men in Nelson who are travelling over the same road that led Gill to destruction. Their losses are more than their salaries will stand, and it is only a matter of time until the gambling passion will obtain complete mastery over their sense of moral obligation. Then they will take their employers' money, or pass forged or worthless cheques, as has already been done, and their finish is in sight.

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The moneyed citizens of Nelson are busily engaged resisting the plausible entreaties of Fred Starkey for subscriptions for the Fair. Those who know Mr. Starkey best, fully realize that this resistance will be easily overcome. In fact he has so far succeeded in his efforts that he is now in a position to announce that the funds required to successfully finance the Fair are forthcoming. Secretary Annable is to be congratulated on having secured the services of such an enthusiastic worker as Mr. Starkey to assist him.

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Victoria has turned out many capable actors and theatrical managers. The list is a long one and includes many who have won fame on the stage. The latest addition to the number is Miss Ethel Green, who left Victoria last January under engagement with the "Chinese Honeymoon" company, and who scored so successfully throughout the east as Mi-Mi in that Opera. She has been re-engaged by the Shubert people to take a part in their new opera "Elysia," in which De Wolf Hopper will appear as the star. The new play opened in New York September 4th. Miss Green has also been given an understudy in one of the leading parts of the same opera.

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Fernie has had its regular weekly fire, the loss this time amounting to $100,000. We often hear of men who have money to burn, but Fernie appears to go one better—it has houses to burn.

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Scarcely a year ago Herbert Taylor, the celebrated baritone, sang at several concerts in Nelson. He had a splendid voice and was well received by the music-lovers of this city. After leaving here he took up his residence in Seattle, and succeeded in singing himself into the affection of a young lady of wealth and position. But there was one thing in the way of his marriage—he already had a wife in England. Investigations conducted on the part of the prospective bride revealed the fact that he had never been divorced—notwithstanding his assertions to the contrary. Then they separated, but Taylor was persistent, and it appears as if he may yet win out. His sweetheart has gone to New York City, and, it is said, has promised to marry him if he can get a divorce, which he says he will. In the meantime, the managers of the church in which Taylor was choirmaster have asked him to send in his resignation.

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Poor old Joe Worsop was drowned in Vancouver harbor a week or so ago, and the accident was duly chronicled in the Vancouver papers at the time. Last evening the Nelson Tribune had a "dispatch" from Vancouver from which it would appear that the Terminal City papers announced the drowning accident a week or so too soon. Next week the Tribune will be receiving specials from Jerusalem announcing the death of Judas Iscariot. As a "grape vine" specialist the Tribune leads them all.

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The change id the tone of the United States papers in recent years was perhaps never better illustrated than in the Collins case. A few years ago, whenever a man was arrested on a charge the United States papers at once set up a howl that the accused was innocent; nowadays they have gone to the other extreme and when a charge is brought against a man, he is forthwith proclaimed guilty and he is hounded to death. Collins, now awaiting extradition at Victoria, is being roasted to a turn by the San Francisco press, and Chief Justice Hunter is also receiving some attention from the same source. The Victoria Times thus strikes back:

"If the San Francisco papers have any weight with the United States government we may expect to see the Chicago, the Marblehead and the Paul Jones back here from Port Angeles with a demand for the head of Chief Justice Hunter. According to those modest exponents of public virtve the Chief Justice has done violence to all the laws that ever were by permiting one officer of the Supreme Court instead of another to have custody of a person whose extradition is demanded. We respectfully submit to the San Francisco papers that it is none of their business in what custody such a person is kept, so long as he is in custody.

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"The Stope" at the Nelson Fair will be a novelty in Western Canadian exhibitions. It will contain many novelties, and for years to come its wonders will be celebrated in song and story.

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The Vancouver authorities had a peculiar case last week. A Chinaman was charged with supplying liquor to Indians and sentenced to three months in jail. According to the Vancouver Province he proved a veritable "white elephant" on the hands of the police, as he was unable to work; in fact, he has been a sort of nuisance around the jail. The police magistrate when appealed to could offer no relief. It would be a bad precedent to remit a sentence, and he threw the responsibility upon the Police Commissioners. It was a sort of post-mortem the board held Wednesday afternoon in examining the feeble Celestial. Ald Bethune and Commissioner Malcolm agreed that Sing should be given his liberty whether it tore a gaping hole in the British Constitution or not. So old man Sing tottered down to Chinatown in charge of an officer.

