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We Wish Our Friends and Patrons One and All A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

The HERALD, in making its last appearance for the year 1000 takes the opportunity of wishing its numerous readers the compliments of the season. We cannot help feeling that the usual wish expressed on the first of the year is likely in the case of Revelstoke to be fulfilled. The new year that is coming upon us, approaches with promise of progress and increasee of business activity throughout the district. We hope, as we expect that this forecast will come to pass and that Revelstoke will find the first twelve months of the Twentieth Century to be indeed

A HAPPY AND RROSPEROUS YEAR.

GOOD ROADS ASSOCIATION

Following the example of Victoria, which formed its Good Roads Association at a meeting at which only five enthusiasts were present, the little gathering which met in the council chamber on Thursday evening last boldly took the bull by the horns and formed a district association for Revelstoke, hoping to enlist the sympathy and cooperation of a larger number at a subsequent meeting, which is called for next Wednesday evening at the same place. The HERALD hopes to see a considerable increase of interest on that occasion. These associations have done excellent work in Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime provinces. The result of their formation has been in every province a wiser expenditure of public money on road building. Every dollar spent has been made to tell and improved methods of construction and modern road building appliances have been introduced with the greatest success. Everybody knows how badly we need a more economical, systematic and scientific policy of road construction in this province. Its adoption would save thousands of dollars of the public funds and hundreds to every firm or private individual, whose business compels the frequent use of the public roads. Every man in Revelstoke is personally and directly interested in geetting good roads in this district and everybody should therefore make a special point of co-operation with the association, whose object is to get them.

The Nettie L.

Manager Pool reports the Nettie L. in good shape. About 10 tons a day is being rawhided down the hill to Ferguson and ore is striking out all along the road to the Landing. Owing to the lack of snow shipping operations have been greatly hampered. The winze in the crosscut is down about 55 feet and the lead is getting richer all the way.

The Buffalo Exposition.

In the hundreds of thousands of Canadians who will visit Buffalo next summer there will be scores from British Columbia who will look in vain for the products of their own province, which would compare so favorably with anything the continent can produce. They will no doubt blame the persons in authority, when the time has passed for agitation to do any good, but the Government will be in position to say that it but represented popular feeling, which has been of unconcern.—Columbian.

Fire at Comaplix.

A fire occurred on Thursday evening the private residence of D. J. Young, proprietor of the Hotel Lardeau at Comaplix. The house was empty at the time as the whole family were away at a dance, which was taking place in the Fred Robinson Co's boarding house. The building and its contents were totally consumed and Mr. Young and his family only saved the clothes, which they were wearing at the dance. The cause of the fire is unknown. Mr. Young paid a visit to town on Wednesday to replace his furniture.

Dinner and Presentation at Albert Canyon.

An agreeable social function was held at the Canyon on Thursday exening last when the popular teacher Miss A. W. Griffiths was entertained to dinner by a select company of friends, and at the conclusion presented with a gold watch and chain. Mr. Green, in making the presentation, testified to the efficient manner in which Miss. Griffiths had performed her duties gaining the respect of everyone and how much her departure was regretted. Dancing was afterwards indulged in in the hall for a few hours thus terminating one of the most enjoyable evenings ever spent in Albet Canyon.

Christmas in the Churches.

Services in the Roman Catholic church on Christmas day consisted of masses at 5, 8 and 10.30 p. m. and benediction in the evening. The church had been very tastefully decorated for the festival and looked very well.

Christmas began in St. Peter's church with evensong at 11.30 p. m. followed by a celebration of the Holy Eucharist at midnight. At 8 a. m. there was a second celebration and morning prayer and a third celebration at 11 a. m. The last service was choral. The church was decorated with abundance of holly, the gift of H. J. Bourne and looked very seasonable. The altar was decorated with white chrysanthemums obtained from the coast by Mrs. J. M. Scott and looked very lovely.

FIRE ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Two Fine Store Blocks Consumed in Calgary.

At 3 a. m. on Christmas morning a fire started in Calgary, which destroyed the Lougheed and Clarence blocks in the very centre of Stephen Avenue's busiest quarter. Both blocks were built of stone, the Clarence being three stories high and both were owned by Senator Lougheed.

AMERICAN AND GOAT OPTION

A Company Backed by Rothchilds Have Them Tied up at $20,000.

The four Abrahamson brother of Trout Lake and Revelstoke and Thos. Taylor, M. L. A., owners of the Goat and American mineral claims, located at the head of Haskins creek, have given an option to a representative of a company which the Eagle is informed is backed by the millionaire Rothchilds. The figure is $20,000, the whole payment being due on Aug. 1st.

Big Bend Wagon Road.

On Saturday morning just as the men were turning out to work, word was received at the camp to suspend all operations on the Big Bend wagon road and bring the working party and all stores and tools back to town. This order was the result of a wire to Insp. Killeen from the department. It was quite a surprise, as only last Thursday Mr. Killeen was up at the camp and told the party to get in another two weeks supplies, as he meant to stay with the work. The instructions received from the department give no reason for thesuspension of the work.

Since operations began about half a mile of the road has been finished and the party was busy at work on the big slide, some of the men being however employed beyond it. The slide presents from 200 to 250 yards of as difficult a piece of construction as is to be found anywhere in Kootenay. It is intersected by a creek, on the sides of which the bed rock, down to which it will be necessary to go to get a solid road, is exposed. It is a soft shale and lies about 20 feet below the surface of the slide. The idea is entertained that the best and cheapest method to get down to bedrock would by hydraulicking, an operation, which would have to be commenced early in the spring, while there is plenty of water in the creek. Beyond this slide the construction of the road though the canyon presents no serious obstacles.

Even if it was thought best to abandon manual labor on the slide in favor of some cheaper and speedier method, there is no reason why the work should not go on above it and it seems to the HERALD that some explanation is due to the people of Revelstoke from the department for their reason in abandoning the prosecution of operations, in which the place is so deeply and vitally interested.

The Good Roads Association.

At the meeting called to discuss the question of forming a district branch of the Provincial Good Roads Association last Thursday evening the Mayor, Ald. Kilpatrick and Gordon, Ed. Adair, A. Bennison, Fred Fraser and G. E. Grogan were present. Mr. Adair was elected to the chair and Mr. Fraser appointed secretary. By resolution of the meeting a branch of the Provincial Good Roads Association, to be called the Revelstoke Good Roads Association was formed. It was decided to hold another meeting on Wednesday evening Jan. 2nd 1901, in the council chamber and the secretary was instructed to write the following gentlemen to be present to meet the city council and members of the Association present on that occasion and co-operate with them in drafting bylaws, the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as be deemed advisable: F McCarty for Smith Creek; C B Hume, Goldstream and McCullough. A. W. McIntosh and J. D. Boyd, Keystone; I. T. Brewsier, Carnes Creek; J. M. Scott, Standard Basin; W. E. McLauchin, Jos. McCallum and W Cowan, Laforme Creek; J. M. Kellie, G. B Nagle, F. B Wells, L. H. Buck, T. Downs, Chas. Holten, T. E. L. Taylor, R. Tapping, H J. Bourne, B. R. Campbell, A. Johnson, T. J. Graham, Ham Donelly, T. Horne, J. H. Robinson, T Bain and T. Edwards for Revelstoke S. Crowle, Illecillewaet settlement, Ed. Adair, Greely Creek; David Hall, Hall's Landing; J. J. Foley, Arrowhead; D. Woolsey, J. P. Kennedy, Illecillewaet; Ole Sandberg, Albert Canyon and W. Ogilvie, Isaac Creek.

The Loop Tunnel.

A Montreal despatch reports Gen. Manager Whyte as saying that a new tunnel is to be built at the Loop next year.

The new tunnel, will be one of the longest on the line of the of the whole system of the Canadian Pacific railway. Several contractors are said to have figured on the work. The tunnel is about 1,000 feet in length, and is about third in the list of long tunnels on this continent. Its construction will save several miles of roundabout travel.

Arrowhead Public School.

The closing examination was held last Friday, when there was a large attendance of parents and friend. The pupils went through their various tasks with great credit to the members and their teacher. The result of the written examination for the first place in school for the medals presented by Thomas McNaught, J. P. of Halcyon springs, was announced; The first place Medal for the boys was gained by Malcolm Johnston, and the first place medal for the girls was gained by Hilda Richards. Before the exercises closed Paul McCreery, on behalf of the pupils, presented their teacher with a written address and a handsome toilet case.

Merchants.

And others who may have accounts against the Corporation of the City of Revelstoke, are requested to send particulars of their claims to me before 5 p. m. on Saturday 29th inst.

