Fashionable Wedding

A Pretty Ceremony at St. Saviour's Church, Victoria West, Yesterday.

Mr. J. Harvey and Miss Gaudin United in the Bonds of Matrimony.

A very fashionable function took place at St. Saviour's church yesterday afternoon, when Miss Mabel Gaudin, daughter of Capt. Jas. Gaudin, agent of the department of marine and fisheries, was united in marriage to J. S. Harvey, son of the late Jas. Harvey, of Nanaimo, and grandson of the late Hon. Robt. Dunsmuir.

The little church was beautifully decorated, chrysanthemums and snowberries being principally employed. Palms, ivy and smilax formed a background to these, while in the chancel, windows, etc., palms and tiger lilies were employed to heighten the general effect. These decorations were the work of the girl friends of the bride, headed by Miss Devereux, and assisted by Mrs. Henry Croft.

Immediately in front of the altar was the wedding bell, constructed of white ribbon and white chrysanthemums.

The wide interest which the event excited was evidenced by the immense crowd which congregated at the church long before the hour set for the ceremony. The edifice was filled to its utmost limit long before the notes of the wedding march announced the arrival of the bridal company.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Rural Dean Barber, rector of the church, while the Bishop of Columbia and Archdeacon Scriven assisted. The musical numbers were rendered by a choir led by Mr. C. W. Jenkinson, the bride herself having been for some time identified with the choir of the church. Miss Saunders presided ably at the organ.

Promptly at 3.30 o'clock, the hour set for the ceremony, the bride arrived, leaning on the arm of her father, by whom she was given away. She was attired in white brocaded silk, the veil being of Brussels lace. She carried a shower bouquet of white roses and carnations, and wore a four-leaved clover of pearls and diamonds, both of these being gifts from the groom.

Attending the bride were her sisters, Misses Marie and Beatrice Gaudin. The former wore a coat and skirt of cream ladies' cloth and a directoire hat of cream velvet. Miss Beatrice was attired in a gown of white organdie trimmed with lace and baby ribbon and a large white felt hat. The groom's presents to the bridesmaids were bouquets of white and yellow chrysanthemums and brooches of green enamel and pearl, in the same form as that of the bride.

The groom was supported by Messrs. F. C. Davidge and G. A. Kirk.

A reception was held after the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, Craigflower road, which was attended by the immediate friends of the bride and groom. Later in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Harvey embarked on the Islander and will proceed from Vancouver to California, where the honeymoon will be spent. The bride's going away gown was of pearl grey ladies' cloth with hat to match.

Those who attended the reception were:

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Croft.
Mr. and Mrs. James Dunsmuir.
Sir Henry and Lady Pease.
Miss Harvey.
Mr. H. M. Hills and Miss Hills.
Hon. P., Mrs. and Miss O'Reilly.
Mr. Charles E., Mrs. and Miss Pooley.
Mr. and Mrs. James R. Anderson.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles.
Mrs. T. H. Tye.
Mrs. and Miss Wark.
Mr. Alexander Anderson.
Mr. and Mrs. John Bryden.
The Bishop of Columbia and Miss Perrin.
The Archdeacon of Columbia and Mrs. Scriven.
Rev. W. D. Barber.
Mr. Dinwoodie.
Mr. Russell.
Mr. R. William Dunsmuir.
Mr. G. A. Kirk.
Mr. F. C. Davidge.
Captain and Mrs. John Irving.
Mr. G. H. Brady.
Mr. R. Brydon.
Miss Brydon.
Mr. J. Brydon.

FRANCE'S LESSON.

From henceforth every reflecting Frenchman knows that he may be accused of any crime, condemned on evidence he has never heard of, banished, tormented in body and mind, and that hardly a soul among his countrymen will care whether he is getting justice or injustice. They happened to take sides about Dreyfus; he may have no such luck. Dreyfus, for the rights of whose case friends and foes cared nothing, happened to be a convenient stick for anti-Semites and anti-militarists to thump the other side with; he may not. Reasoning thus, will the reflective Frenchman cultivate independence of thought, civic courage, political honesty? Not he. He will make it his business in life to cultivate a safe obscurity, and shout, if shout he must, always with the largest crowd.

