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God's in His heaven,
All's right with the world.
—Browning.

The Conservative party seems to have gone into cold storage.

The Wingham Record calls London a rotten borough. The Record should not judge the whole city by the attic.

Hon. Mr. Foster is looking up gold mine prospects in Rossland. There is more money in that than in politics just now.

The viceroy Dr. Montague has not been heard from for many moons. Perhaps he is doing some thinking for a change.

The Conservatives are really in hard luck. More bye-elections are pending and Sir Charles Tupper is coming back to Canada.

Says the Dundas Banner: "The Tory member for London hangs on hard, but he will have to let go in the end. His election trial has been a determined and expensive one, and he has made a good fight, but it will make no difference. And just as sure as London is opened, young Hyman will be the next member, and Laurier will have another supporter at his back."

The British Live Stock Journal warmly commends the report of the Ontario Department of Agriculture containing a number of records of experiments conducted at the Agricultural College, Guelph. The more important relate to the qualities of milk for butter and cheese-making. The Journal says of the report as a whole, that it is one of the most interesting ever issued by the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

Having in view the strictures of some people in regard to the revelations at the London election trial, the Toronto Globe makes some pertinent observations. "It is," says our contemporary, "of course, deplorable that much of the testimony in election trials should be that of persons of questionable character. The only remedy we can suggest is that the practice of bribery, tampering with ballots, etc., be strictly confined to high-minded patriots of unimpeachable veracity. If the corrupt people could be kept out of the business there would be an end not only to perjury in election trials but to corruption. The Chinese have a saying that you must never rub your eye except with your elbow, which seems applicable to this case."

London School Trustees.

The London school board has bridged over its difficulty about the election of a chairman with comparative ease. Mr. Andrew Greenlee, the gentleman selected, is an able and painstaking educationist, and we feel sure that he will so conduct the business of the board as to bring credit to himself, and earn the support of his associates. Now let the trustees get down to business, and let us have the best results possible from our educational system. There are many ways in which this can be done other than by harassing lady teachers, as some of the members appear to incline. Teachers who have served the citizens faithfully for years have a right to respectful consideration.

An Antiquated System.

Hardly an important question comes up in the United States Congress that does not demonstrate the disadvantage of having the members of the Government outside both Senate and House of Representatives. The heads of the departments—the real managers of public affairs—may have their policy maligned or misrepresented, their acts may be misconstrued, but they can formulate no defense before their fellow-legislators, except by the agency of Presidential messages or State papers.

In dealing with foreign nations, also, they put the cart before the horse. The President, representing the whole people, may sign a treaty with Great Britain, for example. In the case of Great Britain, the treaty stands, but in the United States the agreement has to run the gauntlet of both Senate and House of Representatives, after it has been indorsed by the nation's head. A better way, surely, and a great saving of time, energy and money, would be to choose the heads of departments from Congress, and thereby enable them to promote Cabinet measures in the most expeditious and fair way.

It may be said that this is contrary to the constitution, as drawn up by Washington and his associates. It is not in the United States constitution (fashioned after the laws of the Medes and Persians) it might be made to fit

the needs of the people of today. When it was put in force it was an experiment.

The Canadian system of Government by Parliament, led by a responsible Ministry, having seats in either of the two chambers, is certainly much to be preferred.

British Control the Best.

The latest intelligence from the land of the Pharaohs gives additional point to the address by Senator Mills in this city on Thursday evening last, an extended summary of which has been printed in the Advertiser. In accordance with the views of a large number of enlightened statesmen, British rulers in Egypt to stay, and, as Senator Mills has pointed out, it is good for the Egyptians and for every other people controlled by them that the Anglo-Saxon race is likely to continue a power from one end of Africa to the other.

Within the next six months, the British in Egypt, with the aid of the native forces, will endeavor to establish law and order in the Sudan. They will not be permitted to do so without molestation. Even now the Dervishes, who have harassed the natives and have kept them in a condition of servitude worse than slavery, are organizing to check the invasion of the establishments of law and order. The objective point of the expedition is Omdurman, which lies opposite Khartoum, now in ruins, and it is at Omdurman that the Dervishes are massing their outlying garrisons, strengthening the fortifications of the place and sending the women and children to the interior of the Province of Kordofan. It is likely that there will be a fierce struggle for the possession of the city of the Khalifa, but there can be no misgivings as to the ultimate result. The Dervishes are fierce warriors, and their fanaticism drives them to accept death before defeat, but the Khalifa has been so tyrannical in his rule that many of the natives have broken away from his control, and the force he has at his command is no match for the well-armed Egyptian forces.

