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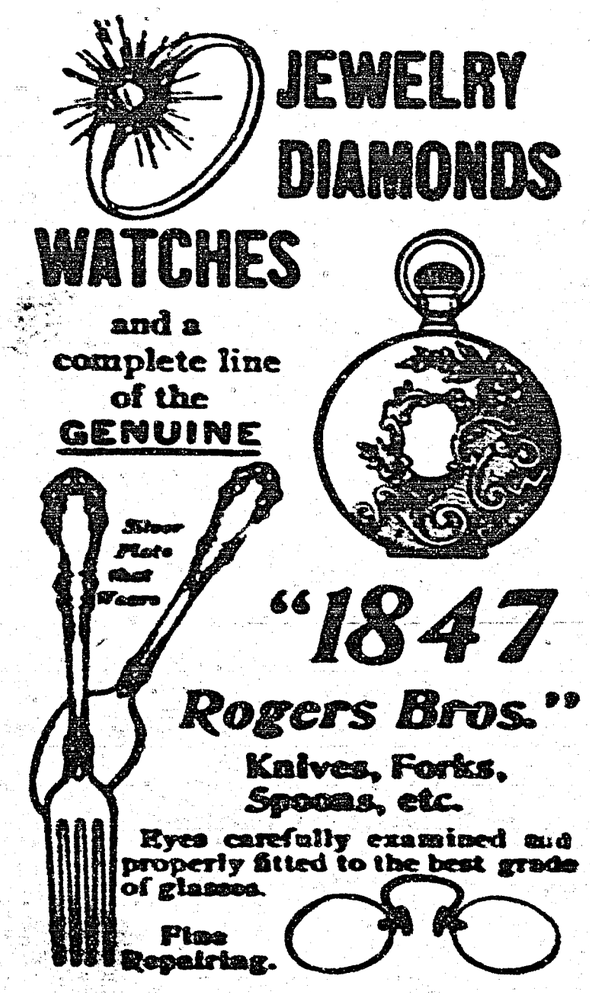

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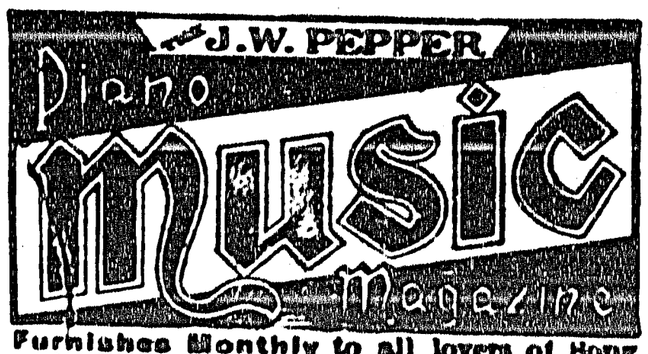

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Dated at Nelson, B. C., this 4th day of April 1902.

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JOHN McLATCHIE

Dominion and
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REPORTS from London indicate the speedy recovery of King Edward, and his loyal subjects throughout the British possessions are correspondingly exultant and gratified. Apart from his exalted office, His Majesty holds an enduring position in the hearts of the people who acknowledge him their sovereign. It is now proposed to hold the Coronation a few weeks hence, and it is reported that the Canadian ministers will remain over for the ceremony. We cannot see where any great objection can be raised to this, and if it would please the two British Columbia ministers who are now in London to remain there forever, the inhabitants of this Province would bear up under their loss with Christian fortitude and resignation. They are of very little use here, and might possibly be put to some useful purpose in the Zoological Gardens or elsewhere. But we do most emphatically protest against the proposal to send another Canadian contingent to London. When Canada sent her officers and citizen soldiers to the seat of the Empire a few weeks ago, to participate in the Coronation festivities and further emphasize the idea of Imperial unity, it was expected that they would receive hospitable treatment at least from their compatriots over the water. This, if the reports are to be trusted, they did not receive, but, on the contrary, the soldiers were neglected, and the officers subjected to the studied insolence and discourtesy of certain British officials. The order which denied the privileges of the balcony at the palace to the Canadian officers was only one instance of the humiliation and degradation to which they were subjected, and it is little wonder that the officers and men made no delay in taking their departure from London. We do not lay the blame directly at the doors of the English people, but the authorities would be only making what reparation now lies in their power if the officials who were responsible for this insult were immediately placed in a position where they could not do any more harm. Until some satisfactory explanation is made with regard to this matter, we trust our Canadian soldiers will avoid placing themselves in a position where they are likely to be insulted by men whom Lord Kitchener found absolutely useless in the late war in South Africa.