The results of such a lesson upon the public life of a nation are not easy to detect at once and in glaring cases; but you may be very sure they are there, and in the long run they will show themselves. The French citizen was fearful of unpopularity before; he will not be bolder now. The punishment of the eminent biologist Grimaux, who lost his professorship because he gave evidence for Zola, will not be lost on him. The timidity of a Casimir-Perier, a Mercier, a Gonse, a Delegorgue—of the President of the Republic, the Minister of War, the sub-chief of the General Staff, the judge who tried Zola, all who suspected the truth and dared not discover it—will be emulated by lesser men. Cowardice will become a principle of public life.—Mr. G. W. Steevens in Harper's.

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EHOLT.

Eholt is to have a Presbyterian church, and also a school, as soon as it can be arranged.

FORT STEELE.

There was a pretty double wedding on Wednesday evening last when Mrs. Jessie Underhill and Edson Dise, Annie Bennett and Thomas Robson were united in marriage by the Rev. T. G. Dunham. The ceremony took place at the residence of Mrs. Dimmick at 8 o'clock. There were but a few friends of the happy couples present. The bridesmaids were Mrs. Muir for Mrs. Underhill, and Miss Gilchrist, of Moyie, for Miss Bennett.

PHOENIX.

Roderick McDonald, a chopper in the employ of the Brandon and Golden Crown Company, had a close call last week by a tree falling on him. While felling timber a lodge tree came down on him. The tree was about six inches in diameter. He was not seriously injured.

P. Lynch, a tool sharpener, about 40 years of age, who has been in the district for about a year, died at the Phoenix hotel on Thursday, the 26th ult., of heart failure. It is not known where he originally came from, nor could anything be ascertained about his relatives. He was buried in Greenwood cemetery on Saturday.

COLUMBIA.

As a result of the visit of the Hon. F. Carter-Cotton, chief commissioner of lands and works, the government will, no doubt, make a liberal appropriation for roads next year, and nothing will assist the rapid growth of the city more than well improved communication. In this connection it may be mentioned that as the crow flies it is but eight miles from here to Summit camp, in which are situated the B. C., Oro Denoro, Ironsides and other mines, yet the only road is 16 miles in length.

A sudden flood of freight has overwhelmed the carrying power of the young Columbia & Western, which is as yet in the contractors' hands. When the original freight shed became choked a second was built, doubling the shed capacity. This provided but a temporary relief, and freight is pouring in, causing a temporary congestion.

The daily train service between Rossland and Columbia has been inaugurated.

KAMLOOPS.

The inquest touching the death of John Bergland was concluded on Tuesday morning. The jury found the following verdict: "We find that John Bergland came to his death by being struck by No. train on Sunday night, October 29, near Notch Hill, the said John Bergland being under the influence of liquor at the time, which was obtained at Notch Hill on Sunday. No blame is attached to the railway employees. We would recommend that an investigation be made regarding the obtaining of liquor on Sunday at Notch Hill. Also that some proper arrangement be made for the immediate conveyance of injured persons to the hospital on their arrival at Kamloops."

Work is progressing steadily on John Shields's saw mill. The building is now almost completed, and will be a substantial structure, two stories high, 30x100 feet. The machinery is to be run by a 110 horse power boiler. The mill has a capacity of 30,000 feet in 10 hours. A spur of railway track has been extended right up alongside the building, which will make a considerable saving of time and money in loading trucks.

GREENWOOD.

The by-laws sanctioning the borrowing of $15,000 for further improvements were passed by the ratepayers last week. Immediately afterward an offer of 101 was made for the debentures through the Bank of Montreal and accepted by the council.

