

FROST VISITS ORANGE COUNTRY

Lowest Temperatures Known in Many Years Recorded at Points in Central and Southern California

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 28.—In many of the orange groves of southern California last night it was the coldest in many years. In many parts of Los Angeles county the mercury fell to 16 above zero, while in San Bernardino the thermometer recorded 22 and in Riverside 30 degrees above persistent snowing for the last three days has saved the trees in several cases, but water temperature is awaited with anxiety.

First in Years

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—For the first time in years, central California has experienced a white Christmas. The white frost, which has been reported to the government weather bureau at San Francisco 32 degrees, Red Bluff 23, Southern California—Los Angeles 42, Pasadena 32, Riverside 20, San Diego 34, Forestier Alexander G. McDie said tonight that the damage to fruit has not been serious.

Morris Climbs

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—H. H. Morris, the Oklahoma engineer, gained another rung on the "white hope" ladder by decisively out-pointing Tom Kennedy, but a heavy loss in weight, in a ten-round bout at the Empire Athletic club tonight.

Royal State Visits

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The Express says: "It is understood that King George and Queen Mary will undertake a series of state visits to European capitals in 1912."

Carried Dangerous Load

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 26.—Carrying a suitcase containing seventy-two slices of dynamite, fuses, and two quarts of whiskey, George Bridges, who refused to tell anything concerning himself, was arrested last night at Monessen, Pa., a mill town near here. Except to say that "a man gave the suitcase to him at the lower end of town," Bridges is silent. The use to which the dynamite was to be put has not been ascertained by the police. More than eight thousand men are employed in the mills at Monessen, all of whom, it is said, are non-union men. Investigation is being made.

Ask Damages From City

QUEBEC, Dec. 26.—Arising out of a fire which took place in the early part of last summer in a building on Crown Street in which P. G. D'Auteuil, a well known broker, was employed, the widow and the daughter of the deceased have instituted an action against the city for \$15,000 damages. The plaintiffs claim that the city fire department were guilty of gross negligence, that they were late in responding to the alarm, and even then they had no proper apparatus. The case promises to be a sensational one, as at the time of the fire, it was claimed that if the firemen had arrived with proper appliances all the family could have been rescued.

Caught in Snowslide

NELSON, B. C. Dec. 26.—Three men named Blair, Thomas and Ross, were caught in a snowslide at the Noble Five mine at Sandon recently. Ross was buried half a mile by the snow, and succeeded in digging himself out. Blair escaped with minor injuries. Thomas is completely buried, and no trace of him can be found.

Large Sugar Crop in Cuba

HAVANA, Dec. 26.—That the coming sugar crop will break all records appears now to be reasonably certain. Conservative authorities recently reported 1,000,000 tons as the largest possible production for the year, and now predict 1,825,000, which would exceed the record of 1910 by 25,000 tons. Indications are that the good weather will continue during the grinding season.

Death of Mr. Marstrand

VANCOUVER, Dec. 26.—A cablegram was received by the Vancouver fire insurance company today announcing that Mr. Otto Marstrand, one of the principal shareholders of the company had died in Copenhagen. The late Mr. Marstrand was a well known business man in Vancouver, and had many friends here. One son, Mr. James Marstrand, is still a resident of the city.

Died from Drinking

TORONTO, Dec. 26.—Within half an hour of each other two drunks were brought to the police station and sent to the hospital owing to their condition. Both died before reaching the hospital.

Husband and Wife Killed

HAMILTON, Ont., Dec. 26.—Archibald Thompson and wife, of Waterbury, while crossing a trestle over the Grand Trunk Railway were struck by a train yesterday. Thompson was instantly killed and his wife fatally injured.

