

HOUSTON WAS ELECTED MAYOR

Scenes and Incidents of the Day.

John Houston was elected mayor of the city of Nelson yesterday. This was accomplished by the votes of 307 electors, as against the votes of 296 who voted for Frank Fletcher. The campaign on both sides was conducted with most commendable zeal, and when the polls closed there were not a dozen electors who had failed to register their votes. Each mayoralty candidate carried his home ward, John Houston having a majority of 39 in the East ward to overcome the majority of 28 which Frank Fletcher secured in the West ward.

Ex-mayor Neelands marked the closing days of his term of office by active partisanship. He entered into the fight to such an extent that he nominated one candidate to succeed himself as mayor, and four candidates for places at the next council board. His mayoralty candidate was defeated, and two of those whom he nominated for the council went with him. Of the other two Dr. Arthur secured a majority of thirty-three votes over Thomas Madden in the West ward, while C. Morrison holds third place from John A. Irving in the East ward upon the returning officer's rejection of a questionable ballot, the validity of which will doubtless be settled by a reference to the courts.

In the East ward the supporters of candidate Houston polled their strength in the early part of the day, and when the work of counting the ballots was commenced the rival candidates ran upon even terms for the first 200 ballots taken out of the box. After the middle of the day's voting was reached, however, Houston drew steadily away and pulled out with a majority of 39. The result of the polling in the East ward was:

John Houston	FOR MAYOR	307
Frank Fletcher		296
Dr. C. A. B. Hall	FOR ALDERMEN	293
W. J. Wilson		292
C. Morrison		291
J. A. Irving		290
Hamilton Byers		181

The contest between aldermanic candidates Morrison and Irving was very close, and early in the count returning officer Strachan rejected a ballot for Irving upon which the voter had placed two distinct crosses, one of which appeared inside the ruled lines in which the candidate's name appeared and the other in the proper place at the end of the name. Mr. Irving will probably demand a recount, and in the event of the rejected ballot being allowed the returning officer will be obliged to give a casting vote between the two candidates.

There was a corresponding increase in the vote of the West ward as compared with the previous election, there being 224 votes cast for the mayoralty candidates as against 181 in January, 1899. The most regrettable feature of the aldermanic contest in the West ward was the defeat of Thomas Madden. Although he polled more votes in the ward than were secured by the head of the aldermanic ticket in 1899, he fell 33 votes short of election. The result of the polling in the West ward was:

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Frank Fletcher		296
A. L. McKillop	FOR ALDERMEN	174
William Irvine		166
Dr. Arthur		165
Thomas Madden		133
Arthur Ferland		87

The day was in many respects suitable for obtaining a representative vote, despite the mud which was inches deep on the roads. Fortunately there was neither rain or snow to deter citizens from turning out to the polls. The proceedings opened at an early hour when the candidates' committee rooms were a scene of activity as the final arrangements for the battle of the ballots were discussed and completed. At 8 o'clock the polling booths were opened and the fight was on in grim earnest. City clerk Strachan presided at the West ward booth, with R. J. Steele as his clerk, while magistrate Crease officiated as deputy returning officer for the West ward, with S. M. Brydges as clerk. For a while the voters drifted in somewhat slowly, but shortly the campaigners began to show their hands and business brightened with the returning officers. About noon the greatest rush was felt, and later on, for half an hour or so before the polls closed, a number of citizens hustled in to record their votes. The streets were thronged from morning to night, though, strange to say, the crowd did not congregate about the polling booths until later in the day when the result of the polling might be expected. Every corner on Baker street had its group of interested citizens, numbering from one to two score. Among these the probable issue of the contest was eagerly canvassed and the pros and cons of the matter discussed with warmth. There was no disorder. While the fight was one of the greatest ever seen in Nelson, the rank and file among the contestants bore no ill will, and beyond a few arguments over wagers, the crowd might have been talking of a patriotic celebration. During the morning the followers of Mr. Fletcher loosened up their pursestrings and wagered money with a nerve which was quite unexpected in view of their astonishing caution in this respect prior to yesterday, and particularly on Wednesday night, when a fine-tooth comb would hardly have discovered

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GREAT BRITAIN AND AMERICA

In Full Agreement Over Contraband.

WASHINGTON, January 11.—The answer of the British government to Mr. Choate's representations respecting the seizure of American flour and other goods on the three vessels Beatrice, Mashona and Maria has been received. Just as the officials of the state department expected it amounted to a partial answer, very satisfactory as far as it goes, disposing of the character of the goods seized, but not fully decided whether or not food stuffs are to be regarded as contraband. The British government adopts precisely the point of view regarding the seized goods that was assumed by the state department and embodied by Mr. Choate in his note on the subject addressed to the British foreign office. The British government is investigating the facts in connection with the goods seized on the third vessel, the Beatrice. Mr. Choate's message embodied succinctly the authorities relied upon by the British government to sustain its position, and as this position as already stated is one of those already assumed by the state department, of course they are regarded as convincing. For this reason, Mr. Choate's message is long and it was nearly noon before it could be deciphered and placed in secretary Hay's hands. It so happened that Lord Pauncefoot, the British ambassador, was with the secretary shortly after he received his message and probably the subject was discussed by them. It is certain that the secretary and lord Pauncefoot appeared to be gratified at the progress made towards a settlement of the cases.

Later in the day the following official statement was given out by the state department: A telegram has been received from ambassador Choate reporting an interview he had with the marquis of Salisbury, on the afternoon of the 10th instant, in regard to the American shipments of flour and provisions on the detained steamers Beatrice and Mashona and the Dutch steamer Maria. The British position as to food stuffs and hostile destination is that they can only be considered contraband of war if supplied the enemy's forces, it not being sufficient that they are capable of being so used, but it must be shown that this was their destination at the time of seizure. This qualification virtually concedes the American contention that the goods were not subject to seizure and practically disavows the seizure, it not being claimed there is any evidence of hostile destination.

Gold and Silver.

