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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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THE PASSING HOUR

Anecdotes of the Late Chas. Thibault.

A GREAT CAMPAIGNER

Biography of Sir Charles Tupper ---Sir Richard Cartwright's Speech.

The late Charles Thibault, who was killed by a train in the eastern townships the other day, remarks the St. John (N. B.) Sun, was the hero of many campaign stories. It was he who managed the Conservative campaign in Athabaska when Sir Wilfrid Laurier was defeated there in the by-election following his promotion to the Mackenzie cabinet. He organized a similar campaign in Quebec East when the young minister made his second and successful effort to find a constituency. Thibault was conspicuous in many struggles in Quebec city when popular feeling was so strong that speakers were howled down and platforms wrecked. On one or two occasions he got a hearing from a crowd which his comrades had failed to control.

Probably the traditions of his 1877 campaign against Hon. W. B. Vail in Digby are less familiar than they were a dozen years ago. Mr. Vail, when minister of militia in the Mackenzie government, was found to have been interested in the Halifax Citizen newspaper, which had printing contracts. Mr. Jones, the present lieutenant-governor of Nova Scotia, Speaker Anglin, and other members were in the same box. They did not fight out the case but gave up their seats and sought re-election. Mr. Thibault followed Mr. Vail to Nova Scotia and addressed himself to the Acadian population.

Mr. H. Robichau, who, if he is living, is a member of the Nova Scotia legislative council, but was then in the provincial legislature, used to tell of Mr. Thibault's methods. It is possible that this good-natured Acadian in his desire to make a good story exaggerated the contortions which Mr. Thibault underwent in order to push his hand down the leg of his trousers to his boots to show how deep Mr. Vail was digging in the pocket of the people. Surely Mr. Robichau must have been assisted by his imagination when he described how the Quebec campaigner exhibited a cancelled insurance policy as a bull from the Pope condemning Mr. Vail. But Mr. Vail was defeated and was never more a member of any ministry.

Mr. Thibault published about 1883 a biography of Sir Charles Tupper. It is a characteristic work, containing a good deal of oratory and rhetoric, some felicitous and some startling remarks about abstract politics and the philosophy of government, a splendid assortment of eulogistic epithets, but only a moderate quantity of narrative. One of Sir Richard Cartwright's most sprightly short speeches in the house was made on the item of supply of $18.75 for a number of copies of this book for the parliamentary library. Sir Richard read in his best manner extracts from the book and offered comments of his own. For instance Mr. Thibault wrote: "Sir John A. Macdonald charms his adversaries; Sir Hector Langevin convinces them; Sir Leonard Tilley coaxes them; Mr. Blake inspires them; Mr. Chapleau astonishes them; Mr. Pope perplexes them; Mr. Laurier mesmerizes them; Sir Charles Tupper nails them down—masters them; one would think he grasped some solid and heavy weapon with which he mercilessly strikes his opponents. He holds above them the glistening sword of Damocles. A conservative Danton, advancing with powerful strides toward the goal with an ever increasing audacity, heightened by constant successes." These and other extracts Sir Richard read, while Sir Charles, then a minister on the front bench opposite, laughed more heartily than the other members. In conclusion Sir Richard said that he would not only support this item, but would gladly pay an equal amount out of his own pocket towards similar biographies of other ministers. No one spoke further on the subject, but Sir Charles was seen to cross the floor shortly after to congratulate his opponent on his happy speech.

It should be said that according to Sir Richard's rendering it was an unsigned land patent from the department of the interior which Mr. Thibault exhibited in Digby "as a rescript signed by the highest spiritual authority in which eternal condemnation was pronounced against all infidels who might vote against Mr. Thibault and Sir Charles Tupper." Sir Richard added that when he heard this anecdote he felt that "we had the right man in the right place, the biographer was worthy of the hero and the hero of the biographer.

ERMINIE.

If the rehearsals that have already taken place are to be accepted as a sure indication of what is to follow, the forthcoming production of Erminie will certainly eclipse anything yet given by the Nelson Operatic Society. The music of this opera is peculiarly adapted to the capabilities of the Nelson musical organization. The choruses are bright and will be rendered in a manner certain to meet with the approbation of those who will be fortunate enough to witness the performance. The scenery for this production is now being painted by B. E. Foltz, the well known artist of Spokane. It will be the most elaborate and artistic ever set on the Nelson stage. The production is being directed by Milton Smith, one of the most efficient musical directors in the country. Melville Parry is stage director, and he expresses himself highly pleased with the progress of the rehearsals. Altogether the performance is absolutely certain to be the greatest musical treat yet provided for the music-lovers of Nelson, and no doubt the audience will be large and appreciative. The seat sale opens Monday at 10 o'clock at the Opera House.