BRITISH COLUMBIA is not the only place in the British possessions that is governed by men who are absolutely incapable of conducting the affairs of the country. Some of the Australian Cabinet Ministers are said to be passionately addicted to the flowing bowl, and that on a recent occasion the affairs of Government were in the hands of a man who was suffering from delirium tremens to a degree that it took three men to hold him. Things were never so bad as that in British Columbia. We never heard of one of our Cabinet Ministers being afflicted with a three-man power jag; the worst that ever happened in British Columbia being the case of the minister who was so badly knocked out with Victoria whiskey that he was constantly accompanied by a whole menagerie. But then it only took two men to hold this statesman down. Many, however, will confess that this was quite bad enough.

THE session of the Provincial Legislature lately ended is remarkable for one circumstance, the general disgust it excited.

Is responsible government in this Province a failure?

If we say "No," it is incumbent upon us to diagnose our disease and find a remedy. It is not a pleasant, but it may be a useful, task to review our political history for the last five years.

In 1897 the Turner Government was in office, supported by nearly all the Vancouver Island members and sufficient of the mainland members to give a secure majority. After passing a redistribution bill which gave the majority to the mainland forever, that government appealed to the electorate for another term of office.

The then opposition was neminally led by Mr. C. A. Semlin, and had contained till then Mr. F. C. Cotton and Mr. C. B. Sword among its prominent members. To these the leading financier of the party now added Mr. Joseph Martin, who already had a reputation in Canadian politics.

The general election of 1898 was fiercely contested, and at its close the parties were evenly divided in the House. But while the public watched with interest for further developments, there came a bolt from the blue. Before the Legislature was summoned, before the returns were formally declared, the Lieutenant-Governor dismissed the ministry. The natural indignation turned to laughter when he summoned to office the Hon. Robert Beaven. Mr

Beaven had been Premier in 1882 and leader of the Opposition afterward, but in 1898 had no following in or out of the Legislature.

Mr. Semlin was then entrusted with the task of forming a ministry. Mr. Sword had been defeated; of the old leaders of the Mainland party only Mr. Semlin and Mr. Cotton were left; the new cabinet contained also Dr. McKechnie, of Nanaimo, Mr. J. Fred. Hume of Nelson, and Mr. Joseph Martin of Vancouver.

On Mr. Cotton's initiative many of the changes advocated in opposition were then made: the number of civil servants was reduced, some were retired, the interior received a larger share of the expenditure, the office of agent-general was abolished.

But soon dissensions in the cabinet grew beyond repression; Mr. Martin cared little for the nominal leadership of Mr. Semlin, but the real leadership of Mr. Cotton was contrary to his plans. He openly defied his colleagues when they at last vetoed his course, which had already brought the mining industry to a dead stop by the Alien Exclusion law and other freak legislation, and irritated all classes by his remarkable Franchise Act.

Mr. Semlin, supported by all the other ministers, asked for his resignation With utter indifference to usage or any other obligation, Mr. Martin refused, and was then dismissed from office by the Lieutenant-Governor.

Thenceforward he voted with the Opposition, which had been strengthened by other defections from the Government, and soon defeated the ministry on a division. As the estimates for next year had yet to be passed, the Opposition agreed to support the Government for that purpose, when two more innovations by the Lieutenant-Governor came with startling effect. Mr. Semlin and his ministers were dismissed and Mr. Martin was called upon to form a Government.

Without a supporter in the Legislature and with very few in the Province, Mr. Martin retained office for four months.

Mr. Martin's appeal to the electorate brought unity to British Columbia almost for the first time. The one issue was the defeat of Mr. Martin and a reckoning with the Lieutenant-Governor.

But unfortunately this purpose was so easily attained that little attention was given to the choice of candidates. Mr. Martin was overwhelmingly defeated and the Lieutenant-Governor was ignominiously dismissed; but the victorious party found itself without a leader and with few elements of cohesion. The last advice of Mr. Martin and the last act of Lieutenant-Governor McInnes was the invitation to Mr. Dunsmuir to form a ministry. He was accepted by the party as a safe minister and no contentious legislation was to be the guiding rule of conduct.

At the opening session Mr. Martin indicated his future course by insidious flattery of the Premier mingled with abuse of certain members of the Government.

Again came dissensions in the Government, but the Premier was saved by the support of Mr. Martin and his few adherents.

The session of 1902 is indefensible, and no member's credit survives, except that of the few who showed their disgust by silence.