C. E Shaw.
City clerk.

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PUBLIC SCHOOL CLOSES

A Successful Entertainment.—The Promotion List.

Friday morning was the occasion of the closing exercises and public examination of the pupils of the public school. There was a large attendance of visitors, between 60 and 70 being present during the morning and the greatest interest was manifested in the work and progress of the scholars.

The closing exercises commenced at 11 a. m., when the following programme was rendered:

Chorus—"Happy School Days."
Recitation—Jennie Hyatt.
Chorus—"Pay as You Go."
Recitation—Earl Pettipiece.
Drill—Miss Robinson's Division.
Recitation—Percy Dunne.
Recitation—Adele Leveque.
Chorus—"Music."
Recitation—Morris Anderson.
Recitation—Edna Bruce.
Chorus—"Sleigh Ride"
Dumbell Drill—Miss Edgar's class.
Recitation—Eddie Hyatt.
Chorus—"Johnny Canuck."
God Save the Queen.

During the pauses in the programme the children were addressed by the clergy of the city present. The programme was very successful, the recitations were rendered with intelligance and animation and the drill of Miss Robinson's boy soldiers and the dumbell drill of Miss Edgar's class were both excellently well done. The entire entertainment was greatly appreciated by the visitors and was universally considered to be the most successful yet given by the children and reflects the greatest credit on the teaching staff, all of whom during the morning were made the recipients of numerous elegant gifts from their pupils, shewing that they had made as great a success of winning the love and esteem of their pupils, as the exercises of the morning proved they had made in promoting discipline and giving instruction.

THE PROMOTION LIST

The following is the promotion list:

Div I.—Jr. to Sr. 4th—Fred Urquhart; Grace Somes; Jos. Morgan; Walter Buck; Jos. Howson; Norma McNab; Delia Morgan; Geo. Pettipiece; Seymour Hillier; Neil Lee.

A. SULLIVAN.

Div II.—Sr. Third to Jr. Fourth—Nellie Daniels; Winnie McCrury; Annie Hanson; Earl Pettipiece; Percy Dunne; Homer Bolton; Adele Levque; Robert Caley; James Bolton.

Jr. Third to Sr. Third—Arthur Bennett; Gertrude Lawson; Benny Dickey; Josie Ainslie; Flora McCrury; Ray Fraser; Annie Palmer; Harold Burridge; Blanche Davis; Rose Williams; George Somes.

MISS SMITH

Div. III—2nd to 3rd—Margaret Daniels; Florence Watson; Charlie Gordon, Edith Cooke; Harold Guerin.

1st to 2nd—Howard Coleman; Tom Wilkinson; Jack Sibbald; Olive Bell; Uiua Lofosne; Allie Bain; Agnes Blackberg; Willie Kernaghan; Jennie Hyatt; Gertrude Dent; Clifford Risteen; Ephraim Smith; Bert Lawrence; John Thompson,

Miss G. R. Millard.

Div. IV—2nd Pr. to 1st Reader—Mabel Hay; Maggie Nealon; Edna Bruce; Eddie Hyatt; Ethel Blackberg; Elsie Hooley; Emma Allen; Willie Gallicano; Mamie Dunne; Tannis Patrick.

Class 1. to class 2. 2nd Primer,—Kathleen Anderson; Rhet a Johnson; Ernest McMahon; Eva Thompsoll.

Miss A. Edgar.

From Div. V— to Div. IV—Mammie Fleming; Eric Coursier; Olive Robinson; Esther Floyd; Duncan Kenuedy; Garnet McMahon; Ivan Sutherland; Luey Match; Nicola Ptasisloski; Frank Tapping; Sam Parsons; Bertie Donelly; Howard McNab.

Class 3 to class4—Leo Solway, Merle Calder; Leonard Bruce; Edgar Bruce; Earle McLean; Frank Match; Frank Walter Robinson.

Class 2 to class 3—Ida Robinson; Harvey Ford; Clara Fraser;

Class 1 to class 2—Wallace Fraser; Harry Floyd; Alice Bell; Connelly Trainer.

MISS ROBINSON.

The highest number in attendance at the school since the term begun is 279. The schools reopens after two weeks holidays.

Annual Meeting of L. O. L. No. 1658.

The annual meeting of L. O. L. No. 1658 was held last Friday night in their lodge room. The election and installation of the undermentioned officers took place with much enthusiasm by a good turn out of members.

Thos. Steed, W.M.; John Kernaghan, D. M.; W. G. Birney, Rec. Secretary; Rev. Mr. Calder, Chaplain; T. J. Grahame, Fin. Secretary; Geo. W. Thomas, Treasurer; Ed. Adair, Lecturer; Committemen, A. Johnson, J. Savage, W. Leidy, J. McLennan, Sam. Hill and Nels J. Eckland. After the election of officers a vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring officers, whose report showed the lodge in better standing at the end of the last year than during any period since the inception of the lodge in this city. L. O. L. No. 1658 is making excellent progress and under its new officers should continue to flourish during the ensuing year.

Personal.

On account of death in family in Cleveland, Ohio, wish to know whereabouts of Mr. Patrick Kenney, last heard from at Kootenai Lakes, British Columbia. Send said information to Miss Eliza McEvoy, Standford University, Palo Alto, Calf Roble Hall. British Columbia papers please copy.

Sunday Services.

Services next Sunday in the Methodist church will be as usual. The pastor will continue his series of discourses on the Apostles' Creed taking the article, "I believe in the Holy Ghost," for his subject in the morning and "I believe in the Forgiveness of Sin" in the evening.

There will be watch night services on Monday evening, New Year's Eve, in the Methodist church commencing at 10.30. The service will be in charge of the Epworth League. The collection will be devoted to the Twentieth century fund.

Services in St. Peter's next Sunday (Sunday after Christmas) will be as usual, Rev. C. A. Procunier, officiating.

There will be a celebration of the Holy Eucharist on Monday night, New Year's Eve, commencing at 11.30 o'clock.

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1. All correspondence must be legibly written on one side of the paper only.

2. Correspondence containing personal matter must be signed with the proper name of the writer.

3. Correspondence with reference to anything that has appeared in another paper must first be offered for publication to that paper before it can appear in THE HERALD.

ONTARIO STOCKMEN CONDEMN McEACHRAN

The Herald has time and again criticized the official acts of Dr. McEachran, the Dominion veterinarian, and although we have been accused of a captious spirit by interested parties, events have fully justified, in every instance, the course which we have conceived it our duty to pursue towards that gentleman.

The position which he holds in the North West enables him to wield a certain amount of influence on the stock industry of the Territories, and it is patent to all and sundry who are gifted with common sense that the influence he exerts is not in the best interests of the country. The Dominion Cattle Breeders' association appears to share The Herald's opinion of Dr. McEachran for at a recent meeting held in Guelph they entered a vigorous protest against the regulations providing for the test for tuberculosis as it was unnecessary and seriously affecting the cattle breeding industry, and a resolution to that effect was adopted. During the discussion man after man rose and denounced Dr. McEachran in unmeasured terms. One well known breeder stated that Dr. McEachran was a man utterly unfit to occupy his position, and another gentlemen stated that the Dominion veterinarian was working against the breeders of Ontario out of personal spite. Among others who roundly condemned the present regulations were Hon. Thos. Greenway. Hon. John Dryden, Messrs. W. H. Massey, of Detonia Farm; A. W. Smith, Maple Lodge; C. L. Wilson, Ingersoll; Arthur Johnson, Greenwood, and many others all leading stock breeders. It seems that there are others besides the people of the Territories who object to Dr. McEachran. The people with whom he comes in contact in the pursuance of his duty object to him and denounce his methods. His official actions show bad judgment and want of tact and in several cases the department has got into bad odor for following his advice in formulating certain lines of policy. This being the case the sooner the government gets rid of him the better. We have nothing against Dr. McEachran except as a public servant who does not fill his postion properly and as such we call for his removel. The people of the country are fostering their industries and it is gall and wormwood to them to see the efforts of years neutralized by the silly mismanagement of a "Jack in office."

WHAT'S IN A NAME

The guileless simplicity of the Strathcona Plaindealer is really refreshing. It has a way of moralising and throwing out ideas and suggestions that no one ever dreams of adopting and only serve to startle people a little. However the latest idea of the Plaindealer certainly takes the cake for simplicity not unmingled with a certain amount of cool cheeck. It is of the opinion that if the Canadian government decides not to disband Strathcona's Horse but keep the regiment together as a nucleus of a Territorial Mounted Rifle corps that the town of Strathcona should be selected as their headquarters, for no other reason than that the town in which the Plaindealer is published happens to be called Strathcona. Well done Plaindealer. You have at last discovered a reason why some attention should be taken of your town. The next thing that we may expect to hear is that Victoria or Guelph is trying to induce Queen Victoria to take up her residence in either of the before mentioned towns simply because they happen to be named after her.