Canada.—This country now holds the fourth place and is becoming a gold producer of much importance, chiefly owing to the large production from the Klondike and other mines in the Yukon region, which amounted this year to about \$14,000,000. The total production of Canada in 1899 was \$18,049,593, showing an increase over 1898 of \$4,349,593, or 31.7 per cent. In addition to the Yukon gold there was an increase from British Columbia and some also from the mines of Western Ontario, while there was a small decrease from the Nova Scotia mines.

THE LOSSES AT LADYSMITH

A Very Heavy List on Both Sides.

LONDON, January 12.—The Daily Mail says: "We learn that in the attack on Ladysmith last Saturday, January 8th, the British losses were 11 officers killed, 34 wounded and over 800 non-commissioned officers and men killed and wounded. The Boer losses, we hear, are estimated at between 2000 and 3000 men."

LONDON, January 12.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing Monday, says: "The vanguard of the Sixth division is waiting at Table Bay until the arrival of lord Roberts."

His Immorality Still Doubtful. OTTAWA, January 11.—The court of bishops which sat on the Geoghan case, rose this morning after rendering judgment granting a new trial to Geoghan, who was deposed from the ministry for seven years by the Hamilton clergy on charges of immorality.

SOME DEALS ARE IN PROGRESS

In the Slovan Country.

NEW DENVER, January 11.—An important deal is expected to be consummated here next week, when a certain promising mining property will pass into the hands of the syndicate represented by Ernest Mansfield. If he succeeds in his negotiations the property will be energetically worked, which will mean a great deal for the town.

The January dividend of the Rambler-Cariboo has been duly paid, much to the general satisfaction of the shareholders.

A carload of ore was shipped last week by the Boson. The returns from the previous car, sent to the Hall Mines smelter, netted the company \$1500 over all expenses—a striking illustration of the value of the property.

John Black, a resident of the town, has been temporarily appointed provincial policeman here, pending his official slating for the position. Special officer Ager has returned to Slovan City. Mr. Black is a Canadian, and his appointment is a popular one.

The Black Prince will ship two more carloads of ore, a contract for the raving having been signed.

Ore from the Arlington has commenced to arrive at Slovan City for shipment, McMillan & Allen having the raving contract. Half-a-dozen carloads or more will be shipped.

On the Chapleau it is stated ore is showing in all the principal workings, the full breast of the main drift being in mineral, with four feet in the winze.

The Warner Miller people have another promising bonanza on Lemon creek in the Kilo group. A good quality of ore is showing in each opening. Success is following the operations of the company throughout the Slovan.

Rawhidlers claim that the trails are in bad shape, owing to lack of snow. Ore shipments from the Slovan last week totalled up 190 tons.

Domestic Relations Patched up.

Chief Jarvis had quite an interesting case in hand yesterday. Early in the morning a man from Oregon approached him and asked his assistance in a delicate matter. The Oregon man's wife left her home a few months ago with another party and took her three children along. The woman had written her husband from Spokane stating that she was not receiving good treatment and intimating that she was willing to return to his arms. The recreant wife and her paramour were located in Nelson, and chief Jarvis accompanied the husband to the house. The chief remained outside, while the husband entered and confronted his wife and her companion. The latter was obdurate and several blows were struck, the husband drawing blood. The matter ended by the wife leaving with her forgiving husband.

Ladysmith Has Enough to Eat.

LONDON, January 12.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Pietermaritzburg, dated January 8th, says: "Private advices from Ladysmith, dated January 2nd, say that rations of bread and meat are plentiful and the garrison had not touched 'the bully beef and biscuits' supplies. Luxuries are scarce in Ladysmith, but the hospitals are well supplied with milk and the horses are in good condition."

SUPPLIES FOR THE TROOPS

Canada Exports Hay and Feed.

New York, January 11.—The steamship Auchanarden sailed today for Cape Town, Esden London and Port Natal. Beside an immense cargo of provisions, flour and grain, she carries thirty troop horses and fifty transport mules.

The British steamer Hortensians left here yesterday for Cape Town with 25,000 bales of hay for the British army. The hay came for the most part by rail from Canada.

LONDON, January 11.—Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal denied last evening, in an interview with a reporter of the Daily Mail, that he had made an offer to the government to bear the cost of any portion of the Canadian contingent.

LONDON, January 12.—The Standard in an editorial on the government's reply to Mr. Choate and count Von Buelow, says: "We shall be much surprised if the British government's definition of international law be applied to the carriage of foodstuffs fails to find acceptance at Washington and Berlin."

No Clue to His Identity.

The man killed on the aerial tramway on Tuesday was buried yesterday afternoon without being identified. The remains were interred in the union cemetery by the provincial authorities. A number of citizens viewed the remains during the day, but no further light was

thrown on the sad case. The clothes were removed from the body, and will be retained at the provincial police office on Ward street, where they may be seen on application to constable Kelly, the officer in charge. The Silver King mine was communicated with in regard to the rumor that the dead man was a relative of one of their employees, but no confirmation could be obtained. The only theory now remaining is that the dead man's name is Kerlew, and further information on this point will doubtless be forthcoming shortly.

OUTSIDE CONGRATULATIONS.

The following telegrams were received at THE TRIBUNE office last night:

GREENWOOD, January 11. John Houston, Nelson: Daily Times extends congratulations. Ross.

KASLO, January 11. John Houston, Nelson: Congratulations. Old friend, ARCHIE FLETCHER.

YMIR, January 11. Tribune Association, Nelson: Accept congratulations on behalf of Ymir Miners' Union. ALFRED PARR, Secretary.

ROSSLAND, January 11. Houston, mayor Nelson: We send our congratulations and good wishes on your election as mayor of the City of Nelson. W. M. TAFFERY. And bosom friend JACK HACKLEMAN.

SILVERTON, January 11th. John Houston, Nelson: Silvertown Miners' Union congratulate you on your election to Nelson mayoralty. J. I. MCINTOSH, Secretary.

SLOVAN CITY, January 11. John Houston, mayor of Nelson: Congratulations; we expected it. THE SILVERTONIAN.

GREENWOOD, January 11. J. Houston, Nelson: Congratulations. E. WOEBRICH.

Municipal Elections in Greenwood.

