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MUCH DIFFERENT

TRAMWAY COMPANY HAS POWER TO SELL.

ITS POSITION IN REGARD TO THE WEST KOOTENAY COMPANY IS DEFINED.

C. S. Drummond of the British Electric Traction Company, and chairman of the London board of the Nelson Electric Tramway Company, had an interview with the members of the city council last evening, when the affairs of the local company were talked over. Coming as it did upon the eve of the voting upon the by-law authorizing the expenditure of $150,000 for the installation of a power plant on Kootenay river, it is unfortunate that The Tribune is not in a position to give a full account of the interview. A representative was present at the meeting, but he was informed that the desire was merely to have a talk over matters with the tramway people, and that a report of the proceedings was not contemplated. Had the interview been of an ordinary nature it would have been passed over without further notice, but from information gleaned from those in attendance it appears that the interview was a most extraordinary one, in that it brought to light the fact that there is and has been no real clashing of interests between the city and the tramway company; that there is nothing to prevent the tramway company from selling electric power to the city, but on the contrary that it is willing and anxious to dispose of power; and that the installation of a city plant on Kootenay river would be welcomed by the tramway company rather than be regarded as a death warrant.

It is because The Tribune believes the information given by Mr. Drummond is important, and that it should be as widely disseminated as possible in view of the voting on the by-laws today, that it endeavors to give the gist of Mr. Drummond's remarks. They may not be complete, but they are as complete as the opportunity for securing the information would permit.

The one thing which struck most of Mr. Drummond's auditors was that there has been considerable misplaced sympathy on tap in Nelson for the tramway company. He did not attend the meeting of the city council to make a poor mouth. He did not intimate that the action of the ratepayers of the city in refusing to accept the jug-handled power contract with the West Kootenay Power & Light Company should be punished by the closing down of the tramway, nor did he intimate that today the employees of the tramway company would be out in force working in the interests of the West Kootenay Power & Light Company, as they were when the power contract by-law was submitted to the ratepayers.

Shutting down the tramway is apparently one of the last things Mr. Drummond has thought of. He intimated to the members of the council that the British Electric Traction Company had tramways in operation in all parts of the globe, and that its investments in such amounted to something like $30,000,000. This being so, he intimated that it would not be very good business for so large a company to shut down and admit its failure and the loss of the $175,000 that had been embarked in the venture. He admitted that there had been some disappointment in connection with the tramway venture. The city, for one thing, had not made the progress that was expected of it. He did not wish to create the impression that Nelson was standing still. Such was far from being the case, as he had noted very marked improvement in the city since his former visits. But there had not been the growth that was expected, and consequently the business of the tramway company was not what it had been anticipated.

He was of the opinion that if a better understanding was arrived at the tramway and the city could be of mutual assistance. He did not wish it to be understood that the tramway company was wedded to the West Kootenay Power & Light Company. If it was wedded to anything it was wedded to the City of Nelson.

One way in which the tramway company and the city could be of mutual advantage to each other was for the city to purchase from the tramway company the surplus power which it did not use, but which it was obliged to pay for to the West Kootenay Power & Light Company.

This suggestion pretty nearly floored a number of the aldermen who remembered the statement of the local officers of the company that it was not at liberty to sell any power to the city. Their incredulity was soon overcome, however, as Mr. Drummond stated that it was he who had made the bargain with the West Kootenay Power & Light Company; that he had the power to sell power to the city under it; and that he was prepared to exercise that power and sell the city such electrical energy as it might need up to 100 horse-power if the city wanted it.

To say the aldermen were surprised with the turn matters have taken as between the West Kootenay Power & Light Company, the tramway company, and the city, is putting it mildly. It is understood that Mr. Drummond will make the city an offer to sell power which will be laid before the council at its next regular meeting on Monday evening.

As intimate in the course of his interview, the offer will be to sell the city just such power as it may need up to 100 horse-power at a rate as favorable as the best rate quoted by the West Kootenay Power & Light Company, that is, $3.75 per horse-power per month. If this is done, the West Kootenay Power & Light Company will speedily cease to be a factor in the municipal politics of Nelson.

Insist on Being Canadians.

TORONTO, December 19.—An exciting incident took place tonight at a dinner given by Canadian manufacturers. Wilburn Robins of Walkerville, Ontario, delivered an address on imperialism, and referring to French Canadians objecting to their being called French said there were no English Canadians and why French? They were all Canadians. He appealed to French Canadians to drop the word "French." Mr. Roland of Montreal replied and said the French flag whenever shown was always enlivened with the Union Jack. The last gun fired for British connection would be by French Canadians. He was loudly cheered.

EASTERN CANADIAN NEWS

Wired in Brief.

MONTREAL, December 19.—Over twenty thousand Montrealers have been disqualified from voting in the civic elections to be held in February on account of failure to pay water and business taxes.

GALT, Ontario, December 19.—Thomas McGiverin, clerk of division court and real estate agent, was found in his office in an unconscious condition from escaping gas yesterday morning. He will recover.

TORONTO, December 19.—Word has been received at the Methodist mission rooms of the death of Mrs. Meacham, wife of Rev. Mr. Meacham, Methodist missionary of Tokio, Japan. Mrs. Meacham has been associated with her husband in missionary work in Japan for twenty-five years.

RAPID CITY, Manitoba, December 19.—As a result of a burning accident last night the three year old daughter of C. McKinnon died this morning. She was playing around the fire when a spark ignited her clothing and was so badly burned that she died at an early hour today.

TORONTO, December 19.—H. Eberts of Adelaide, South Australia, is in the city seeking information regarding newer portions of Canada with a view of satisfying wishes of some Australian farmers who are dissatisfied with their lot in that colony and have expressed a desire to come to Canada.

TORONTO, December 19.—Speaking in the interest of T. E. Wallace, the Conservative candidate in West York, here last night, Rufus Pope, M.P., of Compton, expressed the opinion that if Canada had sent 25,000 men to South Africa they would have won the battle long ago, as there were no men on earth as good fighters as Canadians.

SEVERN BRIDGE, Ontario, December 19.—Charles Lyon, eighty years old, was found dead this morning a short distance from his home. He had been missing since Saturday. He had been driven to within half a mile of his home by a neighbor on Saturday and it is thought in the darkness he lost his way and laid down and died from exposure to the extreme cold.

HAMILTON, December 19.—Fireman Theodore Smith, married, residing at 0 Stanley avenue, was killed and foreman Robert Wilson, fireman Robert Atkinson and Robert Cameron were badly injured as a result of a collision between the hose wagon and a street car at the corner of King and Bay streets shortly before 7 o'clock this morning. The hose wagon was responding to an alarm of fire at Weston's foundry in the west end of the city. Foreman Wilson's injuries are serious. None of the passengers in the street car were injured.

OTTAWA, December 19.—The railroad committee of the privy council this morning postponed action on the application of the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern railway for a right to build a branch to Columbia and Grand Forks, British Columbia, until more information is obtained, the committee having been informed of an interim injunction having been taken out in British Columbia forbidding the company to build further on the ground that its charter had lapsed before work on several sections was begun. It was also stated that the matter was one that should be dealt with by parliament and not by the railway committee of the privy council.

A Fine Christmas Display.