Last week two companies made strenuous efforts to secure a charter to install an electric light plant. They deposited marked cheques for $5,000 each as an earnest of their intention and offered to build a tramway to Phoenix if franchise were granted.

Andrew W. Leonard, aged 45 years, and a native of Pennsylvania, died here of pneumonia. The deceased had been engineer at the Gold Ironsides for the past year. He had also held a similar position in the Golden Crown and Winnipeg before coming to the Ironsides.

The business done at the Greenwood custom house is increasing rapidly, and this month will reach over $5,000. The inland revenue from the Greenwood office for October was $2,263.43.

Skating and curling rinks are to be erected in Greenwood.

David Bryant, a well known mining man, shot himself in one of the Gold street houses. The weapon used was a .45 Colt's. He placed the gun to his breast and pulled the trigger. Death ensued almost instantaneously. The principal witness was Annie Moore, who keeps the house where Bryant ended his life. She told of his coming there, of his drawing the gun from his hip pocket and killing himself. The inmates of the house, police officers and Dr. Foster, who was called to attend the deceased, corroborated the evidence so far as suicide was concerned. The jury brought in a verdict to the effect that the deceased met his death by his own hand. David Bryant came to Boundary Creek from the Northwest territory about three years ago. The deceased was about 45 years of age.

GRAND FORKS.

B. Wilson, superintendent of the C. P. R. telegraphs, Vancouver, was in town recently at the Yale. He was on a tour of inspection, his territory embracing the Boundary country. J. Kent, the Montreal superintendent, and W. J. Camp, chief electrician of the company, with headquarters at Montreal, accompanied Mr. Wilson.

The demand for all classes of labor in Grand Forks is greater than the supply. Contractors report that twenty additional carpenters would have no difficulty in obtaining employment. The Granby has been unable to get all the laborers it wants for the work of building the dam across the North Fork.

The new city jail is now finished and ready for occupancy.

The executive committee of the board of trade has engaged permanent quarters in the new Cummings-Addison block and will hold a house-warming there shortly.

The board of public works had several cross walks put down on the streets last week.

The city council is figuring on building a new fire hall near the city jail, to cost $2,000, and to have room for two teams of horses, the fire apparatus, and also sleeping accommodations for a number of the fire brigade.

Eli Cox, who started the bottling works here some time ago, died on Friday, his demise being caused by a severe attack of typhoid fever. Deceased was 37 years of age and came to this city from Nelson, B. C., where he had been engaged in business. He leaves a widow and four children.

ROSSLAND.

Work on the new court house is advancing, but progress is necessarily somewhat slow. A large amount of red brick has been obtained from a point just south of Northport, and as fast as this is delivered it is being piled up on Monte Cristo street. As soon as the building is ready for it there will be a large amount of the material on hand. Arrangements will be made to allow the stonecutters employed on the job to work all winter.

John Nelson, the War Eagle miner who was injured by a rock fall in the mine on Wednesday, and who was reported as taking a turn for the worse on Thursday, has improved considerably and is now doing fairly well. Hawley and Kane, who were so badly burned in the Le Roi mine, are resting easily. There are no fresh developments in the case of these two men. A young miner employed in the No. 1 was hurt on Friday by the cage falling on him, and was taken to the hospital. A subsequent examination, however, proved that the man was only severely shaken, and not injured in any way.

It will be learned with a great amount of regret by the citizens of Rossland that there is a possibility of the chief of the fire brigade, Mr. Donald Guthrie, resigning his position here to go back to the East. The chiefship of the Toronto fire bridage, recently became vacant and Chief Guthrie was one of the numerous applicants for the position. From among the list of applicants four names were chosen as men pre-eminently fitted for the position, and one of these was Chief Guthrie.—Miner.

The marriage of Mr. J. George Denison and Miss Minnie E. Walker, of Montreal, took place on Saturday, Rev. Mr. Irwin officiating. The lady arrived from Montreal last Tuesday.

