

THE WORST STORY OF ALL

Of Mismanagement in Africa.

PHILADELPHIA, January 11.—The North American's London cable says: In spite of the strict censorship, a private letter from Charles Hoby, representative of the North American in Natal, which escaped by Moles Station, reached here today. Hoby gives a detailed and graphic account of one of the worst disasters that has yet befallen the British army. He tells how one British regiment was mown down by another, each in the darkness mistaking friends for foes, and how the idiosyncrasy of the situation was not discovered until two divisions of British infantry had rushed upon each other in a blind charge of bayonets. Hoby's letter follows:

PIETERMARITZBURG, December 13.—Lying in the hospital here are more than a score of brave fellows suffering from terrible wounds inflicted by their brother soldiers. They are the victims of one of the most outrageous instances of blundering mismanagement in the annals of military history. On the afternoon of November 22nd four companies of the West Yorkshire regiment, two of the East Surrey, two of the Queen's Guards, with the Fifteenth battery of field artillery, left Estcourt for the purpose of driving the Boers from their position by a night attack. The whole was under command of colonel Kitchener, a brother of lord Kitchener.

"The enemy was believed to be holding a strong position on a kopje three miles south of Willow Grange. All went well until Cummings had reached a point 200 feet from the summit of the supposed Boer position, when a sentry challenged, at the same time covering major Hobbs with a Mauser. A lucky shot from the color sergeant saved the major and killed the sentry. The right division had swung around higher on the hill than the Surreys and when that shot rang out the Yorkshires were mistaken by them for the enemy. The Surrey men immediately poured a volley into their comrades higher up the hill and the Yorkshire boys, getting excited, fired down upon their friends.

"For many minutes the battle raged between the two British regiments. Then, with a yell, the Surrey men charged up the hill with bayonets fixed, killing and wounding their countrymen in the blind melee, the Yorkshire men standing their ground and giving as good as they received. In the darkness the khaki uniforms were not recognized and it was not until the hill was strewn with dead and dying that the terrible mistake was discovered.

Will be Hanged in April.

TORONTO, January 12.—Henry Williams, convicted of murdering John Yarcow, grocer, has been sentenced to hang on April 13th.

MORE TROOPS FROM CANADA

British Columbia's Contingent Accepted.

OTTAWA, January 11.—A cable has been received by the militia department from lord Strathcona, intimating that employment will be found in South Africa with the British forces there for any shoeing blacksmiths and wheelers who may wish to go from Canada with the second contingent. Application should be made to the military authorities.

OTTAWA, January 12.—Your correspondent has very good authority for saying that the offer of lord Strathcona to pay all expenses in connection with raising, equipping and the transportation of 400 mounted men for service in South Africa, has been approved by the Canadian government, and that the men will be drawn from the Northwest. The offer of the British Columbia ministry to raise and equip a hundred mounted men, it is learned, will be accepted and will accompany the 400 from the Northwest.

Britain Retains the Right of Search.

LONDON, January 12.—Enquiries made this afternoon by the United States ambassador, Mr. Joseph H. Choate regarding the disposition of the Beatrice's American cargo resulted in nothing being done. The war office received no further communication on this matter. The Associated Press is informed that the reports that Great Britain gives up legal rights of search and depends entirely upon ship's manifests are incorrect. In spite of cable denials, all the American goods except the Beatrice's have been released. The foreign office is fully under the impression that its note to Mr. Choate decided the broad question of contraband.

Faxter is Still to the Front.

MONTREAL, January 11.—F. Ames Baxter, the well-known banker, who is at present awaiting trial charged with aiding Herbert, the teller who wrecked the Ville Marie Bank to escape justice, and upon whom a demand of assignment was made yesterday by C. J. Rhinehart, brewer, today instituted proceedings against Rhinehart for \$50,000 damages, on the ground that the demand of assignment made on him yesterday was not justified.

MONTREAL, January 11.—At the instance of Colonel Sherwood, of the Dominion police, warrants have been issued

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THE MARINES HIGHLY PRAISED

For Their Gallantry at Gras Pan.

LONDON, January 12.—The conduct of the marines of the naval brigade at Gras Pan is a source of praise from all correspondents. The Times report of that battle says: "The naval brigade advanced in extended order, but in converging upon the position to be taken, they unconsciously found themselves closed in and attempted the ascent. The fire directed upon them was terrible and distinguished by their swords the officers were first to fall. Commander Ethelstone was mortally wounded fifty yards from the first stop, and one by one the rest fell as they advanced, many with two or three bullet wounds. The slaughter was appalling to watch; the gallantry displayed was useless under the pitiless iron hail that was but slightly checked by the redoubled shelling of the reinforced battery. With a cheer the Yorkshire men ran up to their help, pouring upwards a tremendous fusillade towards the crest of the Sangar. Of course they lost heavily, but their open formation and the impossibility of distinguishing officers saved them from the concentrated fire that had deprived the naval detachment of their leaders, and little by little the thin line of khaki crawled up to the top. The storming line was now so near the crest that the guns could only be directed upon the Boers enfilading the positions from the spurs of the kopje on the left, and almost in a calm lieutenant Gaylor, closely followed by lieutenant Jones of the marines, reached the outer works of the sangar and made their way over. In the half minute fifty men tumbled over immediately and rushed forward to clear the position in the rear.

This was, however, stubbornly held for a quarter of an hour, more perhaps, as a screen to cover the retreat of the Boers. Above the hill top was almost dripping with blood, not a boulder escaped its splash of crimson and the innumerable splints and chips of the iron stone blocks indicated the terrific nature of our fire. Most of the dead or wounded Boers were carried off, fifty of the more severely wounded were found in their hospital a quarter of a mile away, but here and there a dead man proved that here the Transvaal had sent its men for the first time to meet the oncoming column.

HAS CIRCUMVENTED THE BOERS

Buller is on Their Plank.