HOME AGAIN.

Hon. Charles Wilson has returned to Victoria from his visit to London. Mr. Wilson was born and brought up in London, and left there forty-two years ago. In discussing matters appertaining to industrial development in this Province, the Attorney-General mentioned to a Colonist reporter that a pulp company, to operate in British Columbia, was organized while he was in London, and said he thought there was very little doubt that the capital would be found, and that the operations would be begun before very long. To the question, "Are you glad to be back?" the Attorney-General replied: "British Columbians do not realize what a country they have until they get out of it. Dense fog in London, 10 below zero in New York, 40 below on the prairie, worse and more of it at Winnipeg. It is not until one crosses the mountains that one realizes that life is worth the living. Yes, sir," said Mr. Wilson, in a climax of enthusiasm, "I am glad to be back. We have here the finest country on this green earth."

ROCK OF GIBRALTAR

Captured by the British in 1704.

A GREAT POSSESSION

Which Britain Holds for Material and Sentimental Reasons.

On August 4, 1704 (new style), the Rock of Gibraltar was captured by Great Britain, and it has remained in her possession from that day to this. Among the many possessions scattered all over the globe that are comprised in the British empire to-day, there is none that the nation holds with greater tenacity for reasons both of sentiment and of material interest, and none that it would lose with more poignant shame or sorrow, than the redoubtable stronghold we took from Spain at the beginning of the reign of Queen Anne.

The fact that throughout the eighteenth century, when so many conquests in both hemispheres changed hands backward and forward in successive treaties, Gibraltar remained permanently in the keeping of England might seem to prove that the British sentiment with regard to it was from the first the same as it is to-day. But this is far from having been the case. For, although, at the end of two hundred years of our possession of the fortress, at a time when the imperial instinct of Englishmen has become more consciously developed and more deeply ingrained than ever before, and at the same time more intelligently appreciative of the true meaning of sea power and alive to the strategical requirements of its maintenance, the retention of the key of the Mediterranean has become an essential article of our political creed, it was a considerable time before the immense value of the acquisition was fully realized by British statesmen.

It seems strange enough to us to remember that King George I and his ministers were ready to give up Gibraltar merely to secure Spain's acquiescence in the arrangement by which the quapruple alliance was anxious to make some pettifogging modifications in the shuffle of territories effected by the treaty of Utrecht, but it is still more extraordinary that so clear sighted, patriotic and high spirited an empire builder as Lord Chatham himself should have made a similar offer as an inducement to Spain to help us to recover Minorca—and, this moreover, at a time when the fortress had been in our hands more than half a century and its vital importance to our growing maritime supremacy had already been abundantly proved in the naval wars of the period. Happily, the Spaniards were as blind as ourselves to the supreme importance of the position, commanding the road from the Atlantic to the Mediterranean.

The truth is, as readers of Mahan do not need to be reminded, that the importance of sea power and the nature of the foundations on which it is based were very imperfectly grasped even by England in the seventeenth century, and scarcely at all by any other European power. Occassionally at intervals some statesmen like Colbert, in France, or Alberoni, in Spain, had more than an inkling of the truth, but no nation except England made deliberate and sustained efforts with a view to maritime development. Even Eng- did so rather by instinct than by insight.

Of this blindness to the true principles of maritime policy the taking of Gibraltar and its history during the following three-quarters of a century afforded a striking illustration. Just as the vast importance of its acquisition was at the time underrated both by England and Spain, so its actual capture by the former was an after thought and (it may almost be said) an accident. It became a British possession in the first instance because at a time when we happened to be at war with one of the rival claimants in the Mediterranean happened to have no particular object in view, and, having failed in his only enterprise of that year, was unwilling to return home with a fine fleet that had done nothing for the honor of the flag. So he thought he might as well make an attack on Gibraltar as do anything else. Nevertheless, his action has to be reckoned among the notable "deeds that won the empire," and one that on its bicentenary deserved to be held in remembrance.

