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STORY OF THE SORTIE VERIFIED

Fight at Lombard's Kop.

NEW YORK, December 10.—The London correspondent of the Tribune reviewing the South African situation in a dispatch dated Sunday morning, says: England has renewed her faith in Tommy Atkin's as her best general, and bears with fortitude and patience the continuous strain of war, with its flurries of excitement and its endless exaggeration of the trivial details. If a campaign entered into without popular enthusiasm, and mainly with a feeling of political fatalism, as a conflict forced upon her by Kruger's ultimatum and extensive military preparations, bewitched with something like evidences of weariness, it is because there is an utter lack of proportion between the minor incidents which fill the columns of the newspapers, and the magnitude of the British armaments and efforts. John Bull suffers every day from the pin pricking process by which skirmishes are enlarged into battles, and momentary interruptions of communication exaggerated into crisis, and defects of the supply department and military preparations paraded a sign of war office mismanagement. The effect of the undue importance attached to the trivial details, and the unceasing criticisms of the management of the war is to induce irritability and nervousness. It is only when Englishment think of the splendid bearing of the private soldier that their faces light up with a fine glow of enthusiasm. He is the true hero of the war in South Africa, and the war charities go on to Kipling's refrain, "Pay, pay, pay."

The most cheering news from the seat of war yesterday came from Reuter's agent at Lorenzo Marquez, where a dispatch had been received from the Boer headquarters at Ladysmith announcing that the British had stormed and carried Lombard's kop. A good deal has been unjustly said about Reuter's dispatches from that quarter being tainted with Boer influence, precisely as Kruger's partisans may have suspected that the same agency's telegram from the British headquarters were colored by the environments of the correspondents. But news favorable to the British side from Pretoria is accepted readily enough in London. This Ladysmith dispatch was dated Friday, when both Reuter and the Central News were reporting that general Buller's army was still centred about Frere, and hence the inference that general White's force had made a sortie. Details were lacking with the single exception that the British had captured a Maxim gun and put one Howitzer and one big Creuosote out of action.

The war office after midnight settled all controversy by giving out a bulletin which general Buller had received from general White, fully confirming the Reuters dispatch. White had sent out a force of 600 men to surprise a gun on the hill, and had destroyed two guns with gun cotton and brought back a maxim into camp, with only one man killed and one officer wounded. A detachment of the 18th Hussars had circled around Pepworth hill, burning kraals and cutting telegraph lines. It was a gallant and successful sortie, which proved that general White's men were full of fight and in admirable condition for cooperation with general Buller.

LONDON, December 10.—A dispatch to the Times from Pietermaritzburg says: Three bodies were found after the Meto river fight which proved to be the remains of three scouts belonging to Thornycroft's light horse. They had been captured by the Boers, and while bound, had been riddled with bullets. The troops are indignant over this treatment.

LONDON, December 10.—The transport Majestic will sail from Liverpool at noon on December 13th for South Africa. She will call at St. Vincent, and is expected to reach Capetown December 28th. She will carry the mail and parcels for the soldiers.

LONDON, December 11.—General Methuen reports that he made a demonstration up the line of the railway bridge at daylight today, with artillery. The enemy did not respond. Methuen is receiving the remainder of his reinforcements and supplies. He has established detached posts on lines of communication. Mafeking reports all well on November 30th.

LONDON, December 11.—A special dispatch from Ladysmith, by way of Frere, adds to the war office account of Saturday of the capture of the Boer guns near Pepworth hill. It says: "General Brocklehurst, with cavalry and artillery, reconnoitered in the direction of Pepworth hill, with a view of cutting off the Boer retreat, but he found the position still strongly held. The 18th Hussars, pushing northward, drew a furious fire, and suffered severely, losing 4 killed and 17 wounded. The Boers fired incessantly as the British slowly retired. At a special parade afterwards general White thanked general Hunter and all engaged, especially major Henderson, for brilliant work."

CAPE TOWN, December 10.—It is rumored here that the Boers attacked Kimberley at close quarters last night, but were repulsed with heavy loss.

LONDON, December 10.—Halse and Warren and thirty men left the camp at Carnaven today, and when four miles out sighted a patrol of twelve Boers, who sought cover. Two of the Boers were wounded. Halse ascertained that the Boers were in strong force in a laager and retired to his base. This was the first brush that general Gatacre's forces have had.

LONDON, December 10.—A copy of the Johannesburg Standard and Diggers' News received here contains a list of the Boer casualties at Elandslaagte. This list shows that the Boers' loss in that fight was 43 killed and 110 wounded.

BLACKEST PAGE OF THE WAR

Rebellion Feared in Cape Colony.

LONDON, December 11.—It is hardly too much to regard general Gatacre's repulse near Stormberg as the most serious defeat British arms have yet sustained in the whole campaign. Already the official advices show that two men were killed, nine officers and seventeen men wounded and nine officers and 59 men are missing. But it is evident that the worst is not yet known. The proportion of wounded and killed is so small when compared with the missing, who are undoubtedly prisoners in the hands of the Boers, that the supplimentary list of casualties is awaited with serious misgivings. It is also feared that there were serious losses of guns and equipments. The most serious aspect of the affair is the effect it is likely to have on the Dutch in Cape Colony, who have been wavering as to whether to cast in their lot with the Boers.