GREENWOOD, January 11.—[Special to the Tribune.]—Today's municipal elections passed off quietly. Thomas Hardy was re-elected mayor by a majority of forty-four over his opponent, Robert Wood. The aldermen elected for the North ward were: David A. Bannerman, Charles Scott Galloway and P. P. Sharpe; for the South ward, George H. Cropley, James Sutherland and D. J. Sullivan. The Greenwood Daily Times makes its first appearance tomorrow.

NEWS POLITICAL AND GENERAL

From the Boundary Country.

GREENWOOD, January 11.—[Special to the Tribune.]—George Macaulay, of Spokane, and J. G. Keane, of the Cariboo mine, Camp McKinney, have been in the city this week on business. Mr. Keane says that everything is going along steadily at Camp McKinney. There are 55 men at work on the Cariboo, and 125 in all at work in the camp. With reference to the Dayton mineral claim nothing was being done at present, but so far as work had gone it had shown up to be extraordinarily rich.

The new town of Deadwood has made a start. W. T. Kaake, of Phoenix, is erecting a hotel, which will be completed in a few days. He has already secured a license and has his stake on the ground. The new hotel will be called the Columbia. R. W. Armstrong, chief owner of the Grand Forks townsite, has sold out his interest for a large sum of money and will operate throughout the district generally now that he is foot loose. In the meantime he intends to take a holiday in the East. It would not be at all surprising if he made his headquarters in Greenwood before many moons.

A meeting of the Liberal-Conservatives for Greenwood and the district will be held in Miller's hall on Saturday evening to complete organization and to discuss plans for the future. Representatives will be present from Phoenix, Eholt, Midway and Deadwood.

An important mining deal was concluded yesterday when George Macaulay, president of the Cariboo mine, Camp McKinney, purchased a one-quarter interest in the Okanagan, an adjoining claim, from J. Moran for \$20,000 cash. The Cariboo company acquired the other three-quarter interests last year. The Okanagan, as stated, adjoins the Cariboo and contains its lead. The workings in the latter extend to the dividing line.

Arthur M. Whitesides, of the law firm of Pringle & Whitesides, has been appointed temporary police magistrate during the absence from the city of Mr. Hallett.

On account of Greenwood's central position in the Boundary Creek district, the Anderson Produce Company, Limited, of Winnipeg have opened up a branch here. R. L. Rushton is the manager.

The ladies of St. Jude's mission, Church of England, have formed a guild. The growth of the congregation since the arrival of the Rev. W. A. Robins, missionary in charge, has been most satisfactory. Temporary quarters to hold Sunday services were secured in Mrs. Foreman's hall and now the congregation find that these quarters are already becoming overcrowded and a proposition is on foot to erect a church building.

Roost's Galore at Peterboro. PETERBORO, Ontario, January 11.—The Ontario poultry association's annual show is being held here. The exhibits are of the finest quality, as well as numerous.

THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN

The Province—Watched by Politicians.

VICTORIA, January 11.—[Special to the Tribune.]—Unusual interest was shown today in the elections throughout the province, on account of political considerations supposed to figure in the polling at several points. The success of John Houston in Nelson, for instance, was noted with special interest from recent suggestion of his name in connection with parliamentary representation of his district.

In Vancouver the issue was virtually Cotton versus Martin and the reelection of mayor Garden by two hundred is taken as evidence of the continuing strength of the finance minister, notwithstanding his venturesome stand for principle against strongly supported local interest in Deadman's Island issue. No significance is attached to the defeat of major Redfern by alderman Hayward in this city, except that it was a rebuke to a good man for indiscretion in offering himself once too often, Redfern having been mayor for three years in succession.

There are fresh rumors of trouble in the government ranks which, in the absence of any word from the members mentioned, are given for what they are worth. It is stated that Wells and Ralph Smith are so disaffected that had the vote been taken yesterday, the government might have been without their support. Semlin is no doubt on the edge of a political volcano, which may slumber through the session or at any time overwhelm him in an eruption.

Kaslo's Municipal Election.

KASLO, January 11.—[Special to the Tribune.]—The municipal elections here today were closely contested. In the mayoralty contest C. W. McAnn defeated G. T. Kane by sixteen votes, the vote standing 119 for McAnn to 103 for Kane. There were ten candidates in the field for aldermanic honors, and the election resulted in the return of W. E. Hodder, Dr. J. D. Moore and F. E. Archer. The returns of the voting for aldermen were: W. E. Hodder 179, Dr. Martin 171, G. A. Carlson 165, A. W. Goodenough 102, J. D. Moore 99, F. E. Archer 92, W. V. Popworth 91, Samuel Bruce 90, Samuel Fawcett 83, and J. D. Twiss 82.

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Mayor and Aldermen of Grand Forks. GRAND FORKS, January 11.—L. A. Munley was re-elected today by a majority of 13 over Charles Cummings. The following aldermen were elected: H. A. Henderson, W. B. Davey, P. S. McCullum, W. K. C. Munley, J. Donaldson and R. Harvey.

Ottawa is Progressing. OTTAWA, January 10.—[The city assessor's report for 1900 shows a real estate valuation of \$24,478,800, an increase of \$799,525 over 1899. The population of Ottawa on September 30th was 57,002, an increase of 1616 over 1898.

Have Arrived at Last. LONDON, January 10.—9:05 p.m.—General Roberts, the new commander of the British forces in South Africa, and his chief of staff, general Kitchener, have arrived at Cape Town.

THE NEWSPAPERS ARE INCENSED

At the Scope of the Censorship. LONDON, January 12.—The newspapers were reconciled during the early days of the war to cable censorship, taking it for granted that full narratives sent by mail would supply all deficiencies. For some weeks, however, even the mail correspondence that has arrived in London has shown signs of habitual scissoring by the censor. Papers are remembered without logical connection, leaving the happenings described quite unintelligible in many cases. The editors, acting in concert, are laying these before the public and insisting that they be permitted to know and to print these facts. The Daily Mail formally accuses the war office of "doctoring" in editing official dispatches before their issuance and cites particulars.

New Assurance Company. TORONTO, January 11.—The Crown Life Assurance Company is the name of a new insurance company, with a capital of \$1,000,000, with headquarters in this city, which is applying for incorporation to the Dominion government.