SPECIAL NUMBER.

The Victoria Times celebrates its twenty-first anniversary of the founding of the paper on July 21st next. In honor of the occasion the proprietors anticipate publishing a meritorious special number, fully illustrated, entitled B. C. as a field for the investor. The publication, which will have a very wide and large distribution, is being ing prepared by Arthur Wheeler, the special correspondent, who is now in this city. There can be little doubt of the ultimate success of this venture; the time is ripe for an intelligent writeup of the various fields for investment the Province offers and it is a foregone conclusion that a conservative article, well written and well illustrated, will do the Province generally an untold amount of good. The intention is to give away a large number of the copies at the Portland, Winnipeg, and Territorial exhibitions and the advertising, especially for lands and mines, should find a ready sale.

A. L. McKillop will deliver a lecture before the Success Club next Monday night. His subject will be "Assaying."

A committee of the Success Club threaten us with an amateur dramatic performance before the close of the winter season.

Next week the editors of western Alberta and eastern British Columbia will meet at Calgary for the purpose of forming an editorial association.

Geo. A. Hunter will leave for Toronto next Saturday to attend the annual general meeting of the Manufacturers' Life, which takes place on February 2nd.

The Slocan Drill reports that ore has been coming down freely during the week from the Black Prince. The road to the mine is in good shape and not much difficulty is experienced in handling the ore. From the Ottawa one carload was shipped to the Nelson smelter. Shipments for the week 66 tons, for the year 191 tons.

The Standard Furniture Company has moved into its new quarters in the Stocks building, and has now one of the best appointed furniture establishments in British Columbia. The extensive floor room space affords every desired requirement for the display of what is conceded to be the best furniture stock to be found in any city in Canada with the same population as Nelson. This firm deals in only the best class of goods, and as a result really controls the furniture trade of the Kootenay. All goods sold by the Standard Furniture Company are first-class in every respect. In the new quarters the company will be still further enabled to supply the wants of customers. The show-rooms will well repay a visit to any one who delights in beautiful furniture.

AN OLD GAOL BIRD

John Rogers at His Old Tricks.

BACK TO THE "PEN."

A New Brunswick Sheriff Officiates as Public Executioner.

John Rogers, who has spent so many happy hours in the Provincial gaol here under the guardianship of Warden Lemon, is once more in trouble. It will be remembered that Rogers was sent down to the Penitentiary from Nelson a few years ago, and that his last words on parting with his friends here were that he would return again, when his sentence was completed. But John did not fulfil his promise. Instead, he took up his residence at Vancouver. Rogers was soon at his old tricks. He branched out, and succeeded, in a manner worthy of the most distinguished crooks of the larger cities, in obtaining large sums of money under false pretenses. He claimed to own large property interests at Toronto Junction, worth about $15,000, and for which a man named Stewart was willing to pay nearly that amount. He did not want to sell to Stewart, however, but was willing to deal with a family named Dorfman for a much smaller amount; they in turn could sell to Stewart, and make a big clean up. Under the name of Stewart he telephoned the Dorfmans several times, stating that he was willing to buy. Dorfman became suspicious, and eventually discovered that Stewart was a myth, and that Rogers did not own any property at Toronto Junction. Then Rogers was arrested, and before the judge he made a strong plea for mercy. Asked if he had anything to say for himself, the prisoner rose trembling to his feet and poured out a torrent of passionate denunciations against the prosecutors. "It grieves me to my heart," he said, "that I should be in this position, after having fought to defend the British flag on behalf of such scoundrels as these (pointing to the Dorfmans). I don't know what put it into my head to telephone, but it shows how ready some people are to take advantage of a guest. They have brought up the question of my being in prison before, but between me and God, Your Lordship, I was cruelly treated. I was sentenced to three years' imprisonment for taking a little bag off a boat, with the paltry sum of $10 in it. I say I have been unmercifully treated. These people gave me liquor—poison—that put snakes and flywheels in my head and I didn't know what I was doing. If I had wanted to cheat them, why didn't I run away. I knew that my pension was coming, and I was only waiting for it to pay my whiskey bill. I thank Your Lordship for your strict attention. I am old in years and I hope you will be lenient with me." The judge reminded the prisoner that he had been only too willing to run himself into trouble. He had made himself liable to three years' imprisonment, but he would not give him that—he would sentence him to two years imprisonment instead. "I thank Your Lordship," replied the prisoner, "and I know that two years will pass easily for me, because I shall serve it with a clear conscience, knowing that I am innocent of this charge."