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A poem, by the editor of the Tribune, on the wonders of "The Stope," is now in course of preparation, and will appear as a dispatch to that paper within a week or so.

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Mr. Justice Morrison is spending the remaining part of his vacation at Pincher Creek.

## HEROES OF THE CHURCH

### Rev. Dr. White on the Catholic View of Relics.

The care taken to insure the proper identification of the remains of Paul Jones led the Rev. Dr. William J. White, pastor of the Church of the Visitation, in Brooklyn, to speak the other day on the attitude of the Roman Catholic Church toward relics. After discussing the means of proving the authenticity of relics, he went on to say:

"The question of the authenticity of relics has always been open to wide discussion. In 1215 the Fourth Lateran Council forbade relics to be sold or to be exposed outside their cases or shrines and prohibited the public veneration of new relics till their authenticity had been approved by the Pope.

"The Council of Trent renewed these prohibitions and further required Bishops to decide on the authenticity of new relics after careful consultation with theologians or the Bishops of their respective provinces. In 1881 the Cardinal Vicar of Rome warned Bishops against spurious relics.

"The custom of honoring the remains of martyrs is very ancient. In 107 the bones of St. Ignatius of Antioch were gathered in a linen cloth 'as a precious treasure.' When Polycarp's body was burned, in 167, the Christians exhumed the bones they could find 'as more precious than costly stones and more valuable than gold.'

"In the fifth, sixth and seventh centuries the tombs of the martyrs in the Catacombs outside Rome became places of pilgrimage and were enlarged into chapels whose walls are still covered with pious invocations of the visitors.

"About this time a movement to bring the remains of the martyrs from the Catacombs into the city began, caused by the desire of the Popes to protect the subterranean cemeteries from desecration at the hands of barbarian invaders, and also because they wished to consecrate new churches that were then being built. In the Church of St. Prassede alone 2,300 bodies were interred.

"So keen was the search for relics and bodies of saints that abuses began to creep in at the beginning of the eighth century. The sale of relics became common, but was condemned by the Popes. The Deacon Duesdona, who had charge of the the Cemetery of Sts. Peter and Marcellinus, seems to have been the chief offender. He sold bodies from this cemetery beyond the Alps, in what is now southern Germany.

"The many paintings in Europe of the Saviour and the Virgin Mary supposed to be painted by St. Luke or by the angels are of Byzantine origin; they were brought from the East during the iconoclastic heresies. The Holy Face which is preserved in St. Peter's and exposed for veneration on Holy Thursday of each year belongs to this class.

"The Crusaders brought many relics from Palestine and Constantinople, the authenticity of some of which is doubtful.

"The annals of the Venetian republic frequently make mention of saints' bodies brought from the East by traders. The remains of St. Mark the Evangelist, found their way to Venice in this way. They were taken in 829 by Venetian merchants from a church in Alexandria, Egypt, which the Arabs were about to destroy. St. Theodore, the early patron saint of Venice, was deposed and the place of honor given to the evangelist whose name, effigy and winged lion occur everywhere in that city.

"The city of Benevento was besieged during the middle ages because it would not give up the body of St. Bartholomew the Apostle, who is now interred in the church of his name on an island in the Tiber. St. Francis of Assisi was buried without witnesses to prevent his body from being stolen by neighboring towns. It was not found until 1818, 600 years after his death.

"There are two classes or grades of of relics in the Church. The first is the body of the saint, then come the garments, vestments and worldly belongings.

"The greatest and most authentic relic in the Church is the true cross, the largest portion of which is preserved in the Church of the Holy Cross at Rome. Each Bishop has a portion of the true cross in his pectoral cross. So scarce has this relic become that Leo XIII., in a letter to the Bishops of the Church, asked them to will their pectoral crosses to their successors.

"Each student who has made his final studies in Rome is entitled to six different relics upon his leaving there. They are obtained from the Lipsanoteca, a chapel where many relics from the Catacombs are preserved. These relics are generally of the second class.

"The spirit that has prompted the American Government to send a warship 3,000 miles to bring back to American soil the remains of a man who fought her battles when she needed fighters is the same spirit that prompts the Catholic Church to venerate the relics of martyrs and saints. They are her heroes.

"Doubt may be cast on the authenticity of some of the relics, as it is still open to question whether we really have interred the remains of John Paul Jones at Annapolis, but Catholics do not pray to a bit of bone or tuft of hair; they venerate and pray to the saint to whom it is supposed to belong, just as the patriotic American who makes a pilgrimage to Annapolis honors the brave American captain, whether his bones are interred there or still lie undisturbed in the Protestant cemetery in Paris."

