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THE LAST IN 1891. Trustee McLaughlin Resigns His Position—A Legal Opinion About the Removal of Frame Houses. Police Comd'g at the Recent Fire to be Investigated—The Monthly Accounts, Total, \$70,000.

His Queen and the Fair. STOKANE, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Alice Houghton, the world's fair commissioner, received a letter from Bertha M. Palmer, stating that Mrs. Houghton's suggestion that Queen Margherita of Italy, be selected to use her influence to secure an exhibit for the women's department had been noted upon, and that an encouraging message had been received from the Queen.

Sullivan's Manager Resigns. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—Jack Barnhill, formerly business manager for John J. Sullivan, severed his connection with the latter on Saturday. His action is due to the accumulation of grievances extending over the five years of time in which he has been with Sullivan. Barnhill has, however, besides, paid him a bonus in cash. Sullivan and his theatrical troupe will continue their tour through the state north to Seattle, where they appear January 11 and 12.

Mr. Kellee, M. P. at Seattle. SEATTLE, Dec. 29.—J. M. Kellee, M. P. of Kootenai, B. C., arrived at the Grand hotel yesterday. He is very largely interested in mining. "I have spent about seven years in the region," said he, "and I believe that it is one of the richest, if not the very richest, mining country in North America. There is an enormous belt of very rich mineral, and new discoveries are being made all the time. Even yet there are miles and miles where nobody has been. I have discovered this last season in the Slocan. Hitherto lack of railroad communication has held the country back, but the Canadian Pacific, the Great Northern and other lines will all build branches to tap the district. The roads will have to come in, as the ledges of ore are large and rich."

U. S. Policy Towards Chili. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The Post's Washington special says: The reports which group henceforward as to the Government's policy in the South Pacific, in order to intimidate Chili, will be regarded like those which have been published heretofore, as unworthy of credence. I am informed, on the highest authority, that the order of procedure, if the worst comes to the worst, will include no "intimidations" or "demonstrations." It will be purely "business" from beginning to end. Minister Egan will be instructed in his letter of refusal to grant a passport to any Chilean, and to refuse to whom he has given shelter at the American legation. If that is denied the naval force already on the coast will attempt to enforce his demands. At the same time the vessels in the Pacific waters, belonging to the navy, revenue, marine, or private merchant service, will be pressed into use either as frigates or transports, and a sharp, quick, decisive blow will be struck. It is the desire of every one concerned to avoid bloodshed as far as possible, and being the war to end promptly, as to fully justify its beginning.

A New Oil Corporation. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The California Oil and Gas Co. was incorporated to-day, the object being to sink wells in Fresno, erect works there, and to operate a pipe line for the transportation of oils and gas from Fresno to Oakland and this city. The capital stock is \$5,000,000, and \$450,000 has been subscribed.

San Francisco, Dec. 28.—Nine companies were incorporated to-day for the purpose of engaging in fishing, packing, and other industries in the north. Not much could be more radically different than the sentiment about the department, yesterday, from that of to-day. This was all bustle, and the feeling was decidedly pugnacious. To-day the departments are comparatively deserted, and it is felt that the possibility of war is remote. The cabinet meeting to-day, at which all members were present except Secretary Elkins, was unusually large, and it is understood that cabinet affairs formed the principal topic of discussion. The meeting lasted two hours and was evidently satisfactory to Secretary Blaine, who was calm, even placid in his demeanor, apparently being far from considering war a possibility. He said that he had nothing to say to the press, for the reason that there was no news of importance to impart.

Death of Bishop Loughlin. BROOKLYN, Dec. 29.—Right Rev. John Loughlin, Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Long Island, and one of the best known prelates in the country died, this afternoon. He had been ill but a week with a complication of diseases. Bishop Loughlin was born in Ireland in 1816, and came to this country in 1840. He was consecrated for the priesthood at the Albany Academy, and finished at Chambly, near Montreal, Canada. He was ordained in 1840, and was assigned to the charge of a small parish in Utica, N. Y. In 1853 he was made Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island. In October last Bishop Loughlin celebrated the golden jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood.

The U. S. and the British West Indies. WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—A reciprocity arrangement has been entered into between Secretary Blaine and the British Minister to enhance the British West Indian colonies of Jamaica, Barbados, the Leeward and Windward Islands, except Guiana, Trinidad and the colony of British Guiana. It is represented that the arrangement will go into operation as to the West Indian colonies on Friday first, and, as to British Guiana, on the 1st. The reciprocity arrangement and correspondence will probably not be issued for ten days or two weeks, as it must await a notice that the tariff legislation of the colonies, rendered necessary by the arrangement, has been enacted. A large assortment of articles are put upon the free list by the treaty.

Fatal Fight with Moonshiners. BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 29.—On Sand Mountain, in Dekalb county, this morning, a desperate high battle took place between a posse of high law deputy marshals, under the leadership of Deputy Robert Charlson, and a party of moonshiners. During the night the officers had quietly surrounded a noted illicit distillery, and after daylight

"PAVILION" CASE CLOSED. A Decision to be Given Next Week—The Evidence Yesterday Interesting. An Allegation as to an Offer Made by the Oak Bay Improvement Co. to Berry.