The open dealing in railway charters, the declaration and repudiation of principle after principle, the giving of the franchise to boys of eighteen and its withdrawal the next day—these are some of the acts that have staggered belief in popular governmt here.

While no member can escape responsibility for the Legislature's acts, it is not hard to determine who is most to blame. The man who advised the calling of Mr. Dunsmuir, who urged the Premier to break faith with his party and made it possible for him, who broke faith with his own and violated all his campaign pledges, is Mr. Joseph Martin.

There is little danger of Mr. Martin's ever winning a general election, but it is much to be feared that to defeat him the people will again elect unsuitable legislators. The next Provincial election is of great importance; unless Mr. Martin be politically buried and a stable administration be established, British Columbia will continue to be, as it is now, the butt of the older provinces, and the one part of the British Empire where white men of British blood have failed to govern themselves.

THE business men of Golden were too mean to support a weekly paper, and now they want some one with more money than brains to start a daily in that sleepy town.

IT is rather strange, but true, that lightning seems to have a special grudge against houses of worship. A Chicago church has been struck twice by lightning within a year.

THE Phoenix *Pioneer* with pardonable pride refers to the fact that the Boundary has extracted and shipped over $250,000 tons of ore this year. If this is maintained—and it will probably be even larger—for the rest of the year, the shipments for 1902 will easily show an increase of 25 per cent. over those for the year 1901.

THE Duke of Connaught may be regarded a veteran if many years' service may be taken into consideration in that connection. The Duke has entered upon his thirty-fifth year of army service.

THE Provincial Government is said to be going from bad to worse. The new Minister of Mines is regarded a most conspicuous failure. The responsibilities of office seem to have had an ennervating effect on the colonel, but what he lacks in energy, he supplies in pomp, splendor and dignity. It is also reported that the Minister of Finance has not been a frequent visitor to the Parliament buildings since the House rose, but the cause of his absence is left to the imagination of the

reader. His intimate friends are ominously silent on the point. As for the Commissioner of Lands and Works, he is understood to be enjoying himself to his heart's content. All of which, if true, should inspire people with confidence in the men who are administering the affairs of the Province. It is hard to credit all the stories that are being circulated about certain members of the Government, and THE ECONOMIST is not prepared to say that it believes all or even half of these rumors, but it does think that the voters of this Province owe it as a duty to themselves to investigate closely the conduct of the men who are at the head of affairs. For the credit of British Columbia it is to be hoped that these rumors will prove to be nothing more than malicious slanders, but should it happen that the reverse is the case, the public should be made acquainted with the exact condition of affairs at once. We are getting altogether too careless in dealsng with matters of this character.

IN order to protect themselves from certain more or less speculative investments which they have made, certain Englishmen have taken out at Lloyd's insurance upon the life of J. P. Morgan. In England any one can enter into the insurance business and can insure anything that he wishes, whether it be the life of a foreign banker or the possible loss, if the day is stormy, coming to the one who has erected great observation stands where seats are to be sold to speculators.

THE Boers are returning to their native land, the steamship Canada having arrived at Capetown with 400 of the prisoners from St. Helena.

THE dissensions between capital and labor appear to be spreading all over the world. It is reported that the laboring classes of Southern Russia are in a state of dangerous ferment.

NORWEGIAN legislators propose that girls who do not know how to knit, sew, wash and cook should be refused permission to marry Daughters of wealthy men are not to be excepted. The Norwegian girls, it may be inferred, are attending strictly to their knitting.

THE Archbishops of Canterbury and York are believed to be considerably perturbed concerning the words of King Edward's coronation oath The difficulty is not caused by the declaration against transubstantiation, which is not part of the oath, but by the promise "to preserve inviolably the settlement of the United Church of England and Ireland, and the doctrine, worship, discipline and government thereof." It is argued that an amendment to this clause is necessitated by the disestablishment of the Church of Ireland. A short act of Parliament would bring this part of the oath into line with present conditions. Queen Victoria, at her coronation, took the oath in its present form, in spite of which she gave the royal assent to the Irish disestablishment bill. As the disestablishment of the Church of England is a political issue which may possibly come to the front at no distant period, at any rate so far as its establishment in Wales is concerned, there is a considerable feeling of aversion to the use of any formula in the oath which might practically stultify it, even during the present reign.

THE will of the late Mrs. Mary Ann Defoe, of Croydon, the last descendant of the author of "Robinson Crusoe," has just been proved at £768.

A FRENCH officer has just invented an apparatus which, when attached to any kind of firearm, does away with all noise, flush or smoke on its discharge.