The display made this year in the five departments of the Hudson's Bay Company's stores is far and away ahead of that of the previous year and is deserving of the conviction that has forced itself on the youthful mind that the company's stores are the headquarters for Santa Claus. The work of the window dressing has not yet been completed, but that of the dry goods and gent's furnishing department has been prepared, and makes a very neat display. It is divided into three compartments, the first of which is given over to a tasty display of men's furnishings, suitable for Christmas presents. Next to this comes a display of ladies' wear, also suited to the holiday trade, and in the third compartment is the children's display. This is a Christmas eve production with the children's patron saint in the act of making his way through the chimney flue. The pains taken in the preparation of the window is duly appreciated by the youngsters. Inside special effort has been made with the decoration of the dry goods department in which the Christmas toys are displayed. It presents every appearance of a ladies' fancy fair. The work of getting the grocery and liquor department in shape is now in hand. The usual Christmas hampers will not be issued by the company this season, but the present stock of both groceries and liquors is the best that the company has opened in this city, being ordered specially with a view to the requirements of the holiday trade. The men's furnishings and carpet departments complete the range, and from the one or the other there should be little trouble in selecting a Christmas present which would please.

Last Night's Curling Game.

By the defeat of the Carrie rink last evening the president's side secured a lead of two points in the club competition. The defeat of the Carrie rink was unexpected, as it was loked upon as one of the strongest drawn. The score stood Wallace 17, Carrie 5. The rinks were made up as follows: J. O'Shea, D. S. Stanley, J. F. Weir, and J. H. Wallace, and C. D. Blackwood, J. A. Dewar, J. Thompson and A. Carrie.

There were a number of scratch games played. The Turner and Richardson rinks, which meet in the competition this evening, had a practice game, when the Turner men were defeated by a score of 5 to 22. If the game goes anything like this at the match this evening the vice-president's side will recover most of what they lost yesterday.

A scratch game was played yesterday between rinks skipped by A. H. Buchanan and Frank Fletcher, and resulted in a win for the latter by a score of 7 to 10. These rinks were made up as follows: M. S. Davys, H. E. Croasdaile, A. G. Gamble, and A. H. Buchanan, and J. Cholditch, C. E. Miller, C. J. Wilson and Frank Fletcher.

VOTE FOR BY-LAW NO. 102

And a Rise in Real Estate Values Will Follow.

VOTE FOR BL-LAW NO. 102.

At an informal meeting of the city council held last night, C. S. Drummond of London, England, managing director of the Nelson Street Railway Company, stated that his company was in a position to sell the city auxilliary power in any quantity from one horse-power up to one hundred horse-power, to meet the city's requirements, at the rate of $3.75 per horse-power per month. He also stated that if the city had a power plant of its own, that his company would be prepared to become a customer of the city's as soon as its (his company's) contract had expired with the West Kootenay Power & Light Company. Mr. Drummond evidently means business, and there are few people in Nelson who will not willingly aid his company in the direction of his proposal. More: There are few people in Nelson, if the city had its own power plant on Kootenay river, who would not be in favor of selling the street railway company power at a merely nominal sum per year. The way to help enterprises like the street railway company is to be in a position to help them. A vote FOR By-law No. 102 today will be a vote to help the street railway company at no distant date.

A vote for By-law No. 102 means that the streets of Nelson will be better lighted than the streets of any other city in British Columbia and at a less cost.

Every bank manager in Nelson admits that if the city was in a position to furnish a refinery with free power for five years that such a proposal would be more acceptable than a cash bonus.

There are many young men in Nelson who have invested their means in real estate and built homes thereon with money borrowed from loan companies. A fall in prices of real estate means that these young men would be unable to realize on their holdings if they are compelled to seek employment elsewhere. Their investments would be a dead loss to them. An investment in real estate should be made as safe as a deposit in a savings bank. By voting FOR By-law No. 102 today every property owner in Nelson will be doing an act that will bring stabilityi to real values in Nelson.

Contractors in Nelson, men who are able financially to carry out any work they may undertake, are willing to put up a $10,000 forfeit that they can construct flumes and waterways and erect buildings and install a 1000 horse-power plant on Kootenay river in nine months from the day the contract is signed. Vote the money today by marking your ballot FOR By-law No. 102, and a year from today Nelson will have the finest electric power plant on the Pacific Coast and real estate will be worth 100 cents on the dollar.

VOTE FOR BY-LAW NO. 102.

Every property owner in Nelson should by his or her vote today declare for freedom from outside corporation dictation and control. Every property owner in Nelson should by his or her vote today declare a willingness to assist enterprises and industries that will assist in upbuilding Nelson. Every property owner in Nelson by his or her vote today should prove that they have confidence in themselves, in their town, and in their district. Every property owner in Nelson by his or her vote today should declare that Nelson will be the best lighted city in British Columbia, and at the lowest cost per light. A vote FOR By-law No. 102 will be no mistake.

Voting $150,000 to be spent on the erection of a power plant on Kootenay river and changing the city's lighting system so that it will be up-to-date in every respect, is simply placing means within the reach of next year's council so that they can act promptly as soon as the site for a power station is secured and plans and specifications for the proposed works are prepared and accepted.

A vote for By-law No. 102 means that the City of Nelson will be for all time independent of the West Kootenay Power & Light Company, Limited, of Rossland, and that that company will not be considered a factor in our municipal elections.

THE CITY SAVED $7000.

The city saved not less than $7000 by defeating By-law No. 101 a month ago, for now the street railway company is prepared to sell the city auxilliary power, in any quantity from one horse-power up to one hundred horse-power, at the rate of $3.75 a month for the power actually used from month to month. The city made that saving against the advice and votes of mayor Fletcher and alderman Selous, men who are doing their utmost to defeat the endorsement of By-law No. 102, which if carried will place the city in an independent position, not only for its own power, but for power furnished such enterprises as the street railway and such industries as the proposed refinery. Vote FOR By-law No. 102 and save the city hundreds of thousands of dollars and increase its population by so many thousands that Nelson will take first rank in the cities of the province.

If By-law No. 102 is carried today, it will be published in every paper in Canada and in many papers in the United States within a month. The announcement that Nelson has voted $150,000 to be spent in the erection of an up-to-date power plant will show outside people that the people of Nelson have confidence in their town and in the country on which the town depends. Confidence begets confidence.

The voting of $150,000 to erect a power plant on Kootenay river is notice to the provincial government that the city's application for land suitable for a power station is bona fide. Defeat the $150,000 by-law, and it is an intimation to the provincial government that the people of Nelson are mere windy triflers; that they want to get hold of something that they do not want to use.

The people of Nelson voted $15,000 in debentures in 1899 that were not sold. They again voted $76,000 in 1900 that were not sold. This makes a total of $91,000 of debentures that were authorized but which were not sold. Did the authorization of these issues of debentures impair the credit of Nelson? No! And no one knows it better than mayor Fletcher.

KING CHATS WITH LIPTON

Edward Admires Roosevelt.