Yesterday morning, the hearing of the application of Mr. C. P. Woolley, through his solicitors, Messrs. Bodwell & Irving, to have the license granted for the granting of liquor licenses for the districts of the Victoria Confidant at all, was present at the granting of the license. I presented the petition. One of the magistrates knew a large number of the signers to be respectable men of good standing in the district, and he asked if he had anything against the character of either applicant. He said he had not, and the magistrates were proceeding to grant the license when he produced a paper signed by Mr. Woolley and some other persons, against the granting of the license. None of them were present, and I objected strongly to its being given any weight, as the only signer who was a resident of the district was Mr. Woolley. The magistrates then granted the application and signed the certificate for a license.

James H. Closs deposed, that he had a half interest in the Pavilion property, and his interest in the Monarch saloon on the 15th of September. The license was not transferred until the 15th of December. Did not live at the Pavilion. James H. Closs deposed, that he had resided on the premises since October, 1890. He was about to give some evidence about an offer made to him by a prominent party connected with the Oak Bay Improvement Co. to purchase the Pavilion property. The Court—I know nothing of the Oak Bay Improvement Co. They do not figure in this case at all. Mr. Woolley is attempting to have this license granted, and he gives his grounds for his action in a paper forwarded to me. He is making an offer to the improvement Co. Mr. Walker—By section 18 of the Act I wish to argue that your Lordship's power in dealing with this case is somewhat circumscribed. The question is, whether or not the license was illegally granted, in the first instance. That must first be decided. Whatever your Lordship decides to do with the case, I submit that the costs should be borne by the other side, inasmuch as they have changed my clients with fraud, and have not brought a single piece of evidence to support the charge. As your Lordship knows, an unbusinesslike charge of fraud in any action, independent of its merits otherwise, always places the costs of an action on the side alleging fraud. Mr. Woolley asks to have this license granted simply on the grounds that he does not want a hotel at Oak Bay because he supposes it might be the means of drawing undesirable characters to that resort, while on the other hand, there is this well-earned reputation of residents, and the unassailable respectability of the holders of the license, against whom, since they have been running the hotel, there has not been one word of blame.

Mr. Irving—I would like to point out that the Act requires an application for a license to be made before the justices sitting in the district in which the applicant resides. This was not done, for it has been distinctly proved that Closs had never lived in the district. The alleged fraud, and the alleged fraud, and the alleged fraud, consisted in the representations made to the magistrates to the effect that the petition had been signed by residents in favor of Berry and Closs, when the fact was that the name of Closs never appeared on the petition at all. It had been proved by both parties interested that Berry had not been a resident of the province for twelve months.

Mr. Justice Cressie decided to take some days to consider, and then announce when he was ready to give his ruling. ASSISTANT CHIEF JUSTICE. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—John W. Hayes, General Secretary of the Knights of Labor, is in this city to argue interest in the anti-Chinese question. He regards it as of great importance, and is anxious to get influence to aid the passage of a bill to be presented to Congress by the Knights of Labor, providing for the exclusion of all Chinese but commercial attaches.

PROVINCIAL NEWS. Rev. J. M. Macleod has been chosen President of the Vancouver Ministerial Association, and Rev. B. Maitland, Secretary. The Vancouver W.C.T.U. are discussing what assistance they will offer towards erecting the great W. C. T. U. Temple in Chicago, to cost about \$1,100,000. Miss Preston, a rancher of Silver Creek, near Mission, appeared before a bench of justices of the peace to answer the charge of wilfully leaving the gate of his private railway crossing open. Preston in defence said there were no cattle in the vicinity to go through when he left it open. He was fined \$20.

PERSONAL. Alex. McCandless left, Tuesday evening, on a trip to England. Rev. Governor Watson came home from the Mainland, last evening. J. Muirhead, J. Congar and K. Peiser returned from Vancouver, last evening. Capt. J. G. Cox, recovering rapidly and his brothers, Captains William and Clarence Cox, are able to be around again. Capt. James Carroll, D. E. Brown, of the C.P.E., and J. Wilson, were passengers from the coast by the City of Kingston, last evening. Rev. Dr. Robertson remains in Victoria until Saturday next, and then goes to Nanaimo. He speaks in Victoria West, this evening.

Charles J. Miller, deposed I read over the petition to Mr. McNeill before he signed it. He read it himself, too. I posted it on the schoolhouse door, and the Royal Oak. I also served the notices produced on Messrs. Geo. W. Brown and George Sinclair, magistrates. Several of the names in the petition I took round for signatures were signed by people residing in the boundary just defined by Mr. Walker. By Mr. Irving—Cressie sold out from the Monarch saloon about two months ago. When I obtained signatures to the petition, although he had practically sold out, the license had not been transferred. It was not transferred till the 15th of December. I was employed to post the notices and take round the petition for signatures. The petition only refers to Berry. I presume it meant Closs too. I never took a separate petition round for Closs. Didn't post any notices in Victoria district. The schoolhouse where I posted the notice is in Lake district. There were four saloon-keepers names on the list of petitioners in favor of the license. I have been engaged off and on from August last, in getting the names on the petition. The schoolhouse in Lake district. There is one Charles P. Bloomfield stated—I got some names on the petition. The court that

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SPORTS AND PASTIMES. FOOTBALL. Toronto, Dec. 29.—A cable from Manchester says the Canadian-Americans who are now in the last week of their tour—the longest ever made by any football organization—yesterday played a draw with the Victoria club. Each team scored three goals.

THE RING. NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Tom Callaghan, the Irishman who recently knocked out Louis Brown, was the victor in a fight with champion, was matched to-day to fight Cal McCarthy, of Jersey City, before the Olympic club of New Orleans for \$2,000.

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