Since the War Eagle began to use electricity for motive power in its new hoist and compressor several dogs have been electrocuted. They stray into the power house and commence to have a run around. Occasionally they get near the switch board or close to the brushes. In wagging their tails they come in contact with either the switch board or the brushes. In a second there is a dead dog. The animals nerves quiver a little for a short time, but in a second after they receive the shock they are practically as dead as door nails.

John Nelson, the War Eagle miner who was so badly crushed by falling rock last week, died on Tuesday morning. Nelson was a native of Norway, and was 21 years of age.

NELSON.

The school house in the Hume school district is approaching completion, having received the first coat of plaster.

The fire department had a call on Saturday afternoon to the Club hotel, but the fire was extinguished before their arrival without damage. The fire was occasioned by three men in one of the rooms of the hotel who were working with acids over a lamp, and in some way ignited the window curtains. When the firemen arrived in the room one of the men was hastily packing some tools in a satchel and made his escape. The police regarded the matter as sufficiently suspicious, and later in the evening arrested two of the three men who were in the room when the fire broke out. Their story is that when the fire started they were endeavoring to make a writing fluid for the purpose of marking the backs of playing cards. The third member of the party, who got away with the tools, has not yet been apprehended, but the police have good hopes of securing him.—Tribune.

The new dynamo at the power house is now running, but not at its full capacity, as it is only being allowed to develop 900 volts instead of 1,000. At present the new machinery is being tested, and, so far, is giving satisfactory results. All the connections have not yet been made.

John Toomley, who was picked up on the city streets by the police on Tuesday night, died at the Kootenay Lake general hospital on Monday. He was formerly employed at the Athabasca mine.

James M. Bulger, of the Canadian Pacific shipyard, joined the ranks of the benedicts on Monday afternoon, when he was married to Mrs. L. M. Jameson. The marriage ceremony was performed in the Carney block by Rev. Robert Frew, in the presence of a large circle of friends, the bride being attended by Edith F. Leduc, and the groom by Jas. McKarnen.

Alderman Hillyer, who introduced the music hall by-law, has decided to withdraw it.

Thomas Brown, who for several months was drill instructor for the local company of Rocky Mountain Rangers, has returned to Nelson after an extended prospecting trip in the western part of Yale district. When he first got word that volunteers would be asked for in connection with the Transvaal trouble, he travelled 230 miles as fast as a horse could carry him, only to find at his journey's end that Captain Hodgins and the other members of the local company were on their way to the front, and that he was too late. Snould a second call be made he says he will be within calling distance.

Mr. W. F. Tye, chief engineer and superintendent of the Boundary extension of the Columbia & Western railway, is paying a visit to Nelson. Speaking of the new road now running into the Boundary, Mr. Tye said that the daily train service into Grand Forks was giving every satisfaction. The big tunnel between Brooklyn and Cascade is now nearly finished, but 600 feet remaining to be driven. The total length of the tunnel is 3,000 feet, which makes it the longest tunnel in Canada, and the trains should be running through it by February 1st. It is expected that the railroad will reach Greenwood City in about three weeks, and will be continued thence to Midway, which will be the terminus of the road for the present.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Edward Leland Vernon, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Insley, baptised on Sunday in Holy Trinity Cathedral, was the first child to be baptised from the new font of the restored church.

The funeral of the late James Copping, who died in the Royal Columbian hospital on Saturday, was held on Sunday afternoon at Sapperton. The services at St. Mary's Episcopal church and at the grave were conducted by Rev. J. H. Davis.

Miss Emma Eliza Richardson, one of the most esteemed of New Westminster's staff of trained nurses, died on Monday morning. Miss Richardson came here a little over a year ago from Fergus, Ontario, having previously served for three years in one of the New York hospitals, and joined the corps of trained nurses, in which capacity she won a host of friends. She volunteered for service in the field in connection with the campaign now being carried on in the Transvaal, but circumstances prevented her application being received in time for it to be accepted by the authorities. The deceased lady, who was in her 27th year, had only been ill a few days. The funeral of the late Miss Richardson took place yesterday from the residence of her brother-in-law, Mr. John Imlah, to the C. P. R. depot. The remains will be taken to Fergus, Ont., where the deceased's mother is living.