Hosts of the northern farmers are now likely to join the rebellion. The defeat is also serious because it will delay the junction of general Gatacre with general French at Naauwport. The plan was for their combined forces to relieve the pressure on lord Methuen's column. The disclosure of such a strong force at Stormberg was quite unexpected. Doubtless general Gatacre was the victim of treachery, the absence of proper cavalry support. The British troops who recently occupied Arundel are advancing. They have had several skirmishes but no casualties. Three miles north of Arundel they found the Boers 2000 strong.

The Pretoria reports of renewed fighting at Modder river originated from the fact that the British, with a team of 32 oxen, hauled a naval gun to the top of a ridge north of Modder River town, when they fired lyddite shells on the Boer position at a range of 6,700 yards, where the enemy was apparenrly constructing an emplacement for a 40-pounder. The lyddite shells appeared to do immense damage. The Boers retired but the incident is interesting as showing that the Boers are still in position quite close to Modder river.

The engineers report that it would take two months to rebuild the iron bridge. Lord Methuen is still compelled to ride about in a dog cart, as his wounds prevent him going on horseback. Should the rains destroy the temporary bridge, there is enough rolling stock on the north side of the river to serve lord Methuen's troops. It is reported that the Boers are busy making entrenchments at Spyfontein, several lines of works beginning to appear at the foot of the heights.

FRENCH SYMPATHY FOR BOERS

Manifested in Several Places.

NEW YORK, December 10.—The Paris correspondent of the Times says: As it becomes more and more apparent that the British forces on neither side of the border are yet large enough for the tasks set them, French sympathy for the Boers gains force and consistency. The Paris papers give prominence to the statements of major Wiseman, who, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Matin, declares that it will take years before England can subjugate the Transvaal, for the real difficulties will begin with the guerilla warfare which the Boers have decided upon as soon as the British forces have penetrated well into the Transvaal.

Demonstrations in favor of the Boers continue to take place in different parts of the country. At Valence, during a concert, when the national anthem of the South African Republic was played, the spectators rose to their feet and applauded with the utmost enthusiasm. Cries of "Vive les Boers" rent the air and the performance had to be repeated. Similar demonstrations have taken place at Marseilles and Bordeaux. Allusions to the Boers in concert halls at Mont Marie and in the boulevards are hailed with noisy enthusiasm.

GENERAL GATACRE DEFEATED AT STORMBERG

LONDON, December 11.—A dispatch from Molteno, Cape Colony, has just been received at the war office to the effect that general Gatacre has been defeated in an attempt to take Stormberg, and that he was forced to retire with heavy loss. The dispatch states that general Gatacre left Putter's kraal by train for Molteno, and then proceeded by forced march twelve miles towards Stormberg. He had 2000 men, including the Northumberland Fusileers, the Royal Irish Rifles, and two batteries of field artillery. The British were unmolested by the Boers until the Boer position was reached, when a hot fire was unexpectedly opened on the advancing column. The engagement began at 4:15 a.m., and at 7 a.m. a sharp artillery duel took place, the British being forced to retire. They are now marching towards Molteno. General Gatacre found the enemy's position impregnable. It was impossible for the British infantry to get at the Boers.

The war office publishes the following dispatch from general Forester-Walker at Cape Town: "Gatacre reports—Deeply regret to inform you that I met with a serious reverse in the attack of Stormberg. I was misled as to the enemy's position by the guides and found impracticable ground. The casualties so far as known at present are:

Second Battalion Royal Irish Rifles—Wounded, lieutenant-colonel Eager, major Seaton, captain Bell, captain Kelly, lieutenant Stephens, lieutenant Barnard Stone.

Suffolk Regiment—Wounded, second-lieutenant Maynard, and twelve men missing.

Seventy-Fourth Field Battery—Severely wounded, lieutenant Lewis and three men; slightly wounded, two men.

Seventy-Seventh Field Battery—Killed, one gunner; wounded, major Percival.

Northumberland Fusileers—Missing, major Stevens, captain Fletcher, captain Morley, second-lieutenant Wake, second-lieutenant Colson, lieutenant Radcliffe, and 306 non-commissioned officers and men.

Royal Berkshire Regiment—Killed, one private.

The remainder of my casualties will be wired as soon as ascertained."

CHANGE IN METHUEN'S PLANS

May March on Bloemfontein.

NEW YORK, December 10.—The London correspondent of the Sun claims to have private information regarding a change in general Methuen's plans. The marching straight to Kimberley, general Methuen's column will turn sharply east from the Modder river and march towards Bloemfontein, the capital of the Orange Free State. Nearly the whole Boer force in the neighborhood is strongly entrenched at Spyfontein, on the Modder river, midway to Kimberley, ready to make the last stand against general Methuen's advance to the relief of the beleaguered city.

If general Methuen would give battle there, it would undoubtedly prove the bloodiest of the war. The reported intention of the British commander to march on Bloemfontein is really excellent tactics. He will leave the difficult country where he is compelled to fight in positions of Boer choice, and enter the broad plains of the Orange Free State, where the battles will be fought in the open, which will be greatly to the British advantage. Moreover, the relief of Kimberley will be fully accomplished, because the greater part of the Boer force will be compelled to abandon the siege and hasten to the defence of the Free State capital. Kimberley is in far less danger than Mafeking and Ladysmith. If the Boers are unable to capture the two latter, they have little chance against the Kimberley garrison.

African Explorer Returns.

LONDON, December 10.—Arthur Sharp, an explorer, has arrived in England with interesting information regarding the region between lakes Tanganyika and Albert Edward. All the country on the west shore of lake Tanganyika is overrun by cannibal hordes who are literally eating up the inhabitants. Fortunately Germany has established stations along lake Kion, within the Free State border and will establish order. The country is a combination of broken up lava, impracticable hills and bush, the latter swarming with elephants which it is impossible to get at.