LONDON, December 19.—Sir Thomas Lipton, in the long interview which he had with king Edward yesterday at which the America's cup races were discussed, unfolded his plans for the future. His majesty exhibited the keenest interest in them and at times offered suggestions. He expressed the opinion that it would be very hard to get a boat to beat the Americans, to which sir Thomas replied that he was at least confident he could secure a yacht a good deal better than the Shamrock II. When sir Thomas had finished explaining his reasons for this belief, the king appeared to be satisfied and heartily wished him success. Sir Thomas Lipton also conveyed to king Edward a recapitulation of president Roosevelt's friendly comments on the king and on England, which formed the gist of a conversation between sir Thomas and Mr. Roosevelt, while the former was in the United States. The king was evidently much pleased. In turn he told sir Thomas how greatly he admired president Roosevelt's personality, which, unfortunately, he only knew by hearsay. The king takes great interest in the preparations for building another challenger for the cup which are believed to be already on foot.

Vancouver Local News.

VANCOUVER, December 19.—[Special to The Tribune.]—Fire early this morning did $15,000 damage to premises and stock of J. Sudmin, clothier, Cordova street. The fire caught from a stove. Insurance, $3000.

An Indian named Joe Peter was brought to the city by the steamer Cassiar this morning in a dying condition. He was loading a gun at Sechelt and the firearm accidentally discharged, tearing out the front of the Indian's stomach. He is in St. Paul's hospital and will not probably recover.

There is a big demand for loggers here. Five camps are to be opened after Christmas and very few men are now on hand to supply the places.

Carter-Cotton, this morning met a deputation from the Electoral Union and positively declined to run for the mayoralty chair.

Mr. Wilson, representing several large canneries, is going to England to open a head office there.

Greenwood Local News.

GREENWOOD, December 19.—[Special to The Tribune.]—There have been several changes recently in the local staff of the Canadian Bank of Commerce. A. W. English has retired from the bank's service; A. H. Plummer has been transferred from Greenwood to Fernie; and D. H. Gordon has been transferred from Nelson to Greenwood.

Robert Kerr has returned from Carmi, on the West Fork of Kettle river, whence he hauled a horse whim for use on the Butcher Boy mine, in which he is interested with others. The shaft on the Butcher Boy is now down about 75 feet, and the claim is looking well. Work was lately suspended at Carmi, of which the shaft is down 190 feet. Kerr states the West Fork road is in extremely bad condition; the worst he ever traveled over.

James W. Grier, who last summer started the West Fork News at Beaverdell, is down here for the Christmas holidays. It is stated he has sold his interest in that newspaper.

The Dominion Express Company has transferred its city money order agency to the store of J. L. Coles, the bookseller.

P. W. George has taken possession of the local stock and business of the Wallace-Miller Company, C. H. Fair continuing as manager.

Among the arrivals are R. A. C. McNally of Rossland, G. C. Hodge, R. J. Hamilton, J. H. Mackenzie of Nelson, and J. Murray, provincial timber inspector.

Stirring Up a Hornets' Nest.

One of the best known property owners on Carbonate street writes The Tribune as follows:

"NELSON, December 18.—To the Editor of The Tribune: Nelson is a good-sized hornets' nest. Tomorrow morning mayor Fletcher and the W. K. P. & L. C. will touch the business end of that nest. Watch the hornets come out."

Nick Burley Reaches Rossland.

ROSSLAND, December 19.—Nick Burley, the Seattle middle-weight who meets Charley Goff here tomorrow night, reached Rossland today in splendid condition and confident of success. It will be the first time the men have met since 1894, when Burley gave Goff his first lessons in the fistic art at Spokane.

CHAFFEE SCORES FILIPINOS

Thinks Them Scarcely Human.

WASHINGTON, December 19.—"History affords no parallel of a whole people thus practically turning war traitors, and in the genius of no other people was ever found such masterful powers of secrecy and dissimulation, but it is needless to say that no powerful state was ever erected or ever can be erected on such immoral or unenlightened foundations." This statement is made by general Chaffee, military governor of the Philippines, in review of a number of courtmartials in the islands, the records of which have been received at the war department. The case which brought forth this comment was one in which seven natives were tried jointly on a charge of murder. The accused were soldiers in the insurgent army and after defeat by the American army in the field, abandoned even the show of open opposition and took up their residences at Taytay, a place protected by an American garrison. Then, following the proclaimed policy of the insurgent chiefs, they proceeded to organize secretly a bolo band. When authorization had been given to establish civil government the band came forward under the leadership of a resident padre and were elected municipal officers of Taytay. Then ensued a remarkable attempt to serve two masters. In all lawful matters they served with due appearance to the American government, while at the same time they labored secretly in the interests of the insurgents. This dual form of government, says general Chaffee, existed everywhere in strongly garrisoned cities like Manila, as well as the smallest cities. The municipal officers of Taytay next entered upon a season of murders and continued their work until the number of mysterious disappearances led to the discovery of the perpetrators by the American authorities. "One indeniable truth," says general Chaffee, "stands out in this case as in hundreds of like cases of murder, that the average native of these islands has not more than the merest rudimentary conception of his individual rights and duties as a man, and no one knows this as well as the chiefs who use him for their nefarious purposes."

Six of the seven natives were sentenced to be hanged, but general Chaffee commuted the sentence of three of them to imprisonment at hard labor for life. The seventh native, Leonardo De Posey, a regular ordained priest, asked for and was granted a separate trial. At his trial De Posey, who was held to be the chief agent in the Taytay murders, took advantage of the loophole which appeared to be afforded by his position as priest by contending that while the participators in the wholesale murders in Taytay would confess the same at confessional he was compelled by his sacred office to keep silence. General Chaffee pronounced this defense of no value, saying that "the confessional does not lay upon any man, priest or layman, the obligation of suppressing knowledge of crimes being committed by third parties." General Chaffe confirmed the sentence of death imposed by the court martial which tried De Posey, but commuted the sentence to 40 years' imprisonment at hard labor out of respect for his calling ..... on account of the great religious organization of which he is a most unworthy member.

Marconi Feted.

ST. JOHNS, Newfoundland, December 19. Marconi's local lawyer has informed counsel for the Anglo American Cable Company that he will temporarily cease his tests in receiving signals by wireless telegraphy from England and without admitting the rights of the Anglo American Company, will notify that company prior to resuming his tests. The situation otherwise is unchanged.

Governor Boyle of Newfoundland gave a large luncheon in honor of Mr. Marconi today. Among the guests present were premier Bond, the cabinet ministers, heads of departments, marine, Lloyds underwriters officials, and representatives of the press. The affair was practically a state function. Governor Boyle in proposing his health spoke enthusiastically of the inventor's work since his arrival in the colony.

All Were Deck Hands

CHARLESTON, West Virginia, December 19.—The steamer Kanawaha Bell, which runs betwen Charleston and Montgomery, went over lock No. 3 at Pant creek on her trip down tonight, broke in two and is a total wreck. Eight of the crew, all deck hands, were drowned. The officers of the boat were saved, but some of them had narrow escapes. The river has ben high for several days and there has been a furious current at the lock and the pilot was unable to control the boat on approaching it.

JINGOISM OVER IRELAND

What Some Canadians Propose.