The picturesque side of the cattle lifting business does not seem at present to be appealing to the North West Mounted policemen, or the American deputy sheriffs who are at present gathering in horse and cattle thieves with remorseless materialism. Yet the day was when cattle rustling was a most aristocratic occupation.

Bengough has written an ode to Sifton. It is about as bad as its subject.

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The work of painting Africa red would be rendered much easier if the Boers did not insist upon upsetting the paint pot.

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Clifford Sifton has been immortalized in song. He ought to be happy but we very much doubt it. If he is at all human his first desire will be to slay the poet.

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A tramp had his feet frozen in Ontario the other day. It would seem as if in these latter days even the elements were consipring to rob a poor man of his occupation.

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It would be interesting to learn what some of the Canadians in South Africa thought of Dr. McEachran when they fell into the hands of the Boers through the defective nature of their mounts.

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Apart from the personal injustice done to Homestead Inspector Thompson by his dismissal, the Conservatives will not kick, as the action of the department in this instance will make hundreds of good Conservative votes throughout the country.

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The people of Canada who returned the Laurier-Tarte aggregation to power and then expect good government remind one of the little boy who annointed his baby brother's cheecks with hair restorer and expected to see the enfant develop a full beard.

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The Free Press is still living up to its reputation of misrepresentation. A few days ago the stockbreeders of Ontario entered a vigorous protest against the policy of the department of agriculture and Dr. McEachran in connexion with the regulations governing the test for tuberculosis. The Tribune and Telegram both reported the matter but true to its servile instinct the Free Press hushed up the news of the affair.

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Bengough has composed a poem about the Hon. Clifford Sifton. Here is a verse of it:

Not when, at length, your course,
sincere and splendid,
In the long silence of the tomb is
ended,
Come we in tears, by slow-paced
grief attended,
Honor to show you.

According to Bengough, Sifton's lookout for a showy funeral is pretty slim. For pure doggerel the following takes the cake:

Be of good cheer—your party's deep
affection
Is shared today in every thinking
section;
As we now speak, so spake in the
election
Public opinion.

Heaven help public opinion if it speaks in the language of Mr. Bengough.

PROTECT THE RANCHER

A Suggestion from Medicine Hat

Medicine Hat News: A suggestion made at the recent Scott banquet here on Nov. 28th, in response to the toast of "The Ranching Interests," by W. R. Abbott, of Maple Creek, is worthy of more mention than was given to it at the time. Mr. Abbott is a man who is very "set" in his views and is given somewhat to the study of advanced ideas. He has long been a resident of this particular part of the West, and some of his ideas are bright and in the direct interests of the ranching country. His suggestion at that banquet was along the line of direct interest to the stock country. He proposed that the Dominion government give back to the ranchers, to be expended in the payment of wolf bounties, the money raised out of the land leases held by the ranchers in the range country. This suggestion is nothing else if not practical. Funds contributed from this source, supplementing the grant from the assembly, and the expenditures from the funds of the Western Stock Growers' association, would do much to help put down the wolf pest. No one thing menaces the stock industry as does the wolf and cayote nuisance. The ranchman who finds that he is raising beef for the wolf market, is in a bad way, yet it is the experience of almost all ranchers to have losses from this source. Mr. Sifton listened to this suggestion with interest, and as he has been very practical in his administration of the West, he may not be above considering this suggestion from an oldtime rancher who knows the West and who has Western interests at heart. Such a policy would, we think, be a good one for the government to adopt. It would be practical, in the interests of the great stock industry. The tendency among ranchers at present is not, generally speaking, to take up land leases. If it was known that the rental of these leases was returned to the ranchers in wolf bounties, it would be an incentive to ranchers to take up the vacant lands. The stockmen, in devoting most of their association funds to payment of wolf bounties, show willingness to contribute of their own funds to help themselves. The North West government also recognizes the necessity of dealing with the question, and contributes a small yearly grant. If from another source, also, funds were forthcoming, the wolf's welfare would be more closely looked after by wolf hunters. Ranchmen, we believe, would be well pleased if Mr. Abbott's suggestion would be enquired into and acted upon.

WAR OFFICE RED TAPE WAS SUPREME

The Tale of a Military Cat, the Troublesome Rats and the Official Rat-Traps.

The following moving story (the base facts of which were reported in a regimental paper) illustrates the energetic manner in which the war office copes with matters of grave national importance.

According to the journal in question, a certain building in a garrison town that shall be nameless was used for storing military clothing in. A number of healthy and hungry rats having taken up their summer quarters there as well, the uniforms were subject to a good deal of damage on this account. Thereupon the officer in charge made an application to the proper department at Pall Mall for permission to keep a cat. After the consumption of a vast amount of red tape and blue paper, the necessary sanction was eventually granted, and a government-pattern cat, of the latest and most approved type in stock, was accordingly issued for service as requested. Rations for this sudden addition to the strength of the garrison were drawn on a scale devised for the purpose by a specially appointed commission of experts, the necessary funds for the same being met by a supplementary estimate introduced by the financial secretary.

For a time all went well, the ravages among the clothing stores, when puss was on duty, rapidly approached a vanishing point, and a large and daily increasing number of funerals taking place among the members of the rat colony. Suddenly, however, this highly satisfactory condition of affairs was brought to an end by the promulgation of an order from headquarters declaring that on and after that day week the employment of cats for the purpose of catching rats in military establishments was to be discontinued: To adopt the official terminology in which the mandate was couched, cats were "obsolete" from that moment. In their places, the authorities in all stations where they had hitherto been made use of, were directed to indent, upon the officer in charge of the local ordnance store for a supply of "traps, Mark I., rat, wire, iron, galvanized," in the proportion of one to every 100 suits of clothing on hand. The army order bringing this change into effect concluded with directions for disposing, by sale to the public, of the superseded cats, and for crediting the amounts thus gained to the station paymaster.

A board of officers appointed to deal with the matter coming to the conclusion that the number of traps required for use in the store referred to amounted to 19 3, the total was accordingly indented for.

The superintendent of the department to which the application was submitted, however, declined to sanction the supply of more than 19 traps. Thereupon, the officer who had forwarded the claim pointed out that 33 of the suits would be unprovided for. His protest, nevertheless, was merely met by an intimation that "only fractions of a trap exceeding .5 in number could be considered as a whole trap."

This being the last word on the subject, there was nothing to do but to accept the situation philosophically, and await the arrival of the 19 traps allowed for. In due time these made their appearance, accompanied by a return known as "Army Form X. 1063," which was ordered to be submitted in duplicate to the war office on the first of every month. Divided into parallel columns, this document was designed to show at a glance the entire contents of each room in which a trap was placed, the amount of clothing in a building as a whole, and the number of rats caught per diem, with a medical certificate appended, showing the "probable cause of death." Quotients obtained in making out the foregoing calculations were to be worked out to five places of decimals.

At the end of the first month of the trap regime, the anxiously looked-for returns revealed a most disappointing state of affairs, viz., the destruction of 20 suits of uniform and the capture of no rats. A fresh committee of experts was accordingly convened, with a view to devising some means of rendering the traps on hand more attractive as a place of residence for the rats. This committee, after a series of experiments in the matter, coming to the conclusion that the traps in use were entirely unsuitable for the purpose, others of an entirely fresh pattern were designed. These were known as the "Mark II." ones, and differed from those of the first pattern in several material particulars. Among the more important of these were the introduction of ungalvanized iron wire in place of the old galvanized variety.

Despite these elaborate precautions, however, the Return No. II. read: "Rats caught, nil; clothing destroyed 25 suits."

Less determined men than those forming the staff of the rat department at the war office would doubtless have retired from the struggle at this rebuff. With officials of this particular stamp, however, difficulties exist only to be overcome. It is not surprising therefore, to find that they promptly directed their energies to the compilation of a "Manual of Instruction on Rat Catching," copies of which were issued in the proportion of 1 2-7ths to every clothing store in which the use of either Mark I. or Mark II. traps had at any time been sanctioned. In addition to this, commanding officers of units concerned were directed to appoint an approved N.C.O. of a not lower rank than that of a corporal to undergo a fortnight's training at Aldershot in the subjects laid down in this Manual. At the end of the course those N.C.O.'s who showed special aptitude in their work were to be granted parchment certificates of merit on this account.