LONDON, January 13.—4 a. m.—General Buller's twenty-eight words announcing his forward movement of Thursday is interpreted as meaning that he has passed around the western end of the Boer lines at Colenso and is now several miles behind them and within fourteen miles of general White's outposts at Ladysmith. The Boers a few days ago had forces with guns at Springfield, where general Buller dates his dispatch. Their commanders have been obviously dislodged either by fighting or by manoeuvres, the Boers retiring across the Tugela as general Buller advanced. From general Buller's dispatch, coupled with the fact that unofficial intelligence from the seat of war has virtually ceased since Monday the deduction is drawn that important operations are in progress, as we cannot move far without going against the Boer entrenchments.

The death list from enteric fever and dysentery at Ladysmith averaging from eight to ten daily, is considered more serious than the 430 casualties of Saturday's fight, as it indicates the frightfully insanitary condition of the beleaguered town. A letter from Ladysmith, dated December 7th, says that even then, 90 out of 540 men in the battalion of which the writer was a member, were sick with dysentery or enteric fever, and according to a dispatch to the Daily Chronicle, dated January 8th, the patients and attendants in Tombi camp, where the hospital is, then numbered 8000 men.

How Many Wives Had He?

NEW YORK, January 12.—Alfred Morrison, who shot and killed one of his wives with whom he was living in Mount Vernon is under arrest. Crowds waited around his house all day in anticipation of the arrest, and followed Morrison, who was in charge of two detectives to the court house, where he was arraigned and held by the grand jury on the charge of murder in the first degree.

Venezuelan Difficulties Ended.

CARACAS, Venezuela, January 12.—The financial crisis is ended. The difficulty between the government and the banks has been amicably settled and public confidence is restored.

B. C. CONTINGENT ACCEPTED

Ralph Smith Held the Floor.

VICTORIA, January 12.—[Special to the Tribune.]—Word came tonight that the Dominion government had accepted both Strathcona's offer of four hundred horsemen and that of the government of British Columbia to supply one hundred rough riders. Mr. Semlin's thrifty idea of last night, when he suggested that since Strathcona's men would be drawn from the west there would be no necessity for British Columbia's separate hundred, is therefore not to be realized.

Ralph Smith today continued the debate on the address. He confessed that he had been an ardent admirer of Joe Martin up to his dismissal from the cabinet, but that the course of the attorney-general since that time had quite alienated him. Martin was not in the house today, so he did not hear his quondam friend's characterization of him, in brief, as a man devoid of honor or principle, and a bombastic bluffer of the first order. Smith quoted with approval the resolutions of the Nanaimo and Victoria trades and labor councils declaring forfeited their recent confidence in Martin, and added for himself the most severe denunciation he could command. Smith has not helped the government's position by his violence, for there are members on his side of the house who think that under the circumstances Martin is entitled to work for the overthrow of those who so unceremoniously ousted him without being made the subject of abuse of this nature.

Mr. Higgins also spoke on the address. The main drift of his contention was that the government should appoint a royal commission on the eight-hour law and suspend its operation pending the commission's report, in the hope that in the meantime owners and miners would settle their difficulties amicably.

The caucus of the government party last night lasted until near 12 o'clock. The nature of the position there developed may be judged from a subsequent casual remark of a minister that if the government was near its end, he wished the other side joy of Joe Martin when they attempted to take over the reins of power.

Another Influenza Epidemic.

BERLIN, January 12.—An epidemic of influenza has broken out in Berlin and scores of deaths are already reported.

THE ILL-FATED MOFFATT PARTY

Perished on the Edmonton Trail.

VICTORIA, January 12.—News was received from Dawson this morning that corporal Skirving, who was in charge of the party detailed from the Northwest Mounted Police to go in search of the missing Moffatt party, and which left Dawson on the 29th of August last, returned on December 19th last. He was preceded one week by the other three members of the expedition, having been delayed because of an injury to his knee, sustained while on the trail at a point near Circle city, and again to make the arrest of a dog thief. Corporal Skirving confirms the report of the death of three persons who constituted the Moffatt party. They were A. F. Moffatt of Pembroke, Phil Bellevue of Duluth and one Holmes of Fresno. They were what remained after numerous vicissitudes of a party numbering originally 21 persons en route to the Klondike over the Edmonton trail during the fall of 1897. The other members of the party had at various points on the route taken diverging courses. As time passed and no tidings were received of those three men, their friends became alarmed for their safety and their anxious inquiries resulted in the sending out of the expedition which has just returned with the sad tidings that the three had doubtless perished of starvation, two bodies having been found and buried by the Indians whilst all traces of the third disappeared at a point not remote from where those bodies had been found. The relief party, guided by A. F. Bonke, covered over 2000 miles in its search, and speak of many hardships endured. Their travels were ended by the freezing of the river when they had reached Fort McPherson, and having become satisfied that nothing more definite was to be ascertained, they started on the return trip to Dawson.

The Present Czar is Peaceful

ST. PETERSBURG, January 12.—The report of M. De Witte, the finance minister on the budget, closes with an interesting statement on the high rates and the stringency of the money markets throughout the world which, he says, seriously hampers commerce and industry and has been complicated by the

war in South Africa. He proceeds to say: "This state of affairs is largely due to vague fears of European complications and would lose much of its acuteness if the governing powers of the world and public opinion abroad would become imbued with the sentiments which animate the ruler of one hundred million subjects."

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Oregon man who became reconciled with his recalcitrant wife here on Thursday returned yesterday to his home across the line taking the family with him.

Rev. Thomas Crosby, missionary to the Indians of British Columbia, arrived in the city last night, and will preach the annual missionary sermon on Sunday at the Methodist church. Mr. Crosby has an unlimited fund of experiences with which to amuse his audience by recitals. Collections during the day in aid of the missionary fund.

The Hudson Bay Company is awaiting a shipment of store fittings before removing to their new premises. When the fittings arrive the grocery stock will be installed, and the drygoods and other departments established as the goods arrive.