NEW YORK, December 19.—The provisional government executive committee of the United Irish League of America formed by the Irish envoys—Redmond, McHugh, and O'Donnell—before leaving for Ireland, held its first meeting at the Hoffman House. John Finerty of Chicago, president, of the newly organized league, presided, and most of the twenty-one original members of the executive committee were in attendance. Darcy Scott of Ottwa, Ontario, was added to the executive committee. A constitution and by-laws based on lines of the old Land League organization were adopted and arrangements were made to organize the country in support of the Irish leaders and the United Irish League in Ireland. The executive committee was engaged until a late hour in drafting an address to the people of this country on which they base their claim to active support of the Irish cause at the present time. The address endorses what Mr. Redmond and his associates said as to the important part England is playing in keeping Ireland down and says, "the great task, then, of this our generation is to strive and root the Irish in their soil—the work so gloriously begun by Parnell and now so ably prosecuted by Redmond, Davitt, O'Brien, Dillon, and their associates. The young rural people of Ireland must be given a living in the land that gave them birth. In order that they might cleave unto the soil they must be made like the Frenchman, the Hollander, and the Boer, farmer proprietors. This, allied to the underlying cause of Irish national independence, is the notable mission of the United Irish League of Ireland. It is our duty as Irishmen to sustain Ireland in her chosen policy, which in no way conflicts with our national sentiment, either as friends of Ireland or as American citizens."

The address then calls upon Irish Americans to form as soon as possible, branches of the United Irish League of America to co-operate with their Irish brethren in the cause of national liberty and agrarian reform.

BRIEF WIRINGS FROM ABROAD.

NEW YORK, December 19.—The sale of a stock exchange seat for $73,000 is reported to have been made yesterday. This is the highest price on record, the last two sales having been $71,000.

HARTFORD CITY, Indiana, December 19.—Fire threatens the entire business portion of Eaton, several miles south of here. This city has been called on for assistance. The only fire protection there is a chemical engine.

LONDON, December 19.—A dispatch to the Central News from Cairo says Cecil Rhodes, managing director of the British South Africa Company, has suffered from a heat stroke and has abandoned his trip to Kartoum and is hurrying to Cairo.

ST. PAUL, December 19.—A Fargo, North Dakota, special to the Dispatch says: It is not a crime to pass a United States Confederate bill on an unsuspecting Indian according to a decision rendered by judge Amidon of the United States court in what is known as the Barrett case."

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 19.—Lord Pauncefote, the British ambassador, is daily expecting notice from his government of its approval and ratification of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. As soon as he has this, he will arrange with secretary Hay the date upon which the final exchange of ratifications of the treaty shall take place.

INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana, December 19.—It is reported among friends of Miss Josephine Holman, fiancee of signor Marconi, that she will leave today for New York in response to a telegram from him. It is also hinted that the wedding will take place while Miss Holman is in the east. Miss Holman's mother resides in New York City.

NEW YORK, December 19.—According to the London correspondent of the Journal and Advertiser lord Marcus Beresford has been appointed to manage the stable of king Edward. He will devote his entire time and attention to it. He will assume his duties on January 1st, when the duke of Devonshire, the present director, retires. The king's colors will be prominent in all big events in 1902.

LONDON, December 19.—Arthur Stopinard Francis, who until recently had a number of wealthy and aristocratic friends, was arrested this morning on a warrant charging him with misappropriating £5000 of trust funds belonging to the countess of Orkney, just prior to his arrest Francis had appeared in the bankruptcy court, where his examination disclosed an indebtedness of £78,000, with assets estimated at £10,000.

BOSTON, December 19.—In the Emmanuel church today Rev. Charles Brent, D.D., of St. Stephens church, this city, was consecrated as first bishop of the Episcopal church in the Philippine Islands. Eleven bishops and 140 of the lower clergy participated. The consecrating bishop was right Rev. William Croswell, dean bishop of Albany, and the attending bishops included right Rev. Arthur Sweatman, lord bishop of Toronto.

LONDON, December 19.—The Associated Press learns that the war office has come into possession of a cipher telegram purporting to have been sent by the Boer commandant, Delarey, stating that he could not hold out longer than January. According to the correspondent of the Times at Pretoria this morning, Delarey is believed to be forty miles northwest of Klerksdorp with about 400 men. The war office is taking a more hopeful view of the war than it has taken at any previous time.

NEW YORK, December 19.—It has been learned from an official that one of the most important charges of a discriminative character on grain passing through this port is about to be abolished, or, at any rate, materially modified, says the Journal of Commerce. This charge is the arbitrary tax of 1 cent per bushel imposed by the railroads on grain loaded direct on to steamships from the railroad elevators. It is what may be termed an equalizing charge, originally intended to protect the floating elevator combinations.

CRASH TOGETHER

SOUTHERN PACIFIC ADDS TO QUOTA

OF RECENT TRAIN WRECKS—SUNSET LIMITED LATEST ADDITION.

SALINAS, California, December 19.—The northern bound Sunset express No. 9 of the Southern Pacific, due to arrive at San Ardo at 12:50 a. m., and the Sunset express No. 10, from San Francisco, due to leave San Ardo at the same time, were in collision this morning. The trains are scheduled to pass at Uplands, a few miles south of San Ardo. The southbound train left Salinas seven minutes late and through some error met the northbound train head on, one-half mile west of Uplands, between San Ardo and San Lucas. Both trains were completely wrecked, the engines being thrown from the tracks and several of the cars telescoped. Train No. 9 was partly destroyed by fire. It is reported that ten or twelve persons were killed and fifty injured. The southbound train was crowded with passengers, every seat being taken and some persons being obliged to stand. Among these on the train were 80 discharged soldiers on their way east, and the All-American base ball team from the east on their way to Los Angeles. The track is completely blocked and no trains can pass the wreckage today. The Sunset limited and two freight trains are being held at Bradley.

The train dispatcher at San Luis Obispo said the cause of the accident was due to the failure of the northbound train to stop at Uplands to allow the other train to pass. A special train with doctors on board has been sent from here to the scene of the accident. The baggage and chair cars of the northbound train are said to have burned.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 19.—News of the collision between Southern Pacific trains at Uplands on the coast road is very meager and conflicting. At first it was reported that at least ten people were killed and fifty injured. A passenger on one of the trains telephoned the Associated Press from San Louis that only three were killed, a fireman and baggageman and his helper, and that four Italian laborers were injured, none of them fatally. Later another passenger wired that there were three killed and 30 injured, many of them fatally. This dispatch is probably authentic. General manager Krutschnitt of the Southern Pacific Company was a passenger on the northbound train.

Night Report.

SAN ARDO, California, December 19.—Southern Pacific train No. 9 for San Francisco, and No. 10 southbound collided between here and Uplands about 1:30 o'clock this morning. The trains were to meet at Uplands, but it is claimed the air brake on No. 10 would not hold and it crashed into No. 9 before the latter train could be stopped, smashing both engines, two baggage cars and one mail car into kindling wood. The cars took fire immediately and were destroyed. Some mail and express packages were burned.

The killed are: Fireman Will Garland, San Francisco, jumped and was caught under the engine; assistant express messenger, name unknown. Four Italians, two brakemen, a fireman and engineer Jack Coffey were injured. Several passengers were slightly injured in the chair car and smoking cars.

Considerable cash was shipped on the Wells-Fargo car. A safe containing the bullion is still in the flames. The loss to the railway company is said to be about $40,000.

Fatal Gas Explosion.