Roost's Galore at Peterboro. PETERBORO, Ontario, January 11.—The Ontario poultry association's annual show is being held here. The exhibits are of the finest quality, as well as numerous.

Overalls and Jumpers

We have just received a large lot of overalls, smocks and jumpers. Overalls with and without bib. Extra values.

Baker Street, Nelson, B. C.

J. F. WEIR, Men's Outfitter.

Wholesale Houses

NELSON B. C.

GROCERIES.

A. MACDONALD & CO.—Corner Vernon and Josephine streets, wholesale grocers, and jobbers in blankets, gloves, mitts, boots, rubbers, mackinaws and miners' supplies.

KOOTENAY SUPPLY COMPANY, LIMITED.—Vernon street, Nelson, wholesale grocers.

JOHN CHOLDITCH & CO.—Front street, Nelson, wholesale grocers.

COAL.

CROW'S NEST PASS COAL COMPANY.—Wholesale dealers in coal and coke. Charles St. Barbe, Agent, Baker street, Nelson.

HARDWARE AND MINING SUPPLIES.
H. BYERS & CO.—Corner Baker and Josephine streets, Nelson, wholesale dealers in hardware and mining supplies. Agents for Giant Powder Co.

LAWRENCE HARDWARE COMPANY.—Baker St., Nelson, wholesale dealers in hardware and mining supplies, and water and plumbers supplies.

VANCOUVER HARDWARE COMPANY, LIMITED.—Baker street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in hardware and mining supplies, plumbers and tinmiths supplies.

REFRIGERATED AND MINERAL WATERS.

THORPE & CO., LIMITED.—Corner Vernon and Cedar streets, Nelson, manufacturers of and wholesale dealers in aerated waters and fruit syrups. Sole agents for Halsey Springs mineral water.

ASSAYERS' SUPPLIES.

W. F. TETZEL & CO.—Corner Baker and Josephine streets, Nelson, wholesale dealers in assayers supplies. Agents for Denver Fire Clay Co. of Denver, Colorado.

LIQUORS AND DRY GOODS.

TURNER, BERTON & CO.—Corner Vernon and Josephine streets, Nelson, wholesale dealers in liquors, cigars and dry goods. Agents for Fabbet Brewing Co., Milwaukee and Calgary Brewing Co. of Calgary.

COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

H. J. EVANS & CO.—Baker street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in liquors, cigars, cement, fire brick and fire clay, water pipe and steel rails, and general commission merchants.

FLOUR AND FEED.

BRACKMAN & KER MILLING COMPANY, LTD.—Front street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in flour, oatmeal, etc., and hay and grain. Mills at Edmonton, Victoria, and New Westminster.

CIGARS.

KOOTENAY CIGAR MANUFACTURING CO.—Corner Baker and Hall streets, Nelson, manufacturers of "Royal Seal" and "Kootenay Belle" brands of cigars.

PAINTS AND OILS.

NELSON HARDWARE COMPANY.—Baker street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in paints, oils, and brushes of all kinds. Largest stock in Kootenay.

FRESH AND SALT MEATS.

P. BURNS & CO.—Baker street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in fresh and cured meats, cold storage.

POWDER, CAPS AND FUSE.

HAMILTON POWDER COMPANY.—Baker street, Nelson, manufacturers of dynamite, sporting, mining and black blasting powder, wholesale dealers in caps and fuse, and electric blasting apparatus.

PROVISIONS, PRODUCE AND FRUITS.

PARSONS PRODUCE COMPANY.—Vernon street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in provisions, produce, and fruits. Agents for Swift & Co. bacon and hams.

J. Y. GRIFFIN & CO.—Corner Vernon and Josephine streets, Nelson, wholesale dealers in provisions, cured meats, butter and eggs.

P. R. STEWART & CO.—Warehouses on C. P. track, foot of Stanley street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in provisions, produce and fruits. Cold storage. Agents for Armour & Co's bacon, hams, lard and other products.

MANITOBA PRODUCE AND COMMISSION CO., LTD.

Nelson branch, Hall street. Wholesale dealers in butter, eggs and cheese.

SASH AND DOORS.

NELSON SAW AND PLANING MILLS, LIMITED.—Corner Front and Hall streets, Nelson, manufacturers of and wholesale dealers in sash and doors; all kinds of factory work made to order.

WINES AND CIGARS.

CALIFORNIA WINE COMPANY, LIMITED.—Corner Front and Hall streets, Nelson, wholesale dealers in wine (case and bulk) and domestic and imported cigars.

The Tribune.

The accident which befell the Suffolk regiment in South Africa has now been explained. It was lamentable and ludicrous. And worse than that, it was typical of the methods of generalship which have characterized the British campaign. Lieutenant colonel Watson led his men up a hill in the middle of the night and as day was breaking, he gathered his officers around him and proceeded to exhort them. The Boers took this opportunity to open fire at thirty paces and lieutenant colonel Watson and some of his officers went out and the regiment stampeded. Imagine a man leading his forces within thirty yards of a concealed enemy, in close formation, and happy ignorance of the presence of any foes. And this unhappy officer only did what Gatacre did on a larger scale before him. The British soldier must more than deserve all the praise ever bestowed on him, if his morale is not injured by such contemptible leadership as that.

The municipal election is over. A number of the citizens are mourning over the defeat of their candidate for mayor, and a larger number are very properly jubilant over the fact that their ballots were not wasted. No material difference

existed between the platforms of candidate Houston and candidate Fletcher. The people of Nelson had only to decide upon whom they considered the best man to guide the destinies of the city. They have decided, and John Houston, printer, is mayor of Nelson. Everyone will agree to sink all the bitterness of the contest from now on and pull one and all for the progress of the metropolis of the Kootenays.

The honorable Joseph Martin is an individual, nothing more. He has not reconciled his late opponents and he has alienated all his friends. His fulminations in the legislature are consequently without weight or influence. He has contrived in a very short space of time to put a complete end to his political career, an end which is neither touching nor dignified. He has proved himself true neither to his principles, his friends, his enemies nor himself.