The reign of the False Prophet is indeed nearing a conclusion, even in his stronghold. British rule has commended itself to the natives wherever it has been set up, and it is somewhat remarkable to note how quickly and contentedly the people accept the new condition of things. But the other day, the Dervishes controlled the fertile district of Dongola. In September it was wrested from their cruel sway. Now Major-General Kitchener, who has returned to Cairo from inspecting the locality, reports a wonderful improvement in the province. The inhabitants are contented, and agriculture has revived to such an extent that the general was able to stop the sending of maize from Egypt for the use of the troops. Many shops have been opened, which are supplied with Manchester goods and all sorts of things that the natives require. Thus it is proved at once that the proper government of Africa gives a powerful impetus to British trade. Although the Dervishes destroyed one-third of the half-million date trees which were estimated to exist, and which furnished a large food supply to the Sudan, the export of the fruit has been resumed. The chief want of the natives—namely, cattle to work their water-wheels—they will gradually be able to supply from the sale of their maize, wheat and barley crops to the Egyptian troops and others. Greek and other traders are establishing themselves, and civilized rule is strictly enforced. It is expected that in a short time the province will surpass the prosperity which it enjoyed under the former purely Egyptian government.

This result of staple British government in Egypt and adjoining territories has been duplicated in every portion of the world. It is with pride that a subject of Queen Victoria can say that every part of the world which has been brought under the civilizing sway of British institutions, of British freedom of trade, of British ideas of fair play and equitable laws, has been made better thereby.

Profitable Insurance.

Neither the dullness in trade nor the financial stringency of last year affected the progress of the North American Life Assurance Company, the shareholders of which have just held their annual meeting. The company is most carefully managed, but its business is apparently promoted with energy. Risks are selected with a single eye to the welfare of the shareholders and the insurers jointly, hence the phenomenal prosperity of the North American. Last year, when compared with 1895, the assets increased over 9 per cent, the cash income over 10 per cent, the new insurance over 18 per cent, the total insurance in force over 10 per cent, the reserve fund over 10 per cent, and the payments to policy-holders over 142 per cent. With such results the president and directors might well felicitate the shareholders and patrons of the company, and start out in 1897 with the belief that even a better record will be attained.

WON'T DO IT AGAIN.

Woman of Ninety-Seven Smoked a Pipe in Bed.

Lancaster, Pa., Feb. 6.—Mrs. Letitia Musselman was burned to death at her home in Kirkwood. She was in the habit of smoking a pipe, and it is supposed that while lying in bed with a lighted pipe, sparks ignited the bed clothing. She was 97 years old.

Minard's Liniment is the best.

Mining Matters

Promoters Designate 1897 as "the Crucial Year."

The Rossland Territory Stands the Test Well.

Shipments on the Increase Almost Every Day.

The Manager of the War Eagle Associates Himself With Another Mining Enterprise.

Mr. James Clark, manager of the War Eagle mine, which sold for \$350,000 a short time ago to the Goodriches of Toronto, is one of the most successful mining men Rossland has seen. The magnificent way he has developed the War Eagle, which his brother bought in 1894 for \$15,000, speaks volumes for his ability as a mining man. Mr. Clark is very slow to associate himself with mining projects, but when, after thorough investigation, he does so, the success of the enterprise may be considered to be assured.

A short time ago Mr. Clark and the chief engineer of the War Eagle inspected the Sunset mine, belonging to the Canadian Gold Fields Syndicate, Limited, and were so entirely pleased with the richness and size of the mine that they decided to purchase it. He also purchased a large block of their stock. The syndicate is certainly to be most highly congratulated on its being indorsed and supported by such a man as Mr. Clark.

"THE CRUCIAL YEAR." ROSSLAND. During 1895 and 1896 the share-buying public accepted the statements of Rossland mine owners and promoters at par. By common consent, however, 1897 was designated as "the crucial year." In other words, investors concluded that two years should be sufficient in which to develop actual values, establishing, at least, the general work of the district as a whole. A great many people very promptly concluded that, put to the test, the Rossland mines would soon be found to be a great deal more than the five or six hundred claims with which they had been surrounded. January, 1897, has passed into history, and the Rossland camp has not only justified all that has been claimed for it, but has developed actual worth in dollars and cents, placing it "head and shoulders" above the gold-copper camp of which history gives account. Take the shipments for the first three weeks in January:

Mine	Tons
Le Red	2,350
War Eagle	350
Columbia and Kootenay	90
O. K.	14
Jumbo	71
Iron Mask	65
Red Mountain	36
Cliff	40
Total	3,585

SHIPMENTS OF MATTE.