The tramway company was to have received a motor generator and other electrical appliances from the manufacturers last month, but an advice has been received stating that the apparatus will not be forwarded until February 1. The delay seriously inconveniences the street car company.

James J. Dervin left last night on an interesting mission. He has been engaged by the British war office to take charge of a bunch of 200 mules purchased in the Southern States for use in the transport service in South Africa. Mr. Dervin is thoroughly experienced in mule packing through rough country and will do good service in the campaign.

The Twentieth Century Fund.

A meeting of more than usual interest took place at St. Paul's Presbyterian church last night, when the first gun was fired in Nelson in the campaign towards raising the twentieth century fund. The pastor, Rev. R. Frew, presided and the speaker of the evening was Rev. E. D. McLaren of St. Andrews church, Vancouver. During the evening Mrs. Oliver and Mr. Grizzelle sang, and the choir led in the singing.

The twentieth century fund is now engrossing the attention of Presbyterians throughout the Dominion. The proposition is, briefly, to raise before the end of the present century a million dollars for the purpose of aiding certain departments of the church work. The fund is divided into two parts, the first aggregating \$600,000 and known as the common fund, and the other \$400,000 for discharging debts on church property. The missionary, educational and benevolent works of the church are to receive aid, and congregations are urged to reduce or extinguish their own debts, the sums devoted to this purpose during the period specified being credited to the congregation and counted in the million dollars. Theological institutions are to be endowed and \$104,000 will be devoted to the formation of a rest fund or working balance for mission schemes. The synod of British Columbia is to furnish \$48,000 toward the fund, and it has been suggested that one-half the amount be devoted to raising church debts in the province and the balance contributed to the common fund.

Expanding Bullets For Practice

LONDON, January 12.—Lee-Metford cartridges are running short in the British magazines, and according to an official report the war office proposes to fill back temporarily upon a hundred million "Mark I" expanding bullets, most of which are already in storage in South Africa. The war office, however, has issued a strict order to the volunteers that the fifty rounds of "mark I" given them must be used in practice at home, none being taken to South Africa. After the public announcement that no such bullet would be used in this war, its employment, the Daily Chronicle thinks would be a serious breach of faith, especially as the British complained that the Boers occasionally used such projectiles.

A Premier's Son a Felon.

ROME, January 12.—Luigi Crispi, son of Signor Franchisco Crispi, the distinguished Italian statesman and former premier, was today sentenced to four years' imprisonment for the theft of jewelry from the countess Celleres in April, 1896.

Comparison of Votes.

In Nelson there were 603 votes polled in the mayoralty contest; in Rossland 558. If allowance is made for a certain larger proportion of alien population in Rossland, it would seem that the difference in population between the two towns must be very slight, if there is any.

WHOLESALE TRADE IS STEADY

Local Houses Report Good Business.

The report from the Nelson wholesalers for the week is that business is moving quietly. Shipments are made regularly, and a large volume of trade comes to the local houses in the ordinary routine. A few weeks hence will probably witness the opening of a busier season, but in the meantime the dealers are not complaining. Yesterday's shipments were as follows:

A. Macdonald & Co., wholesale grocers.—Kitchener, Robson, Sandon, Eric, Ferguson, Fernie and Slocan City.

Kootenay Supply Company, Limited, wholesale grocers.—Cascade, Eholt and Moyie City.

John Cholditch & Co., wholesale grocers.—Shandon, Greenwood, Summit City, Phoenix, Eholt, East Robson, Kaslo and Anacosta.

H. Byers & Co., hardware and mining supplies.—Mollie Gibson, Slocan City, Deer Park, Moyie City, Sandon, Granite Siding, Athabasca and Grand Forks.

Lawrence Hardware Company, hardware and mining supplies.—Porto Rico Siding, Lemon Creek, Ymir, Greenwood, Grand Forks, Coffee Creek, Salmo, Columbia, Slocan City and Rossland.

Vancouver Hardware Company, hardware and mining supplies.—Kitchener, Sirdar and Nakusp.

Turner, Beeton & Co., liquors and dry goods.—Sirdar, Kaslo, Kitchener and Ainsworth.

H. J. Evans & Co., commission merchants.—New Denver, Silvertown, Slocan City, Greenwood, Eholt and Phoenix.

Brackman & Ker Milling Company, Limited, flour and feed.—Pilot, Bay, Salmo, Eric, Balfour, Ainsworth, Creston and Slocan Junction.

Kootenay Cigar Manufacturing Company, cigars.—Trail, Rossland, Grand Forks, Greenwood, Phoenix, Revelstoke, Kimberley, Kaslo, Port Macleod, Moyie City and Fernie.

Parsons Produce Company, provisions, etc.—Grand Forks, Vauetta, Salmo, Ymir, Eric, Greenwood, Cascade, Nakusp, Revelstoke, Slocan City, Silvertown, Kaslo, Sandon and New Denver.

J. Y. Griffin & Co., provisions, etc.—Rossland, Ymir, Poorman, Cranbrook, Sandon and Revelstoke.

F. R. Stewart & Co., provisions, etc.—Rossland, Sandon and Trail.

Manitoba Produce & Commission Company, Limited.—Rossland, Robson and Whitewater.

Nelson Saw & Planing Mills, Limited, sash and doors.—Poorman, Greenwood and Kaslo.

California Wine Company, wines and cigars.—Slocan City, Silvertown, New Denver, Sandon and Greenwood.

W. F. Tetzl & Co., assayers' supplies.—Moyie City, Athabasca.

GREAT ENTHUSIASM EXHIBITED

Over the Volunteers in London.