JOHN HOUSTON, now mayor of Nelson, desires to thank those citizens who gave him their support in the late contest, not only those to whom he is known personally, but the many who voted for him whom he does not know personally. He is grateful for the support he received in all sections of the town and from all classes of the community. The measure of his gratitude will be the success of his administration.

CONCERNING the timber selected for the incoming council it is not necessary to say anything. The candidates in the field were all strong men, and the new council will be a strong one.

THE BEAUTY PATCH.

The Saint-Lazare station is a gay station, in the heart of the city, a stone's throw from the Opera and the boulevard, twenty minutes from the Bois de Boulogne. In the waiting-room, the Hall of the Lost Footsteps, lined up before the booking-offices or seeking quietude, there are always a lot of pretty girls, with extravagantly yellow hair crowned by marvelous hats. They walk down the Rue d'Amsterdam, their noses in the air, striking the echoing kerbstones with their little high heels, and generally carrying small leather bags—supposed to give them a countenance. What a countenance! Hence, trips to Saint-Germain or Versailles, starting from the above-mentioned gay station, are true pleasure trips.

Yesterday I was obliged to go to Versailles, and profiting by my experience—in garrison there for several years—I strolled up and down, in haste to choose my compartment. The railway carriages standing high above the level of the platform, the women passengers have to practice regular gymnastics to get aboard, and there are, therefore, all sorts of picturesque sights to be seen, not to speak of services to be rendered. For the latter purpose, the best thing to do is to stand opposite the revolving platforms. They make the steps at least a foot higher—enough to make one quite dizzy climbing in. I was on the lookout for a pretty fellow-traveler. I might even say that I had the embarrassment of choosing; it almost looks as if the Western Company has the monopoly of good-looking ticket-holders. But alas! Not one of them was alone. Naturally, I avoided cavalry officers; they all go the terminus of the line. The infantry add to the chances of a tete-a-tete, for they generally get off at Courbevoie, Saint-Cloud, or Ville-d'Avray. As to the artillery—that's a risk to run; there is a battery at Suresnes, but there are two regiments at Versailles as well.

I was at this stage of perplexity when, in one of the last of the first-class compartments, I caught sight of a pretty brunette—to be classified among the piquante brunnets—velvety eyes, fringed with long lashes, a faintly shadowed upper lip, and above the left corner of the mouth—a souvenir of a by-gone century—a dainty little black patch that our gallant ancestors would have called killing. She wore a maize-colored bengaline bodice, trimmed with guipure; on her head was perched a big hat with outspread white wings, that made her look like a Valkyrie—but a gay, not a warlike one. Beside her was seated a large, elderly gentleman, with big mustaches, a decoration in his button-hole; he had a military air and imposing eyebrows, and was reading the paper. But, from time to time, he raised suspicious eyes on her—the eyes of a proprietor defending his domain. The husband, evidently.

I got into the carriage, and seated myself discreetly opposite the pair, but in the far corner. Although I had made a slight bow on entering, I did not have the good fortune to claim the lady's attention; she seemed preoccupied, and kept her head out of the window, as if

she were expecting some one. The mustached gentleman, however, returned my bow most politely. He was no doubt obliged to me for having left the seat opposite him unoccupied. At the moment the train was starting, a handsome, blonde young fellow, carrying a brief-case under his arm, sprang inside breathlessly. He rapidly exchanged a smile of intelligence with the lady, and then sat down opposite her, knee to knee.

"Look sharp!" I said to myself, this is going to turn out interesting. Naturally, the big, elderly man, absorbed in his paper, had noticed nothing. The whistle sounded, the train started, and the fair young man, no doubt to appear occupied, began to turn the leaves of the voluminous document in the leather case. But every now and then he raised his eyes, and then it was easy to see that the lady with the patch smiled at him imperceptibly. It would have been impossible to be more imprudent, and this little manœuvre, barely concealed, ran a great risk of being discovered by the man with the terrible eyebrows.

My soul is instinctively lenient to human weaknesses, and at the bottom of my heart I always find a secret pleasure on learning that the corporation of husbands counts one more victim. So, as far as was possible, I decided to come to the assistance of the sweethearts by attracting the attention of the husband. Seizing the first slight pretext, I engaged him in conversation. As we approached Asnieres, I uttered a reflection that suddenly passed through my mind:

"To think that that bridge was cut in 1870! What was the good of it, pray, with Mont-Valerien just opposite?" "It was idiotic," returned the decorated gentleman. "At that time I was on the staff of admiral La Ronciere Le Noury. You have no conception, sir, of all the mistakes that were committed during the siege of Paris. Just fancy—"

Here the big man obligingly changed over into the corner seat, to be nearer me, leaving the pretty-brunette opposite the fair man; and he went on with his course in tactics, with broad gestures, pointing out to me the magnificent horizon, the Seine like a silver ribbon at the foot of the green slopes of Courbevoie, and, far in the background, Paris, with its houses and its monuments, among which stood out the gigantic silhouette of the Arc de Triomphe, dishonored by scaffolding, and the gilded dome of the Invalides.

"Remember," continued the decorated gentleman, "that we were occupying the region near Clichy."

But I hardly heard him, for I saw with terror that, profiting by my manœuvre, our two lovers had begun to whisper in smothered tones. The brief was still spread out on the young man's knees, for the looks of the thing, but it was easy to see that he no longer even cast a glance at it. And the train sped along, and the soldier, absorbed by his memories, went on with his discourse on military history that I feigned to listen to most devoutly, so as to draw his attention to the left side of the line.

We reach Saint-Cloud, we enter the tunnel, and in the pitch darkness, on my word, I would swear that I heard the sound of a kiss. When we rush out again into the light, I cast a glance at the fair-haired man, who is once more deeply absorbed in his case. What do I make out on his left nostril but a funny little black spot. Sapristi! It is the patch, the killing patch, that in a thoughtless contact has loosened and passed from the lips of the dark beauty to the nose of her admirer.

I foresaw a terrible tragedy, for my tactician turned a questioning and suspicious look upon the lady, as if he had found something altered in her appearance, he hardly knew what I would have given worlds to have been able to whisper to the good-looking young man: "For heaven's sake, remove that compromising patch at once, or you are betrayed!" Unfortunately it was quite out of the question, seated as I was at a distance. So it seemed wiser to recall the officer's thoughts to the war of 1870, and the heights of Verdun. But he no longer paid any heed to me. He chuckled in a sinister way behind his fierce mustache, gazing at the be-patched nose of the fair young man.