Canadians at Work.

ORANGE RIVER, December 9.—Half the men of the Canadian contingent have gone forward. Like the Australian contingent, they have been put to stiff work since their arrival, and have been building sidings, erecting platforms and rendering the usual routine service. They are in excellent condition and very zealous.

No Work to be Done This Winter.

A contractor who is close to the C.P.R local management says that there will be no work done on the extension of the Crow's Nest Pass railway east from Nelson until next summer.

BOERS SEEKING INTERVENTION

France Will Be Approached.

NEW YORK, December 10.—The London correspondent of the Sun says: A couple of weeks ago it was announced that chief justice Gregowoski and other at Lorenzo Marquez from Pretoria, en route to Capetown, and it was suggested that their mission was to sue for peace at the feet of queen Victoria's high commissioners. As the war was then young and the Boers had matters military pretty much their own way, it seemed strange that Kruger would so soon assume the role of suppliant, but it now appears that the mission is not bound for Capetown, but for Europe. The members are aboard a North German Lloyd liner, and will probably be in Paris by the end of next week. They propose visiting every European capital with the object of interesting the powers in the cause of the South African republics, so that when the time comes for peace England will not be permitted to impose too hard terms.

Judging by the aroused temper in this country and the known views of a majority of the British government, it may safely be asserted that the mission is foredoomed to failure. Whether or no any power will interfere, there is, however, abundant evidence to show that the British government will not be taken by surprise if France should endeavor to lend the Boers diplomatic help, and that such mediation would be politely but decisively declined. In view of what might happen after that, the British government has been quietly making a variety of preparations, some of which are known to all the world, because they could not be concealed, such as the concentration of the Mediterranean and channel fleets, and the commissioning of a small special service squadron. There are other preparations of which the newspapers have made little mention of, which have had no prominence by special request of the government. It is a fact that arrangements have been made for the calling out of the naval reserve and coast guard to man every efficient fighting ship in the British navy, and that the commanding officers of all volunteer regiments have been warned that their men may be called to colors on short notice. Some of these commanders have, in turn confidentially warned their subordinate officers, and so a good many people have gained a knowledge of what is going on. Commanding officers have also been requested to furnish an estimate of the number of men who are likely to volunteer for full military service; the volunteer forces must number about 220,000 men, most of whom have passed through the volunteer ranks. It is estimated that 170,000 active volunteers and 80,000 able bodied veterans would respond to a call for full military service, and they would furnish a force by no means to be despised.

The German emperor holds the opinion that three months training, or the same period of active service, would make the British volunteers the equal of any soldiers in the world, and probably most military experts would agree with him. Altogether there is warrant for the statement that if any European power should attempt to interfere in the struggle in South Africa, England would respond by mobilizing the entire fleet, and calling out the volunteer forces, naval and military. As an experiment this would be so deeply interesting that it is almost to be hoped that needful provocation will be given by somebody so that the world may witness the spectactle of the British lion in full battle array.

GATACRE CAUGHT IN BOER TRAP

And Given a Deadly Fire.

MOLTENO, December 10.—General Gatacre's movement may be termed a reconnaisance in force. The object was to ascertain the strength of the position of the Boers, who were strongly entrenched. He left Putter's kraal shortly after noon yesterday, with a fighting force of slightly over 4000 men. Leaving Molteno at 9 o'clock last evening he made a memorial night march over the rocks and vedlt. There was no sound except a steady tramp, and there were no distinguishing lights. The bright moon having gone down about half past eleven. The column arrived safely within a couple of miles of its destination, The only incident of the march being an occasional sudden call "halt" under the belief that the Boers were near.

Suddenly a terrific fire was opened simultaneously on the British front and right flank. The Royal Irish rifles, who formed the advance sought shelter behind a neighboring kopje, and were speedily joined by the remainder of the column. It was soon found, however, that this position was also covered by Boer guns, which were more powerful than had been supposed. The troops therefore sought a safer position about half a mile away, two batteries in the meantime engaging the Boer guns, and covering the troops in the move. The movement of mounted infantry moved northward with a view of getting the enemy's right flank. Suddenly a strong command was seen moving from the north, and the Royal Irish Rifles and the Northumberland regiment were sent out to meet it. It was discovered, however, that the Boers had machine guns well placed, and the British were compelled to face a terrible fire.

Finding it impossible to hold the position in the face of an enemy apparently superior in position, numbers and artillery, the British retired to Molteno, the Boers following up the retirement closely, bringing guns to bear on the retiring column. It is believed here that that the British casualties were not serious.

LONDON, December 11.—The Times published the following dispatch from Molteno: General Gatacre attempted to assault the Boer position at Stormberg at dawn today (Sunday.) The guides led us wrong and were surprised while in fours, and after a very tiring march. Our retirement was effected in excellent order, there being no hurry, even at the most critical time. The Northumberlands and Irish rifles behaved as if on review. I fear our losses are heavy. One of our guns we had to abandon.

LADYSMITH STILL HOLDS OUT

Churchill May be Exchanged.

FRERE CAMP, Natal, December 10.—Heliographic communication with Ladysmith continues daily. General Schalkburger and commandant Louis Botha are in command of the Boer forces investing Ladysmith. Their forces are said to be in poor condition. A heavy report was heard in the direction of Colenso today. The sound was followed by a big cloud of smoke. The supposition is that the enemy have blown up the highway bridge.