For the first time in many years in Canada a sheriff has acted as executioner. The victim was Cammack, of Woodstock, N. B., and the executioner was the sheriff of that place. It is in reality the duty of sheriffs to perform this task, but they have almost invariably sublet this contract to some one else, in later years to Radcliffe, the public executioner. In the case of Cammack, the Dominion "official" was engaged on the same date at Kamloops, B. C., and could not be present, so the sheriff performed the work himself and did it most successfully. Previous to the appointment of Radcliffe as hangman for Canada, it was customary for sheriffs to hire any man who would undertake the disagreeable task for a financial consideration and it was the outcry against the bungling of some of these amateurs that led to Radcliffe's appointment. In the latter eighties a man named Harvey was hanged at Guelph. It was in the days when the "jerk-up" gallows was used, and, owing to the bungling of the nervous and inexperienced character employed as an executioner, the noose slipped over the point of the victim's jaw and he died a horrible and cruel death, being suspended for nearly a quarter of an hour struggling and breathing stertorously. In consequence of the severe strictures passed on this execution, Radcliffe was appointed and has since carried out his duties in a satisfactory manner in so far as assuring a prompt and speedy death to the condemned is concerned.

It will be sad news for the many friends of "Prof." Hepburn in Nelson to learn that that gentleman is in serious trouble. Some months ago he left Vernon under a cloud, several clouds, in fact, and now that he has been located at Snohomish, Wash., the Vernonites threaten through legal process to recover the amounts he owed them when he so uncermoniously left their city. This is very inconsiderate on the part of the Vernonites. Under the same conditions, the citizens of Nelson would present present "Prof." Hepburn with another gold watch.

There is grave danger that through internal dissensions the Nelson Club may be disrupted. The causes given for this condition are numerous, and not likely to be settled for some time. Why not arbitrate the differences? Surely Mr. Blakemore would consent to act as arbitrator. Indeed, it is hinted that he has intimated that he would be willing to do so, under certain conditions.

Mrs. Miriam Squire, the mother of Fred. J. Squire, will to-morrow celebrate her eightieth birthday. Mrs. Squire was born in England in 1824, and while yet a young woman came to Ontario. There she lived until her family was grown up, and about 14 years ago came to Nelson. Although so far advanced in years, she is remarkably bright in every way, and delights in relating stories of early days in Nelson. Her many friends will wish that she may live to see many more birthdays.

E. Jacobs, who compiled the mining articles for the holiday number of the Nelson Daily News, has been appointed managing editor of the B. C. Mining Record, H. Mortimer Lamb having resigned that office in his favor. By an arrangement with Mr. Lamb, Mr. Jacobs acquires a substantial interest in the British Columbia Record, Ltd., and assumes charge of the Mining Record, the directors appoving of this arrangement and making the appointment mutually agreed upon between the two gentlemen above named.

The Kaslo Kootenaian has a very cheerful article on the propects for the coming year. It considers that the advertisement which the shipments of zinc which are now being hauled to Kaslo for shipment to the United States smelters will undoubtedly bring immediate results, and properties which have long remained idle will again resume activity and share in the prosperity which will result by the exploitation of this new branch of the mining industry.

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FEATS IN BALANCING

Wild Animals Are Trained to Perform Difficult Tricks.

The dexterity of the Hindoos in tumbling, rope dancing and legerdemain is so much superior to that of Europeans and Japanese that the statements of travellers on the subject were much doubted until they were brought to exhibit their singular feats in this country. Nothing is more common in India than to see young girls walking on their hands and feet, with their body bent backward. Another girl will bend backward, plunge her head into a hole about eighteen inches deep, full of water and dirt, and bring up between her lips a ring that was buried in the mud. The women may frequently be seen dancing together on a rope stretched over trestles, the one playing on the vina, or Hindoo guitar; the other holding two vessels brimful of water, and capering about without spilling a drop. A plank is sometimes fixed on the top of a pole twenty-five feet high, which is set upright; a man then climbs up it, springs backward and seats himself upon the plank.