A daylight robbery was reported on Tuesday. Mr. J. R. Brennan, proprietor of the Telegraph hotel, Front street, went up to his room to get his overcoat, in the afternoon, and found it gone, and, on looking about, he discovered that a new suit of clothes had also been taken. The clothes were valued at $50.

Architect Fred. J. Bauer is calling for tenders for the erection of the new depot on Columbia street, for the B. C Electric Railway Company. The building will be wood or brick, brick preferred, and will cover the whole lot, 60x132 feet.

Mr. A. C. Wells, reeve of Chilliwack municipality, met with a serious accident on Friday morning. While driving a load of lime into his barn at Edenbank farm he was caught between a beam and the lime barrels, and was unable to stop the horses, the result being that his collar-bone was broken and his chest badly crushed.

The death occurred at the Royal Columbian hospital here Friday morning of Mr. James Copping, an employee of the Brunette Sawmills Co. The deceased, who was aged thirty years, and unmarried, came here several years ago, and for the past few years had been employed on the boom in the mill yard. In this work he, doubtless, was in the water a good deal, and may have sown the seeds of the complications which brought about his final illness.

VANCOUVER.

An exciting runaway took place on Cordova street east on Monday morning. Foran & Frost's car bolted with a full load of groceries aboard. This latter it distributed along the route with a most lavish hand, and then the rig turned over, enabling a score or more persons who were pursuing to catch up and assist in securing the team and putting the cart on its wheels once more.

The Vancouver Orangemen turned out in strong force on Sunday to attend the annual Orange service. The members of the four city L. O. L. lodges, Nos. 1,560, 1,589, 1,615 and 1,715, and the Black Lodge met at the Sullivan hall at 3 p.m. After the preliminary exercises the procession was formed under four marshals and the entire body marched to the city hall, where the True Blues, or lady members, waited them. The annual sermon was preached by the Rev. John Reid, jr., the choir of the First Presbyterian church leading the singing.

The remains of the late Annie A. Stewart, daughter of Chief Stewart of the police department, were on Sunday borne to her last resting place. Six men of the Blues, Officers E. A. Harris, John McAllister, J. W. McIntosh, T. H. Butler, F. Baynes and Sergeant North carried the remains of their respected chief's daughter to the grave and the Rev. John Reid and the Rev. J. McRae read the final prayers. In addition to the members of the family and police force there were hundreds of Vancouver's citizens present at the funeral.

The Synod of the Diocese of New Westminster opened at St. James's church last evening with choral service and a sermon by the Rev. E. P. Flewelling, vicar of Kamloops. The total number of clergy in the Diocese has increased considerably since the last Synod, the number now being 38. The list of the clergy attending is appended as follows: Ven. Archdeacon Pentreath, Ven. Archdeacon Small, Lytton; Rev. Dr. Paget, Revelstoke; Rev. H. S. Akehurst, Nelson; Rev. H. Irwin, Rossland; Rev. H. Beer, Kaslo; Rev. T. Greene, Kelowna; Rev. E. P. Flewelling, Kamloops; Rev. A. A. Borrell, Ashcroft; Rev. C. A. Procunier, Agassiz; Rev. W. H. Pearson, Chilliwack; Rev. W. Bell, Surrey; Rev. T. H. Davis, Sapperton; Rev. J. M. Donaldson, Steveston; Rev. R. R. Hedley; Rev. A. S. White, New Westminster; Rev. A. J. Greer, Central Park; Rev. C. A. Mount, Enderby; Rev. H. B. Turner, Golden; Rev. H. G. F. Clinton, Rev. L. Norman Tucker, Rev. J. B. Haslam, Rev. H. J. Underhill, Rev. J. C. Antle and Rev. J. Irvine, Mount Pleasant.