Remarkable scenes of patriotism were witnessed in London last evening after a short service held for the volunteers in St. Paul's cathedral. The vast audience was slow to disperse. Ladies stood upon their chairs, beckoning and calling to brothers, sons and friends in the ranks, the latter signalling back. A scene of great animation ensued. The organist introduced a few bars of the National Anthem in concluding the voluntary. The effect of this strain was magical. First the volunteers and then the congregation took up the strain and the vast cathedral was filled with enthusiastic song. The demonstrations were renewed by immense crowds outside. St. Paul's churchyard and Ludgate Hill were black with people and it was impossible for the volunteers to march. Individual members were pulled out of the ranks by their friends and admirers, who raised them on their shoulders and thus carried them down Fleet street to the Temple. Those who escaped hoisting proceeded slowly surrounded by clinking women.

Better News from Frere.

LONDON, January 13.—The Daily Telegraph has the following dispatch, dated January 9, from Frere camp: "A heavy storm has been raging all night and there is every prospect that it will continue. The roads are impassable and the rivers and sprouts are full. There has been no firing at Ladysmith or Colenso. The trenches must be filled with water. Boers are holding Mount Hangwana, but they are certainly quite isolated, as their bridge over the Tugela must have been carried away."

The Boers Have a Big Force.

LONDON, January 12.—The Boer strength, originally \$3,000, is now heavily augmented by Cape Colonists, and the fighting forces may be estimated fairly at 100,000 and 200 guns. The Boers are not compelled to guard their communications. Their grass is good, the crops are growing, vegetables, cattle and sheep are plentiful and game is abundant.

The Metal Market.

NEW YORK, January 12.—Copper dull, brokers' \$16.50, exchange \$16.50. Lead steady, brokers' \$4.15, exchange \$4.70@ \$4.75. Tin firm, straights \$27.50, plates \$28.00. Spelter quiet, \$4.15.

Overalls and Jumpers

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

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Wholesale Houses

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GROCERIES.

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

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.

BERATED AND MINERAL WATERS.

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

ASSAYERS' SUPPLIES.

W. F. FEETZEL & 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, BEETON & CO.—Corner Vernon and Josephine streets, Nelson, wholesale dealers in liquors, cigars and dry goods. Agents for Pabst Brewing Co. of 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 and wholesale dealers in all brands of cigars. Largest stock in Kootenay.

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, stumping and black blasting powders, wholesale dealers in caps and fuses, and electric blasting apparatus.

PROVISIONS, PRODUCE AND FRUITS.

PANSON'S 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.

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

MANITOBA PRODUCE AND COMMISSION CO.—Corner Hall and Baker streets, Nelson, 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 wines (case and bulk) and domestic and imported cigars.

The Tribune.

Party lines in the old country press have broken down under the strain of the war. Every influential Conservative paper in the country is abusing the government and the war office, and A. J. Balfour's persistence in crying out that all is well when everything is obviously very far indeed from well has roused the newspapers to a pitch of fury unequalled by party journals in modern times. When parliament meets there will be a very lively time at St. Stephens. The only factor likely to save the government is the question of whom to put in its place.

AFTERNOON dispatches purporting to give news of the war have in almost every instance lacked confirmation. As a matter of fact they consist of rumors circulated round London, and hatched in all sorts of out of the way corners and for all sorts of purposes. They are generally invented and circulated with a view to influencing the prices of shares. Nobody believes those dispatches now. Even if one came that was true it would not be believed until confirmed by the war office or some newspaper dispatches from the front.

A VERY serious accusation has been brought against the censorship in South

Africa, namely, that there has been a wholesale suppression of facts, concealed with a view, not to prevent the Boers from learning British plans, but to cover up the delinquencies of the war office. If this is so it is an unfair, in fact an outrageous use to make of the censorship, and will in time react very heavily against those making use of such a device to prop up their failing prestige.

VICTORIA seems to be a hotbed of political conjecture. Reports are there invented with surprising facility, and inconsistent reports put forward within twenty-four hours with equal readiness. First we hear that Prentice will not vote for the government; Prentice arrives and votes with the government. Then we hear that Ralph Smith is alienated to Martin's side by Martin's arraignment of the government; Ralph Smith arises and smites Joe Martin. Next we learn that Ralph Smith, by abusing Martin, has alienated somebody else; what is coming next? There is a new shuffle every day. But the shuffling takes place in the minds of the opposition.

MANY people throughout West Kootenay will regret the death of the earl of Ava. When he was through this country last summer he made many friends and was sized up as a thoroughly good fellow. The wit and bonhomie which distinguished his father, and still more his great ancestor Sheridan, had not died out in the later generation.

Congratulations From all Quarters.

Mayor Houston entered upon his duties as chief magistrate yesterday. During the day he received the congratulations of a great many personal friends, who did what they could to elect him, and also the following by wire.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., January 12: John Houston, Nelson.
Hurrah old friend! Most heartily congratulate you. T. C. COLLINS.

ROSSLAND, January 12: John Houston, Nelson.
We congratulate you. CLARK, COOMBS AND THE KOOTENAY HOTEL GANG.

VICTORIA, January 12: John Houston, Nelson.
Congratulations from old friends. KELLY, HUMB, MARTIN, DEAN, TISDALE.

GREENWOOD, January 12: John Houston, Nelson.
Hearty congratulations from Nelson boys at Greenwood.

SANDON, January 12: John Houston, Nelson.
Accept congratulations of Sandon Miners' Union. A splendid victory. W. L. HAGLER.

VICTORIA, January 12: Mayor Houston, Nelson.
Accept congratulations and shake hands with some one for me. R. T. GREEN.

VICTORIA, January 12: John Houston, Nelson.
Congratulations. F. CARTER COTTON.

St. Austell, Cornwall, England. John Houston, Nelson.
Hearty congratulations. J. A. TURNER.

They Have a Grievance.

EDITOR OF THE TRIBUNE.—What is your idea about giving the government of British Columbia every fourth lot in all lands purchased that may afterwards be used for townsite purposes? Don't you think that it is class legislation, and a handicap on private enterprise? The railway companies that control most all the good locations in the country are not required to pay this unjust tax upon their townsites; yet these same railway companies demand as tribute from private townsite owners, who have already been bled by the government, a bonus of from one-third to one-half the entire townsite or they will give the place the go-by. This leaves the townsite man a very small margin with which to reimburse himself for outlay on land, survey, improvements and advertising. Yet the newspaper men often complain of the proverbial meanness of the townsite owners, who get the cream of the earth and won't spend part of their princely revenues in advertising.