PITTSBURG, December 19.—Ten men were burned to death and four injured by an explosion of gas at the Soho furnace of Jones & Laughlin, Limited, Second avenue, near Brady street, today. The explosion was caused by a slip in the furnace, the gas and flames blazing upward through the bell. The men were on the furnace platform 85 feet above the ground. There were 19 when the explosion occurred, and 15 of them were caught in the flames. Two of them escaped with slight injuries. The other four were the regular men employed as top fillers and escaped without injury. The explosion was caused by the gas becoming encased in a crust of cinder forming at the bottom of the furnace. A wheelbarrow containing one had been sent up to the men and when they went to dump it into the bell of the furnace they pushed it over too far and it rolled into the hopper. The barrow weighed 900 pounds and was too heavy for the four men to raise. The fifteen laborers were then sent up to assist them. Had it not been for the barrow accident, no one would have been hurt, as the regular men knew how to protect themselves at such times, as similar explosions are of frequent occurrence. When the explosion occurred burning heaps of cinders settled around the men almost knee deep. Their shrieks were terrible in their frantic efforts to save themselves.

PARIS, December 19.—Harry Dewindt and his companions, who will attempt to reach New Yor kby traveling overland, started this morning on their way to Behring Straits.

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and to our Ladies' and Gentlemen's Ties, which we have in all shades, shapes and patterns, as well as to our magnificient line of Handkerchiefs in linen and silk, and of Gloves of every description, including the Paris Price Kid Gloves, and of Ladies' Blouses, etc. Every conceivable article necessary or ornamental for Ladies' and Gentlemen's attire is here to choose from. There is nothing a women can wish for in the way of Dress Goods that this Department cannot supply, and at a saving. The very newest and most exquisite weaves and colorings will be found in this vast collection, and the quantity will astonish you as much as the quality and little prices.

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There are only seven hotels and restaurants and saloons in Nelson that employ Chinese help, as against twenty that employ white help exclusively. Those that employ white help seem to be getting along just as well as those that employ Chinese, and surely the replacement of a half hundred Chinese by whites has done no damage to the town.

Alderman Selous has surprised his friends. The genial alderman from the West ward was not supposed to know anything at all about electricity except what he was told by his friend, mayor Fletcher, but he was said to be exceedingly well posted on isolation hospitals. However, there are nothing but surprises in this world, and one of the surprises is that alderman Selous is really an expert electrician and not an expert on questions that pertain to the erection and operation of isolation hospitals.

One of the arguments that was used by mayor Fletcher and alderman Selous when the late-lamented by-law was before the people for consideration was that if the by-law was defeated the street cars would stop running. The by-law was defeated. The street cars did not stop running. Is it not strange that this prediction of mayor Fletcher and alderman Selous did not come to pass? These two worthy officials are still in the business of predicting. One predicts that the city could not sell $150,000 in debentures and the other predicts that if the debentures could be sold city engineer McCulloch could not build the power plant for the amount he estimates it would cost. The people are getting a trifle tired of people who are unwilling to do anything but make "blue ruin" predictions. They want men in office who will do things.

The interference of corporations in municipal elections have a tendency to degrade and corrupt the electorate. The West Kootenay Power & Light Company, Limited, of Rossland has not a dollar invested in Nelson; it has boycotted our merchants, because they were unwilling to do its bidding. It is not seeking an entrance into Nelson for any love it has for our people. It is seeking an entrance because its management knows that there is money to be made in supplying power and light in a permanent and progressive town. If there is money to be made in that way for the West Kootenay Power & Light Company, it is not unreasonable to believe that there is money in it for the City of Nelson, seeing that the city is also in the business of selling power and light. Money made by the West Kootenay Power & Light Company goes into the pockets of the few shareholders of the company, none of whom reside in Nelson. Money made by the City of Nelson goes into the pockets of the people who live in Nelson.

Germany Now Waking Up

BERLIN, December 19.—The recent developments of Russian power in Central Asia are being followed in Germany with much attention. The railway projects, especially, are receiving careful study here, as it is generally believed that on their success will depend the future of Russia in her inevitable struggle for the mastery of Asia. The Kreuz Zietung draws attention this morning to the projected railway from Tashkent to Orenburg, the first sod of which has just been turned. Judging by the ceremony of turning the first sod, at which the entire garrison of Tashkent was present, with the minister of war and numerous generals, the railway when finished will serve in the first instance for military purposes. Russia will then possess uninterrupted railway communication between her military centers in Europe and the Afghan and Persian frontiers. At the present time any attempt to increase the body of her troops in Central Asia is attended with the greatest difficulty, owing to the fact that they must be transported across the Caspian, and that means transport wholly inadequate for an emergency. With railway communication direct from Russia to Tashkent, it will be a comparatively easy matter to throw huge bodies of troops, say on to Kushk. Troops will be able to proceed from Moscow to Kushk without the necessity of changing carriages, and generals operating there could reckon on regular enforcements. Not only will the railway serve an important strategic purpose, it will be also important commercially. Kirghiz Steppe, on which the railway enters after leaving Orenburg, swarms with cattle, horses, sheep, and goats. Gold and silver are also said to exist there, and, more important than all, the coalfields are of considerable value. Russia, with her latest railway plans, will bring her Asiatic possessions nearer, strengthen her political power in Asia, open up new markets for her industry, and make sensible progress against England in the struggle for supremacy in Asia. The Kreuz Zeitung is curious to know what England intends to do as a counterstroke.

Effects of the Wyoming Storm.

CHEYENNE, Wyoming, December 19. The Union Pacific, the Colorado & Southern (north) and the Burlington (eastward) are practically at a standstill as a result of the present storm in Wyoming and Nebraska. All trains on the Union Pacific are compelled to spend hours in snowdrifts waiting for the rotary plow to make openings so they can pass through, and to make matters worse a Union Pacific rotary plow pushed by two big compound engines slashed its way to rear of train for Sherman. The wreckage caught fire and a caboose and nine tourist cars were completely destroyed. The work of clearing the track is slow and the blockade may last for an indefinite period. On the Colorado & Southern, 21 miles north of Cheyenne, a passenger train was derailed. The accident has completely tied up traffic on that branch. No trains have come in over the Burlington branch from Holderbridge for two days. A drift derailed an engine about 100 miles east of Cheyenne and the wreckers have not yet succeeded in getting it back upon the rails. In addition the branch is now snowbound for a stretch of more than 50 miles.

Further Decline in Copper.

NEW YORK, December 19.—A further reduction in the price of copper of one cent was announced by the United Metals Selling Company, the selling agents of the Amalgamated Copper Company today. This brings the price for lake copper from 13 cents for electroylite to 12 7-8 cents, and for castings to 12 1-2 cents. The reduction from the price long held by the Amalgamated Copper Company is thus about four cents on all grades. The cut in copper was without effect on the stock market except that the trading in amalgamated copper fell away to almost nothing, but the price rose a fraction over last night for the first time during the day.

American Swindler Abroad.

BERLIN, December 19.—The police of this city are seeking for a young American calling himself Harry Marshall, who disappeared from Berlin Tuesday night. Marshall obtained several thousand marks in cash and jewelry from American residents here. He represented himself as a Cincinnatian, as a former employee of senator Foraker and as a friend of John McLain, clerk of the Republican national committee, and said he was here for his health. Marshall obtained opportunities to swindle by showing letters written on the stationery of the United States legation. It is believed Marshall is an international swindler engaged in "working" various European capitals.