Vault Desecrated

Vaudala Steal Skull of Karageorge Petrovitch, founder of Serbian Dynasty From Cemetery

VIENNA, Dec. 26.—The vault in St. Mark's cemetery, in which reposed for many years the bones of Karageorge Petrovitch, founder of the Serbian dynasty, has been desecrated. The skull, which was not touched, but the rest of the remains were removed. The coffin of Queen Perseida was not opened. There is no clue to the desecrator. Karageorge (or George) (Zoya) was a peasant born in 1746, who in 1806 became the leader of the Servians in the revolt against

FOR ROYAL CHILDREN

King and Queen Send Many Such Presents From the Prince of Wales as a Birthday Present

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Santa Claus brought many rich presents to the royal children yesterday. From the Prince of Wales, Queen Alexandra yesterday morning took her grandchildren to church. The Prince of Wales during the service discovered that he had left the palace without taking the precaution to put some money in his pocket for the collection and saw that he would be unable to contribute when the plate was passed. He suddenly left the church and hastening outside, borrowed a coin from a police sergeant, who was on duty at the time. The money, which the prince borrowed is not mentioned, but the incident is believed to have actually occurred.

U. S. Steel Shares for Employees

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Allotments of common and preferred shares for 1912, were made to employees under the United States Steel corporation's profit-sharing plan. It was said after a meeting of the directors today. The amounts and prices were not disclosed, but an announcement on this point may be made before the close of the year.

Harvey Acquitted

OREGON CITY, Dec. 26.—Nathaniel B. Harvey, arrested for the alleged murder of the members of the family of William Hill last June, was given his secondary hearing today and acquitted after the testimony of seven witnesses had been heard.

Involves Millions

MONTREAL, Dec. 26.—What is declared to be the greatest project of its kind ever recorded in Canada, a scheme involving the expenditure of millions of dollars and the purchasing of big blocks of real estate in the heart of Montreal with the idea of reconstructing the district to form the nucleus of a model city, is reported locally to be the plan which a Toronto syndicate, headed by A. Emilius Jarvis is now placing before a number of English capitalists.

Toronto Hotel Project

TORONTO, Dec. 26.—A large block of property running through from King to Adelaide street, was reported to have been purchased by a syndicate which will erect a mammoth hotel.

Fire in Canada

CANORA, Sask., Dec. 26.—Fifty thousand dollars damage was done to the business section of Canora today, by a fire which destroyed several buildings, including that of the Advertiser Publishing company, and the Imperial hotel.

Shipping Trust Investigation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Consideration of a bill for resolution providing for a special investigation of the "Shipping Trust" is to be pressed in congress soon after the holidays. Hearings on a resolution introduced by Representative Humphrey of Washington, the special committee of a special committee to make the inquiry will be before the house rules committee on January 15th.

Indiana Pure Food Law

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The spectacular contest over the constitutionality of the Indiana pure food law of 1907 today was transferred to Washington, when the fight was renewed in the supreme court of the United States. The supreme court is expected to decide whether any state may enact legislation regulating food brought into any state from outside.

Two Killed in Duel

RENO, Nev., Dec. 26.—In a duel with guns near Lowlock at noon today, A. Killbuck and William Walker were killed. Killbuck was shot fourteen times. Both men were ranchers, Killbuck being an old time resident of Humboldt county and Walker a recent arrival. Family trouble is given as the cause of the fight.

P. E. I. Elections

CHARLOTTE TOWN, P. E. I., Dec. 26.—Nominations take place for the Prince Edward Island general elections on Thursday. The construction of a tunnel across the strait has long been the chief factor in island politics. The feature of the present campaign is that the Conservatives are now professing satisfaction with the proposal that instead of this a car ferry be established.

Educational Convention

NORTH YAKIMA, Dec. 26.—Eight hundred to one thousand educators of the state are expected to arrive in North Yakima for the twenty-fifth annual convention of the Washington Educational association, which will convene tomorrow for a three days session. Among prominent educators who will be present are Carroll F. Pearce, of Milwaukee, president of the educational association; President Thomas, of the University of Washington at Seattle; Dean O. L. Waller, of Washington State College at Pullman; President N. D. Showalter, of the state normal school at Cheney, who is president of the state educational association; Professor Charles E. Rugh, of the University of California.

Montreal Paternalism

MONTREAL, Dec. 26.—Amendments to its charter involving the authority to found and support a home for deserted and neglected children will be asked for at the next session of the legislature. In addition, the society will ask the right to collect the wages of men who, having families to support, neglect their duty in this direction and squander their money on drink.

Turkey and Italy

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Tentative plans regarding peace between Turkey and Italy have recently been considered. Dispatches from Constantinople tonight say so such purporters are proceeding and that any offers would have to come from Italy.