The Transvaal government has decided to consider Winston Churchill, who was captured on November 15th between Estcourt and Chievaly, a combatant officer, and retain him as a prisoner. Mr. Churchill has applied to general Buller with a view of getting an exchange. This has been a quiet day here. The health of the troops is excellent.

Big Shipment of American Beef.

CHICAGO, December 10.—Twenty-four cars, containing 750,000 pounds of canned beef, were started for the Transvaal yesterday by Libby, McNeill & Libby, on a ten days rush order from the British government. The order is the largest ever received at the stock yards.

BUCKE WAS A PROMISING MEMBER

Of His Profession.

Maurice A. Bucke, the mining engineer who was instantly killed the other day at Jardine, Montana, by being thrown from a buggy, had been for a number of years a resident of the Slocan, and was amongst the first of his profession to take up the practice of his profession in that district. Educated at the School of Practical Science in Toronto, where he graduated high in his class, he came to Ainsworth in May, 1892, and opened an office as mining engineer and assayer. The rush was then into the Slocan, and six weeks later he moved to Kaslo and joined Mr. Ingalls of the geological department in his tour of the Slocan, until bad weather drove them from the hills

Later in the autumn he opened an office in Kaslo, having associated with him H. E. T. Haultain, now manager of the Yellowstone mine at Salmo, the firm being known as Bucke & Haultain. Their office and its contents were entirely destroyed in the fire of 1894. and Mr. Bucke returned to London, Ontario, visiting his relatives. He returned just in time to see his home washed away in the following spring.

The ensuing summer he spent in the hills in the actual development of some promising properties which he had acquired in connection with Mr. C. D. McKenzie, now manager of the Arlington mine at Erie. Their success was not as great as expected, and Mr. Bucke accepted a position with the Noble Five properties as assayer and engineer. He remained there but for a short time when he went to the Slocan Star in a similar capacity. While thus engaged he opened an office in Kaslo in 1897, in partnership with W. G. Tretheway, the firm being known as Tretheway & Bucke. This firm was dissolved in May of this year and he became the head of the mining engineering company of M. A. Bucke & Co.

About the 1st of June, he was appointed manager and engineer of the Bear Gulch Mining Company's properties, situated about seven miles from Cinnabar, Montana. These properties were owned by a St. John, New Brunswick, company and are said to be very promising. There is already a 20-stamp mill installed, and Mr. Bucke was about establishing a cyanide process to take care of the tailings. He visited St. John during the past winter, and it was doubtless upon his report that the New Brunswick capitalists were induced to take hold of the properties.

The deceased gentleman was comparatively young, yet had attained an genial, courteous, pale manner, and incorruptible. He has been taken away in the midst of a valuable and useful life. His place will not be easily filled. It is understood that upon the resignation of W. A. Carlyle, Mr. Bucke was offered the position of provincial mineralogist, but private business prevented his acceptance. T. J. Edwards, mayor of the city of Cinnabar, Montana, has wired that "Bucke was killed by runaway between mine and Cinnabar."

Great Britain to Have a Steel Combine.

Britain is to have a great steel combine after the manner of the example set by the United States. It is stated on good authority that some of the leading producers of iron and steel have decided to combine their forces and enjoy the advantages of union. The experiment may serve to show that it is not the combinations, but the restrictions which make consumers subservient to them, that constitute the real evil. Were the British people subjected to a protective tariff the combination of forces would make it easy for the domestic producers of iron and steel to put up the price to the level of the foreign price with the duty added. In that case the combination would be roundly denounced as extortionate, but the real evil would be the duty that gave it its power for aggression. In Britain a combination will not be able to make any such unjust advance in prices. However well it may be organized, the smelters in the United States, Canada, Germany and other iron-producing countries will have free access to the markets. Any attempt to unjustly advance prices would be frustrated by the consumers looking elsewhere for supplies. It is the law which prevents consumers from doing so that makes trusts and combines powers for evil instead of for good.

A Canadian News Agency.

Toronto News.

The need of a Canadian press service is becoming more and more manifest. As it is the Canadian public reads stuff prepared for the people of the United States, and when it suits the United States the Canadian public is left lamenting. For instance, last Thursday, being a holiday in the United States, and the United States markets being closed, very little attention was paid to the English markets, which were of primary interest to the Canadian public. Yesterday, however, the Associated press sent out loads of matter relating to the opening of congress, and today president McKinley's address was sent over to Canada, where it is not of absorbing interest, in the bulky shape in which it was prepared for the Staters. Let us have an agency of our own.

DRESSMAKING

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

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

The Tribune.

THE civic election is only a month off and the men who elected mayor Neelands and his four aldermen are busy searching for material with which to make another fight against those who favor municipal ownership of public utilities. It is well known that mayor Neelands and his three henchmen in the council would rather see the city run by corporations than on the lines adopted by the first council. Alderman Fletcher, who is the brainiest of the Neelands combination in the council, is a candidate for the succession, and his candidacy seems strange, for he has during his two terms worked hard to make the mayor a mere subordinate of the city's subordinate officials. His candidacy, however, has the support of the Neelands faction of the Neelands party. On the other hand, the Beer faction of the same party will have none of Fletcher, so they say, and are searching for a man to make the race against Fletcher. They have two men in view, namely, alderman McKillop and Dr. Hall. Neither of these two men have pronounced views on any question except that they are opposed to the "old crowd" first last and alderman Fletcher in case no one else can be found. The men who are backing McKillop and Hall are opposed to everybody and everything except themselves; they belong to the ultra good of the town, and are generally designated as the "church element" of the Neelands party. Fletcher will be supported by the "wide-open" element and McKillop or Hall by the "shut-the-town-up-close" element. On the other side are the men who believe in making Nelson a town that other towns can pattern after; a town with graded streets that the tramway and gas companies will not own jointly with the city; a town at which steamboats will have the best possible facilities for handling traffic; a town with taxes the lowest in the province; a town managed so that debentures will not have to be issued in the last month in the year to cover up deficits; a town run on business lines and not on lines of an Eastern Canadian village; a town with a responsible head, not a mere figure-head. These men are known to be in the majority and their candidate will be the next mayor of Nelson.