As for the woman, crimson, overcome with terror, she began to fan herself violently—a most distressing sight. What was going to happen? What terrible sentence was the implacable judge going to pronounce on the guilty wretches covering beneath his gaze? Was I going to be obliged to look on, in this narrow railway carriage, at a challenge, a boxing-match, perhaps a butchery, a massacre?

Suddenly, to my intense relief, I caught sight of the three yew-trees, trimmed into sugar-loaf shape, that guard the entrance into the grand monarch's town; a guard called out "Versailles! Versailles!" The train stopped. I got out, determined to stick to the officer to see what would happen. Judge of my stupor on seeing the lady take the fair man's arm and trip along at his side, while the decorated gentleman said to me, as he saw them disappear:

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THE BAYONET AGAIN IN FAVOR AMONG MILITARY EXPERTS.

There are signs in the news from the seat of war in South Africa that "the British bayonet" is not yet by any means past its deadly usefulness. At Mafeking, the despatches say, one night attack upon the besiegers' trenches, delivering a dose of "cold steel" when darkness prevented the Boer riflemen from shooting with good effect, was of the greatest service in preventing a close advance of the parallels. There is a story, too, which is probably mythical in itself, but which is probably based on general facts, that in an attack on the trenches somewhere near the scene of Buller's recent defeat a cry of "Fix bayonets and give them cold steel!" had more effect upon the defending party than many rounds of Lee-Netford ammunition would have had. If the Boers, brave enough, as everyone admits, in what Kentickians call a "shooting scrape," fight shy of the bayonet, it is all the less to be wondered at, as they themselves appear to be unprovided with any such weapon, and are certainly not, as the British infantryman is, trained to its use.

Since the Crimean War the opinion that the bayonet has had its day has gained ground. Considering the enormous increase in the range and power of rifles since that time, it is rather wonderful that any one should think otherwise. But history has been for from unanimous on his point; in fact, it has been self-contradictory, just as it has been in the matter of the sabre for the cavalryman. There must have been little of nothing, for instance, in the scene at the Turkish trenches before Plevna to remind the war correspondents who watched and recorded it that this was not a battle of the old heroic man-to-man period. These correspondents told how, as the victorious Russian infantry approached the works, firing and receiving the Turkish fire, a long line of red-capped, loose-troisered, demons sprung up from within the breastworks, and, whirling their rifles aloft with a yell of "Allah! Allah!" came down on the Muscovites at the old-fashioned "charge."

It was the officers who made the surrender of Plevna a decent modern affair; the Turkish rank and file could, and would without doubt, have gone on at their work of point and butt until none

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were left to surrender to the surviving victorious Russians but the staff.

BAYONET IN INFANTRY FIGHTING. The history of infantry fighting sums up something like this: First, the Macedonian phalanx, with long lances; then the Roman legion, with short, stout spear; then an interval, of say, twelve centuries, during most of which the mounted man had things all his own way; then the two hundred years beginning about 1550, when the Spanish "infanteria" was considered irresistible by reason of its pikes, which were, practically, the Roman "pila"; then the introduction of the matchlock, and with it a threat of an end to all "close quarters" as early as the sixteenth century.

But some French or Spanish soldier whose name has been forgotten, hit upon the brilliant idea that these newfangled machines might be converted into honest pikes occasionally by simply sticking the butt of a dagger into the muzzle of the matchlock. This scheme seemed to work well for half a century, until it was generally felt that if the firing of a matchlock was to become other than a long and deliberate ceremonial, as seemed to be probable with the improvements that were coming from Nuremberg, the corking and uncorking of the barrels would have to be obviated in some way or other.

THE RING BAYONET. In 1689 general Mackay introduced among his infantry the ring bayonet. The name of the weapon has been connected with Bayoime, the French seaport. As a matter of fact, "bayona" and "bayoneta" are Spanish words, and mean neither more nor less than "sticker" and "little sticker." But the etymology of the word did not trouble the British infantry whom it helped to raise to the top-most place among the troops of Europe in the period from 1703—the date when Wanban introduced the socketed bayonet in the armies of the Great Monarch—to the middle of the present century. The transition from ring to socket was a perfectly natural one. The two rings in the earlier weapon were merged into a sort of tube fitting on the end of the musket barrel. The blade was connected with this tube by a stout neck, so as to leave it clear of the bullet's path when the gun was discharged. In order to give the blade greater strength, it was made triangular in section. Finally this triangular blade was hollowed out to make it as light as possible and so reduce to a minimum its disadvantage as a weight at the end of the piece in firing.

BRITISH BAYONETS TODAY. Thus was evolved the form of bayonet which is today the conventional idea of it, entertained by uninformed civilian minds. It was this form that was used in the Peninsular War, where more than at any other time or in any other part of the world the bayonet won its fame. "British bayonets" became in those days a synonym for the military power of the British.

In the earliest part of the century the authorities of the United States army were fully alive to the importance of skill

with the bayonet. General George B. McClellan wrote the manual of bayonet exercise, which was the authorized text book for the army at the beginning of the Civil War. It is interesting now to the lay reader chiefly on account of the elaborately minute instructions on position. In those days much stress was laid upon the effectiveness as a military spectacle of a large body of men going through the bayonet exercise. McClellan's book is now obsolete, and bayonet drill in the United States army has taken the form of an athletic exercise, like boxing, carried on with bayonets made safe by pads attached to the points. In the British army, to judge by the complaint of a recent writer in The United Service Review, the idea of bayonet exercise as an affair of parade ground display has prevailed until recently, though many commanding officers have worked hard, and, it seems, with some success, to substitute for the formal parade drills of companies and battalions man to man contests with blunted weapons, small prizes being given to the victors. General McClellan, it must be said, contemplated the same practice. In his "Manual" there are plates, curious enough to look at after the lapse of half a century, showing infantry of that period wearing the padded "plastron" to protect the body, and going through with what look to the eyes of this generation like very stagey movements, with specially made whalebone bladed bayonets. The whalebone blades are made detachable from the hilt of the bayonet, so that a blade broken by a "palpable hit" can be replaced.