Witness Dead

MONTREAL, Dec. 26.—W. E. Hunt, editorial writer on the Montreal Witness for 20 years past, died yesterday of typhoid fever.

Wilson Creek Bridge

Construction has begun on the new provincial government bridge over Wilson creek, near Rossberry in the Bloxian district. E. Arbo is foreman of the construction force, and brings a long and varied experience to the work. Work on the new Oquahalla bridge is steadily progressing, so soon as the

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ENGLISH CHAMPION MAKES POOR SHOWING

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 27.—Frank Gotch, world's wrestling champion, defeated Alex Murdoch, English champion, in his first fall tonight. The first fall came in twelve minutes, and the second in eight minutes, five seconds.  
It was the easiest match Gotch has had for several years. The Englishman placed, but was not known to the spectators. Gotch, it seemed to the spectators, merely played with him. The Englishman secured his first fall by getting a half-Nelson on while he was raising Murdoch before the air. Gotch brought the Englishman to the mat and kept the cross hold, easily gained the first fall. The second fall was even easier, the Englishman being a successful hold of the first fall.  
As to his retirement, Gotch said after the match: "There was a certain broken poetic tradition that rambled on forever, but human flesh does not wear as well as paper. I found that this is true before now, and I think that I am at my best now."  
Gotch said he thought Mahomet, the Turk, the greatest of foreign wrestlers. "England for mine," said Murdoch. "I was completely outclassed."

NEW RECORDS MADE AT ATHLETIC MEET

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—New records in many events were established at Madison Square Garden tonight during the first half of the indoor senior and junior championships programme of the American Union, which will be completed tomorrow night. The new records follow:  
Throwing the 56 pound weight for height—18 feet 3 inches, by Matt McGrath, New York city.  
1,000 yard run (senior), 2:16 1/5, by A. R. Kiviat, Irish American Athletic club.  
High Jump (senior), six feet 2 3/8 inches, by S. C. Lawrence, of the Boston Athletic association.  
300 yard (senior)—First trial, beats, 33 seconds, by J. G. McIntee, New York city.  
One mile walk (junior), 6:54 1/5 by P. P. Kaiser, New York A. C.  
Two mile run—3:20 4/5, by George J. Bonhas, Irish American.

Flynn Knocks Out Capone

SALMON LAKE, Dec. 27.—Flynn knocked out Tony Capone in the third round of a scheduled ten-round fight here tonight. After two rounds of hard fighting, an unimpaired Flynn whipped across two effective punches and Capone went down for the count at seven. Flynn, who stepped into the ring, and tried to hold Flynn at Jones distance, Flynn was forced to extend himself, and did not do so. He was patently in poor form himself.

Owen Moran on the Warpath

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Owen Moran, the English fighter, arrived in London for the Olympic trial, showing defiance to everybody in the lightweight division of pugilism. He has a reputation for a match with Ad Wolgast, said Moran, "and I hope to defeat him or any other who registers himself as a contender. I will take on men in Wolgast's class and deal with them first, giving away nothing, which was arranged previously. A Griffin-Potts go, however, will be staged possibly next month in some other city over a fifteen round route. Griffin expects to defeat all three fighters in Edmonton, and that done he will go directly East to fight for the Flanagan belt. Griffin has great aspirations, but the going may not be so much on the velvet as it looks to the plucky Australian. Win or lose, however, he declares that he will go after Billy Allen."

Building Progress in Edmonton

Building seems to be booming in Edmonton, crops were good, and land values still better. Yet, despite these conditions, the rate of railway development in the North, Mr. Edwin Auld, of that city, has been won by the greater attractions of Victoria, and intends to settle here. Seen at the Empress yesterday, Mr. Auld has a long stay to tell of progress in the northern capital, which he thinks will supplant Vancouver as the distributing centre of the Peace Valley, owing to its easy access from all parts of that great district. Most remarkable has been the growth of big buildings in Edmonton during the last year. Property in the chief business thoroughfares, has risen to as much as \$1,800 a foot frontage. The highest yet sold was a lot at the corner of First and Rice streets. This went for \$2,000 a foot, while it was sold only four years ago for \$600 a foot. Mr. Auld, who is himself a large property owner in the city, said that Edmonton had not yet had any "boom" as nothing had been sold that had failed with proper investment to pay good interest on the amount. This year a bylaw had been enacted sanctioning the expenditure of a million and a half dollars on a street improvement in the coming year. A new city hall, "to rival any in Canada" was to be erected in the old Market Square. The joint population of Edmonton and Strathcona, Mr. Auld claimed was not less than 40,000.