At Monday's meeting of the city council Ald. Grant moved, seconded by Ald. Skinner:

"That this council will, at the next session of the legislature, request the government to repeal Clause 3, relating to the payment of aldermen, and that no aldermen shall receive any salary from the city after the date of such repeal, any by-law voting salaries to aldermen passed previous to the date of such repeal to the contrary notwithstanding."

Alderman McQueen thought this amendment could have waited till amendments to the charter were considered in special session.

Ald. Grant explained that at special sessions a full council could not be depended on. He had brought up this motion because he thought it was the wish of the citizens that the position of aldermen should be one of honor not of remuneration. He hoped the other aldermen would agree with him.

Ald. Brown: "No, they won't."

The speaker went on to say it was a pity some aldermen did not start such a system by dropping their salaries when they were away and doing no work.

Ald. McGuigan believed it must be the imminence of election time that had brought up the proposition. He, for his part, would unhesitatingly refuse to support the motion.

Ald. Skinner took exception to Ald. McGuigan's allusion to election time.

Ald. Foreman agreed with Ald. McGuigan that the business looked like an election catch.

His Worship thought it would be a bad thing to do away with the small salary attached to the system. By doing so many eminent men would be prevented from entering the aldermanic field. He believed in the small remuneration.

Ald. McQueen moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Bruce, that the matter be laid over till such time as charter amendments as a whole are considered.

The amendment was carried.

Health Inspector Marion continues to wage war against the Chinese residents of Vancouver and not without good cause. This week he entered a small room in the top floor of a Chinese shack and found that no less than 38 men slept there nightly. The room is a ramshackelty, roughly finished one on the fourth storey of a Chinatown wooden shack.

The present robing-room for members of the bar in the Vancouver Court House has been found inconveniently small. This morning Mr. F. Holt, the contractor, will commence work and the partition between the present robing and ante-rooms will be taken down and the whole converted into one more commodious chamber.

Mr. Richard Mills of this city on Tuesday received the sad news of the death of his sister, Mrs. Jones, at Goderich, Ont. Mr. W. A. DeCow, of the C. P. R. telegraph staff, was also the recipient of sad news, that of the death of his mother, Mrs. Daniel DeCow, of Iona, Ont. The deceased lady was 78 years of age and a widow of the late Daniel DeCow, of Iona.

There is a strong probability that next summer will see a direct railway line between this city and New Westminster. The Canadian Pacific Railway has given notice that at the forthcoming session of the provincial legislature application will be made for a charter for such a line. To a reporter who questioned him on the subject, Mr. R. Marpole, general superintendent, said: "It is the company's intention to build a line connecting the two cities, but as to when it will be built and route to be followed I can at present say nothing. These matters will be settled after the charter has been obtained and much will depend upon the character of that charter. We may build the line next year, but I am not in a position to speak definitely.—Province.

A meeting of the city architects was held in the Builders' Exchange in the Fairfield block a few evenings ago. The meeting was held for the purpose of discussing a question which was raised by the Builders' Exchange regarding the adoption of a uniform set of conditions of contract. The matter was discussed at some length and it was decided to leave it in the hands of R. M. Fripp, who will draw up a set of conditions and lay them before a meeting to be held this evening.

The New Westminster synod formally convened yesterday in St. James' church.

The executive committee's report, submitted to-day for adoption reads in part as follows:

The committee has, during the year, held thirteen ordinary meetings, in addition to conferences of its members with a view to suggest to the synod proposals herewith submitted, for the amendment of the present constitution and canons of the diocese.