A properly handled townsite should spend at least 25 per cent of the proceeds of the sale of lots in advertising. The present system of exacting every fourth lot is an unjust tax upon private enterprise. The townsite man pays for the land, the surveying, the clearing, the grading of streets, building of wharves,

management, advertising, etc., and then the government, which has not spent one cent in making the place valuable, steps in and demands every fourth lot as tribute. As well demand 25 per cent of the profits of every paying mine in the country without having shared in the expenses of purchase and development. It is unnecessary for me to say any more on the subject as you will readily see the injustice of this tax, and I hope that you will see your way clear to say a few words of protest upon the matter in THE TRIBUNE. G. B. NAGLE.

Revelstoke, January 10th.

A Workingman on the Election.

EDITOR TRIBUNE: In this morning's issue of the Nelson Miner that organ acknowledges that a leading factor in the success of Mr. Houston being elected mayor was the organized labor vote. It says it is understood the labor unions "plumped" for him. Well, they are his friends, and stood by him, which their honor called them to do. The reason given for this is Mr. Houston's campaign in favor of the eight-hour law, which I think is a good one. Further, it says it does not seem clear to the outsider what the eight-hour law has to do with Nelson municipal politics, and thinks it only fair that labor unions should ascertain the position of the other candidate.

Why did not Mr. Fletcher come out and say that he was or was not a friend of labor unions and give his sympathizers a chance to know where he stood? Besides if he and captain Duncan had kissed and made up that would settle the cat hop as far as the union labor vote was concerned, more especially the Miners' Union vote. In my opinion Mr. Fletcher could not have been as much in favor of what I consider a law to help the laboring class as was Mr. Houston. Does the Nelson Miner think that a brick house must fall on the working man of average intelligence before he will tumble? Does the Miner think that education among the working men is progressing backward? Does the Miner think that the working man of average intelligence in Nelson does not know how to vote intelligently, simply because they did not elect a candidate that was favorable to a cheap labor journal. I do not see why the Miner should be surprised at the labor unions' actions in this election.

WALTER SMITH,
Nelson, January 12th, 1900.

Grand Trunk Brakeman Killed.

BELLEVIEW, Ontario, January 12: Walter Secord, a Grand Trunk Brakeman, was killed here this morning while coupling cars.

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY.



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Be Sauce for the Gander.

The following paragraph is from an
American paper on the Boer question:

It does not seem difficult to steer the course of justice in this pother. Great Britain is closer to us in many ways than any of the other nations. Blood is thicker than water. We are of the same race; that race which has made the world anew. We know that she would stand with us if we were assailed from without. And in any danger to her empire, in the assault upon her of an unfriendly world, our sympathy would be with her. Old animosities count little against the greater bond of blood. Selfishly considered alone, it would be an evil day for one branch of the Anglo-Saxon race when the other should cease to be a power in the world. The intelligent recognition of what the two peoples have in common does not, however, bind us to approval of every act of England or compel us to sit silent when she compasses a wrong. That the work on which she is now bent is a crime against liberty nearly all the world believes. Grant, if you please, that the Filipino is illiberal, fanatical, not highly educated and miserably poor. Such as he was, America treated with him and made what he believed to be pledges. If his system of governing does not suit the Americans they could avoid the Philippine islands. No master, only the lust of gold and conquest compels them to remain there. Once there, it was not for them to dictate terms of citizenship, or revolutionize the domestic policy of a state whose institutions were fixed and known before the outsider arrived. We cannot find a basis of justice for England's action. We cannot see her right to interfere. And the American character would have to suffer change if the American heart did not go out to freedom struggling to preserve their freedom. We would have England widen and maintain her empire by worthier means, where savagery still waits for civilization, and prevail against an allied, hostile world. As to the Boer, lacking he may be in enlightenment, but his cause is the cause of Cromwell, of Hancock and Adams and Washington. To him we would give forever his independence, and the little rugged, desolate corner of the earth that he calls his home.

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his home."

Progress Should be Slow.

Toward industrial democracy we are
surely moving, but it would be well if
we could go very slowly. It ought to
take several generations to arrive at
this goal. The people need to be edu-
cated in the comprehension of their
social relations. They are receiving
this education; the progress that they
have made during the past quarter of
a century has been rapid; but it is not
easy to unlearn the maxims and extir-
pate the habits of the old individualism,
and to train the people to work together
for the common interest. The trusts
are right when they tell us that this is
the way; they are only wrong when
they limit the maxim to the holders of
capital. What they and we have to learn

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Special attention given to all kinds of repair-
ing and custom work from outside points.
Shop: Hall St., between Baker and Vernon**Miss Palmer**Will open her
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primary school in
the English
CHURCH school
room on the 2nd of January, 1900. For terms and
all particulars apply to **MISS PALMER**,
at residence of Mrs. J. R. Robertson, Baker
Street West.

is that it has no limitations; and that is
a truth which will not be assimilated in
a generation. There is even danger that
in our insurrection against the mad rush
of concentration we shall be driven into
the forms of co-operation for which the
spirit is not yet prepared, and that serious
reactions will occur, by which the
progress toward a true industrial democ-
racy will be long delayed. The hardest
lesson to learn is that healthful social
progress is tentative and slow.

La Patrie's Attitude on the War.