EVIDENTLY the Canadian troops which went over to the coronation were regarded something in the light of freaks. A special cable from London to the Toronto *Telegram*, July 2, said: "The authorities at Alexandra Palace have been making a circus attraction of the Canadian troops. They are charging a shilling one day for entrance and sixpence the next. Lady Laurier and her friends were stopped at the gate yesterday, an admittance fee being demanded and collected before they were allowed to enter. The charging of admittance has caused great indignation among the colonials, which will not help to heal the friction arising from the general mismanagement of the War Office."

IT is quite likely Col. Prior will visit the Kootenays early this autumn. He should receive a "warm" reception.

IN some quarters in Victoria, it is believed that Premier Dunsmuir, on his return from England, will hand over the leadership of the Government to Col Prior. It is quite evident some understanding exists between the Premier and the Colonel.

IN the event of a cessation in political hostilities, Joseph Martin can rest assured that his services as a baseball umpire will still be in great demand.

JUST now it looks as if G. W. Ross were Premier in name only. Instead of having a majority in the Ontario House, he may be in the minority.

JOSEPH MARTIN'S visit to the Kootenays may be without political significance, but there is an impression abroad that the man from Manitoba is sawing wood while Premier Dunsmuir is hobnobbing with royalty.

THE Duchy of Lancaster yields the King an annual revenue of £60,000, so His Majesty can rest assured that his old age is well provided for.

VENTS AND GOSSIP

IT is announced that Rev. W. J. Sipprell, B A., B.D., Principal of Columbian College, New Westminster, is making his annual trip through the Kootenays in the interest of that institution and will preach in the Methodist church to-morrow, and on Monday evening give his unique illustrated lecture on the Sunny South, showing a number of magnificent views of Lower California and the Southern States. The college of which Principal Sipprell is the head was started ten years ago by the British Columbian conference of the Methodist church. It did not escape the struggle incident to the infancy of such enterprises, but through the loyalty and faith of its founders and timely aid from the late H. A. Massey, it has surmounted all difficulties, and is rapidly becoming one of the foremost educational forces of the Province. Some years ago affiliation was secured with Toronto University, and students are now able to take the first two years of the Arts course. The remaining years will be added as soon as there is a demand for them. In addition to the Arts work students are prepared for matriculation in Arts, Medicine, Law, Dentistry and Theology, as well as all grades of teachers' certificates. A full business college course, equal to the best obtainable in the West, has recently been added, beside departments in Music and Art under the direction of highly qualified instructors. The college is carefully managed and is a boon to many who otherwise would have to send their children far from home. It has fine buildings and spacious grounds. Last year about seventy young men and women were in attendance, of whom about half boarded in the institution. For homelike surroundings and highclass educational advantages, it is unsurpassed west of Winnipeg, and thoroughly deserves the increasing patronage it is receiving from all classes of the community.

The Senior Home will play the Senior Defense at the recreation grounds this evening (Friday). Balance of the teams will be chosen from the intermediates. This should be a splendid exhibition of the national game.

There is no excuse for writing poetry when you can buy good stuff at $1.25 a volume at the Canada Drug & Book Co's store.

Baldheads are rare in China. A Mongolian genius, years ago, discovered a method of sticking hairs in the bald spots, and his secret was soon learned by his imitative countrymen.

The man who gesticulates most wildly in an argument isn't always the man who promulgates the most valuable ideas. He is very liable to be beaten, in the opinion of the crowd, by the quiet man who doesn't move a finger, but whose low voice utters steady common sense.

A Vancouver man left the theatre after the prologue of "The Celebrated Case." When asked why he did not remain, he said that there was an elapse of twelve years between the prologue and the play, and he could not afford to wait that long.

In all this broad land she is found
Of every place a feature ;
On her vacation now she's bound
Sing, hey, the sweet schoolteacher.

A warrant has been issued for Willie MacAdams, and that gentleman will now have an opportunity of studying the Supreme Court Judges of British Columbia at short range.

Parents should teach their boys to swim. It is an accomplishment of which every boy and girl in the Dominion should be possessed. It would reduce more than anything else the number of reports of harrowing deaths by drowning to be found in the news columns daily after the opening of summer.

Nature has written a letter of credit upon some men's faces, which is honored almost wherever presented.

The addition of a son to Mr. R. W. Drew's family adds somewhat to the importance of Vernon street as a centre of population.

A New York actor was fined $20 and costs the other day for kissing a woman against her will. He is not the first man who has got into trouble by being too free with his mouth.