There are in the United States and Canada five bodies of saints of the first class. The remains of St. Peregrinus are in St. Anselm's Church in The Bronx. St. Vincent de Paul's Church in Detroit has the remains of one of the 2,300 martyrs from the Church of St. Prassede in Rome. St Alphonsus's Church in Windsor, Ont., has the remains of another one of the martyrs, and St. Louis's Church in Buffalo has two more relics.

The relics of St. Anne are scattered all over the world, but possibly the largest portions outside of Europe are at the Church of St. Jean Baptiste in New York and the Chapel of St. Anne de Beaupre, Canada.

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The Sons of England have taken the initiative in the matter of celebrating the centenary of Nelson's death, October 21. No doubt all patriotic citizens will heartily co-operative in the festivities.

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The Eagles will give a dance in Fraternity Hall on the evening of Sept. 21 Both floors have been secured, and two orchestras will supply the music throughout the evening.

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A lady without arms, who can do all sorts of fancy work with her feet, will be one of the attractions at the Nelson Fair. The tallest woman in the world will also be an attraction of "The Stope." She stands 8ft. 6in. without her shoes.

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Stuart G. Campbell is back in Nelson after an extended visit to his old home in Sydney, C. B. Mr. Campbell on his way here spent a day at Edmonton, and reports marvellous growth in the new Northwest capital. Buildings are going up in all quarters, and they are not cheap ones either. Great interest is manifested in the forthcoming election and Stuart being a Liberal is convinced that his party will win out.

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## EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Miss Alice Roosevelt's rejection of the Sultan of Sulu marks the first authenticated instance of an American women turning down a title.

Surely Sheriff Tuck when he lent his name to the Inlet where Laurierville is to be situated, never dreamt of such a thing coming to pass. It is scarcely necessary to add that the sheriff feels keenly the affront that has thus been offered to a name honored by Conservatives from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

In his address at the inauguration ceremonies at Edmonton, the other day, Sir Wilfrid Laurier spoke of "the sea of upturned faces" which appeared before him The expression is not original with Sir Wilfrid. It has appeared on the circus folders and couriers for the past thirty years or more.

In view of subsequent events, THE ECONOMIST may be pardoned for reproducing the following paragraph from its issue of December 24, three weeks prior to the last municipal election :

"What guarantee can John Houston's supporters give that he will not run away in case he be elected?"

It has been suggested that the temporary editor of the Tribune should take control of that paper in the interests of the stockholders. It does not concern anyone where the suggestion originated, but the public will be interested in learning that the venerable William Fernie has not yet signified his intention of backing the enterprise with his capital.

The complaint of the Daily News hat the Conservatives have inaugurated the spoils system in the distribution of offices within the gift of the Local Government will not be taken seriously. The News can scarcely point to an instance where the Laurier Government appointed a Conservative to any office, no matter how unimportant that office might be. Under Liberal rule, the working of the "spoils system" may be said to have been reduced to a science.

The following from the Boundary Creek Times would seem to indicate that the editor of that paper does not propose to be held up without making some kind of a fight :

"These are fairly dull days in the editorial sanctum. The rich, full thoughts which influence readers do not flow free. Under the circumstances it is hard to have the Nelson Tribune using some of the very few good things which come."

The London Tatler tells why no hymn with a number less than 37 is sung at the English Church at Monte Carlo. A member of the congregation once used the hymn sung at a morning service, No. 32, and left the church to put the maximum on 32. It turned up. Gossip about his "inspiration" led a number of persons the following Sunday to play the number of the last hymn. Again it won. The next Sunday the church could not accommodate the crush of worshippers, but their intent was frustrated, as the highest number on the roulette table is 36, and 37 is now the lowest number ever given out in the church.

The rumor comes from the coast that the Liberals of British Columbia are growing very dissatisfied with the leadership of J. A. Macdonald, and that a meeting of the Provincial Liberal Association will soon be called to discuss this and other questions. There should be no difficulty in securing an expert leader. If approached in a proper spirit we have no doubt Mr. William Blakemore would undertake the task of reorganizing the Liberal party in this Province. It is true, Mr. Blakemore has been identified with the Conservative party, but that was some months ago, since which time he may perchance have been groping towards the light.