National Bank Resumes.

BALLSTON, New York, December 19.—The First National Bank resumed business today after suspension for sixteen days with the teller's vacancy filled.

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NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

FRATERNAL SOCIETIES.

KOOTENAY TENT NO. 7, K. O. T. M.—Regular meetings first and third Thursdays of each month. Visiting Sir Knights are cordially invited to attend. Dr. W. Rose, R. K.; A. W. Purdy, Com.; G. A. Brown, P. C.

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

NELSON AERIE, NO. 22, F. O. E.—Meets second and fourth Wednesday of each month at Fraternity Hall. George Bartlett, president; J. V. Morrison, secretary.

NELSON ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER NO. 123, G. R. C.—Meets third Wednesday. Sojourning companions invited. Charles G. Mills, Z.; Thomas J. Sims, S. E.

TRADES AND LABOR UNIONS.

MINERS' UNION, NO 96, W. F. of M.—Meets in Miners' Union Hall, northwest corner of Baker and Stanley Streets, every Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting members welcome. J. R. McPherson, president; James Wilks, secretary. Union scale of wages for Nelson district per shift: Machine men $3.50, hammersmen $3.25, muckers, carmen, shovelers, and other underground laborers $3.

BARBERS' UNION, NO. 196, OF THE International Journeymen Barbers' Union of America, meets first and third Mondays of each month in Miners' Union Hall at 8:30 sharp. Visiting members invited. R. McMahon, president; J. H. Matheson, secretary-treasurer; J. C. Gardiner, recording secretary.

LAUNDRY WORKERS' UNION—Meets at Miners' Union Hall on fourth Monday in every month at 7:30 o'clock p. m. B. Pape, president; A. W. McFee, secretary.

CARPENTERS' UNION MEETS WEDnesday evening of each week at 7 o'clock, in Miners' Union Hall. John Burns, sr., president, William Raynard, secretary.

PAINTERS' UNION MEETS THE FIRST and third Fridays in each month at Miners' Union Hall at 7:30 sharp. Walter R. Kee, president; Henry Bennett, secretary.

COOKS' AND WAITERS' UNION, NO. 141, W. L. U., meets at Miners' Union Hall second and last Tuesdays in each month at 8:30 p. m. sharp. A. B. Sloan, president; J. P. Forrestell, secretary; H. M. Fortier, financial secretary.

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LEGISLATING FOR FILIPINOS

Congress Labors With the Subject

WASHINGTON, December 18.—The bill to provide revenue temporarily for the Philippine islands passed the house today by a vote of 163 to 128. In the course of the debate today the Democrats were several times taunted with their failure to present an alternative proposition for the pending measure, but just before the vote was taken on the passage of the bill, the attitude of the minority was defined in a motion to recommit, offered by Mr. Richardson, the minority leader. The proposition did not command a Republican vote and three Louisiana Democrats voted against it.

The bill passed today imposes the Dingley rate on goods entering the Philippines from the United States. It also provides for the collection of tonnage taxes on vessels plying between the United States and the Philippines and that foreign vessels may ply betwen these ports until January 1st, 1905. The duties and taxes collected under the provisions of the bill shall go into the Philippine treasury to be expended for the use and benefit of the islands.

Provision for a permanent civil government and for much important legislation regarding the industrial development of [illegible] is contained in the annual report of the Philippine commission.

It is declared by the commission that outside of five provinces there is peace in the Philippines. Taking up the question of the political future of the Philippines, it is declared that the theory on which the commission is proceeding is that the only possible method of instructing the Philippine people in methods of free institutions and self government is to make a government partly of Americans and partly of Filipinos, with ultimate control in American hands, for some time to come. Less than 10 per cent of the people speak Spanish and the educated people under the influence of Spanish teaching have but a faint conception of civil liberty and the mutual self-restraint required for its maintenance. The commission have already, however, established municipal suffrage in the pacified parts of the islands and have limited the suffrage to those who can read and write English or Spanish or who own property of the value of $250 or have been municipal officers.

The commission outlines a project which in brief contemplates the continuance for two years of the existing powers of the commission. Then a representative government is to be formed, composed of civil governor, a legislative council and popular assembly, the powers of the latter being closely limited so as to prevent it from checking the government in making the budget in fits of passion or through inexperience.

A Meteorite From the Shah

NEW YORK, December 18.—In one of the cases in the geological hall of the American Museum of Natural History has been deposited a piece of the famous meteorite known as the Veramin stone. It weighs about two and one-fifth pounds, and professor Whitfield, curator of the geological section, says that it is worth considerably more than its weight in purest gold.

Other fragments of the meteorite are in several of the museums in Europe, but none that is more than one-third as large as that now here. It is the property of professor Henry A. Ward, who, in the current number of the American Journal of Science, details how it came into his possession and gives an interesting description of the original meteorite from which it was cut.

The shah of Persia is the owner of the Veramin meteorite, and it occupies a conspicuous place in his palace at Teheran. It is mounted in a long hall of the palace and bears a label, with a Persian inscription, describing its fall, which occurred, according to our calendar, in May, 1880.

As a special favor the shah granted professor Ward an audience when he journeyed there and gave him permission to cut off a portion of the meteorite for himself, and also to photograph and weigh it. He found it to weigh 113½ pounds, and to be about sixteen inches long, twelve inches wide and from seven to eight inches thick, and shaped like an oblong loaf.

The Veramin stone, so called from the name of a plain east of Teheran, is one of only four meteorites, which have been found after they have been seen to fall.

Professor Wood was anxious to cut off the piece the stone had vouchsafed him before that autocrat had time to change his mind. He had no diamond saw, however, nor other tools adapted for cutting so hard a substance. The stone was taken to the Teheran arsenal, therefore, and a machine planer was used for the purpose, twelve natives taking two nights and one day to supply the necessary motive power to do the cutting.

Analysis of fragments of the meteorite shows that it contains 42.3 per cent mineral and 57.7 per cent metal, the metallic analysis showing 92.06 per cent iron, 6.96 per cent nickel, 0.73 cobalt, 0.10 phosphorus and 0.15 sulphur.

Bank Messenger Missing.

NEW YORK, December 18.—The Brooklyn detective department reported today that a request had been received to search for Albert Ayres, a messenger of the Union Bank, Brooklyn, who disappeared yesterday. The officials of the bank say he failed to turn in $2000 in gold coin collected by him yesterday.

Fall of a Passenger Elevator.

ST. LOUIS, December 18.—One was killed and seven injured by a fall of the passenger elevator in the departmental store of Schaper Bros. The drop was from the fourth floor to the basement. It is not known what caused the accident.

Roberts Will Soon Retire.

LONDON, December 18.—Vanity Fair says it hears on excellent authority that lord Roberts, commander-in-chief of the forces, contemplates leaving the war office in April and that he will be succeeded by the duke of Connaught.

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Our Last Sale in Nelson

CLOSING OUT ANNOUNCEMENT

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17 dozen black wool Hose in sizes 8½, 9 and 9½, were 35 cents, now 25.

Children's plain and ribbed hose, just the thing for school wear, at 20 and 25 cents per pair.