Another mountebank balances himself by the middle of the body on a bamboo pole, fifteen or eighteen feet high. He first sets it upright, and then climbs up it, with his legs and arms, as if it was a firmly rooted tree. On reaching the top he clings to it with his feet and hands, after fixing the centre of the pole in the middle of his sash, and dances, moving about in all directions to the sounds of music without the pole ever losing its equilibrium. He then descends, taking a boy on his shoulders, climbs up the pole again, and stands on the top on one leg. Sometimes a boy lies across the extremity of the bamboo and holds himself quite stiff for a considerable time. A man lifts up the pole and the boy in this state, and moves them about in all directions without losing the balance.

A still more extraordinary feat is performed by the Hindoo women. One of them will sometimes balance herself in a horizontal position, with her arms extended, like a person swimming, on the top of a bamboo pole ninety feet high, fixed to the ground. In a short time she seems to have lost her balance and falls to the no small terror of the spectators, but this is only one of her customary movements. She catches by one foot in a rope fastened to a bar which crosses the middle of the pole and remains suspended with her head downward.

The Hindoos are not only extremely dexterous themselves, but they have found means to communicate their dexterity to the very brutes. They train bullocks or buffaloes, for instance, to the performance of every difficult task. A Hindoo lies down upon the ground on his back and places on the lower part of the stomach a piece of wood cut in the shape of a series of spools. A buffalo at the command of his master, sets first one foot and then the other on this piece of wood and then his two hinder feet in succession and balances himself upon it. But this is not all; the master of the buffalo places a second pedestal by the side of the first; the animal steps upon it in like manner, and when he has placed all four feet on this movable column he balances himself upon it with wonderful dexterity. Goats are also taught to perform the trick, in which we know not whether most to admire the patience or the docility of the animal.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Jeffrey Hammer, of Grand Forks, seems to have made a hit with the citizens of that place. They elected him their mayor by a large majority.

The Dawson hockey team that journeyed from the Yukon capital to Ottawa to play for the Canadian championship was defeated by 23 to 2. This looks as if the brand of hockey played in the Yukon is on a par with the Government of that territory.

For the sake of law and order it is to be hoped that the miscreant who shot at M. S. Davys, in Silverton, will be apprehended and punished. If the men had a grievance, there were other methods by which to get redress, without resorting to murder.

A statistician says the world's production of gold for the first half of the nineteeth century, or from 1800 to 1849 inclusive was $787,465,000. The second half of the century witnessed an enormous expansion, the sum of $6,906,679,100 in gold having been produced in the world.

It seems to be a foregone conclusion that the Ross Government will be defeated at the polls next Wednesday. The severest criticism of the Government's methods comes from the Liberal newspapers. In the event of defeat, it is understood that Mr. Whitney has the material to form a strong Government.

There must have been a great outpouring of the spirit in Greenwood recently. The Greenwood Times of January 6, announced: "Next Sunday morning Mr. Blakemore, of Nelson, will preach in the Methodist Church. In the evening the pastor will preach the first of four sermons on the Prodigal Son."

Just think of the manager of the West Kootenay Power & Light Company offering to sell to the City Council the pole line from Bonnington Falls to Nelson! The "progressive" party will not buy anything from the W. K. P. & L. Co., and Lorne Campbell would have known as much if he had been a constant reader of the Nelson Tribune.

There certainly has been something doing in Nelson the last four or five days. The guilliotine has been working overtime, with the result that many heads have dropped into the basket. This is not a matter for surprise. It was suspected that the reign of terror would begin with the inauguration of the new council. The beheading process has only begun; the guillotine will continue its work until every capable city official has been discharged or reduced to a proper condition of servility. This is what 515 persons voted for, and they are now getting what they ordered.

Notice.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for the purchase of the following lands. Commencing at the South-East corner of lot 6300, Group (1) one, West Kootenay, at a post marked J. E. A. South-West corner and running North along East line of lot 6300 40 chains, thence East 40 chains, thence South 40 chains, thence West along Columbia & Kootenay Railway to place of commencement and containing 200 acres more or less.

Nelson, Dec. 5th, 1901.

J. E. ANNABLE.

NOTICE.

In the matter of an application for a duplicate of a Certificate of Title to Lots 7, 9, 10, 11 and 12, Block 15, Lots 3 and 4, Block 23 and Lot 12, Block 50, Nelson City, (Map 266).

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to issue at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above mentioned Lots in the name of Henry Jacoby, which Certificate is dated the 29th day of April, 1892, and numbered 13873 A.