One of the city preachers declares that Adam was a colored man. If that is the case, the apple story will have to give way to the watermelon.

The overproduction of whiskey may have something to do with money being tight. What the financial depression needs is the gold cure.

The Nelson Board of Trade should confine itself to a fish diet.

Never lose sight of an honorable enemy ; he will make a good friend.

Here is an old story in a new dress, but people who laugh so heartily at the prehistoric jokes of the minstrel man should not kick about this : "A girl recently found a lot of love letters written by her father to her mother many years before they were married. The daughter read them to her mother

pretending they were of recent date, and substituting her own name for that of her mother's and the name of a young man very well known to both for her father's. Her mother was very much disgusted, and has forbidden her daughter to go with a young man who will write such nonsense and sickening stuff."

The Nelson baseball if it suceed in beating Sandon, will challenge some of the crack teams of the Eastern league for a match.

The Orangemen have made great preparations for the celebration of the Battle of the Boyne.

The Clara Mathes company did a big business at New Denver and Sandon.

And they said unto themselves, "Behold it is the Sabbath. Let us hie to the waters of Kootenay even while it is yet morning and fish." And so they cast the line and did troll mightily, rowing the boat in divers places. And they did not hook one small bass—not even a tenor or a soprano. But the stories they told were prodigious, so that this generation, wiser in their day than the children of light, did wink openly and bite their thumbs, saying, "Lord, how this world is given to lying."

The appeal against the decision of the referee in the lacrosse match Liberals against Conservatives, was heard and decided on Monday at the recreation grounds in a nine innings game of baseball, resulting in a reversal of the former decision and a snowslide in favor of the Tories. The result fully justified the claims made at the time that several of the prominent Conservative lacrosse players as well as the referee and goal umpires had been tampered with. The teams lined up as follows:

Grits—Laughton, p.; Carrie, c.; Wallace, 1 b.; Ferguson, 2 b; Turner, 3 b.; Dr. Hall, ss.; outfield, Dr. Arthur, F. A. Tamblyn and W. A. Jowett.

Tories—Chief Lillie, p.; Ball, c.; Annable, ss.; Steele, 1 b.; McLean, 2 b.; H. R. Cameron, 3 b.; outfield, Wilkinson, Fletcher and Capt. Gore.

Score, 50 to 19 in favor of Conservatives.

From the outset the Liberal machine showed the effects of admirable training; they did not waste any time in trying to hit the ball when at the bat nor stop it in the field, but made a decided effort to tire out their opponents, by allowing them to sprint themselves out around the bases, and this would have been successful had it not been that the Hon. Joseph Martin, who was officiating as umpire, saw through their reprehensible scheme and foiled it, by calling all who made home runs back to 2nd and giving them time to catch their wind there. In the sixth inninge some of the more independent members ventured against the machine and started in for individual effort, resulting in several of them getting around, but no doubt losing the game, as in this as well as advanced politics the individual can never win out against the association. The other side played ball. They said that they could not take any chances and started out to win, and won. The Hon. Joseph Martin made an ideal umpire. Whenever any decision did not coincide with the opinion of the crowd, he agreed with them and reversed it to suit the crowd, showing that he has made a careful study of human nature.

The moving pictures at the Nelson Opera House, Wednesday evening, were not as sucessful as they would have been had the machine which was being operated for the first time that night, been in good working order. However, enough was seen to show that the exhibition will be a good one when the machine is in good working order.

It will be time enough for our friends in the United States to jeer at Britain on account of the prolonged war in South Africa, when Uncle Sam's forces succeed in capturing Tracy.

Michael Ferrier, by E. Frances Poynter. Macmillan & Co., Ltd., London, and The Copp, Clark, Company, Ltd., Toronto. For sale by Canada Drug and Book Co., Nelson. The author of this very interesting novel evidently holds the view of the old song: "Man's Life's a Vapor Full of Woe," for all the characters are tinged with sadness, and their lives with tragedy, and whilst possible, so much misery in conglomerate fashion is hardly probable. The plot becomes increasingly absorbing as the book proceeds and one hurries through Switzerland in almost as much excitement as was naturally felt by the heroine in her race, not for her own life, but for that of one absorbingly loved. The rearing of the principal character as given is abnormal, seeing the liberty taken and allowed by the children of to-day but none the less it was true of many, not long ago. The scheming matron is well depicted, but the reader will be chiefly attracted to the companion of the heroine whose steadfastness and strength is good to read of.