In the article in The United Service Review, already mentioned, the writer evidently takes the view that the day of the bayonet is by no means past. The "trowel bayonet," designed by colonel Rice in the seventies, with the idea of furnishing the infantry soldier with a convenient and ever ready trenching tool, was never a success, in a practical sense. The idea of it, however, serves to show how little importance was attached to the bayonet as a weapon twenty-five years ago. But since that time the bayonet has been gradually improved up to the present form of a broad bladed knife, attached by a string below the barrel of the rifle to which it adds less than one pound in weight and about twelve inches in length.

A NOTABLE SECT.

Shiloh, Maine, is the seat of a remarkable sect. New England is prolific in sects. The number of religious organizations which spring up there flourish for a while and then pass out of existence in legion. Few of them reach the prominence of that now under consideration. It is known by the rather extraordinary name of "The Holy Ghost and Us Society." To many people, this will savour of the irreverent, and they will expect the members of the organization to be a lot of irresponsible folk; but if the accumulation of valuable assets is, in this sphere of activity, as valuable an indication of merit as it is in others, the sect must have some good points about it. Rev. Frank W. Sandford is at the head of the sect. He used to be the pastor of a church somewhere in New Hampshire, but we do not know what denomination he belonged to. He is spoken of as having left his parish, and so presumably he was associated with the Episcopal church, which we think is the only ecclesiastical body in the United States using that expression. Mr. Sandford was led by an influence, which he could not resist, to abandon his home and all his possessions, giving them away, and set out without

the least idea where he was going or what he would do. This was seven years ago. He has never since asked an individual for money, trusting to voluntary contributions, but he has managed to erect a magnificent temple at Shiloh, a structure resembling an enormous summer hotel, a magnificent stone building for the treatment of the sick by simple trust in the power of God. Naturally the remarkable success of this movement has attracted a great deal of attention, so much so that the postal authorities have been compelled to establish a special post office at Shiloh for the use of the association, and the mail brings daily hundreds of letters asking for information about the work.

During the last few weeks a new impetus has been given to the sect by what is alleged to have been the resurrection from the dead of Miss Olive A. Mills in response to the prayer of Mr. Sandford. There seems to be no doubt that Miss Mills was supposed by every one to be dead, and that she had been restored to health and strength. Mr. Sandford says that he did not restore her that is that he did not exercise any power possessed by himself. He states that he prayed earnestly beside her supposed corpse, and that an inspiration came to him to command her to live again; that he did so and she was restored to life. Miss Mills herself in her written description of her experience says she was dead, that she knows she was dead, that her personality was severed from her body and was traversing what she describes as resembling a long tunnel leading to a light, when she heard the command to return and that she did return and entered again into the body, which at once resumed its natural functions. It is the easiest thing in the world to dispose of the story by saying that Mr. Sandford and Miss Mills are acting in collusion; but this does not account for the immense temple, the spacious children's home and the fine hospital. Mr. Sandford says that is all due to faith. Miss Mills gives expression to the sentiments phrase that "faith is fact." Except for the alleged resurrection there is no material difference between what is being done at Shiloh and George Muller's remarkable work at Bristol. About twenty-five years ago Dr. Cullis maintained an institution in Boston, Mass., where remarkable cures were performed, and all the money, of which a great deal was required, came in through voluntary contributions in answer to prayer. Therefore as much inclined as we will all be to reject the story of the resurrection of Miss Mills, we must shut our eyes to some undeniable and very substantial facts when we refuse to believe that very remarkable things can be accomplished by those who trust in faith only. Mr. Sandford says that he is unable to understand why the promises in the gospel of what may be done by faith should have less force now than at the time they were made, and when you come to think about it you will be disposed to admit that he puts the burden of proof upon those who allege that there was a time limit to the efficacy of those promises. The future of "The Holy Ghost and Us Society" will be watched with very considerable interest.

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The said deed of assignment was executed by the said Thomas Stanley Humphreys and John Whistance Pittock and by the said Webster Foreman, Trustee of the said City of Nelson, on the 23rd day of December, 1899, at the hour of 12 o'clock in the afternoon.

All creditors are required on or before the 30th day of December, 1899, to file their claims with the trustee, or to be paid by the said Webster Foreman, Trustee, on or before the 30th day of December, 1899, at the office of Gallieher & Wilson, Solicitors, Baker Street, Nelson, B. C., on Friday the 29th day of December, 1899, at the hour of 12 o'clock in the afternoon.

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Dissolution of Copartnership.

The partnership between Dr. D. LaBau and Dr. Alex. Foris has been dissolved, the dissolution to date from December 1st, 1899. All debts due the firm are payable to Dr. D. LaBau, and he will pay all debts of the firm. Dated Nelson, December 1st, 1899.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

All persons having accounts against the estate of the late Margaret McLeod will please send same to me within the next ten days. Accounts sent after that date will not be recognized. H. G. McLEOD, Nelson, January 5th, 1900.

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DISSOLUTION NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that we the undersigned (formerly carrying on business as Salton Acquires in the City of Nelson to the Province of British Columbia, under the firm name and style of Johnson & Smith, have by mutual consent dissolved the said partnership. The said business will be continued by the undersigned, Robert F. Smith, who will pay all outstanding liabilities of the said firm and for whom all accounts due the said firm are payable to.

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NOTICE. The British Columbia Southern Railway Company will apply to the parliament of Canada at its next session for an act authorizing the company to complete its line before the end of the year 1901. Its western section as described in the act of the said parliament, 69-70, Victoria, chapter 30 and a branch line from a point on its main line at or near the forks of Michel creek, thence by way of Michel creek to Martin creek and for other purposes.

By order of the board. H. CAMPBELL, OSWALD, Secretary. Montreal, 17th November, 1899.

COURT OF REVISION. NELSON DIVISION, WEST KOOTENAY. Notice is hereby given that a Court of Revision and appeal under the Assessment and Amendment Act will be held in the following places: At the court house at Nelson on Wednesday, the 10th January, 1900 at 11 a. m. At the court house at Rossland on Thursday, the 11th January, 1900 at 11 a. m. W. J. GOEPEL, Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal.