Not Yet Up to the Standard

Poor Market His revolutionary war against Diaz was waged with pure motives: to end the reign of the man who ruled by force instead of by the Golden Rule. Now it is announced that martial law is to be proclaimed throughout the Republic and all armed disturbers will be shot when captured. Mexico is not yet up to the standard of the Golden Rule.—Toronto Globe.

Woman Attend Convention

The annual convention of District No. 6, W. P. M., which has just been held at Ymir, for the first time in history permitted the attendance of women at its deliberations. During the progress of the convention resolutions were adopted urging that the Steam Boiler Inspection act be so amended as to ensure the thorough competency of men engaged as engineers in charge of elec-

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50c a box, 8 for \$2.50, trial size, 25c. At dealers, or sent on receipt of price by Fruit-a-lives, Limited, Ottawa.

fric motors and compressed air plants, more particularly housing plants, and that these be required to take special examinations in the same manner as steam boilers. It was further decided by resolution of the district convention that in the event of the failure of the Kraus appeal before the judicial committee of the City council, the legislature will be asked to so amend the Workmen's Compensation act as to admit and to clear the claims of foreign dependents.

"Prospector" Resumes

After some months' disappearance from the arena of British Columbia journalism, during the lifetime of the "Advance," the "Lillooet Prospector" has resumed publication. The rest has apparently been investigating, for the "Prospector" today is larger, more attractive, and better patronized than before. In fact, it is now easily the best newspaper production that Lillooet has ever possessed.

JOE BAYLEY TO MEET BILLY LAUDER

Announcement is Made That Bout Will Take Place at Edmonton, January 19.  
At last it is unofficially announced that Joe Bayley is going to meet Billy Lauder for the lightweight title of Western Canada. The bout is to take place on January 19 at Edmonton. The articles and agreements are not known as yet, but the bout will go on at least fifteen or twenty rounds.  
Billy Griffin who claims the lightweight championship of Australia, was trying to meet Bayley, Potts or Lauder, but as police regulations allow but one fight a month in Edmonton, negotiations were stopped owing to Billy Lauder's fight which was arranged previously. A Griffin-Potts go, however, will be staged possibly next month in some other city over a fifteen round route. Griffin expects to defeat all three fighters in Edmonton, and that done he will go directly East to fight for the Flanagan belt. Griffin has great aspirations, but the going may not be so much on the velvet as it looks to the plucky Australian. Win or lose, however, he declares that he will go after Billy Allen."

Provincial News

H. A. Bayfield, Dominion drudge superintendent of this province, who has just returned from Ottawa, announces that the federal authorities will shortly Point Grey has adopted a bylaw strictly regulating and restricting the use of firearms within the municipal limits.  
Lanark Conservatives have reorganized with the following officers: Honorary president, Hon. R. L. Borden; honorary vice-presidents, Hon. Premier McBride, Mr. J. D. Taylor, Mr. P. P. president, Mr. G. I. Blair; vice-president, Mr. B. A. Harrison; and secretary-treasurer, Mr. F. J. Livingston.

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DIED

WARNER—On Tuesday, the 18th inst., at her home, 1144 Alton street, Victoria, West, Mrs. Jane Warner, widow of the late Orlando Warner, and deeply beloved mother of Mrs. A. W. Ogden. The funeral will take place on Friday, the 22nd inst. at 2 p. m.