To the undisguised consternation of the authorities, however, even this lavish encouragement to the attainment of proficiency in rat catching failed to produce any appreciable effect. A suspicion that the manual of drill laid down in the official instructions had not been closely adhered to, next arose. This however, was completely dispersed by the fact that a number of "surprise inspections" of the different storehouses concerned failed to bring to light any irregularity on the party of either the certificated instructors or the men under training.

Under these circumstances, there was nothing for it but to order Army Form X., 1063, to be submitted in triplicate instead of duplicate, as previously. At the same time, the number of places of decimals to which the figures obtained in the quotients had hitherto been worked out was altered from five to seven. Having made these important changes, the staff of the rat department returned to their desks, secure in the conviction that next month's returns at any rate would show a radical improvement in the state of things.

Unfortunately for these hopeful anticipations, the return in question proved as disappointing as any of its predecessors. Properly recognizing, then, that further experiments with the traps would involve a waste of public money, the authorities reinstated the original cat in its former position, with permission to reckon past service towards such pension or gratuity as it would have been entitled to had its engagement been uninterrupted.

At the same time that puss made her reappearance the officer in charge of the clothing store in question was prevented from feeling unduly elated at the result of his application by the receipt of an official memorandum declaring that "no fault whatever existed with regard to the traps." A fortnight later this was followed by a demand that he should report to the department the nature of the bait he had been in the habit of using before the reintroduction of the cat.

To this the officer replied that since no allowance had been made for the provision of bait, none had been used in the traps.

A WAR INCIDENT

Treachery punished---Swift Retribution

A story of stern justice comes from South Africa, in which Jack Simmons, an ex-Mounted policeman, figures conspicuously. It appears that Simmons, who is a sergeant of Strathcona's Horse, was doing some scouting work in charge of a small party. On approaching a suspected farm house the white flag was raised and the sergeant and his party rode right up to the building without any suspicion of danger. Just as they were about to dismount a volley was fired from the house that emptied several saddles. Simmons saw that the whole thing was a trap and drawing back his men to the shelter of some scrub ordered them to dismount and open fire on the farm house. After the fire had been kept up for some little time the Boers surrendered. There were 17 of them, and Simmons informed them that he intended making an example of them for violating the usages of war. He told his prisoners that he intended hanging the whole lot of them with the exception of one man whom he would allow to go free to inform his friends how Strathcona's Horse treated the Boers who fired under cover of the white flag. Ropes were found and seven of them were strung up to trees when a British officer rode up and put a stop to the proceedings to the unspeakable relief of the Boers whose turn had yet to come.

CHINESE CALENDAR

We have lately had edicts dated by the Chinese system, of which (1) records the 15th day of this moon, July 11, 1900; (2) the 23rd day of the sith moon in the 26th year of the government, style of Kwang Hsu July 19, 1900. So 16 plus 8 equals 23, and 11 plus 8 equals 19, in perfect harmony. The Chinese work by a cycle of 60 years, and 1900 is the 37th year of the 77th cycle, dating from about 2720 B.C.; and the present emperor has reigned for 26 years—in fact Tsai Tien ascended the throne in 1875; so the heathen Chinee is good at figures. Their year consists of 12 or 13 lunar months, having seven intercalations in 19 years, like the Jews. The present year would commence about February 1, so we are now in their eighth moon; but their solar year, like the Hindoos' is cut up into fortnights, or half moons. Their New Year's day falls on the new moon after the sun enters Aquarius, and before it enters Pisces. How is this affected by processional? All years have a name, so Kwang Hsu, or Kang Tae Tse—sounds differ—means the 'Iron mouse."

MISSED THE THIRD WORD

London Spare Moments: The other day a Londoner said to a countryman:

"I'l bet you anything you like you can not spell three simple words that I shall give you within 40 seconds."

"I'll take that on. Now, then, what are they." said the countryman.

"Well, here goes,' said the Londoner, pulling out his watch: "London."

"L-o-n-d-o-n."

"Watching."

"W-a-t-c-h-i-n-g."

"Wrong," said the Londoner.

"What," exclaimed the countryman in surprised tones: "I've spelled the words you gave me correctly. I'm certain I'm not ——."

"Time's up!" the Londoner said triumphantly.

"Why didn't you spell the third word—'w-r-o-n-g."

KICKING HORSE RIVER

E. Pauline Johnson.

It does not care for grandeur,
It does not care for state,
It flips its little fingers
In the very face of fate,
And when its course is thwarted,
Its current set at bay,
It just kicks up its saucy heels,
And—takes another way.

It laughs among the monarchs,
It giggles at the kings,
It dances in the gorges,
While a comic song it sings,
It ripples into waterfalls,
It tipples into spray,
And when they raise their eyebrows
It—takes another way.

It does not care a button
For the granite of the rocks,
It never gets discouraged,
For it's never in a box,
When mountains contradict it,
And canyons have their say,
It kicks a little higher,
And—takes another way.

NOT A PERFECT ROUNDUP

Indianapolis Journal: "There are no editors on that list of America's most famous men."

"Is that so? Well, then, it isn't a list of America's most famous men

THEN IT GROWS MONOTONOUS

Form X., 1063, to be submitted in triplicate instead of duplicate, as previously. At the same time, the number of places of decimals to which the figures obtained in the quotients had hitherto been worked out was altered from five to seven. Having made these important changes, the staff of the rat department returned to their desks, secure in the conviction that next month's returns at any rate would show a radical improvement in the state of things.

Unfortunately for these hopeful anticipations, the return in question proved as disappointing as any of its predecessors. Properly recognizing, then, that further experiments with the traps would involve a waste of public money, the authorities reinstated the original cat in its former position, with permission to reckon past service towards such pension or gratuity as it would have been entitled to had its engagement been uninterrupted.

At the same time that puss made her reappearance the officer in charge of the clothing store in question was prevented from feeling unduly elated at the result of his application by the receipt of an official memorandum declaring that "no fault whatever existed with regard to the traps." A fortnight later this was followed by a demand that he should report to the department the nature of the bait he had been in the habit of using before the reintroduction of the cat.

To this the officer replied that since no allowance had been made for the provision of bait, none had been used in the traps.

The Markets

Liverpool, Dec. 14:

Cattle steady at 11 to 12c; dressed weight; sheep 11 to 12½c; lambs 13 to 14c.

Prices in the Kootenay

Nelson, Dec. 15:

Butter—Choice dairy, 21c; creamery 24½ to 25½c.

Cheese—New, 13c.

Eggs 25 to 28c.

Oats—Per ton, 28.

Millfeed—Bran, $20; shorts $22 per ton.

Flour—Manitoba patent, $5.20.

Hay—Per ton, $23.

Potatoes—Per ton, $18.

Montreal Live Stock Market

Montreal Dec. 11:

Receipts of live stock at the East End abattoir on Monday were 680 head of cattle and 600 sheep and lambs.

The below zero weather did not prevent th butchers from coming out in force, and there was an active demand and firm prices for fair to good cattle, but the comman stock were neglected. Good steers and heifers sold at 4¼ to 4¾c per lb; fair cattle sold at 3½ to 4c, and the common stock at 2 to 3c per lb. Calves sold at $3 to $8 each. Shippers did not buy any sheep, and the butchers paid 2 to 3c per lb. Good lambs sold in lots at 4 to 4½c per lb, and the common lombs at 3½ to 3¾c do. Fat hogs sold at 5c per lb, for coarse, heavy hogs, up to 6c per lb for selects, weighed off the cars

Winnipeg Live Stock Prices

Winnipeg, Dec. 17:

There has been some demand for extra fine cattle for the Christmas trade, but otherwise the market is quiet. Cattle are quoted steady at 2¾ to 3½ off cars here as to quality, for the general run. Fancy Christmas cattle, of course, not included.

Sheep—The market is nominal, as none are offering. Liberal stocks of mutton are held here.

Hogs—Packers are paying 5c per pound for best weights, off cars here, and there is a good demand for all offerings.

Milch Cows—There is the usual good demand for all milking cows. From $20 to $45 is being offered for these.

Horses—The market is very quiet. Horses are decidedly slow sale at present, and the only demand is for bush work. Good sound working horses of medium weight are worth from $125 to $175 each. A good many many farmers have been offering their work horses for sale as they have no feed for them.

Toronto Live Stock Market

Toronto, Dec. 12:

Receipts at the semi-weekly market yesterday were 500 cattle, 733 sheep and lambs and 11485 hogs.

Export Cattle—Market firmer. Offerings few. The best sold at $4.50 to $4.75 per cwt. and lighter grades at $4.25 to $4.50.