THOSE who went on the C. P. R. excursion to Greenwood, Phœnix, and Grand Forks have but one opinion regarding the towns and that country. All say that they were surprised at the evidences of present prosperity and future greatness of the Boundary country. Many of the excursionists from the Coast had not visited the country south of the main line of the Canadian Pacific before, and were simply astonished to find that Kootenay and Yale were in a position to say how they should be treated commercially and politically; that they were a factor in both the commerce and politics of the province. They all speak highly of the treatment received at the hands of the people of the towns which they visited. The trip was as much of a revelation to the Coast delegations as was the one made by the members of the Victoria Board of Trade to Kootenay in the fall of 1895.

THE average newspaper reader in this section is aware that the Rossland Miner is anti-C. P. R., and that it has freely criticized the aims and the methods of that great corporation. So uniformly severe has this criticism been, that the railway officials say that paper's course has and is injuring Rossland. But notwithstanding all this, the Rossland Miner is the only Kootenay daily that can be obtained on the trains of the Columbia & Western railway. Nelson papers are tabooed, neither of the two being sold by the "newsy." This discrimination is in keeping with the discrimination of the postoffice department, which forces all mails between Nelson and the Boundary to Rossland for a rest of from sixteen to twenty-four hours.

COAST advices are that the Semlin government will go to the wall within two weeks after the house meets, and that a general election will be held as soon thereafter as possible to clear both the atmosphere and the house. The one issue of the campaign will be legislation that will make the eight-hour law a dead letter. Alderman Beer expects to be the candidate of the Nullifers in Nelson riding and W. A. Macdonald is to be the candidate of party line Conservatives. David Mark Carley of the Economist will probably be the candidate of the Labor party.

Kidnapping a Stage Robber.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—United States consul Dudley at Vancouver, B. C., has informed the state department that after an inquiry into the circumstances attending the alleged kidnapping of the American, Everett, across the Canadian line from Republic, he has concluded that the man was wrongfully arrested. He has mailed a detailed report to the state department as a basis for action in this case, probably a demand for the return of the man to the United States. Everett was charged with stage robbery, and the consul shows that the officials of Ferry county were chiefly to blame, and not the Canadian officers, for the kidnapping.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned until 3 p. m. Monday, December 11th for the excavating and stone masonry for a building to be erected at the corner of Hall and Front streets, city, for A. Macdonald & Co. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. EWART & CARRIE, Architects, Rooms 7 and 8, Aberdeen Block.
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NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT.

Notice is hereby given that Harry Howard Dunbar of Duncan City, in the county of Kootenay, British Columbia, hotelkeeper, has by deed dated the 31st day of October, 1899, assigned all his personal estate, credits and effects which may be seized and held under execution and all his real estate to William Simpson of Duncan City, aforesaid, merchant, in trust for the benefit of the creditors of the said Harry Howard Dunbar. The said deed was executed by the said Harry Howard Dunbar on the 31st day of October, 1899, and by the said William Simpson on the 6th day of November, 1899. All persons having claims against the said Harry Howard Dunbar are requested to forward particulars of the same, duly verified, and stating what security, if any, is held for the same, to the said William Simpson on or before the 14th day of December, 1899, after which date the said William Simpson will proceed to distribute the assets of the estate amongst those entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice. All persons indebted to the said Harry Howard Dunbar are required to pay such indebtedness forthwith to the said William Simpson.

A meeting of the creditors of the said Harry Howard Dunbar will be held at the offices of McAnn & Mackay, barristers, Front street, Kaslo, B. C., on Wednesday the 22nd day of November, 1899, at 3 o'clock p.m.

WILLIAM SIMPSON, Trustee
McANN & MACKAY, Solicitors for the Trustee.
Dated the 6th day of November, 1899.

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The men who have made the C. P. R. have also largely asisted in the creation of themselves. Van Horne, Shaughnessy, McNicholl—these are names of men who a few years ago were to be found employed on different railways, drawing small salaries for work performed in subordinate and humble positions. But each of them was bent on proving for himself the truth of Emerson's apothegm—that "America is another name for Opportunity." Each of them proved it, and luckily for the Canadian Pacific railway, proved it while in its employ. Wise was the company to assist in the demonstration. The career of each of these rulers of the C. P. R. carries with it a lesson to every Canadian youth—the lesson that there is room at the top, and that industry, energy and brains will surely overcome all obstacles.

In the case of Mr. McNicholl not a single adventitious circumstance helped him on the pathway of success. No accident of birth gave him position, money or influence. If asked the secret of his success, he would probably look at you with surprise—as though there were only one possible reply—and answer in a voice that still retains something of the "burr" that marks the Scotchman born, "Hard work." He would say nothing of a shrewd brain, an indomitable will, and a restless energy that vitalized the hard work and gave it intelligent direction. But this was the combination that Mr. McNicholl brought to bear upon his life's task, and therefore it is little wonder if while yet in the prime of life, he stands in one of the most responsible positions that the railway service of the continent presents.