She sat beside me in the car,
Young, fair—and yet so bold!
Looking me in the face she smiled,
Which pleased me, though I'm old.

When I responded to her smile
She seemed as though she knew me,
At any rate she slowly hitched
A little nearer to me.

She then (more coyish) laid her head
So gently on my shoulder,
Somehow my arms were quite inclined
To reach out and enfold her.

Softly she placed her hand in mine,
My confidence to gain;
But soon I felt her other hand
Was tampering with my chain.

I (quite beguiled) allowed her still
With me and mine to tamper,
Until a lady near her said,
"Baby! that isn't Grampa!"

At the Play.

BY GERTRUDE WEST.

IT was a "first night," and the curtain was about to rise upon the third act. At the end of the second act the situation was this: The hero of the play had been accused of a great crime. The officers were close upon his track, and disgrace, ruin and imprisonment were hand in hand with them. At this point he was alone with the woman he loved. He had told her of all the evils that compassed him and in the same instant had told her of his love. Would she risk all for him, fly with him, give up all else for love for him, or would she choose safety, comfort, an honorable name and home—all of which awaited her acceptance at the hands of another? The curtain had fallen upon the lover appealing, the woman debating. The house remained silent, hushed, almost like a house of death.

There were two in the orchestra chairs who were watching the play with an intensity of feeling that could hardly be veiled. One was a woman, young, handsome, bearing in every line of her face and figure testimony that she had never known other than the ease and comfort and security that wealth begets. By her side was a man of apparently the same rank. This was David Osborne of the —th National bank. The woman was Eleanor Wheelright, whom many supposed to be his affianced wife. In this, however, they were wrong, as no word of love had yet passed between the two. At the end of the second act Osborne had turned to his companion questioningly. "It is rather emotional," he said. "Are you ready to guess the outcome of all this passion? Will the girl be a fool and yield to his persuasions?"

"I hope so," Miss Wheelright replied, her tone gentle and sympathetic, "but I shall not call it 'being a fool.' Unless she can give up much for him she does not truly him."

"Even if he is the criminal?"

"That does not alter the fact."

After this they were silent for a little. At last he spoke again.

"If you were to be put to such a test, Eleanor, for the man you loved?"

"If I loved him, I think I should be equal to it."

Osborne's face grew a shade more pale as he asked the next question.

"Have you seen the evening papers?"

"Yes."

"Then you know our bank is in trouble?"

"Yes; I read all the account."

"But that did not tell you all. It did not tell you that I am suspected of embezzling the funds."

She sat very still and waited for him to go on.

"I ought not to have brought you out to-night. But I could not resist the temptation of spending one more delightful evening with you. I knew there would be no public accusation until to-morrow. I could not deny myself these few hours." He spoke very low, so that his words came to her ear in a mere whisper. "You know that I love you; that I hoped to make you my wife. I ought to have been strong enough not to tell you this now. I ought to have waited, but I could not." Miss Wheelright made no answer, but she put out her hand and touched the sleeve of his coat. It gave him courage.

"By morning I may be arrested," he said, "imprisoned. The amount of defalcation is very great. If I start soon—at once—I may be in Canada by morning and at least safe from arrest. A train leaves in an hour."

Miss Wheelright's agitation had been shown only by the nervous plucking at her gloves. One of these had been drawn off. She began now to draw it on again.

She held the hand out to him that he might button it. Then she drew her wraps about her. "Come," she said, we shall have no time to lose. Let us go at once."

"Eleanor, where? Home?" he asked not understanding her.

"No; where you said. There is time."

She had risen to her feet. Osborne rose also and put out one restraining hand. "Eleanor, think! You may repent," he said, but even as he spoke he began to move with her towards the exit. As they did this the curtain came up on the third act of the play, and almost involuntarily they paused to see the conclusion of the story, which was so much like their own.

The officers had just appeared, armed with the warrant for his arrest, and the lover had turned to confront them. The heroine interposed between him and them, and one of the officers spoke to her:

"Do not make our task any harder, my girl. We have come in time to save you from wasting yourself on this scoundrel. He has stolen the money of widows and orphans who have trusted him, and with this had thought to pave a golden road to comfort and luxury and indulgence—with you. The man will not deny his crime. You can see that from his face. Do not believe that his heart can be good or his love pure when he has so wronged others."

The girl had sunk down, sobbing and covering her face with her hands, after one long searching look at her lover. At this he came toward her appealingly.

"No, no!" she cried, waving him away. "Go! I don't love you. I was about to yield all for you. It was madness, for you are not worthy of it. It is past now!"