Butchers' Cattle—Choice brought good prices. Picked lots sold at $4.40 to $4.75 per cwt. Choice sell readily at $4.00 to $4.40. Buyers are wanting poor cattle, which range from 2c upwards.

Export Bulls—Trade active, demand good; $4.25 per cwt was paid for a number of heavy bulls.

Feeders—Offerings light; prices firmer at $3.60 to $4 per cwt for short keep and $3.40 to $3.75 for heavy. Light feeders are worth $3 to $3.40 per cwt.

Stockers—Prices firmer, ranging from $3.00 to $3.25 per cwt for weights of 500 to 800 lbs. Off-colors and heifers $1.75 to $2.25.

PALACE TO AUCTION ROOM

"Lot 207a," said J. C. Stevens at a London autction room, "is a princess, an Egyptian princess in a mummified condition. There it is, a perfect mummy."

Of a truth it an irreverent age, a dull, vandal, detestable democratic age, in which the daughter of Rameses II., together with two X-ray full-plate photographs showing the preservation can be hawked in a Covent-Garden sales room for £10:10.

True, she was, as Mr. Stevens put it, in a mummied condition. But what of that? Was it, then, for this that she slept for 30 centuries amid the dust of the kings of the earth? Was it for this that the cunning embalmer, when the world was young, lapped her tender limbs in spices, swathed her unsullied body in fine twined linen? For £10:10.

Had it, now, been the dead clay of an Imperial Casear one would have minded less; in his case Shakespeare prepared us for some such thing. But an Egyptian royal princess—one of the 119 daughters and sons of Soept-en-Ra Ramessumeri-Amen, "who knew not Joseph," to be lying here on a bench, her sarcophagus burst open, her flaky bindings rent, sniggered at by hawk-eyed Jews! Was it revenge?

"A royal mummy for £10:10—that's absurd," moaned Mr. Stevens, "it's worth more than that to a paint manufacturer."

This was the end.

DECIDED BY A POKER GAME

Apropos of the recent Yale-Cariboo election a story is in circluation that the result at the 150-Mile was brought about in this way. The electors of the locality decided to vote as a unit. The vote was a jackpot, to be played for. Each party selected their most expert poker player and the game was started with 20 chips in front of each player. The player who represented Candidate Galliher was the more lucky or the more expert, and he won, and Galliher got 45 solid votes as the result, every elector living up to the agreement. At Wardner, the only voters were the deputy returning officer and his clerk, and they couldn't vote against Galliher without being found out. This is how two polling places voted solid for Galliher.

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Boer Raiders in Cape Colony

THE INVASION WILL BE SUPPRESSED

Too Early for Thanksgiving.—Britain's Demands in China Acceptable. Germany in Line. — Brandon Civic Elections.

London, Dec. 19.—"The Boers have raided Cape Colony at two separate points one hundred miles distant," says the Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail, "one commando advanced upon Philipstown, between Colesburg and Kimberley. The other suposed to be Herezog's commando crossed the Orange river between Odendaalstroom and Bethulie, northwest of Burghersdorp, its objective point apparently being Cruddock. General Macdonald is engaging the invaders, 20 miles west of Burghersdorp. The Boers have no guns. The latest news is that they are being slowly forced back to the Orange river, where a warm reception is being prepared for them."

Boers Beaten Back

Capetown, Dec. 19.—The Boers who crossed Orange River west of Aliwal North on Saturday encountered the Cape Rifles and Brabant's force and were forced to retire with loss.

Wounded Doing Well

London, Dec. 19.—Lord Kitchner reports that the British wounded at Nooitgedacht arrived at Pretoria and are doing well.

Must Make a Job of It

At the annual conference of the national union of Conservative associations today Lord Salisbury alluded to the war, saying that if they wished to sustain the empire and maintain the glory of Great Britain untarnished their efforts must not be slackened until this great enterprise had been carried out, for on the issue depended the glory and perpetuity of the empire.

Thanksgiving Postponed

War Not Sufficiently Ended For Thanksgiving Service in St. Pauls

London, Dec. 19.—The contemplated thanksgiving services in St. Paul's cathedral in connection with the return of Lord Roberts from South Africa have been abandoned owing as the government announces, "to its being considered desirable to defer a general thanksgiving till the close of operations in South Africa." The programe is now for Lord Roberts to debark in the Solent, to visit the Queen at Osborne House on January 2nd, then to re-embark, and to land finally at Southampton, coming from that point to London.

THE POWERS DO NOT OBJECT

Britain's Demand With Regard to the Joint Note of the Powers Acceptable.

London, Dec. 19.—Great Britain's proposed alterations in the preamble of the point not have been practically accepted by all the powers, says the Pekin correspondent of the Daily Mail, wiring Monday: "Both Russia and Japan, whose suport was regarded as doubtful, have agreed. Only the attitude of the United States remains as yet not clearly defined, but the acquiescence of America is anticipated, and it is probable that the note will be duly signed and delivered to the Chinese plenipotiaries within three or four days. The German minister has warmly supported the British proposal."

Brandon's New Mayor

A. C. Fraser, M.P.P., is the Successful Candidate. The Vote by Wards. The New Civic Council of the Wheat City.

Brandon, Dec. 19.—A. C. Fraser, ex-M. P. P., was elected mayor of Brandon yesterday after the hottest fight in the history of the city. His majority was a small one, but his absence from the city during the whole campaign in a large measure accounts for this, also the fact that his opponents circulated the story that Mr. Fraser showed by his absence that he did not want the position or thought he had a dead sure thing of it. The total was:

Ward 1—	
Fraser	120
Hanbury	117
Ward 2—	
Fraser	115
Hanbury	127
Ward 3—	
Fraser	124
Hanbruy	129
Ward 4—	
Fraser	102
Hanbury	91

Total: Fraser 461, Hanbury 454. Majority for Fraser 7.

HAND CAR HOISTED

Rat Portage, Dec. 16.—The C. P. R. west local struck a hand car yesterday near Scovil, on which there were three men. C. Moistroom, a Swede was killed. The body was taken to Rat Portage. The other two men were uninjured. Nolstroom leaves a wife and family at Scovil.

THE POWERS IN ACCORD

The Chinese Government Must Fulfil the Demands of the Nations.

London, Dec. 18.—"Great Britain has instructed Minister Satow, I understand," says the Pekin correspondent of the Mail wiring Sunday, "to urge the retention in the joint note of the work irrevocable and the inclusion in the preamble of the declaration of the powers, until the Chinese government has fulfilled the demands of the powers at Pekin and the province of Chi Li will not be evacuated by the allied troops. It is rumored that Germany is warmly supporting the British proposal, and I believe a majority of the powers, and possibly all of them will eventually accept the proposal which is hailed here with delight."

Pekin, Dec. 18.—With the exception of one, all the foreign envoys believe their governments will agree on the text of the preliminary joint note.

TROUBLE FOR TURKEY

A THREATENED RISING IN KURDISTAN

Paris, Dec. 18.—The Matin publishes a despatch from London giving an interview with Osman Pasha, general of the Ottoman army, who recently left Turkey clandestinely. The Turkish officer, who is a relative of the late Osman Pasha, "The Hero of Plevna" unfolded plans for ridding Kurdistan and Armenia of the yoke of Turkey. Accompanied by partisans, some of whom are in Europe, he will return to Kurdistan, where according to his statement the population is already secretly armed and only await his arrival to march as one man against the oppressor. He says the Ottoman empire will be compelled to engage in one of the most formidable struggles in its history. He expects to be able to put in the field an army of 100,000 men, and is confident of rescuing the people from a state of anarchy and social subjection.

RETURNING TROOPS

The Lake Champlain Will Land at St. John.

Ottawa, Dec 17.—The deputy minister of militia today received a telegram from the Elder-Dempster steamship company, of Montreal, pointing out the inadvisability of carrying Colonel Otter's men to St. John. The company stated that the Lake Champlain would not arrive at Halifax until Saturday or Sunday, and that consequently she would not reach St. John until possibly Monday morning, thereby preventing most of them from spending the Christmas holidays at home. The company also pointed out that there was lots of accommodation for the men at St. John.

Colonel Pinault, deputy minister of militia, replied that the war office had given instructions for the men to be landed at St. John and that there could be no change in this respect.

Instructions have been sent to Colonel Foster, quarter master general, to proceed to Halifax on Thursday to meet the Lake Champlain. He will there pay off the Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island men and will then accompany the New Brunswick men and Westerners to St. John, paying them off and granting them their discharge before arrival at the port of deburkation. The delay in St. John will not be long, the men being detained only a sufficient length of time to partake of the civic hospitalities.

The Rosslyn Castle, with the artillery and Mounted Rifles goes direct to Halifax.