Land Registry Office, Nelson, B. C.
28th December, 1904.

"H. F. MACLEOD."
District Registrar.

Notice.

Take notice that I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the land hereinafter mentioned and that such application will be made sixty days from the date hereof. The land mentioned is as follows: Situated on the North shore of Kootenay River. Description of boundaries of land: Commencing at the South West corner post of Lot 605, thence in a Northerly direction 20 chains, thence in a Westerly direction 20 chains, thence in a Southerly direction to North bank of Kootenay River, thence along water front to point of commencement.

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The rumor comes from Ottawa that Senator Templeman will be the next Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia. The appointment will give general satisfaction, and if Sir Wilfrid Laurier had taken the advice of THE ECONOMIST six years ago, Senator Templeman would have been Lieutenant-Governor at that time. It is also hinted that a new portfolio (Department of Mines) will be created. In such an event, we trust that the new minister will be from British Columbia, and that William A. Galliher will receive the appointment. He would fill the office with honor to himself and the Liberal Government.

The organization of a local game protective association is a step in the right direction. There are several associations of this character in the Province and effective work in the way of protecting game has already been done elsewhere. It has been painfully evident for some time that if some action be not taken soon to prevent the wholesale slaughter of game, it will only be a short time until there will be very little game left to protect. Mr. T. G. Procter, who is one of the leading spirits in the new association, has devoted considerable time and expense in introducing new species of game into the country, and it will be too bad if they are killed off, before they have a chance to propagate. A close season covering a period of three years would have beneficial results.

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'PHONE 19

Certificate of Improvements.

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

Where located: On Rover Creek, about three miles from Kootenay River. Take notice that I, Frank Fletcher, of the City of Nelson, acting as agent for myself, Free Miner's Certificate No. B82,023, and A. C. Flummerfelt, Free Miner's Certificate No. B80,024, 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 26th day of May, A. D 1904.

FRANK FLETCHER.

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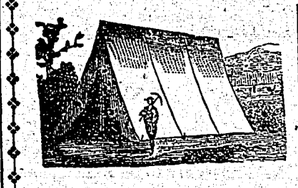

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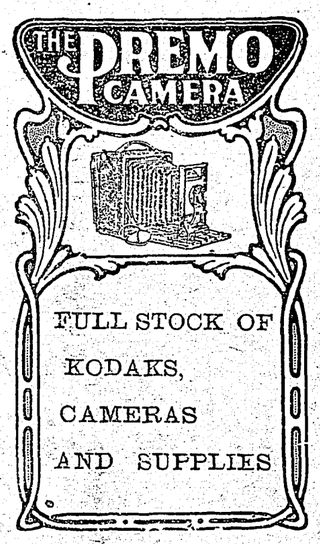

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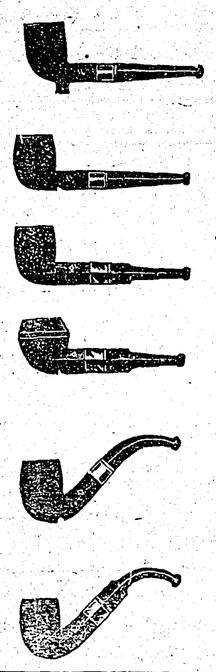

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VENTS AND GOSSIP

The wife of C. I. Archibald gave birth to a son last Monday.

The stamp mill at the Eva mine, Camborne, is again in operation.

The Spyglass people are starting in to develop the Homestake group, on Rapid creek.

If he can possibly spare the time, Ald. Gillett will visit his old home in Newfoundland shortly.

Nelson hockey team defeated Rossland 10 to 2 Thursday evening. Last night the Rosslanders played Fernie a draw, the score being 4 to 4.

Last night's frost improved the ice at both rinks, and it now looks as if everything would be in good shape for the great bonspiel next week.

The deputy minister of agriculture has sent J. E. Annable application forms and blanks for membership in the proposed local branch of the Farmer's Institute.

Patenaude Bros. are offering for sale a splendid line of sporting goods for the winter season. Included in this sale are a beautiful lot of enamel skate and enamel hockey stick pins.

Dr. Hamilton was called to Ymir last Sunday to perform an operation for appendicitis on a young Englishman named Teddy Cooper. The operation was successful and the patient is now making satisfactory progress towards recovery.