A correspondent writes :

"The island of Sakhalin was Japanese territory up to about the year 1875. Please state how it became Russian territory."

The Japanese from time immemorial had exercised some control over the southern part of Sakhalin, the Russians having begun permanent settlements in the north no earlier than 1857. After much friction and long diplomatic exchanges, Japan assigned its claim to southern Sakhalin in consideration of the cession by Russia of the islands of the Kurties, which it had occupied. Sakhalin is a misnomer, for the proper name of the island is Karafuto or Karaftu. The island is 670 miles long, and the breadth varies from 20 to 150 miles. The aboriginal population, largely Ainu, is 6,150 ; the Russian population is 29,604, according to the most recent census, of which only 2,838 were free settlers, the bulk of the population being convicts and exiles and ticket of leave men. The convict establishment was represented in last year's budget by an item of nearly 17,000,000 roubles.

The reasons for John Costigan's desertion of the Conservative party have often been discussed. Mr. Costigan had enjoyed the confidence of his party during all the years of his political life, but when disaster came he jumped over to the Liberals. The St. John, N. B., Sun thus refers to Mr. Costigan's desertion :

"The county knows from Mr. Costigan himself why he broke from his party. He has explained in Parliament that the break occurred six months before the defeat and resignation of the Tupper government. The matter remaining to be explained is why after breaking with the party Mr. Costigan continued to appear as one of its leaders, holding office in the Conservative Government, and contesting his county as a supporter and a colleague of the Conservative premier. When office and salary were gone, when the party had been defeated, and when the power had been transferred to the party to which Mr. Costigan had been opposed, Mr. Costigan made known to his former party associates that he did not belong, but was now to be found with the victors. Up to that time 'the great principle' did not enter into his public discussions."


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E. W. PRAEGER.

Dated 24th May, 1905.

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FRANK FLETCHER.

Dated 24th May, 1905.

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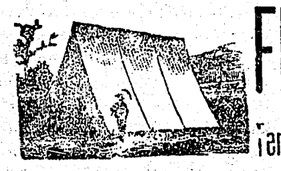

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### Wide Open Gambling Houses Things of the Past.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Sept. 3.—"The folks that don't believe the world is gettin' better ought to drop in on little old Deadwood one o' these days," said Peter English, old time gambler and faro dealer, as he came out of a ticket broker's office, where he had been to price transportation for Denver. "For the first time since I've been in the Hills the proprietors of the luck mills have been scurrying around trying to find the keys to their front doors. The lid is on all right, and I guess we'll have to move on."

This summarizes the situation in Deadwood to-day so far as it relates to gambling. For twenty-seven years open gambling has been the rule in this city. Six big and four little joints have been wide open, each class catering to a certain element of the population.

Deadwood was one of the first gold camps of the Hills, after the excitement of 1876 and 1877 got under way. Life was held very cheaply then, and stable government was a long time coming. Now a committee of citizens and the State's Attorney have come to the conclusion that open gambling is a bad thing for business as well as morals, and they have bolted the lid down. They notified the gamblers that their limit had expired, and they were told to shut up and move on. It was a big surprise all around.

Parker, the State's Attorney, is an old Westerner. He came here in the staging days, and was one of the lawyers who defended the freighters in the days of the bullwhackers' strike in the early 80's. He has lived here for twenty-five years.

"I closed up the joints," he says, "not because of any wave of public sentiment, or because they were getting too much of the wealth. I simply came to the conclusion that the town has passed the mining stage, and it was time to move up into the decent city class."

Gambling has been a public institution for so long that the order to close up came as a distinct shock. More than o thousand dollars a month revenue was received by the city for the joint licenses, and the sum paid a considerable portion of the tax budget. Seventy-eight professional gamblers. not to mention porters and waiters, were employed in the places, and the most of them have moved to Denver, where the lid is tilted a little.

Deadwood is a city of about 5,000 people. It is located just where a narrow gorge in the hill widens a little and its houses mostly cling to the sides of steep hills. Down its centre runs a brawling mountain stream. Out of the hills all about gold is still being dug. More than half of the men in town work in the mines and in the cyanide mills and chlorination works. The rest live on the workers.

The open arms policy towards gambling resulted in some curious mix-ups. The gambling den and the dry goods store, the grocery and the faro layout were to be found next door to one another on the main street. One was regarded as much of a legitimate institution as the other. The only difference was that the dry goods store and the grocery closed on Sundays. There was no attempt to conceal the character of the business going on. The window blinds were up and the doors open and he who passed might know.