This is the way the Montreal Witness
refers to Hon. Mr. Tarte's paper: "Victory
of the Boers—Buller Reported to
Have Met With a New Defeat—Colonel
Picher Evacuates Douglass and Returns
to Belmont—The Boers Keep the English
in Check at Colesburg—The Embarrassment
of England—Buller Again Beaten
—A Rumor on the Paris Bourse—At Coles-
burg—The English Kept at a Distance,
and so forth. Such are the head-
ings upon a scrap of La Patrie,
Mr. Tarte's subsidized paper. We had
proposed to photograph it with its
letters, varying from an inch and a half
long, but concluded that such a vivid
presentation would do harm. Those
who have read the dispatches carefully
will realize that they would need to read
the Patrie in order to learn the news.
Molteno, over whose capture the printer
gloats in such noisy letters, is an outpost
railway station held by a body of the
Cape mounted police. A dispatch said it
was feared that it had been captured, the
Boers having ridden past it as far as
Cypergat. As a matter of fact, it was
not captured at all, and the raiders were
immediately driven back by general
Gatacre. The true account which came
yesterday is found in yesterday's Patrie,
after some search, carefully obscured
in a three-line paragraph, under
the heading, "Dordrecht Evacuated."
The words are: "Molteno is today at-
tacked. The enemy, according to ac-
counts, is repulsed." The account, so
long as it could be imagined to be a Boer
victory, was of trumpet-tongued impor-
tance. Having turned out to have been a
gallant defence on the part of the British
against odds, it becomes utterly insignifi-
cant. The retirement from Douglass was
a matter of course. The colonials, Aus-
tralian and Canadian, made a raid and
captured a village, sixty miles from their
base, and as far off the line of operations,
and as a matter of ordinary common
sense, retired from it, bringing with them
all the loyal inhabitants, carrying the ba-
bies and singing to them when they
cried, "The Maple Leaf Forever." Bul-
ler's second defeat was a pure invention
of the Paris stock jobbers. This system-
atic falsification is interspersed with sym-
pathetic descriptions of the arduous life
of the Boers by French writers.

Impatience is Manifested.

LONDON, January 12.—Even the an-
nouncement of the arrival of field marshal
lord Roberts and general lord Kitchener
at Cape Town has failed to stem the
growing impatience of the country at the
prolonged inactivity in the main British
camps and the entire absence of news

giving an adequate insight into the
local situation. The public and press are
unable to form an just judgment as to
the actual position of affairs. Stories are
rife that inaction is forced on general
Buller owing to the exhaustion of the
reserve ammunition, and there are even
wild rumors of a shell famine at home.
But not much importance need be
attached to these rumors. It is almost
universally assumed that with the land-
ing of Roberts and Kitchener a prompt
return will be made to the original plan
of campaign, namely, a great central
advance on Bloemfontein, but the most
impatient of enthusiasts admit that
Roberts will be unable to move before
the end of the month.

A Popular Priest.

NEW YORK, January 12.—The funeral
today of Rev. Edward McGlynn at St.
Stephen's church, of which he was for-
merly the pastor, was the occasion of a
manifestation of popular affection such
as has been rarely witnessed. During
the forenoon fully 4,000 people looked
upon the face of the dead priest, whose
remains were deposited at the altar rail
of the church. The obsequies began at
9:30 with a solemn chant for the dead,
conducted by the Revs. McLaughlin and
O'Connor of St. Stephen's.

No Disloyal Motives.

MONTREAL, January 12.—Archbishop
Bruchesi of this city has written an open
letter to the press of the city, criticising
the attitude of the Herald in attributing
disloyal motives to archbishop Began of
Quebec in connection with the recent ut-
terances of La Semaine Religieuse, which
has the approval of the archbishop of
Quebec regarding the decadence of
England.

A New Dividend Payer.

TORONTO, January 12.—At a meeting
of the directors of the Centre Star Min-
ing Company held here today a dividend
of one per cent for the month of January
was declared payable on February 10th
to shareholders of record on January
31st.

May Not Export Acids.

LONDON, January 12.—The Gazette today
publishes the prohibition of the exporta-
tion from the United Kingdom or the
carrying coastwise of a variety of acids
capable of being converted into military
stores.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

AT THE PHAIR.—J. E. Mitchell, Kaslo;
R. W. McEwen and wife, Detroit; J. Tin-
ling, Silverton; L. D. Godshall, Spokane;
T. E. Healey and wife, Bell, Montana; T.
Hilliard, J. B. Cameron, Rossland.

AT THE HOME.—W. H. Smith, Chicago;
Mrs. J. P. Gordon, Cosmopolis, B.C.; C. H.
Briggs, Kokanee; H. G. McCulloch, Spo-
kane; J. D. Sheine, Dawson; D. W. Moore,
T. V. Colman, Trail; W. Lawrence, B.
Cortiana, Robson; R. J. Brady, James
Williamson, Sandon.

AT THE SILVER KING.—F. Lemont, G.
Fancy, Athabasca; A. Gand, Ainsworth.

AT THE GRAND CENTRAL.—J. N. Baker,
D. J. Mason, D. G. Ross, N. Lilley, Win-
nipeg; D. Duval, Lumsden; C. Wilson,
Silver King; H. A. Cook, Windsor; D.
Stunke, Revelstoke; J. A. McDougall,
Grand Forks.

AT THE ROYAL.—E. Haney, Spokane;
S. DesBrisay, Ymir; J. M. Sharp, Sandon;
F. E. Beer, Grand Forks.

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Stanley Streets. **E. J. CURRAN, Prop.****NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT.**Pursuant to "Creditors Trust Deeds Act" and
anviling Acts.

Notice is hereby given that Thomas Stanley
Humphreys and John Whistance Pittock, trad-
ing under the firm name of Humphreys & Pit-
tock as merchants at Baker street, Nelson, Brit-
ish Columbia, have by deed bearing date the 12th
day of December, 1899, assigned all their personal
estate, real and effects, both partnership and
private which may be sold under execution and
all their real estate (both partnership and pri-
vate) to Webster Foreman, Trustee of the City of
Nelson, British Columbia, in trust as
trustee for creditors (both partnership and pri-
vate) for the purpose of distribution among the
said creditors according to law.