Children's knit vests and drawers, n white and grey, all sizes, from 25 cents up.

A very special line in women's vests, in white only. A well finished garment. They were 85 cents, now 50 cents.

Our leader in grey and white vests that were 90 cents, now 85 cents.

A limited number of ladies' combinations are out for this sale at 75 cents.

KID GLOVES.

We still heve a fairly good assortment of shades in Perrin's Famous Gloves. Those that were $1.25, now 90 cents. Our best make $1.50, now $1.10.

CORSETS, GIRDLES AND CORSET WAISTS.

The 75c quality, now 40 cents.

The $1.00 quality, now 60 cents.

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The $1.50 quality, now $1.10.

A full line of D. & A. corsets in better grades are all reduced on a similar basis.

Children's corset waists that are sold everywhere at 75 and 90 cents, are now selling for 50 cents.

We have a snap in two or three dozen mens' boiled shirts, size 16, 16 1-2 and 17, worth from $1 to $1.25, now 25 cents.

Martin O'Reilly & Co.

CLEARING OUT SALE

DRESS SKIRTS IN BLACK AND NAVY.

Just two or three of these black and navy dressy skirts that were $7 50, now $4.75.

Our $5.50 and $6.50 black creponne skirts are now marked $3.75 and $4.50.

We have quite a few tailor made suits still left and as we have no intention of taking them with us we have re-marked them as follows:

Suits that were $10 now $5.

Suits that were $15 now $8.

The better suits are marked away down

GO THEY MUST.
WOMENS' RAIN COATS.
ALL SIZES.

Rain coats that were $7 now $4 90.

Rain coats (Raglan) that were $12 now $7.

Here's a snap we came near missing.

A lot of children's jackets in navy and navy corded in cardinal and white that were $5.50 going at $2.

Also four or five others that were $4.50 are now $1.50.

DRESS DEPARTMENT.

There are several dress patterns in lengths of 6 yards that were $4.50 are now $2.25.

Every piece of dress goods is marked to sell.

A lot of figured black and fancy dress goods that were 75 cents now 40 cents.

DOMESTIC DEPARTMENT.

Towels, quilts prints, sheeting, pillow, cotton and comforters are away down to rock-bottom prices which will appeal to every thrifty housewife.

Ribbons, laces and embroideries have come in for their share of price cutting. And all kinds of small wares and trimmings will be given special attention.

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NOTICE

TO OUR CUSTOMERS:

Owing to our large losses on collections during the past year and determining to treat all alike hereafter, we have instructed our drivers to allow no credit on and after January 1st, 1902. Hoping you will recognize the justness of the change, we remain, your obedient servants,

KOOTENAY STEAM LAUNDRY.

Nelson, December 17th, 1901.

NOTICE.

In the matter of an application for a duplicate of a Certificate of Title to an undivided half of Lot 12, Block 11 in the Town of Nelson.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to issue at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above mentioned undivided half of Lot 12, Block 11 in the Town of Nelson in the name of Joseph Hetherington Bowes, which Certificate is dated the 8th day of November, 1897, and numbered 161k.

H. F. MACLEOD,
Land Registry Office, District Registrar.

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BAKER STREET, NELSON.
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Large comfortable bedrooms and first-class dining room. Sample rooms for commercial men.

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The only hotel in Nelson that has remained under one management since 1890.
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The Best $1 per Day House in Nelson.

None but white help employed. The bar the best.

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J. H. McMANUS, Manager.

Bar stocked with best brands of wines, liquors, and cigars. Beer on draught. Large comfortable rooms. First class table board.

HOTEL ROSSLAND.

Third door from Grand Central Hotel on Vernon street. Best dollar a day house in town. House and furniture new and first class in every respect. Lighted by gas. Room and board $5 to $6 per week. No Chinese employed here.
J. V. O'LAUGHLIN, Proprietor.

NOTICE

To the Public and Union Men:

The Trades and Labor Council of the City of Nelson have declared all Hotels, Restaurants and Saloons employing Chinese in or around the premises unfair to organized labor.

The following do not employ Chinese in such capacity:

VICTORIA HOTEL
CLARKE HOTEL
TREMONT HOTEL
MADDEN HOTEL
SHERBROOKE HOTEL
GRAND CENTRAL HOTEL
LAKE VIEW HOTEL
ROSSLAND HOTEL
GRAND HOTEL
KLONDYKE HOTEL
JOHN SPEAR
DELMONICO RESTAURANT
MANHATTAN SALOON
BODEGA SALOON
GLUE POT SALOON
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The Manhattan
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The undersigned has resumed proprietorship of the blacksmith business formerly carried on by me and lately carried on by R. B. Reiley, in the premises on Hall street near corner of Baker street. All accounts due R. B. Reiley are payable to me.

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P. Burns & Co.

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From all the best makers, also Hair Brushes, Clothes Brushes, Hat Brushes, Military Hair Brushes and numerous other kinds, made with genuine bristle and with either Ebony, Wood or Ivory backs.

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Having added to my stock a large range of Youth's Boy's and Children's clothing, I am now prepared to offer to the public the best variety of these goods ever shown in Nelson.

Everything is new and up-to-date and are selling at the very lowest prices. Intending purchasers will do well to examine my stock and get prices before purchasing elsewher.

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Baker Street

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RAILWAY TIME TABLE

CANADIAN PACIFIC SYSTEM

LEAVE	CROW'S NEST RAILWAY	ARRIVE
5 a. m. Daily.	Kuskonook, Creston, Movie, Cranbrook, Marysville, Fort Steele, Elko, Fernie, Michel, Blairmore, Frank, Macleod, Lethbridge, Winnipeg, and all Eastern points.	4 p. m. Daily.

LEAVE	COLUMBIA & KOOTENAY RAILWAY	ARRIVE
6:40 p. m. Daily	Robson, Nakusp, Arrowhead, Revelstoke, and all points east and west on C.P.R. main line.	10:10 p.m. Daily
6:40 p. m. Daily	Robson, Trail and Rossland.	10:10 p.m. Daily
8 a. m.	Robson, Cascade, Grand Forks, Phœnix, Greenwood and Midway. (Daily except Sunday)	10:10 p.m.
8 a. m.	Robson, Trail and Rossland. (Daily except Sunday)	11:35 a.m.

LEAVE	SLOCAN RIVER RAILW'Y	ARRIVE
10 a. m.	Slocan City, Silverton, New Denver, Three Forks, Sandon (Daily except Sunday)	3:40 p. m.

LEAVE	KOOTENAY LAKE STEAMBOATS	ARRIVE
4 p. m.	Balfour, Pilot Bay, Ainsworth Kaslo and all Way Landings. (Daily except Sunday)	11 a. m.
4 p. m.	Lardo and all points on the Lardo & Trout Lake Branch. (Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.)	11 a. m

GREAT NORTHERN SYSTEM.

LEAVE	NELSON & FORT SHEPPARD RAILWAY	ARRIVE
Depot 9:40 a.m Mount'in 10:30 a.m Daily.	Ymir, Salmo, Erie, Waneta, Northport, Rossland, Colville and Spokane. Making through connections at Spokane to the south, east and west.	Depot. 6:45 p.m. Mount'in 5:50 p. m. Daily

LEAVE	KOOTENAY LAKE STEAMBOATS	ARRIVE
Kaslo 7 a m. Nelson 6:00 p. m. Daily	Balfour, Pilot Bay, Ainsworth Kaslo and all Way Landings.	Kaslo 3:20 p. m. Nelson 10:30 a.m. Daily

CITY AND DISTRICT.