HOMEWARD BOUND

Beveral Hundred Canadian Soldiers Sail From Capetown.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—The following cablegram was received Saturday by the Governor General from the general of communications, Cape Town:

"Cape Town, Dec. 15.—The Rosslyn Castle left Cape Town on the 13th instant. The transport had on board for Halifax eight officers and 213 men of the Canadian dragoons; 15 officers, 180 men Canadian Mounted rifles; five officers, 10 men Canadian Artillery staff; 13 officers, 328 men Canadian artillery; Major Laurie and four men Strathcona's Horse; Major Osborne, medical staff corps, seven nursing sisters and nine men discharged in the South African regular corps."

The following additional names are given as being with Colonel Otter on the Lake Champlain: A. Chisholm, 90th regiment; R. H. Barlowe, 90th regiment; N. Jeffery, N. W. M. P.; W. J. Mullen, Edmonton; C. K. Rag, Regina; H. S. Neville, Moosomin.

BOERS ENTER CAPE COLONY

Cape Town, Dec. 17.—Seven hundred Boers have crossed from Orange River Colony into Cape Colony, near Aliwal North, and have reached Kaahdaal.

JOE MARTIN ILL

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 18.—Mr. Joe. Martin is ill in St. Paul's hospital. An operation for a diseased bone in his leg was performed last night.

A New Danger

The Natives of South Africa a Menace. They Will Have to be Carefully Handled.

Globe despatch from Chicago says: The Record correspondent in London cables that L. F. Zietsman, a Dutch member of the Cape legislative assembly and president of the delegation sent by the loyalists of Cape Colony to enlighten Mr. Chamberlain respecting the legislative needs of South Africa, says: "The native question is now the only one really fraught with danger to the supremacy of the British empire south of the Zambesi river. Unless we handle the native problem with extreme caution and skill we shall shortly witness the rise of a South African Mahdi who will defeat and defy us. Within our present dominions there are 6,000,000 black people, embracing 1,000,000 unsurpassed warriors, brimful of martial spirit, stalwart, daring and disciplined.

"Their military system includes about all the strong points of the European systems. Their generals exceed in military ability many of the more civilized commanders in strategy. The obedience of these warriors to their chiefs is absolute. They go wherever and whenever they are ordered, regardless of the consequences. In physique, morale and intellect they are powerful specimens of the primitive man.

"Their most powerful leader is the paramount chief of Basutoland, who lives among the mountain fastnesses and surrounded by hosts eager to obey his commands. If once this man were estranged from the Empress-Queen we should face a native rebellion unparalleled in the history of colonial enterprise. We in South Africa have experienced the greatest difficulty in preventing the Basutos and other martial tribes from attacking the Boers. They said to us: 'Why may we not fight? Why may we not defend the great Queen's authority? Are we but barking dogs who must not bite?'

"It was a delicate task to keep them neutral. We could not tell them that they were barbarians. This would have driven them into a frenzy against the British. We could only say: 'The great Queen appreciates the lavol fervor of her native subjects and will avail herself of their services later on, but now she desires nothing so much as that they shall reserve their strength.'

"We have thoroughly advised Mr. Chamberlain touching the gravity of the native question, suggesting that Sir Alfred Milner be given supreme control over the affairs of the black population. These people cannot understand legislative assemblies or democratic politics. Alternative leadership puzzles their minds and fills them with suspicion of those who assume control. They can understand one central, final, fixed source of authority and will yield obedience to it as long as it means to them power, sympathy and justice.

"Mr. Chamberlain promises that nothing shall be done in connexion with the readjustment of South Africa calculated to alienate the native allegiance. Of course the natives can never become the political equals of white men; this would mean black South Africa."

DRAMATIC SHIPWRECK

A Gallant Rescue From the Waves.—A Brave Captain.

An English despatch says:

The wreck of the Norwegian bark Glimt, which struck on the Stag Rocks, near the Lizard, recently was attended by many sensational events, though happily without loss of life. A terrific sea was running at the time she struck and it was at once apparent that she must become a total wreck.

Six of the crew, despite the captain's orders to stand by the ship, launched the ship's boat and cut off, leaving the captain and four men on board and within a quarter of an hour the vessel collapsed. The four men held to the stern rail, while the captain who had lashed himself to the remaining part of the rigging, found the sea washing over him so heavily that he released himself. He had no sooner done this than that part of the vessel sunk. He then clung to the wreckage and remained there for two hours. The look-out man at the Lizard gave the signal, and lifeboats from the Lizard and Cadgwith put out to the rescue and arrived at the wreck simultaneously.

Among the crew of the Cadgwith boat wasthe Rev. H. Vyvyman, rector of the parish of St. Ruan iMnor. The Lizard lifeboat took off the four men, who were in a very exhausted condition. The Cadgwith boat had an extremely difficult task to rescue the captain, owing to the fact that he was surrounded by a mass of wreckage. He was landed at Cadgwith, where he received medical attendance, and is in rather a precarious condition. The four rescued men were landed at the Lizard, while the six who had put off in the ship's boat, after about six hours' trying experience, were discovered by some fishermen and taken into Coverack.

THE ROBLIN BANQUET

A GREAT OVATION AT MORDEN

Morden, Man., Dec 18.—The banquet gievn by the Liberal-Conservative association of Morden to R. P. Roblin, the premier, and other members of the government is said to be a very successful affair. The hall was prettily decorated for the occasion by the members of the committee and reflected great credit upon them. The tables were set for over 300 guests and it was found necessary to reset some of the tables, as people continued to arrive long after the hour set for the opening. At 18:30 tables were filled and they continued the centre of attraction until 20.30, when the president of the association, George Morden, called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests of the evening and those who had come to honor them.

On the president's right were Mr. Roblin, H. J. McDonald, Speaker Hespler, J. H. Black, Geo. Lawrence, M.P.P. Killarney, and J. H. Ruddell, of Lorne. On his left were R. Rogers, D. H. McFadden, R. Dunsford and others.

A SHIPWRECK AT THE COAST

An Old Calgary Man Drowned.

THREE ELECTION PROTESTS FILED.—PREMIER ROBLIN BANQUETTED.

Vancouver, Dec. 18.—The steamer Alpha is a total wreck. She was proceeding to Japan with 700 tons of salt and salmon worth about $20,000. She attempted to put into Union, B.C., for coal on Saturday night when a storm arose and she was driven towards Bain Sound, between Nanaimo and Union. So stiff was the blow that she attempted to make the inner channel, a narrow passage behind the light house. The waves swept over her, carrying off the poor fellows clinging to the rigging. One of the first to go was the owner of the vessel, "Sam" Barber, formerly manager of the Imperial Bank at Calgary. The next was his brother, who had gone as purser on the trip. Seven more were swept away before a vigorous swimmer made the shore and attached a life line to the rocks. The others drowned were: Captain York, of Victoria; Matterson, chief engineer; Dunn, second engineer; Murray, third engineer; Sullivan, an able seaman; and Crosby, a stowaway. Twenty-six of the crew were saved by life line, among them 14 Japanese.

SAM BARBER DROWNED

An Old Calgarian Meets His Death in the Wreck of the Ill-Fated Alpha.

A telegram was received this morning by Mr. Morris, manager of the Imperial bank in this city, asking the whereabouts of the relatives of S. B. Barber, formerly manager of the Calgary branch of the Imperial bank, and conveying the sad intelligence of the death by drowning of Mr. Barber and his brother John.

The news was a shock to many old friends of Mr. Barber, who had heard only recently of his successful shipping operations on the Pacific coast.

As far as can be learned, Mr. Barber and his brother were largely interested in the steamer Alpha which was recently chartered for the purpose of carrying a cargo of smoked fish for Japan. The vessel left Victoria last week on her voyage, but was obliged to put back into port, her stokehole having filled with water. On her return, her engineers and crew deserted the vessel, claiming that she was not fit to go to sea. Gordon, the chief engineer, was arrested and tried at Victoria on Friday on the charge of desertion. He admitted that he had left the vessel, but alleged in justification that the Alpha was unseaworthy, but in view of the fact that the inspector of hulls at Victoria had surveyed the vessel and pronounced her seaworthy, Gordon was sentenced to 10 weeks imprisonment with hard labor. Gordon made a statement to the court in which he persisted in his statement that the vessel was not seaworthy, that her firemen were incompetent, that there was no load water line or Plimsoll mark on her hull and that she was loaded too deep.

The Alpha put to sea again on Friday, and according to the telegram mentioned above was wrecked on Saturday and Mr. Barber and his brother were drowned.