A pen picture of Mr. McNicholl's mental make-up would tell in heaviest lines of his strength of character, determination, courage, will—these are the dominant characteristics of the man. They are in evidence in his strong face, with its firm lower jaw and clear frank eyes. They have impressed themselves on all his work. His friends have known and benefitted by them. His opponents—he has no enemies—have learned of them at cost of many a pet scheme and deeply matured plan. As passenger traffic manager of the C. P. R. Mr. McNicholl has had many a bout with the officers of other companies, and time and again has carried his end by sheer force and staying power. He is a bonnie fighter, capable of delivering telling blows, but never an unfair one. In argument he goes straight to the point, brushing aside all irrelevancies, knowing what he wants to take the shortest cut to it, both in discussion and in action. So quick is he in going to the heart of a subject, so abrupt may be his treatment of a proposition, that he might by a casual visitor and at first glance, be deemed ungracious. But the rapid decision is only quick thought uniting itself to equally quick speech; the apparent abruptness is nothing but the economy of time forced upon a man of affairs. Behind Mr. McNicholl's businesslike rapidity of speech and action lies one of the kindliest of natures—ever ready to listen to a tale that deserves a hearing, ever on the alert to help a friend. And it is significant that Mr. McNicholl counts his friends by the hosts. He has made them, not by seeking them in the ranks of social organizations, not by striving after the title of "a jolly good fellow," but day by day, out of the men who do his biding, and out of the men whom business throws in his path.

One proof of Mr. McNicholl's ability as a railroad man is his rapid advancement from the position of clerk in the office of the goods manager of a Scottish railway to the office of assistant general manager of the Canadian Pacific railway. Born in Afbroath, Scotland, in April, 1852, on August 20th, 1866, he entered the service of the North British railway, and remained in it until 1873, when he became a clerk in the goods manager's office, Midland railway. In 1874 he decided to push his fortunes in Canada, and entered the employ of the Northern railway at Collingwood as billing clerk. He found quick promotion to the office of chief clerk in the general manager's office of the Toronto, Grey and Bruce railway, Toronto, where he remained until 1881. He was then appointed general freight and passenger agent of the same road. In 1883 Mr. McNicholl entered upon the field of labor that was to finally qualify him for the responsible position he now occupies. In that year he was appointed general passenger agent, Eastern and Ontario divisions, C. P. R. In 1889 he became general passenger agent of all lines, rail and steamship, and in 1895 passenger traffic manager. In June of the present year he was appointed assistant general manager.

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MINERS WHO TRUST IN DREAMS.

Butte Mining World.

There is scarcely an old-time miner who has not dreamed of mining, of striking rich pockets or of working fabulously paying ground, but few took stock in their mental pyrotechnics, the greatest majority forgetting all about them in a few hours. But there are those who treasured their dreams of sudden golden wealth in their memories, confident in the belief that if they dreamed three times of the same place and the same result they would surely find it as foretold them in their dreams. Many a poor miner slept his last sleep on earth without seeing his fortune the third time. Not a few have been the subject of a coroner's inquest, the verdict, "died of heart failure," being rendered. Many more than are known have thus dreamed away their lives, dreaming of that which never ended in fruition,

Still their are miners who trust in dreams. Their dreams are the lights which they fondly hope will lead them to fortune. That they should dream of mining, and of striking good spots is not strange. Their avocation, their daily toils and hopes and disappointments naturally lead their thoughts in that direction. These thoughts find expression during the day in speech, in sleep, in dreams. "Old men see visions, young men dream dreams," said Paul. Why can they not in this day and generation, as well as over eighteen hundred years ago?

The Western Mining World believes there are no coaxers of wealth like a pick, pan and shovel, supplemented with industry, strong arms and an unflagging determination in a mining field. It places no faith in visons or dreams. Mother earth responds to hard knocks, not to the sleep of dreamers. The one will remove mountains, the other will go to the mountains on flowery beds of ease—in dreams. The Western Mining World will rely upon the pick and shovel, the dreamer may find his pleasure in his dreams. The first will gather sweeter fruit, the last gathers nothing. But we know of one instance where dreams did the business.

A father, three young boys and two little girls crossed the plains and reached Cold Springs, in Eldorado county, California, in 1850. They procured sluices and placer mined above the town. The eldest of the two little girls dreamed that if the father and brothers would set their sluices at a certain tree in the ravine they would clean up thousands of dollars in a few days. She mentioned her dream. They laughed at it. She dreamed the same dream the next night. They didn't laugh so loud or long when she told it the second time. She dreamed the same dream the third night. They didn't laugh. Without mentioning what they intended to do the father and sons sets their sluices at the old tree. In a week they cleaned up just $8000 in as pretty gold dust as was ever found in the vicinity. The amount wasn't much, but it was a great deal to poor immigrants. The writer knows the story is true for he afterwards married the girl, but she never dreamed a like dream again.

WHERE SOME MISTAKES ARE MADE.

The man who takes up a claim or a number of claims complies with the law gains possession of one or a dozen of them and then waits for contiguous claim owners to develop their own properties and demonstrate value in them, makes a mistake. Again, a man who locates a lode, works out his assessment upon it and then lays off, waiting for some one to pay him a big price for his prospect, makes a mistake. Furthermore, the man who holds undeveloped prospects at a price which no prudent man will give, commits a grave mistake.