Most of the meetings have been held under the presidency of the Ven. Archdeacon Pentreath. The effect of the bishop's personal appeals and other efforts abroad in aid of the diocese has, as the committee gratefully recognizes, been manifest in enlarged practical sympathy—displayed in eastern Canada and the United Kingdom—with the mission work of the diocese. More than usual monetary aid has, in consequence, been received by the treasurer from external sources, whilst as his report in detail shows, the special effort of Archdeacon Pentreath, in connection with the home mission fund, has again resulted in larger parochial contributions towards the many needs of the diocese. These needs are, however, increasing in more than equal ratio to the growth of home and external contributions and the committee notes with regret that some parishes and mission districts have this year failed to comply with the canon, which calls for the contribution of yearly offertories to the home mission fund.

Many grants were made during the year, by the committee in renewal of or substitution for previous grants towards clerical stipends.

The following are the grants wholly or partially renewed:

Kamloops	$ 240
Surrey	375
Ashcroft	325
Chilliwack	200
Golden and Donald	200
Revelstoke	125
Langley	200
Slocan Lake	240
Vernon	100
Enderby and Armstrong	150
Yale and Lytton catechists	80

Also for stipends of Archdeacon Small and Rev. J. S. A. Bastin, 1,560.

In the case of the Indian missions, the grants are enlarged, as a result, in part, of the increased liberality of the English committee formed in association with work in this diocese. The increased aid to the Indian mission work is also in part due to the larger payment received from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in respect of a balance lying with the society to the credit of the diocese.

New grants were made as follows:

Nelson outdistrict, $240.

Yale mission district, $200.

THE LIFE STORY OF A GRIZZLY.

The First Long Story by the Author of "Wild Animals I Have Known."

Ernest Seton-Thompson, author of "Wild Animals I have Known," begins in the November Century "The Biography of a Grizzly," profusely illustrated by himself in the style familiar to the readers of his remarkably popular book. Part I. relates to "The Cubhood of Wahb," the subject of the biography. This is the first long story Mr. Thompson has written. It begins thus:

He was born over a score of years ago, away up in the wildest part of the wild West, on the head of the Little Piney, above where the Palette Ranch is now.

His mother was just an ordinary Silver-tip, loving the quiet life that all bears prefer, minding her own business and doing her duty by her family, asking no favors of any one excepting to let her alone.

It was July before she took her remarkable family down the Little Piney to the Graybull, and showed them what strawberries were, and where to find them.

Notwithstanding their mother's deep conviction, the cubs were not remarkably big or bright; yet they were a remarkable family, for there were four of them, and it is not often a grizzly mother can boast of more than two.

The woolly-coated little creatures were having a fine time, and reveled in the lovely mountain summer and the abundance of good things. Their mother turned over each log and flat stone they came to, and the moment it was lifted they all rushed under it like a lot of little pigs to lick up the ants and grubs there hidden.

It never once occurred to them that mammy's strength might fail some time, and let the great rock drop just as they got under it; nor would any one have thought so that might have changed to see that huge arm and that shoulder heaving about under the grizzled robe she wore. No, no; that arm could never fail. The little ones were quite right. So they hustled and tumbled one another at each fresh log in their haste to be first, and squealed little squeals, and growled little growls, as if each was a pig, a pup, and a kitten all rolled into one.

They were well acquainted with the common little brown ants that harbor under logs in the uplands, but now they came for the first time on one of the hills of the great, fat, luscious wood-ant, and they all crowded around to lick up those that ran out. But they soon found that they were licking up more cactus-prickles and sand than ants, till their mother said in grizzly, "Let me show you how."

She knocked off the top of the hill, then laid her great paw flat on it, for a few moments, and as the angry ants swarmed on to it she licked them up with one lick, and got a good rich mouthful to crunch, without a grain of sand or a cactus-stinger in it. The cubs soon learned. Each put up both his little brown paws, so that there was a ring of paws all around the ant-hill, and there they sat, like children playing "hands," and each licked first the right and then the left paw, or one cuffde his brother's ears for licking a paw that was not his own, till the ant-hill was cleared out and they were ready for a change.

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