Mr. Barber came to Cagary in 1886 as manager of the Imperial bank, which opened a branch in the old Lafferty & Smith building. Mr. Barber left the service of the bank in 1893, having joined the Golden Lumber company at Golden. He was subsequently engaged in the carrying trade to the northern gold fields and had returned from Cape Nome only a couple of months ago. The sad news of his death will be received with regret by a host of friends in Calgary and elsewhere.

THREE PROTESTS FILED

Boyd, Roche and Richardson Will Have to Fight for Their Seats.---Three Members Opposed to Government.

Winnipeg, Dec. 18.—Three protests were filed yesterday in the court of queens bench against the return of Messrs Boyd, Roche and Richardson, three opposition candidates at the late election to Macdonald, Marquette and Lisgar.

The usual deposit of $1000 in each case was made by Hugh Phillips, who is acting for the petitioners in each case.

Roblin to be Banquetted.

The Electors of Morden Desire to Honor Manitoba's Premier.

Winnipeg, Dec. 18.—Tonight Hon R. P. Roblin will be banquetted a Morden by the electors of the constituency of Morden. Every arrangement has been made for an exceedingly large crowd and everything points to a most successful gathering. In addition to the premier, Hon Colin Campbell, Hon. D. H. McFadden, Hon. Robt. Rogers, also J. H. Rudd, M.P.P., for Morden, and other leading Conseratives from all point of the riding.

A Frightful Tornado in the East.

BRITISH WARSHIPS IN THE STORM

A Victoria despatch to the Star says:

The Empress of India, which arrived here on Wednesday, after a most stormy passage, brought news of the great typhoon which raged at Hong Kong on November 10th, causing heavy loss of life and shipping. Wreckage and debris were strewn everywhere after the blow. The British gunboat Sandpiper foundered, some of her seamen lost their lives. The United States ship Benjamin Reweli, went ashore, and in all 77 steam launches were wrecked and over 2500 natives drowned.

The Empress of India was at her wharf at Kowloon,and she was badly shaken. Kowloon suffered more than Hong Kong. The troops fared very badly, the whole mat shed, temporary barracks, collapsed completely and Indian and European troops had to seek refuge from their flooded camp grounds wherever they could. In Kowloon proper, numbers of houses were blown down, others lost their roofs, and were otherwise damaged. A new stone block near the torpedo station was practically laid in ruins, the whole of the upper story being blown down, as was also the upper story of the Telegraph Exchange at Kowloon. Many junks and launches were drien ashore.

Ships Dragged Anchor

The British warships anchored at Kowloon were in a grevious plight. Gunboats Wievern, Firebrand, Tweed and Sandpiper dragged their anchors, and it looked as though all must drift ashore. Those on shore could do nothing but stand by with buoys and lines to render assistance should the vessels part their moorings. The dragging vessels fired distress signals and one or two flew their pennants at half mast. The gunboat Sandpiper was in the worst fix, as she was rapidly filled and could evidently not float for many minutes. Then creeping out of the spume and spendrift from Hon Kong way came H.M.S. Otter.

The editor of the Hong Kong Press who watched the rescue, says he could not see for spume and thick spraw how the whole crew of the Sandpiper, with one exception, safely got on board the Otter before the gunboat foundered, but the work of rescue was accomplished and the Otter steamed away.

As daylight on Saturday appeared says the Daily Press, those in the neighborhood of the dock extension works heard cries proceeding from the harbor, and it soon became apparent that something had befallen the powerful dredge Canton Rier, which had recently arried there from Paisley, where she was built by Fleming & Ferguson. During the fitful gusts of wind, the ponderous craft with her massive derrick encumbrances and overhead gear had failed to maintain her equilibrium, and had, almost without any warning, listed to port and capsized. As to the precise number of crew, workmen and others who were on board at the time, it is impossible to give any accurate figure. Those in authority say that 50 would be about the number. It is known that Captain Scott who was in command of her as were also the chief engineer, Mr. White; second engineer, Mr. Thompson; carpenter, Mr. McIlroy, and the majority of the crew were lost.

BUSINESS MAN DEAD

Montreal, Dec. 19.—One of the leading business men of the Dominion passed away yesterday afternoon in the person of James Robertson, president of the Jas. Robertson company, limited. The late Mr. Robertson had been in ill neath a long time and had been compelled to give up active interest in the vast business he had created.

FATHER LACOMBE AT OTTAWA

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Rev. Father Lacombe, the veteran Indian missionary of the North West, who has returned from Europe has been a guest at Ottawa university for the past few days. While in Europe he visited Austria, Holland, Italy, France and Tngland.

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Capital Paid Up,	$2,458,603.00
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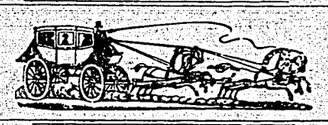

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Coming Events.

Dec. 31.—First Annual Dance B. R. T. and L. A.
Jan. 1.—New Year's Day
Jan. 3.—Annual Meeting of Liberal-Conservative Association.

BIRTHS

SMITH—On the 14th inst. to Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Smith, a son.

Local and General News

—Houses for rent or sale Lewis Bros.

Miss Myrtle Temple is home from school at Calgary.

H. C. Pratt of Rossland spent Christmas with friends in town.

Mrs. Wilkes left this morning for a hort holiday in lower Kootenay.

The government offices were closed from Saturday at 1 p. m. till morning morning.

Principal Sullivan of the public school is enjoying his holiday in the lower country.

—We represent Standard Fire Insurance companies. Prompt settlement of all claims Lewis Bros.

F. J. Guerin came up from Rossland to spend Christmas with his family at the Columbia house.

The Cash Bazaar closed this morning, the stock of goods having been sold out to a Rossland firm.

D. Jenkins left on Monday for Victoria, where he will spend the winter, returning in March.

J. Macleod won the pipe and D. Stearman the box of cigars at Frank Brown's raffle on Monday night.

A. P. Lucas, the Conservative organizer for B. C., went through yesterday morning on his way to Toronto.

A. Muckleston of the C. P. R. engineering staff, spent Christmas at home, after several weeks absence on duty.

Jas. McLean returned on Sunday from Field, where he was engaged last week in plastering the C. P. R. round house.

Miss Millard and Miss Robinson of the public school staff are spending the holidays at their homes on the coast.

The Eagle states that the Silver Cup mine has closed down and will not make any more shipments until the railway reaches Ferguson.

The city council met on Friday night as usual and made a record, adjourning in 20 minutes. Nothing was done of any interest.

The British Columbian members of the Royal Canadians left Ottawa for home on Wednesday afternoon and will pass through Revelstoke on Saturday.

—For a saving of only $1.14 each month you insure your life for the benefit of your family for $1.000, all your money is returned to you after 20 years Lewis Bros.

The arrival of the C. P. R. cheques brisked up the Christmas trade in town wonderfully and all the merchants report business excellent on Friday, Saturday and Monday.

Hon. C. H. Mackintosh and A. H. MacNeill of Rossland came up from the south on Thursday last en route for Vancouver, where "the governor" was on his way to spend Christmas with his family. He looks in the best of health, although during his recent visit to Butte he was laid up with an attack of the "Butte pneumonia."

D. Dunbar, manager of the Hotel Ferguson in Ferguson, spent a couple of days in town this week. He confirms the report that the Silver Cup, having got its ore blocked out, will suspend operations until the advent of the railroad, which Mr. Dunbar considers a certainty this year. A C.P.R. survey party is expected in Ferguson to resume operations on the 8th prox. The company is building a wharf at the foot of Kootenay Lake.

The twenty first annual report of the B. C. board of trade strikes out a fresh line in such documents. Besides the actual report there are added appendices containing statistics of the various industries of the province, imports and exports, shipping, etc., the mining laws and a profusely illustrated supplement entitled Victoria Past and Present. The report, which is a beautiful specimen of typography, was printed by the Colonist and reflects the greatest credit on all concerned in its production.

Owing to there being two Sunday school entertainments last night and it also being the night for the installation of the officers of the Masonic lodge, a number of the very people who would naturally take an interest in the hospital project would be unable to be present, so the Mayor decided to postpone the public meeting called for that evening to discuss the question until next Thursday evening, Jan. 3rd, in the council chamber.

Christmas at the Methodist Church.