The said deed of assignment was executed by
the said Thomas Stanley Humphreys and John
Whistance Pittock and by the said Webster
Foreman, Trustee, on the said 12th day of Decem-
ber, 1899.

And, further take notice that a meeting of the
said creditors will be held at the office of Gall-
agher & Wilson, solicitors, Baker street, Nelson, B. C.,
on Friday the 22nd day of December, 1899, at the
hour of two o'clock in the afternoon.

All creditors are required to appear on or before the 20th
day of December, 1899, to file their claims with
the trustee, duly proved as provided by the said
act relating to the assignment and notice thereof, the
notice of any security held by them and the
character of liability thereof, and the valuation
claimed thereon.

In default of the said trustee receiving satis-
factory proof thereof any creditor is liable to
have his claim barred.

WEBSTER FOREMAN, Trustee.

GALLAGHER & WILSON, Solicitors,
Baker street, Nelson, B. C., this 13th day of Decem-
ber, A.D., 1899.

Dissolution of Copartnership.

The partnership between Dr. D. LaBau and Dr.
Alex. Forin 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 6th, 1900.

CHAIRS(?)

Well, rather. We received an entire car, (1300) of
chairs last Tuesday, containing fancy diners (in suits or
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er ones still suitable for either dining room or kitchen.
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and 8 Aberdeen block, Baker street, Nelson.**LODGE MEETINGS.**

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Nelson Lodge, No.
25, Knights of Pythias, meets in I. O. O. F.
Hall, corner Baker and Kootenay streets, every
Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting Knights
cordially invited to attend.

U. M. W.—C. C. & R. G. JOY, Sec. of U. M. W.

NELSON LODGE, No. 25, A. F. & A. M.
Meets second Wednesday in each month.
Rejoicing brethren invited.

NELSON L. O. O. F. No. 102, meets in I. O. O. F.
Hall, corner Baker and Kootenay streets,
1st and 3rd Friday of each month. Visiting
brethren cordially invited.

ROBINSON, W. M. W. C. W. Chawpatt, Sec. Sec.

NELSON ARMY, Number 22, Fraternal Order
of Eagles, meets every second and fourth
Wednesday in each month in Fraternity Hall.
Visiting brethren welcome.

J. H. IRE, President, J. H. W. A. Secretary

NELSON MINERS' UNION, No. 96, W. F. of
M. L. Meets in miners' union rooms, north-
east corner Victoria and Kootenay streets, every
Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting min-
ers welcome.

THE regular meetings of the Carpenters' Union
are held on Wednesday evening of each
week at 7 o'clock at the Nelson hall cor-
ner Victoria and Kootenay streets.

J. C. ROBINSON, President.
JAMES VOLLMER, Secretary.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that we the undersigned
formerly carrying on business as Nelson, Keen
in the City of Nelson (the Province of Brit-
ish Columbia) under the firm name and style of
Johnson & Smith have this day by mutual con-
sent dissolved the said partnership. The said
business will be continued by the undersigned,
Robert E. Smith, who will pay all outstanding
liabilities of the said firm and to whom all ac-
counts due the said firm are payable to.
Filed at Nelson, B. C., this 23rd day of Decem-
ber, 1899.

Witness: **W. A. CAMPBELL, J. E. SMITH.**

NOTICE.
The British Columbia Southern Railway Com-
pany will apply to the Interment of Goods Act,
its next session for an act authorizing the com-
pany to complete at any time before the end of
the year 1900, its western section as described in
the act of the said parliament 1900 (Victoria,
chapter 29) and a branch line from a point upon its
main line at or near the forks of Mitchell Creek
thence as way of Mitchell Creek to Martin Creek
and for other purposes.

By order of the board:
H. CAMPBELL, GSWA 10, 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 Appeal-
ing Acts will be held in the following places:

At the court house at Nelson on Wednesday,
the 18th January, 1900 at 11 a. m.

At the court house at Rossland on Thursday,
the 18th January, 1900 at 11 a. m.

H. CAMPBELL, J. G. JOEPEL,
Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal

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DAINTY SHOES for little girls
ELEGANT SHOES for their mothers

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Shoes to fit all feet, in styles to suit every fancy, at prices moved down to a minimum.

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G. B. Matthews,
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Men and Young Men

Do not spend every evening of the week in
search of amusement, but give a little time to
your own social and mental improvement.

NIGHT CLASSES

For all grades of scholars will be opened at
the Business College,
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Avail yourselves of this opportunity.

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The undersigned has a large quantity of fir,
cedar, and tamarac stabs, in 16-inch and 4-foot
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sold for \$1 a load at the mill yard.
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Nelson, August 19th, 1899.

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LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

C. Pitchford and J. Scott, two patri-
otic Nelsonites, have taken time by the
forelock and fled their applications for
the third Canadian contingent for service
in South Africa with Lieutenant Beer.
The men state that they do not wish to
be left out if another regiment goes to
the front.

James Kelly, the lad charged with the
abduction of a thirteen-year-old girl, was
arraigned before police magistrate Crease
yesterday morning. Chief Jarvis asked
for a remand to Monday next, and this
was granted. A number of citizens
attended to hear the case, but no evi-
dence was taken. The magistrate states
that court will be held with closed doors
on Monday. Kelly was not bailed, and
will remain in durance over Sunday.

Ex-mayor Neelands cast the first ballot
polled at the West ward booth on Thurs-
day, and W. A. Macdonald achieved a
similar distinction in the East ward.

The puggarees to be worn on the new
hats of the Nelson rifle company have ar-
rived, and the members of the corps are
pleased with the effective contrast of
colors. The hats will likely be along to-
day and a sample of the new headgear
will be placed on exhibition.

The directors of the opera house meet
today.

Mining recorder Wright issued a mar-
riage license yesterday to Charles Lewis
Austin and Margaret Ellen Olson.