The Nelson lady hockeyists practiced at the skating rink from 1 till 2 o'clock this afternoon. They hope to be able to arrange a match for a date in the near future. There are some complaints on account of the charge of 25 cents for an hour's practice.

The B. C. Photo Engraving Company, Victoria, are making several cuts from photographs taken of the fruit tables and general displays at the Nelson Fair of 1904. These cuts are 4x6in., and will be used in advertising the district, and will also be inserted in the anniversary edition of the Victoria Times.

The Fred Irvine Company, Ltd., has now on another of those sales for which this firm has become famous. Just now there is a sale of whitewear, of the very latest styles in cut and trimmings. These goods will be sold at extremely low prices. Under its cash system, this firm is enabled to undersell any dry goods house in the Kootenays.

The following gentlemen compose the committee of the Kootenay Game Protective Association: Messrs. C. W. Busk, A. M. Johnson, A. Tregillus, C. St. Barbe, T. G. Procte, J. Fred Hume, F. Fletcher, J. J. Campbell, E. C. Wragge, J. E. Lay, C. W. Eskrigge, E. Sutcliffe, R. Helme and James Johnstone. A constitution and by-laws are in course of preparation.

Queen City Rebekah Lodge No. I. O. O. F. has installed the following officers: N. G., Miss Bacom; V. G., Miss N. Jackson; recording secretary, Miss Epperson; financial secretary, Miss Langford; treasurer, Mrs. Keeley; W., Mrs. Bulger; C., Mrs. Bjerkness; chaplain, Mrs. Kilby; R. S. N. G., Mrs. Fred. Smith; R. S. N. G., Mrs. Baker; R. S. V. G., Miss Anderson; L. S. V. G., Miss Holm; A. S., Mrs. McLean and Miss Irving; O. G., Mrs. George Hale; I. G., Mrs. Munro.

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Court etiquette and religious scruples have had an amusing tussle at The Hague. The trouble arose when the daughters of Dr. Kuyper, the Premier, were invited to the first court ball of the season. Low-necked dresses were commanded, but the Misses Kuyper decided that decollete dresses were inconsistent with their religious principles. They applied for a dispensation, but received a curt reply from the mistress of the ceremonies, who declared that time-honored customs of the Dutch court must be adhered to. Dr. Kuyper made direct representations on the subject to Queen Wilhelmina, with the result that a compromise was arranged. The Misses Kuyper will stay away from the ball, but will take tea with their sovereign in high-necked dresses the same afternoon.

The "Tailor and Cutter," which has been accustomed to describe Joseph Chamberlain as the pink of fashion, has this to say of the Colonial Secretary in a recent issue: "We are sorry to note that Mr. Chamberlain is developing quite a stoop, and fear he is losing some of his old-time smartness. It is true that his monocle is still in its old place, but we miss the familiar orchid, and, as we have examined his garments, we could not but feel that conservatism was sadly apparent, for there was much in them that was not up to date." Mr. Chamberlain's coat lapels, says the "Tailor and Cutter," are plain, heavy, and disfigured by a long, gaping breast-pocket, like some ugly wound, calling for assistance. The washing vest of Mr. Chamberlain, the paper adds, was quite out of harmony with his coat, while his trousers were wide and unshapely.

"Have the letters been duly examined by the hand-writing expert?" "Yes, your honor." "Very well, let the hand-writing expert now be examined by the insanity expert."—"Ohio State Journal."

Faith and Works.

A piece of bright class-room repartee comes from a Western college. The professor had been annoyed by the tardy entrance of a student into the lecture-room, and pointedly stopped talking until the man took his seat.

After class the student went to the desk and apologized.

"My watch was fifteen minutes out of the way, sir. It's bothered me a good deal lately, but after this I shall put no more faith in it."

"It's not faith you want in it," replied the professor; "it's works."

Tragedies of the Arctic.

AN extraordinary coincidence has been developed by a recent Arctic tragedy brought about by the expedition of the Duke of the Abruzzi.

When this navigator went on his journey to the North Pole he took with him among others Lieutenant Querini, a Venetian gentleman of an old and noble family. His work over, the Duke returned, but the lieutenant was not with him, for he had lost his life through an accident in the Arctic regions.