The Trail smelter shipped via the Red Mountain Railway since Jan. 1, 1897, 24,448 tons of matte. At \$40 per ton the output for the period named is a mere straw in comparison with what is to come. This is absolutely true, because five of the eight mines named are just now making their "madmen" shipments, and three out of the five already developed as great width and general extent of available ore as either the War Eagle or the Sunset. The shipping list of Rossland mines is increasing almost every week. In this connection the Rossland Miner says: "We may as easily add to the list the Montie, Colono, Deer Park, Nest Egg, Sunset No. 2, Mayflower and Nickel Plate. To the shipping list in a short time. One of the most tangible evidences of actual worth furnished during the year is the purchase by the Goodriches of the War Eagle at, in round numbers, \$350,000. This great transaction also is already overshadowed by the reported sale of the Le Red for \$4,000,000, and the bonding of the Josie, Iron Mask and Iron Horse to an English (South African) syndicate at big prices. Altogether the outlook is better today for the mines of West Kootenay than ever before, and the large investment of Canadian money should divert a great share of the profits this way. The fact that the people of the city of Spokane, and the State of Washington, are able to congratulate themselves upon the division of over \$600,000 among citizens of that place, practically a sign of good faith, to keep their own stock off the market until the working capital is provided by the sale of treasury stock to the public. It is from the last of the thoughtful articles on mining shares by the Toronto Telegram, independent journal, closing its columns to questionable mining advertising, points out, in the public interest, the danger of investing in stock belonging to the promoters, instead of in treasury stock to work the mine. Money paid for promoters' stock belongs to the seller, who may care nothing about the mine, as soon as he has sold his stock. He has the money. Money paid for treasury stock is bound, in good faith, to be used in developing the mine. "It is the duty of the promoters to keep their own stock off the market." When the Hansard, the pioneer hero of the Slovan silver, was capitalized, this was made one of the main features of the argument, and the Telegram is in accord, not only with our \$500,000 (half our stock), controlled by the public, but with the following clause in the Hansard prospectus: "As per contract, in order to protect treasury stock, the other half, the \$500,000 held by the promoters will be deposited in escrow with the Bank of British Columbia, and not put upon the market before November, 1897, and then not at a lower figure than that placed upon unsold treasury stock." When the general public, enlightened by such articles as have lately appeared in the Telegram, recognizes the importance of these and other features in mining stocks, then, and not till then, it will invest with discrimination.

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VENEZUELAN'S PLEADED.

Revised Arbitration Treaty Perfectly Satisfactory

Caracas, Venezuela, Feb. 6.—Senator R. Ezequiel Rojas, Venezuela's Minister of Foreign Affairs, says the Government is pleased with the revised treaty of boundary arbitration with England, and desires to express gratitude to the United States. The Venezuelans are fully satisfied with the altered treaty.

A TON OF PURE GOLD.

More Than That Paid for the War Eagle Mine.

The sale of the War Eagle mine, Rossland, B. C., has naturally brought a large amount of money to Spokane, says the Spokesman-Review. What it means but few people understand. This much is certain: 307,316 shares were held in Spokane, and at \$150 per share will bring in money to the amount of \$46,094,400. The balance of the shares held outside amounted to 192,684, and at the same valuation will amount to \$28,902,600. The balance of \$75,000 for the mine.

There are some curious features connected with this amount of money. It amounts to 31,700 double eagles, which, if laid flat, and assuming each \$20 gold piece is one and one-quarter inches in diameter, would be 47,125 inches, or 3,927 feet, and would reach over 13 city blocks.

Again, in a ton of gold, avoirdupois, there are 29,169 troy ounces of pure gold, and each troy ounce is worth \$20 67. This would make a ton of gold worth \$602,220. Hence, over a ton and a quarter of gold has been received for the War Eagle, over four-fifths of which went to Spokane.

HEART RELIEF.