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THE VERY BEST IN HOSIERY

Angus Campbell & Co., 1008-1010 Government Street  
Llama All Wool Hosiery, 2 pairs \$1.00, or pair 35c  
Llama All Wool Cashmere Hosiery, pair 50c  
Penman's Light or Heavyweight Hosiery, pair 50c  
Ladies' 1-1 Ribbed Hosiery, excellent value, at per pair 50c and... 35c  
Ladies' Silk Embroidered Cashmere Hosiery, in all colors, per pair... 75c  
Ladies' Pure Silk Hosiery, in black and colors, very special value, at per pair... \$1.00

PERFECT FITTING UNDERWEAR

Perfect fitting Underwear is the first essential to an attractive figure. You demand style and fit in outer garments and it is well to remember that the most faultlessly tailored gown cannot appear to advantage over imperfectly fitting underwear.  
Zenith Brand Combinations, short sleeves and long sleeves, ankle length, at... \$1.75  
Watson's All Wool Underwear, at per garment... \$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.25 and... 90c  
Watson's Fleece Lined Cotton Underwear, per garment, 75c, 50c and... 35c  
Watson's Combinations, high neck, long sleeves and ankle length, \$2.75, \$2.50 and \$2.25  
Turnbull's All Wool Unshrinkable Underwear, per pair best quality. Price per garment... \$2.25  
Turnbull's Cotton and Wool Mixtures, natural and white, garment 90c and... \$1.50  
Jaeger Pure Wool Spencers... \$1.85  
Zenith Brand Undergarments, in natural and short sleeves, high neck and short sleeves, high neck and long sleeves, from... 75c

"BETTER QUALITY" NEGLIGEE

IN FRENCH FLANNEL FLANNELETTE, RIPPLE EIDERDOWN AND PLAIN EIDERDOWN.  
Eiderdown Robes, from \$15.50 to... \$3.25  
Flannelette Robes, from \$3.25 to... \$1.25  
French Flannel Robes, at \$4.75, \$4.25 and \$3.75  
The above come in all shades of blues, pinks, reds and whites.  
Eiderdown Dressing Jackets in all shades. Priced from... \$3.25  
French Flannel Dressing Jackets, from \$4.50 down to... \$2.00

SKATING CAPS

Anticipating the demand for these knitted caps we have procured a splendid variety in red and white, blue and white, all white, black, grey, and blue, priced at \$1.50, \$1.25, 75c and 50c.

Cam Labels advertisement with logo and text: Remember - Tremendous reductions on our Winter Suits.

Dr. J. Collis Browne's Snowdrift advertisement: The Best Remedy known for the most valuable remedy ever discovered. Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, etc.

LAND ACT  
Form No. 3, Form of Notice  
Victoria Land District of Coast Range 8.  
Notice taken that Howard D. Brown, of British Columbia, has applied to the Registrar of Lands for permission to purchase...  
Dressed chickens are 25 per pound in the New Westminster market.  
Herculean efforts on the part of the bucket brigade saved Chilton from extinction by the late fire which is organizing a Trades and Labor Council at Prince Rupert.  
Vancouver's police commissioners plan the erection of a \$150,000 police headquarters building in the Terminal City.  
Anshroff has this Christmas not a single empty house available for rental.  
Ole Olsson was killed near Merritt recently by a fall from a log.  
William Duncan who is working a placer proposition on the east coast of Graham Island, is getting platinum in paying quantity with his gold returns.  
Mike Jones, foreman of a Revelstoke logging crew, was squeezed to death between rolling logs a week ago last Monday.  
J. E. Annabel is "out" for the mayoralty of Nelson, B. C.  
Public aid for the reformatory home for girls at Vancouver has been promised.  
Okanagan dairy herds are reported free of tuberculosis.  
A packing school will be conducted at Kelowna.  
Several blind pig operators in the Powell river district have recently been run to earth and heavily fined.  
Coquitlam has now a volunteer fire brigade.  
The new winter bridge at Wilmer is now completed and open for general traffic.  
St. Michael's church, Vancouver, narrowly escaped destruction by fire a few nights ago.  
Discovered by a nightwatchman, a Vancouver burglar on Saturday night escaped by leaping through a plate glass window.  
The new handsome C. P. R. station buildings at Vernon will be ready for Pentlton residents are much pleased with the prompt attention given their request for improved post office facilities.  
The Nickel Plate mine has presented each of its stockholders with an acceptable Christmas box in the form of another dividend. The total dividends of the year exceed 25 per cent of the capitalization.  
The monthly payroll of the C. P. R. at Revelstoke is now \$140,641.

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