Now, at the very time when this accident occurred a professor in the technical school in Trieste, while rummaging in the archives of that city, discovered a manuscript bearing the date 1601, and containing an account of a journey made by one Pietro Querini, in 1431, to the Arctic regions. Querini is not a common name, and a little investigation showed that Pietro Querini was a direct ancestor of the other Pietro Querini who lost his life in the Arctic seas a few months ago.

"Querini," says the old manuscript, "sailed from Candia for Flanders on board a vessel loaded with merchandise and precious stones. When he arrived in Flanders he sold his cargo and started for the Arctic regions. A storm forced him to abandon his ship and to take refuge with his crew in two barks. The wind then carried them to the coast of Norway, but on January 9, 1432, Querini was again shipwrecked near the Lofoden Islands in seventy degrees north latitude, and almost all his companions were drowned."

For some time it was supposed that he, too, had been drowned, but in January, 1433, he appeared in Venice with ten companions, the only survivors of his original crew of seventy-eight men. It seems that he succeeded in gaining the shore after the others had been drowned, and then slowly made his way home through Denmark and Germany.

"Although these two Pietro Querinis," says a French writer, "are separated from each other by five centuries, we find the same destiny at work in the case of each." And he continues, with a dash of playfulness: "Is it not possible that the adventurer of the fifteenth century, desiring to enjoy once more the exciting days of his youth, actually became incarnated as a hero of the twentieth century?"

Good News!

Stage Manager—Mr. Heavy, you will take the part of Alonzo. Mr. Heavy—I have never seen this play. Do you think I can please the audience in that part? "Immensely. You die in the first act."—"Tit-Bits."

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In connection with our stocktaking sale we commenced on Monday a special House Furnishing Sale---all greatly reduced prices.

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Mr. Soper—Oh, Miss Beekley, your mirror should leave you in no doubt on that score!—"Punch."

Epigrams From New Books.

Slander is the crime of saying what other people think.—"The Giant's Gate."

The things men inherit are mostly weights; they must grow their own wings.—"In White and Black."

Those who have real merit are the last ones to see it in themselves and the first to see it in others.—"Josh Billings' Allminax."

There's times whin the divvie's a saint to what a man is, an' times whin a saint might wink at the divvie, friendly like, out av remimbrance of the ould days.—"Patricia of the Hills."

Men are singularly unoriginal when they make love or pray. Women and the Deity have been perpetually hearing the same thing from the beginning of speech.—"The Story of Eden."

Every woman who loves a man and is anxious about him is sure that if she can be alone with him for a moment he will tell her the truth about his condition. The experience of thousands of years has not taught women that if there is one person in the world from whom a man will try to conceal his ills and aches, it is the woman he loves.—"Marietta."

Evidence to the Contrary.

Citizen—Madam, why do you persist in punching me with your umbrella?

Madam—I want to make you look around, so I can thank you for giving me your seat. Now, sir, don't you go off and say that women haven't any manners.—Chicago "Record-Herald."

A Real Help.

The Woman's Aid Society in New York has done great work in helping the poor. Like all charitable organizations, it has to contend with ingratitude, stupidity, and wilful improvidence. The "Commercial Advertiser" relates one instance that is amusing to read of, but must have been a trifle discouraging to the society.

To a poor woman whose husband was in jail they gave some clothing and ten dollars in money, thinking that she would know best what she wanted, and so spend the money more wisely than they.

A week after the gift had been made a deputation of members called at the squalid home to see the results of their assistance. They found no improvement in the condition of the family.

"Well, Mrs. Nolan," asked one of them, "how are you getting along?"

"Fine," said Mrs. Nolan.

"Did the clothes fit, and did you find a use for the money?"

"Sure, the clothes fitted fine, an' the childer looked so nice I had all their pictures took wid the money ye gave me, an' I'm going to have me own took this week to send to the old folks in Ireland."

Algy — Pooh Gussie's condition is vewy serious, indeed. He cawn't even wouse his head fwom the pillow. Percy—Great heavens! What's the matter? Algy—The foolish fellah lost his head in a game of ping-pong lawst evening, and played steadily foh neahly fifteen

In Desperation.

The European king sighed and stirred uneasily. "My subjects," he exclaimed, "are getting so enlightened, so imbued with the ideas of democracy, that they no longer fawn upon me, toady to me. There's only one thing for me to do to relieve this monotony. I must visit America."—"Town Topics."

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