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- SUITS—Ladies' Wool Combination Suits, very fine German make, worth \$1 65, Saturday Night 75c
- GOWNS—Ladies' Plain Pink and Striped Flannel Gowns, worth 75c, Saturday Night 55c
- SHAMS—Fancy Embroidered Pillow Shams, worth 35c, Saturday Night 25c
- HOSE—Boys' Heavy All-Wool Ribbed Hose, double heels and toes, worth 25c, Saturday Night 19c
- HOSE—Children's Fine Worst Ribbed Hose, double heels and toes, worth 35c, Saturday Night 25c
- HOSE—Ladies' Gray Merino Ribbed Hose, double heels and toes, worth 40c, Saturday Night 31c
- GLOVES—Ladies' White Ringwood Gloves, worth 20c, Saturday Night 15c
- SKIRTS—Ladies' heavy Felt Skirts, worth 50c, Saturday Night 35c
- TAM O' SHANTERS—Ladies' Colored and Black Wool Tam O' Shanters, worth 35c, Saturday Night 26c
- SHIRTS—Men's Gray Flannel Top Shirts, worth 30c, Saturday Night 18c
- CAPS—Men's Sateen Caps, worth 90c, Saturday Night 63c
- UNDERWEAR—Men's Heavy All-Wool Underwear, worth 50c, Saturday Night 39c
- BRACES—Men's Heavy Working Braces, worth 20c, Saturday Night 10c
- SOCKS—Men's Heavy Home-Made Socks, worth 25c, Saturday Night 15c
- SHIRTS AND DRAWERS—Men's Heavy Fleece-Lined Shirts and Drawers, worth 50c, Saturday Night 37 1-2c
- CAPS—Men's Gray and Black Astrachan Caps, worth 50c, Saturday Night 39c
- TWEEDS—One lot Fine Tweed Suits, very nice goods, the assortment is lessening every day, worth 50c, Saturday Night 25c
- SUITS—One table Fancy Tweed Suits, Tweed effects, knot effects, worth 50c and 60c, Saturday Night 23c
- SKIRTS—One table Wool Skirts, very fine, worth 75c, Saturday Night 32c
- SILKS—80 yards Fancy Silks, worth 50c, Saturday Night 39c
- CURTAINS—16 pieces Lace Curtains, very fine, worth \$1 75, Saturday Night \$1 29
- CURTAINS—One lot 18 pairs Chenille Curtains, very fine, heavy dade and fringe, worth \$3 25, Saturday Night \$2 39
- SHAWLS—Your choice of 18 Heavy Wool Shawls, worth \$1 75, Saturday Night \$1 25
- LAWN—Victoria Lawn, fine and wide worth 15c, Saturday Night 12 1-2c
- FLANNELLETTE—One table Flannellette, plain and checks and fancy patterns, worth 10c, Saturday Night 5c
- TOWELS—Linen Huck Towels, large size, colored border, worth 20c, Saturday Night 15c
- SHEETING—Bleached Twill Sheet, double fold, worth 25c, Saturday Night 18c
- QUILTS—White Quilts, very large, worth \$1 25, Saturday Night \$1 08
- DAMASK—Table Damask, bleached, wide and fine, worth 75c, Saturday Night 55c
- COMFORTERS—Good material and good filling, worth \$1 50, Saturday Night \$1 25
- NAPKINS—Table Napkins, large and fine, damask, worth \$1 25, Saturday Night \$1 10
- TWEED—All-Wool Tweed, for boys' wear, very durable, worth 45c, Saturday Night 35c
- FLANNELLETTE—One table Flannellette, in plain and stripes, worth 12 1/2c and 15c, Saturday Night 10c

ON FIRST FLOOR.

- ULSTERS—Men's Very Heavy Storm Frieze Ulsters, worth \$7 50, Saturday Night \$5
- OVERCOATS—Men's Beaver Overcoats, in Blue, Black and Gray, all wool, fibre camels lined, worth \$12, Saturday Night \$8 50
- SUITS—Men's Double-Breasted, All-Wool Tweed Suits, worth \$7 50, Saturday Night \$5
- PEA JACKETS—Men's Fine Nap and Beaver PEA Jackets, fine wool lining, worth \$7, Saturday Night \$2 95
- PEA JACKETS—Men's Tweed Lined Frieze PEA Jackets, worth \$4, Saturday Night \$2 95
- SUITS—Men's Black Worst Suits, stripe pants, worth \$12, Saturday Night \$8 90
- ULSTERS—Youths' Heavy Frieze Ulsters, worth \$5, Saturday Night \$3 50
- ULSTERS—Big Boys' Extra Fine Heavy Frieze Ulsters, worth \$8, Saturday Night \$4 25
- ULSTERS—Any Boys' Ulster in the house, sizes 22 to 30, worth \$4, Saturday Night \$2 60
- WRAPPERS—Your choice of \$2 Pina Wrappers, all first-class heavy goods, fast colored, worth \$1 75, for \$1 35, Saturday Night
- JACKETS—Your choice of our \$7, \$8 and \$9 coats for \$3 95; the best ones are fast going, you ought to see them, Saturday Night
- JACKETS—Your choice of our \$10, \$11, \$12 and \$15 Coats, many of the best are gone, but we have about 60 left, they will not last long at the price, Saturday Night \$3 95
- JACKETS—Your choice of 49 Coats, worth from \$4 to \$5 and \$6, Saturday Night \$2 95

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