At the words of the officer, "He has stolen the money of widows and orphans, and with this had thought to pave a golden road to indulgence with you," Eleanor Wheelright had looked upon Osborne's face and read the truth there.

And when the girl had cried out: "It was madness. It is past now," Osborne had looked upon her face

and had seen that her own madness was also past.

Seeing this, he put out his arm to her calmly. "Shall I take you to your carriage?" he asked.

She bowed, and they went out together. A moment later Osborne shut the carriage door between them and went alone upon the road, a fugitive—the road that he had carefully paved with stolen gold.

SHORT STORIES

The right and wrong of the question of the nude in art were never better put than by Dr. Johnson a hundred years ago. "Sir," said the persisting James Boswell to him, "do you consider Mr. Opie's naked Venus indecent?" "No, sir," thundered the sturdy old moralist; "but your question is!"

An English minister was once visiting the Bishop of Derry when there were two or three other clericals in the house. One morning one of the parsons being late for breakfast, the bishop sent another brother of the cloth to go and see what detained him. In a few minutes he returned with the information that the delinquent had cut himself and was then audibly damming his blood.

At a convention of the Irish race in Dublin, two speakers, who had come from the United States, contributed the following sentences in the course of their speeches. One of them, in giving some details of personal history, informed his hearers that "he had left Ireland fifty-three years before, a naked little boy, without a dollar in his pocket." Said the other: "Until last week, I had never set foot in the land of my birth."

During a performance at the Lyceum Theatre in London, Sir Henry Irving was rather distracted by the remarks of two well-dressed women occupying adjoining stalls. At last, in the course of their conversation, one of them said: "Quite too nice, isn't it?" "Oh, quite more than too nice!" answered her companion; "only doesn't it strike you, a little weakness in the knees? "Weakness!" retorted her friend; "my dear girl, that's his pathos!"

While walking in South Audley Street, one afternoon, Robert Louis Stevenson and Edmund Gosse met a stalwart beggar, whom Gosse refused aid. Stevenson, however, wavered and finally handed him a sixpence. The man pocketed the coin forbore to thank his benefatcor, but fixing his eyes on Gosse, said in a loud voice: "And what is the other little gentleman going to give me?" "In future," said Stevenson, as they strode coldly on, "I shall be 'the other little gentleman.'"

A costermonger, while trundling his apple-ladden cart down a London street, was run into by a coaching party. The coster's cart got the worst of it, losing a wheel and its ruddy freight being scattered all over the street. The driver of the coach came back to settle for the damages, and expected to come in for a volley of choice cursing. But the coster looked at his cart, looked at his apples, looked at the coach, and finally gasped out: "Guv'ner dere eyn't no word fer it!"

Dumas *fils* tells of a double action joke which he played on Meissonier who was a botanist in his hours of leisure. The famous dramatist sent him a paper containing the dried roe of a herring, telling him that it was the seed of a very rare plant. "How are the seeds coming on?" he asked the great painter the next time he saw him. "Oh, beautifully; I have planted them in a circle." And he took the astonished joker to a corner of the garden where the heads of young herrings were just peeping up.

A youth started to take his best girl to the city. The couple boarded a street car, and when the conductor came in for the fare, the young man dived down in his pocket. To his horror, he discovered that his pocket was absolutely empty. Looking up at the conductor, he blurted out: "I've changed my pants and left my money at home." Then he looked questioningly at the girl. She shook her head and murmured: "So have I." The conductor grinned, the maiden blushed, and the young man signaled to stop.

"Pat" Alexander, to whom "Shirley" makes reference in his memoirs, on one occasion met Dr. William Chambers on the North Bridge, Edinburgh, and asked him excitedly: "Have you found her?" "Found whom?" "That woman you were advertising for." "Woman! I haven't been advertising for any woman." "Oh, yes; here it is," and from his waistcoat pocket he extracted a soiled advertisement clipped out of the *Scotsman*. The doctor took it and read: "Wanted a woman to clean Chambers." When he looked for Alexander, that gentleman had disappeared—wisely perhaps.