Last week the Methodists were busy. This week they were busier still and the result of this activity was a beautifully decorated church and Christmas services that will have a pleasant memory in the minds of all who had the privilege of attending. The main design of decoration was a Gothic arch on the rear wall with the motto "Glory to God in the Highest" in white letters on a red background surmounted with Christmas stars and trimmed with evergreens. "Peace on earth" and Good Will to Men" were conspicuous on the right and left walls which were prettily draped with evergreens reaching entirely round the building. The services on Sunday were in charge of the pastor who preached with his usual vigor and acceptability. In the morning his subject was "The Glory of Christmas" and in the evening "The Second Coming of Christ." The musical services were especially good. The choir had been strengthened by the addition of Mrs. Jackson, whose pure sweet soprano voice was heard to much advantage in the solo parts of the anthems. Besides three very fine Xmas anthems a duet by Mrs. Dent and Mr. J. Taylor, "Angels Ever Bright and Fair" and a contralto solo "Down the Ages" by Mrs. Dent were specially enjoyed and were given with fine effect. Members of the congregation who have attended for years say that the music on Sunday surpassed anything ever heard in the church and reflects much credit on the leader and members of the choir.

On Wednesday evening the Sunday school gave their annual entertainment. A large platform was erected across the rear end of the church which was tastefully draped with curtains, while several blooming plants and the Xmas tree gorgeous with electric lights and loaded with Xmas gifts made a sight pleasing to the eye. The cantata entitled "Joyful Echoes" was rendered in effective style by the children of the school assisted by some members of the choir. The recitations in the cantata were given by Master Joe Howson, little Lilly Pettipiece, May Manning, Eva Thompson, Gertie Dent, Rita Thompson and Miss B. Sawyer. The instrumental accompaniments were played by Mrs. A. N. Smith and Miss Savage, piano; Mr. Will Sawyer, cornet and Mr. G. Knapp clarionet. Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Dickey deserve great praise for the careful training of the children. The distribution of the gifts then followed and the joy of little folks in the dollies, books and toys was great.

Mr. R. Howson the efficient superintendent of the school was presented with a set of handsomely bound volumes of the poets, Longfellow, Wordsworth and Tennyson. Mr. Will Sawyer and Mr. George Knapp received tokens of appreciation of their valued service in the Sunday school orchestra. Miss Savage was presented with a handsome testimonial from the trustees for her services as organist of the church, and lastly Rev. S. J. Thompson and wife were presented with a purse of $33 as a Christmas gift by the members of their congregation. These gifts were all genuine surprises to the recipients who felt the thanks they could not speak.

The superintendent informs us that the school is in a very flourishing condition. It has paid off a debt of $45, additions to the library have been made and with the receipts of last night will pay expenses of the year and start 1901 with a clean sheet and with an attendance of about 100.

Christmas in the Hotels.

The various hotels in town as usual spread a bountiful board on Christmas Day. The menu at the Revelstoke presented an artistic and varied gastronomic programme, served in first class style, which was greatly appreciated by all the lovers of good things present. The Victoria kept up its previous record for culinary excellence in its Christmas spread. The motto "A Merry Christmas" displayed in colored electric lights on the roof of the building was the subject of many encomiums. At the Queen's the company present sat down to a well spread dinner, cooked and served in excellent style. The other hotels the Columbia, Oriental, Central and City all made special efforts to celebrate the holiday with a dinner worthy of the occasion.

The report of the Roman Catholic Sunday school Christmas tree entertainment Wednesday evening last and of the Presbyterian and St. Peter's Sunday school Christmas tree entertainment of Thursday evening last will appear in our next issue.

—A. N. Smith begs to wish all his customers and friends in Revelstoke the best wishes of the season.

Mrs. D. Lyttle of Kamloops is spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adair.

"ON THE SPOT" REMEDIES.

The "first aid" is often needed in the home as well as in the battle field.

Our line of "on the spot" remedies includes the purest and best Witch Hazel, Sweet Oil and Camphor Gum in correct mixture. Rock Candy and Rye for colds; fresh, strong Mustard, Ginger, Flaxseed, and all the homely remedies so important in time of need.

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TAYLOR BLOCK, - McKenzie Ave

Board of Trade.

The council of the board of trade met this morning. Present H. A. Brown, president; H. J. Bourne, vice president; W. M. Brown, J. M. Scott, J. D. Sibbald, I. T. Brewster, A. Johnson and secretary Shaw. It was resolved to communicate with T. Taylor, M. P. P. informing him that work on the Big Bend waggon road had been shut down and also with the Department of Lands and Works asking for reason for closing down the work and their intentions with regard to the road.

Christmas at Roger's Pass.

Christmas Day in this little place was very quiet, but in the evening some fifteen or twenty guests assembled at the C. P. R. boarding house, where a very enjoyable evening was spent. Music and singing were indulged in, varied with selections on the phonograph by Mr. J. Newitt. Dancing also was indulged in to the time of band music and when that failed, the mouth organ came in very effectively played by Messrs McKenzie and Deane, Miss. Williamson and Mr. T. Watson gave us a glimpse of the highland schottiche danced to perfection. About eleven o'clock a light repast was served when Mr. Tomlinson excelled himself with his great eloquence in capacity of chairman. About midnight the guests wended their way home feeling that it had been in every truth, good for them to be there and feeling that great praise was due to our amiable hostess for the good time we had all enjoyed.

ONE WHO WAS THERE.

Grand Rally of Liberal-Conservatives.

There will be a meeting of the Liberal-Conservative Association at Tappings old theatre building on Thursday the 3rd day of January, A. D. 1901, at the hour of 8 p. m. for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. Every Liberal-Conservative is requested to attend as it is desirable to make this a representative meeting. Every Liberal-Conservative who helped to give McKane his handsome majority in this city should make a point of being present.

A Happy and Prosperous New Year to one and all.

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CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE

Black Bear and Kangaroo mineral claims situate in the Lardeau Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: at the headwaters of Bear Creek, a tributary of Pool Creek.

Take Notice that I, J. Fred. Ritchie, of Rossland, B. C. (acting as agent for "The Black Bear Mining Co., of Lardeau, B. C., Ltd." Free Miner's Certificate No. B41227). Free Miner's Certificate No. B36952, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for Certificates of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining Crown Grants of the above claims.

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

Dated this Fifteenth day of September, A.D., 1900.

J. FRED. RITCHIE.

This notice was first published in this paper on the 9th day of November, 1900.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE

Mountain Belle mineral claims situated in the Lardeau Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: at the headwaters of Bear Creek, a tributary of Pool Creek.

Take Notice that I, J. Fred Ritchie, of Rossland, B. C. (acting as agent for Frank Granger Smith Jr. Free Miner's Certificate No. B30972). Free Miner's Certificate No. B36952 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 Fifteenth day of September, A. D., 1900. J. FRED. RITCHIE.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that one month after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 40 acres of land situate on the West Fork of Duncan River, in the District of West Kootenay, described as follows: "Commencing at a post situated at the Northeast corner of Lot 5188, Group 1, and marked W. R. Smith's Southeast corner, thence north 40 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence south 40 chains, to the north boundary of said Lot 5188, thence east along said boundary to the point of commencement.

W. R. SMITH.

Dated this 14th day of November, 1900.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that one month after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 40 acres of land situate on the West Fork of Duncan River, in the district of West Kootenay, described as follows:—Commencing at a post situated at the South east corner of Lot 5188, Group 1, and marked "Angus Campbell's Southwest Corner"; thence East 10 chains, thence North 40 chains, thence West 10 chains, to the Northeast corner of said Lot 5188, thence along the Eastern boundary of said Lot 5188 40 chains to the point of commencement.

Dated this 14th day of November 1900.

ANGUS CAMPBELL.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Revelstoke at their next meeting for a transfer from John H. Robinson to us of the license issued to the said Robinson for the sale of liquors by retail at the Hotel know as the Queen's Hotel on Block 23, Plan 638A, in the City of Revelstoke.

Dated this 14th December, 1900.

W. H. CALDWELL,
A. S. VYE.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia at its next Session for an act to incorporate an association to be known as "THE BRITISH COLUMBIA MINING ASSOCIATION," the said association being founded for the following purposes, namely: First, to promote the arts and sciences connected with the economical production of valuable minerals and metals by means of meetings for the reading and discussion of technical papers and the subsequent distribution of such information as may be gained through the medium of publication. Second, the establishment of a central reference library and a headquarters for the purpose of this organization. Third, to take concerted action upon such matters as affect the mining and metallurgical industries of the Province of British Columbia, and to encourage and promote these industries by all lawful and honorable means.

Dated at Rossland, B.C., December 15th, 1900.

DALY & HAMILTON,
Solicitors for Applicants.
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NOTICE.

A public meeting will be held in the city council chamber at 8 p. m. on Thursday, Jan. 3rd, for the purpose of discussing the advisability of establishing a general hospital in Revelstoke. All those, both ladies and gentlemen, interested in the project are invited to attend.

A. N. SMITH,
Mayor.

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