One man in every twenty in the town is a Chinaman. Some of them work in the mines, a few run laundries and others officiate as cooks. They were all inveterate gamblers, and they are now the most disconsolate fellows in town. Fan-tan was open to them, but they generally passed it up for poker or faro. It has long been a story here that the Chinks were nearly all employed by a company that financed them in gambling operations and gave them a salary and a share when they won, which they did more often than they lost. To get paid for playing poker was a thing that made them the envy of not a few white men.

Deadwood has been the scene of many a big game. It is just on the edge of the Hills, and cattlemen from the country to the north—men who have money enough to buy up a town or two and still have a capital left to start a bank—often dropped in, and they boosted things to the limit. Sometimes they broke the bank; oftener they went broke themselves. Only one rule was laid down for the gamblers in recent years. That was that all games must be run on the square. The dealer was entitled to his percentage, but no more. If he tried to run brace or deal crooked the place was closed and stayed closed.


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## GENERAL NEWS.

All the Nelson hotels are crowded with guests.

Wm. Hunter of Silverton, was in the city this week.

Ald. Gillett went over to Rossland yesterday morning.

Mrs. W. J. Goepel is back home after a three months' visit to California.

William Gillies, the Carleton Place, Ont., lumberman, was a visitor to Nelson this week.

Edward Kerr and wife have left Owen Sound for home, and will reach here next Monday.

Onslow Newling has been in the hospital for a few days, but hopes to be able to be around again shortly.

Among the visitors to Nelson this week was Christopher Robinson, the distinguished Canadian barrister.

The recent strike on the Ymir encourages the hope that another season of activity will break in on that camp.

The Kamloops Standard was burnt out yesterday morning. The building was insured for $800 and the plant for $3,000.

G. K. Tackabury has disposed of his house and furniture in Nelson, and will probably take up his residence in Los Angeles.

The tariff commission will meet in Nelson next Friday. The lumbermen will take advantage of this meeting to present their claims.

Work has commenced on the grand stand at the recreation grounds. It will seat 650 and should be completed on the evening of Sept. 10.

Miss Langford, of E. Ferguson & Co., and Miss Epperson will leave for the Portland Fair this evening, going by way of Victoria and Vancouver.

Geo. W. Bartlett has struck it rich in the Dunlea. A specimen assayed at the Hall Mines Smelter laboratory gave astonishing results.

C. W. Nash, of Winnipeg, was a visitor to Nelson this week, en route to Portland. Mr. Nash spent a day with friends fishing in the waters of the Kootenay with satisfactory results.

Fred Irvine Co., Ltd, are going out of business, and are offering their entire stock of dry goods at cost. To-day there is a special sale of ladies' and children's fall and winter coats and jackets at $5 to $20 each, and a special line of children's coats in white bear cloth and plain and fancy tweeds at $2.50 to $8. A large range of furs not yet opened up will be offered Monday at cost. Everything in the millinery line will be sold at cost price. This is the biggest sale of dry goods ever held in the Kootenays.

## Cancellation of Reserve.

COAST DISTRICT.

Notice is hereby given that the reservation, notice of which was published in the B. C. Gazette, and dated 9th August, 1901, covering a belt of land extending each a distance of ten miles on each side of the Skeena River between Kitsilas Canyon and Hazelton, is cancelled.

Notice is also given that that portion of the reservation, notice of which was published in the B. C. Gazette and dated 27th December, 1899, covering a belt of land extending between the mouth of Kitmat River and Kitsilas Canyon, is rescinded in so far as it covers land lying between the Kitsilas Canyon and a point in the Kitmat Valley, distant ten miles in a northerly direction from the mouth of Kitmat River, and that Crown lands thereon will be open to sale, pre-emption and other disposition under the provisions of the Land Act, on and after the eighth (8th) day of December next: Provided that the right of way of any railway shall not be included in any lands so acquired.

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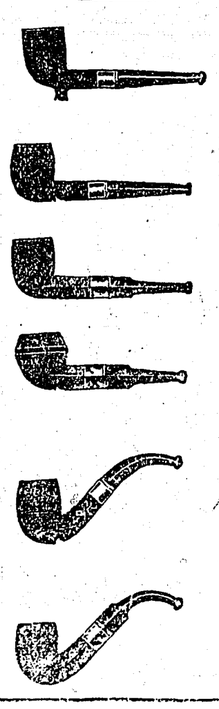

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