When the late Eugene Field was city editor of the Kansas City *Times* he found great amusement in annoying one of the characters employed on the paper. Ferguson was one of the "make-ups" on the paper, and in Wyandote, where he resided, just over the line from Kansas City, he was the leader of a local temperance society. For over a year, Field on coming down to the paper to go to work, would write a personal concerning Furguson. Generally it ran like this: "Mr. John Ferguson, the well-known 'make-up' of the *Times* composing-room, appeared for work yesterday in his usual beastly state of intoxication." This entertaining bit Field would send down in some bundle of copy, and the others of the composing-room would set it up and say nothing. Poor Ferguson knew that this awful personal was in their midst, and every night would go carefully over every galley for the purpose of locating and killing it. It gave him vast trouble. Every now and then Field would not write his personal about Furguson, and then the bewildered Ferguson was worse off than ever. As long as he could not find it, it might still be there. It almost drove the poor man off the paper. Now and then it escaped his eagle eye and was printed. On such occasions Ferguson's burdens were beyond the power of even a Christian spirit to bear.

Bill McCandlish,

As he will appear in the procession to-day.

Facts In the Case.

"My son has accepted a position in Judge Hobbs' office."

"Yes. I met him when he was running his legs off getting indorsements on his application for the job."—Cleveland Leader.

To a person who uses the brain a good deal a light novel or an amusing book of travels or social essays will be found to be of the very greatest value as a rest tonic. Where one is fond of children an hour spent in the nursery will be most resting.

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When a gala performance is given at the opera at Madrid, the show of lace worn by the ladies of the haute noblesse is truly remarkable, and, though valuable jewelry is also to be seen to a considerable extent, it is the lace mantilla and flounces which are most worthy of the admiration of connoisseurs. It is strange that the graceful national fashion of wearing mantillas still obtains, but the fact is undoubted.

At Otford, in Kent, there was formerly a palace of the Archbishop of Canterbury; Wolsey is said to to have held his court there. It was but a small place and is now a farm-house, picturesque enough, and olden, but exhibiting no special signs of prosperity. The other day however, this little incident happened: The Farmer sent for a carpenter to do some odd jobs about the house, and among other things to mend the knocker. The man took it off and said, after a close examination of it: "Do you know what this knocker is made of?" "Why, brass, I suppose." "No; it is pure gold." And it was. Think of the years that that rich prize has hung at the mercy of every tramp! A parallel case is that of the great globes on the pillars of the Summer Palace gates at Peking, which "the Barbarians," French and English, concluded to be of some baser metal, and left them untouched. And they, too, were solid gold.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

"Aberdeen" Mineral Claim, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District.

Where located: On Porcupine Creek.

Take notice that I, Archie Mainwaring-Johnson, as agent for Chris. Creamer, Free Miner's certificate No. B5097, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 5th day of July, 1902.

ARCHIE MAINWARING-JOHNSON.

Tenders for Jewelry Stock.

Sealed tenders, marked "Tender for Jewelry," will be received by the undersigned up to July 25th, at 12 o'clock noon, for the stock in trade, fixtures and book accounts of the estate of Brown Bros., lately of Nelson, B. C., Jewellers, etc., as follows: Stock, $4,300.00; fixtures, $355.05; Book accounts, $350.00. Stock lists, etc. can be seen and property inspected by application to the undersigned. Tenders may be for "Stock," "Fixtures," "Book accounts," or for all three. Terms—One-third Cash. Balance at 30 and 60 days, secured.

P. LAMONT,
Assignee.

Nelson, B. C., June 25, 1902.

"Companies' Act, 1897," and Amending Acts.

Notice is hereby given that Samuel G. Fowler, Gentleman, of Nelson, B. C., has been appointed the attorney for the "Ymir Gold Mines, Limited", and "The Enterprise (British Columbia) Mines, Limited," in place of the late James R. Robertson, and also attorney for "The Whitewater Mines, Limited", in place of George Alexander of Kaslo, B. C.

Notice is also given that the said Samuel S. Fowler and John Fraser, of Nelson, B. C., have been appointed attorneys for "The London and British Columbia Gold Fields, Limited", in place of James R. Robertson.

Dated this 8th day of April, 1902.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Transvaal Mineral Claim, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District.

Where located: On Toad Mountain, about half a mile west of the Silver King Mine.

Take notice that I, John McLatchie, of the City of Nelson, acting as agent for Percy Chapman, Free Miner's Certificate No. B50,845, Duncan McArthur, Free Miner's Certificate, No. B50,412, Ignatius G. Nelson, Free Miner's Certificate No. B50,961, and Colbourne D. Jarvis, Free Miner's Certificate No. B50,963, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 17th day of May, A. D. 1902.

JOHN McLATCHIE, P. L. S.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Stemwinder Mineral Claim, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District.

Where located: On Toad Mountain, about half a mile west of the Silver King Mine.

Take notice that I, John McLatchie, of the City of Nelson, acting as agent for A. Macdonald, Free Miner's Certificate No. B 50,843, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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