Mr and Mrs. Archie Johnson left for the Coast last evening on the 6:40 C. P. R. train.

During the absence of agent Tackabury in Southern California, J. A. McLaren will act as agent for the Great Northern railway system in Nelson.

Rev. Dr. Wright of the Presbyterian church left for his home in Columbia today. Three weeks from next Sunday he will return and preach one sermon.

F. J. Flatt, district agent for the British Columbia Loan & Savings Company, leaves for the Coast Monday. He expects to remain away for at least three months.

The Ladies' Hospital Aid Society will meet in the vestry room of the Methodist church this afternoon at 4 o'clock, immediately after the meeting of the Women's Council.

The boys in the fire department have organized a hockey team, and selected Joe Thompson for captain. The boys will not be able to practice as often as some of the other teams, but Joe Thompson should be able to win games all by himself without practice.

Major Lockie is expected to arrive in Nelson on Tuesday to recruit another ten men for service in South Africa. It is now thought likely that a further increase will be made in the number of men from this province.

Thomas Howell, who for some time served as brigadier for the Salvation Army, with headquarters in Spokane, and who left the army to engage in the real estate business in this city, is back in the army again. About a year ago Mr. Howell applied to be accepted as a probationer in the Methodist church. He was accepted, and spent last summer at White Horse preaching. As he could not keep his family up north during the winter he returned to Toronto, where he joined the army. He is now chancellor and second in command of the army in the maritime provinces, with headquarters at St. John.

A certificate of work was issued from the Nelson record office yesterday to P. J. O'Reilly, with respect to the Iron Age mineral claim, near Slocan Junction.

George O. Madigan, local inspector of boilers, has rented the dwelling owned by C. K. Tackabury, for the remainder of the winter. Mrs. Madigan and family arrived in the city yesterday from Victoria.

The merchants who are making specialties of holiday goods all report good sales. No town in the province carries such stocks as are now on display in Fred Irvine & Co.'s, Jacob Dover's, Hudson's Bay Company's, Brown Brothers', W. F. Teetzel & Co.'s, J. A. Gilker's, Lawrence Hardware Company's, the Royal Shoe Store, H. Byers & Co.'s, McPherson & McCammon's, John A. Irving & Co.'s, Morrison & Caldwell's, A. Gee's, Canada Drug & Book Company's, Morley & Laing's, A. Ferland's, Martin O'Reilly & Co.'s, and the Palm Fruit Store.

Nelson Royal Arch Chapter, No. 123, elected officers Wednesday evening. The officers elected are: George Johnstone, Z.; E. W. Matthews, H.; N. T. Macleod, J.; C. H. Crandon P. S.; Charles Maltby, janitor.

John Fitzgerald, the Fernie man charged with wounding Stephen Powell at Fernie on the 17th of November, will be brought before Judge Forin for sentence upon his honor's return from Rossland. It is said Fitzgerald will enter a plea of guilty.

R. A. Wheerals has received some twenty applications to join the packing outfit which has been suggested in connection with the troop now being raised for service in South Africa. Two-thirds of the applications have been sent in from outside points.

Married, at the residence of W. A. Macdonald on Stanley street, Nelson, on Thursday, the 19th of December instant, Mary Fraser McKeen, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. B. McKeen, to Archie Mainwaring Johnson of Nelson, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Johnson of Victoria. No cards.

Development work upon the Godfrey Pirtsch property on Coon creek, which is under bond to the London & British Columbia Goldfields, is said to be satisfactory and considerable staking of ground has followed the discovery, that there was either a different trend to the Birtsch ledge or a second strong ledge running almost at right angles to the one first discovered.

H. R. Cameron, as assignee for the estate of H. H. Playford & Company, yesterday sold the stock of cigars, pipes and tobaccos to W. A. Thurman. The stock was invoiced at $1200, but it will not bring much more than 60 per cent of this sum. There are fixtures valued at $500 to be sold. The liabilities of the estate amount to $2400, and to meet this the assignee expects to have about $700.

The local express office of the Dominion Express Company has been busy for the past week in attending to the forwarding of express parcels from Nelson to almost every hole and corner in the Dominion. This is the one season of the year when Nelson has the balance of the express package trade in her favor and the agents get a chance to brush up on their geography of the country.

Letters of probate were issued yesterday to Samuel Douglas of Colville, authorizing him to administer the estate of the late James H. Fox. The deceased was well known to all the old time mining men of Kootenay. His estate was valued at $7000, made up of cash in the bank and an interest in the Dandy group of mineral claims on Toad mountain. By the terms of the will a sister and two nephews become his heirs.

Mayor York of Slocan was in Nelson yesterday. He has completed his revision of the voters' list, and the celebrated 31 who tried to qualify on two $50 lots will not have their names on, unless they get on on appeal. Mayor York does not know who is to make the race against him, but he says he can beat any combination that can be formed against him two to one. As the voters' list stands there are just 181 voters in Slocan.

The new brick barracks of the Salvation Army were formally opened last evening. The opening was marked with a dinner served in the small hall, after which a big rally was held in the main portion of the barracks, in which the local officers were assisted by major Hargreaves and captain Taylor of Spokane. The barracks when completed will cost in the neighborhood of $10,000. Of this sum the local organization has put up $3000 and the balance has been secured by a loan. Owing to some delay in the arrival of the furnaces the plastering in the barracks was damaged by frost to a considerable extent, but when this is repaired and the interior receives the finishing touches from the painters, the army people will be the most comfortably housed religious demonination in the city.

The mineral exports via Northport have been very light during the first half of the present month. The aggregate value of the ore entering Northport was $20,519, the bulk of which came from the Rambler-Cariboo. The lead bullion entering was valued at $11,352, and the gold bullion at $3102.

The loss to the Great Northern Railway Company resulting from Wednesday night's accident will not be so heavy as at first supposed. Of the five cars of ore on the train for the Nelson smelter the loss will amount to little. Three of the cars were filled with concentrates from the Ymir mine, but as it happened the concentrates were frozen stiff and none of them were lost. The other two cars of ore were from the Arlington mine and fully 90 per cent of their contents can be picked up.

A. Cockwell, the fireman on the runaway train which smashed things up at Trout Junction on Wednesday, is the only member of the train crew injured sufficiently to require medical attendance. He is being treated by Dr. LaBau, the railway company's physician. His injuries consist of a sprained ankle, a badly bruised face and a severe shaking up. Cockwell was formerly employed on the C. P. R., but left the Canadian road a short time ago to fire on the run betwen Nelson and Spokane.

The strike on the Ottawa property on Springer creek is better than has been previously reported. Tom Mulvey, Jap King, C. B. Taylor and F. Johnson, the men who have the bond on the group, are now down from the property. There are three classes of ore in the ledge. There are eight inches showing at present of the high grade stuff which has sampled 3135 ounces and there are two other bodies of ore which sample respectively $5 and 29 ounces silver. The Ottawa property was looked at a few weeks ago by J. C. Davenport, but was not considered favorably.

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