The day passed many years ago when men with capital invested large sums in simple prospects. They did it once, but the present day generation of men want something for their money. They will buy and pay for what they know to be in the ground, not for what the seller thinks is in it. Capital will not bank on faith, it banks on what is in sight. The man who can show a lode within well defined walls, carrying ore which assays show is worth a given sum per ton, can sell it for what is in sight and not much more. For instance, we will say he has a hundred foot shaft and a hundred foot level at the bottom. The ore averages $50 per ton in shaft and level. The ore body is five feet wide. He is a fortunate man who can sell his full claim for $150,000, and still but few men would sell at that price, but it is all the ground in sight will measure.

The same ground referred to, if undeveloped, probably could not be sold for $150, still there is big value in it, but who knows it? Again, a lode may assay fair figures on top and not pay for working when depth is attained. The prospector may sell it or he may not. The capitalist prefers holding his money until he sees something to buy, and there you are. We submit that it would be better for the owner to develop something of value that will interest capital before he offers it for sale. If he ask too much for his undeveloped ground and thus scares away a purchaser, he injures himself, he discourages the outlay of money, and kills the district in which it is located.

A man who has ground which he is unable to work, or to get others to work, should sell it for the best figures he can get, and with the money make another trial. The mistake many make is holding claims they cannot develop or which they can't sell at the price they ask. They seem to lose sight of the fact that prospects are not mines, and that the former may never be developed into one. Prospects have no fixed value; an arbitrarily fixed value may be placed upon a mine. Claims are not prospects. Some of them are worth as much fifteen feet above the earth as they are at that depth in it. A prospect may hold a value, a mine may contain fortunes. There is a line to be drawn between them all. Let a price, also, measure the value of each.

A Remarkable Achievement.

Just after the outbreak of the war in South Africa a young Englishman, named John Sydney Marwick, was serving as native commissioner at Johannesburg. He was an appointee of the government of Natal, and it was his business to look after the interests of the thousands of natives of Natal who were working in the gold mines of the Transvaal. When war was declared 6000 of these natives sought out Mr. Marwick and expressed an ardent desire to get home. At the time railway communication between Johannesburg and Natal had already ceased, and if the journey was to be made at all, it would have to be on foot. Mr. Marwick organized the mob of 6000 blacks into something like an army, and marched them in safety into Natal, even passing through the lines of the Boers without interruption. He is given credit by the English authorities for a remarkable achievement,

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.
T. LILLIE, C. C. R. G. JOY, K. of R. & S.

NELSON LODGE, NO. 23, A. F. & A. M. Meets second Wednesday in each month. Sojourning brethren invited.

NELSON L. O. L., No. 1632, meets in I. O. O. F. Hall, corner Baker and Kootenay streets, 1st and 3rd Friday of each month. Visiting brethern cordially invited.
JOHN TOYE, W. M. F. J. BRADLEY, Rec. Sec.

NELSON ÆRIE, Number 22, Fraternal Order of Eagles, meets every second and fourth Wednesday in each month in Fraternity Hall. Visiting brethren welcome.
J. IRVING, President. J. R. WRAY, Secretary.

NELSON MINERS' UNION NO. 96, W. F. of M.—Meets in K. P. rooms, Fraternity Hall, the first and third Saturday evenings in each month at 8 o'clock. Visiting members welcome.
JAMES WILKS, Sec'y. CHAS. A. McKAY, Pres.

THE regular meetings of the Carpenters' Union are held on Wednesday evening of each week, at 7 o'clock, in the old Oddfellow's hall on Kootenay street.
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AINSWORTH LICENSE DISTRICT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned persons have made application, under the provisions of the "Liquor License Act," 1899, for hotel licenses at the places set opposite their respective names.

George P. Fournier at Ainsworth.
Swan Peterson, Argenta.

A meeting of the Board of License Commissioners of the Ainsworth License District, will be held, to consider such applications, at the Court House, at the City of Kaslo, on Friday, the fifteenth day of December, 1899, at the hour of eight o'clock in the afternoon.

WM. H. BULLOCK-WEBSTER,
Chief License Inspector.

Nelson, B. C., 1st December, 1899.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

A committee made up of alderman Beer, Dr. Hall, A. Ferland, P. Lamont, and M. DesBrisay waited on alderman McKillop on Saturday and urged him to become a candidate for mayor. It is said that McKillop asked until Tuesday to consider the question.

Robert Shiell and W. G. Brown leave this morning on a deer hunting expedition. They will leave the Boundary road train at Park Siding, and expect to be gone a couple of days.

W. R. Jarvis returned from Revelstoke on Saturday evening with his bride. Upon his return he was made the recipient of a handsome dinner service and a check from the civic employees.

The tramway company is ready to test its system preparatory to commencing operations. The power is now ready to be tapped at the company's sub-station, and if the cars and the bonds respond satisfactorily to the initial test, a start will be made today or tomorrow.

The secretary of the Nelson lacrosse hockey team has received a communication from Rossland to the effect that the formation of the proposed hockey league depends upon the nature of the replies received from the Nelson hockey club and the Boundary clubs, neither of whom have as yet responded.

A meeting of the board of trade will be held this evening for the purpose of considering the matter of improving the city wharf. The opinions of the men who use the wharf most is that when repairs are made they should be of such a character as will fit the wharf for the business required of it. They do not favor the policy of the council in spending $5000 upon a work which will require $10,000.