The Yellowstone mines back of Salmon
have been incorporated under the name of
the Yellowstone Mines Limited, with a
capital of \$750,000. About \$150,000
has been expended on the property.
There will be no shares on the market
until it pays dividends. The provisional
directors are George T. Huford, John
MacLaren and E. J. Reynolds of Brock-
ville, Ontario, G. R. Mickle of Toronto
and J. A. Porin of Nelson. The mill will
be in running order in the course of a
few weeks.

Olaf Lund of Nelson, has sold to P. O.
Shatto of Nelson, a half interest in the
Golden Crown and Golden Cap claims,
located between Eagle and Sandy creeks.

Lieutenant Beer has received the man-
ual of the Maxim gun drill and the com-
pany will start work on this branch of
drill next Thursday.

A mechanic's lien has been filed by
David R. Morrison against the British
American Gold Mining Company of Ross-
land. Morrison's claim is \$3000.

A change has been made in the bound-
aries of the mining districts throughout
the province. The western boundary of
mining recorder Wright's territory has
been extended and is now defined as fol-
lows: From the point where the inter-
national boundary line intersects the Co-
lumbia river, thence northerly along the
Columbia river and lower Arrow lakes to
a point on the west shore of Arrow lake
one mile south of Bowman creek. This
takes in a spur of the Selkirk's hitherto
outside of the Nelson district.

The tramway company is making a
strong bid for the passenger traffic from
the C. P. R. depot, which has been
handled heretofore by the transfer com-
panies. Large signs have been erected
with the legend: "This way to the
Nelson tram car."

The Nelson rifle company drilled in
their new quarters on Thursday night,
some 15 enthusiastic militiamen being in
attendance. The rifle and bayonet exer-
cises were gone over with good results.

The new schedule which went into
effect on the C. P. R. last Sunday is
giving more satisfaction than the old
time card. Under the new time card the
boats have a good margin to work on,
and the transshipment of freight and
passengers is, therefore, expedited. Trav-
ellers are no longer compelled to wait
half an hour or more as was often the
case when the old schedule was in force.

During the year just closed the output
of the Kootenay Cigar Company was
some 600,000 cigars. In 1900 the firm
figure on producing an aggregate consid-
erably in excess of these figures.

The contract for the addition to the
Brackman & Ker Milling Company's
warehouse on Front street has been let

to J. Dancey. Soft weather has inter-
fered somewhat with the excavating, but
a couple of days of good weather will en-
able the workmen to complete their work,
and the contractor will then proceed with
building operations. The firm then ex-
pect to occupy the addition by March 1.

The gas company has received an ex-
tensive shipment of gas stoves which
they will introduce into the city when
their building operations are concluded.

The work on A. Macdonald & Co.'s new
warehouse is progressing rapidly, the
foundations being practically complete.
The contract for the building has been
let to Mark Madden, and the operations
are to be hastened in order that the firm
may occupy the premises early this
spring.

F. O. Shatto has transferred to Ole
Shatto a quarter interest in the follow-
ing claims: Gold and Copper on south
fork Forty-nine creek; Double Eagle,
same location; Neptune, between Eagle
and Sandy creeks; Golden Crown, same
location and Golden Cap also between
Eagle and Sandy creeks.

D. A. McKenzie of Ymir, has trans-
ferred a quarter interest in the Meadow-
lark claim to Mitchell Tate and Daniel
Donald both of Ymir. The property is
located on the north side of Wild Horse
creek, adjoining the Grouse and Excelsior
propositions.

The lacrosse-hockey club is scheduled
to play the Victorias at Rossland tonight
and the Nelson team are billed to play
the Boundary club at Greenwood. Both
clubs held meetings yesterday at which
it was decided to remain at home and en-
deavor to have the scheduled games
played at a later date. The fact that
there has not been an hour's skating in
Nelson this winter led to the local
players action.

BUSINESS MENTION.

Lost—On the 29th of December, 1899
in Nelson, a note of \$71.90 (seventy-four dollars and
ninety cents) on J. E. Annable. Finder will please re-
turn to this office for reward. Note was in favor of W.
Wynn, Trail. C. H. McDonald.

Dry Wood—If you want good dry
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Wanted—Chambermaid at Hotel Phair.

Wanted—Furnished rooms, private
family, with board, by a gentleman and his wife. Apply
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Furnished room, with or without small
sitting room, to rent, with use of bath. Pleasantly situ-
ated. Inquire at this office.

Two furnished rooms to let at the cor-
ner of Vernon and Cedar streets.

Typewriter wanted—Must be well re-
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derson, Barristers.

For rent—Five-roomed house, also fur-
nishings in same house, for sale. For terms apply
Cabinet Cigar Co.

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Owing to the great number of
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number of citizens in the West,
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A small portion of my goods got damaged by a
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have now decided to sell all new groceries and
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goods 5 cents per tin cheaper than the regular
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We propose to give them equal values all
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All-wool ribbed underwear, per suit, \$2.00
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All-wool black hose, worth 40c, for 25c.

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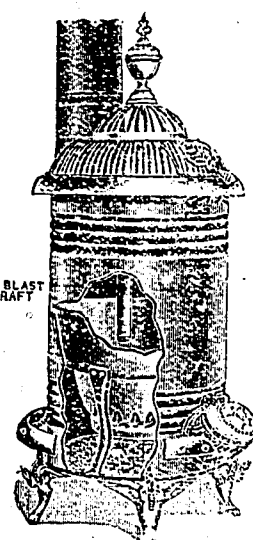
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Including Tea and Coffee Pots (several designs), Enam-
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Kindly drop
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Previous to
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Right, as we are the leaders of prices
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Crockery, glassware and groceries.
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goods which has been handled and built up such a reputation for the firm of M. DesBrisay & Co. will continually 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 right by dealing with the old reliable.

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

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We beg to announce to our many patrons that we have removed to
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volume of our business forcing us to seek larger premises. Thank-
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of an increase of this custom in the future, we remain, theirs to
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