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The undersigned has a large quantity of fir, cedar, and tanbark slabs, 12 inch and 4 foot lengths, suitable for stove wood, which will be sold for \$1 a load at the mill yard. NELSON SAW & PLANING MILLS, Ltd. Nelson, August 18th, 1898.

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A DIRECT IMPORTATION OF

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

James Kelly, aged 10 years, was arrested yesterday on a serious charge. It is alleged that he abducted a 13-year-old girl. The case comes up this morning, but a remand will be asked for by chief Jarvis, who has the case in hand.

In accordance with the motion passed at the last meeting, secretary Swannell of the board of trade interviewed the local postoffice officials yesterday with the object of securing better mail facilities. The postmaster will submit a statement giving full information regarding the city mail service and this will be submitted to the council of the board at its next meeting.

A meeting of the trustees of the general hospital took place yesterday. Routine matters only were discussed.

More Men for South Africa.

SOUTHAMPTON, January 11.—The Canadian liner Umbria, which has been chartered as a transport by the British government, sailed from Southampton today with 2200 soldiers for South Africa.

Butter and Cheese Associations.

MADOC, Ontario, January 11.—The annual convention of eastern Ontario butter and cheese associations is in session here. The reports read showed a most encouraging condition of dairy farming throughout the past year.

Will Act as War Correspondent.

NEW YORK, January 11.—Richard Harding Davis, who sailed for Southampton on the St. Louis yesterday, is bound for South Africa, where he will act as war correspondent for a number of magazines and newspapers.

Freight Agents' Association Meets.

MONTREAL, January 11.—The quarterly meeting of the Canadian Freight Agents' Association is being held at Place Viger Hotel here. Reports of all railways running in the Dominion have been read.

BUSINESS MENTION.

Dry Wood.—If you want good dry wood go to Kelly & Steeper's.

Wanted—Chambermaid at Hotel Phair. Wanted—Furnished rooms, private family, with board, by a gentleman and his wife. Apply to A. B. C. Tribune office.

Furnished room, with or without small sitting room, to rent, with use of bath. Pleasantly situated. Inquire at this office.

Two furnished rooms to let at the corner of Vancouver and Cedar streets.

Typewriter wanted—Must be well recommended and efficient. Apply to Taylor & Harrington, Barristers.

For rent—Five-roomed house, also furnishings in same house for sale. For terms apply Campbell, Edgar & Co.

NOTICE

Owing to the great number of votes in the East Ward, and the number of citizens in the West, North and South Wards, I have consented to offer myself—no, not myself, but a

LARGE SCHOONER OF BEER FOR

10c

AT THE

Club Hotel

DURING MY RECENT FIRE

A small portion of my goods got damaged by a little water but new goods have now taken their place and in my new goods are arriving daily. I have now decided to sell all my groceries and fruits at greatly reduced prices. All new canned goods 5 cents per tin cheaper than the regular market price. If goods are not as represented your money will be refunded. Thanking you one and all for your kind patronage.

Jas. phin's Street, Between Carbonate and Silica Sts. P. DONATO

MEN'S FURNISHING GOODS

Our friends and customers appreciate the values we are giving them in clothing. We propose to give them equal values all this week in furnishings.

UNDERWEAR. All-wool ribbed underwear, per suit, \$2.00. All-wool fancy neat stripes, per suit, 2.50. Hosiery. All-wool black hose, worth 40c, for 25c.

Shirts at greatly reduced prices. Neckwear of all kinds at special low prices.

Baker Street, Opposite Queen's Hotel. BROWN & CO.

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WE HAVE THE FINEST LINE OF

Coal Heaters

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Cole's Hot Blast Heater



Our claims for this heater is that it is adapted to any kind of coal, CROW'S NEST, LETH.

BRIDGE, or ANTHRACITE, burning all kinds equally well. Not requiring the attention of an ordinary coal heater. Economical, durable and simple in construction. See our Steel Ranges for hard and soft coal or wood.

H. Byers & Co.

NELSON KASLO SANDON

WE HAVE STOVES

But while we are waiting for the cold weather we would draw your attention to our line of

NICKLED COPPER WARE

Including Tea and Coffee Pots (several designs), Enamelled Handle Dippers, Pudding Dishes, Tea Kettles, etc., and the only place you can get them is

LAWRENCE HARDWARE CO.

Kindly drop in or Ring up Kirkpatrick & Wilson Previous to allowing others To make you believe their prices are Right, as we are the leaders of prices in Nelson, and can supply anything in Crockery, glassware and groceries. Kirkpatrick & Wilson & furthermore We Invite Ladies to call and Satisfy themselves On the fact of our leading and Never following others.

Phone 8.

Box 57.

Although a Change

Has taken place the business will be conducted under the same management, and our many customers will be pleased to know that they will deal with the same courtesy as has hitherto been accorded. The class of goods which has been handled and built up such a reputation for the firm of M. DesBrisay & Co. will continue to be kept in stock, and as our customers will not be asked to deal with strangers, the expectation of the old firm will be maintained throughout. Commence the new year bright by dealing with the old reliable.

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year, you will know us as

THE WESTERN MERCANTILE COMPANY, Ltd., SUCCESSORS TO

Baker Street, Nelson. M. DesBrisay & Co., Staple and Fancy Groceries.

Removal Notice

We beg to announce to our many patrons that we have removed to our new quarters in the Houston Block, the big increase in the volume of our business forcing us to seek larger premises. Thank the people for the patronage accorded us in the past, in anticipation of an increase of this custom in the future, we remain, theirs to command in all lines of groceries.

Houston Block, Baker Street

John A. Irving & Co.

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Carload Canadian Whiskies

Including Segram's 2, 4, and 7 year old Rye in Barrels. Gooderham & Worts' Rye in Cases. Segram's Star, 53 Rye and White Wheat Whisky in Cases. Walker's Club Rye in Cases. A. D. GRAY, Kootenay Agent Nelson, B. C. R. P. RITHET & CO.