Mining Man Left for England.

Charles Plowman, who recently sold the John A. and Treadwell group to Rene Sandi of London, left yesterday for London, England. Mr. Plowman has secured several bonds on Kootenay properties, and will induce capitalists to take them up when he arrives in the metropolis; and in addition to these, he is the owner of a claim near Kaslo, and has accepted favorable terms for the selling of the same to a strong company about to be incorporated to work it in conjunction with five or six more claims in the same group. This new group of claims is situated on the south fork of Kaslo creek, and it is said to be the intention of the company to commence operations at an early date, and continue work throughout the winter. It is reported that there are excellent showings, and development will give good results. It is Mr. Plowman's intention to return to Nelson about March or April next, and will probably reside here as the representative of capitalists, who will secure Kootenay properties to develop them.

A Doll Fete to Benefit a Church.

The Ladies' Guild of St. Saviour's Church will hold a "Doll Fete" in the new Hudson's Bay block on Tuesday, December 12th. There will be much amusement offered those who attend, including "Clock Guessing Contest," "Literary Salad," "Bean Jar," and other entertaining features, and for the successful guesses there will be valuable prizes. In the evening a musical programme will be given and an auction sale of goods will be held. Lunch will be served from 12 to 2 p.m. at the uniform price of fifty cents.

MENU.

SOUP.

FISH.
Salmon en Mayonaise.

COLD MEATS.
Turkey Ham Beef
Meat Pie.

SALADS.
Lobster Potato

DESSERTS.
Trifles Creams Jellies
Apple Tart.
Tea Coffee

PRIZES.

CLOCK GUESSING CONTEST.
First prize, clock, donated by Jacob Dover.
Second prize, pair slippers, donated by Lillie Bros.

LITERARY SALAD.
Bottle perfume, donated by W. F. Teetzel & Co.

BEAN JAR.
Pair slippers, donated by S. Neelands.

Who Gets the Benefit of the Difference?

OTTAWA, December 9.—The customs department is preparing instructions to collectors in regard to the entry of lead produced from Canadian ores refined in the United States. Lead thus produced is taxed 15 per cent on the cost of refining only. As it costs about one half a cent per pound to extract lead, the duty on it when re-entering Canada after being refined in the United States is about six cents per 100 pounds, as against a duty of 60 cents on foreign lead imported.

BUSINESS MENTION.

Tenders wanted for excavating. Apply to the Brackman-Ker Milling Company, Limited, Front Street, Nelson, B. C.

Luminous house numbers $1.00 each. Leave orders with cash at L. Pogue's harness shop, Ward street, from 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. H. H. Avery.

Wanted—Experienced dressmakers and girls who can make or finish waists, skirts and coats. Good wages. Apply at once to Fred Irvine & Co., Baker street, Nelson.

Wanted—Dining-room girl at Hotel Phair.

Wanted—An experienced waitress at the Nelson Cafe.

Lady clerk with three years experience is desirous of a position. Address box 688.

For Sale—Dairy—Apply P. O. box 190, Nelson.

Offices to Let—Two offices in Turner-Boeckh block. Enquire room 7 in building.

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Are complete
Your patronage solicited

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For the convenience of nurses and physicians, we have established a Nurses' Directory, and in order to have it complete, request all nurses to send in or call and leave their names and addresses.

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We still have some goods left from the bankrupt stock purchased at Sandon at a low rate on the dollar, and consequently we can defy competition. . . . . .

HERE ARE A FEW OF OUR PRICES.

Dress goods fancy mixtures, regular price $1.75, sale price $1.
Dress goods, fancy mixture, regular price $1.50, sale price 75 cents.
Dress goods, fancy mixture, regular price 75 cents, sale price 40 cents.
Table Damask at 25 cents per yard.
Children's wool hose at 10 cents per pair.
Ladies' flannellette wrappers at $1.25.
Black Henrietta, worth 75 cents, sale price 50 cents.
Black Henrietta, worth 50 cents, sale price 35 cents.
Pink flannelette 7 cents per yard.
Ladies' fancy blouses, velvet collars, regular price $1.50, sale price 80 cents.
Miner's shoes, regular price $3.00, sale price $1.50.
Overalls, regular price $1.00, sale price 50 cents.
Oxford shirts, regular price $1.25, sale price 50 cents.
Men's tweed suits, regular price $12.50, sale price $7.00.
Men's heavy all-wool tweed pants, rugular price $3.50, sale price $2.00.

For want of space we are going out of ladies' and children's footwear, and will clear these off at cost . . .

	Regular Price.	Sale Price.
Ladies' Oxford shoes	$1.75	$1.00
Ladies' strap shoes	1.75	1.00
Ladies' kid button shoes	2.00	1.25
Ladies' kid button shoes	3.00	2.00
Children's shoes	1.00	50

The Balance of our ladies' capes and jackets at less than cost. All other goods in our store at greatly reduced prices. . . . . .

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Christmas no More

An apprehension. So many ladies dread the Christmas season it means so much extra work, but it's no more so. The old fashioned way of sitting down cleaning Currants, seeding Raisins, shelling Nuts, cutting Peel, grinding Spice is a thing of the past.

We can sell you Raisins seeded, Currants cleaned, Peels cut, Nuts shelled. Everything ready, no trouble, no extra labor.

If you want up to date Groceries at any time call or write us we lead in prices.

Swiss and Roquefort Cheese now in stock.

Baker Street, Nelson. **M. DesBrisay & Co.**

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.

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