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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a dividend at the rate of 8% per annum upon the paid-up Capital Stock of the Bank has been declared for the current quarter, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after the 2nd day of January next to Shareholders of record of 15th December, 1911. By order of the Board.

STUART STRATHY, General Manager.

How Traffic Is Regulated By Cleveland City Authorities

Chief of Police Kohler Gives World Readers Interesting Pointers on Street Control—Stringent Speed Regulations Not Essential—Hints to Pedestrians.

In connection with the recent discussion on traffic regulation which has taken place in Toronto, many of our most prominent motorists who have toured the States have remarked on the excellence of the traffic system in Cleveland. The World, therefore, wrote to Fred Kohler, the well-known chief of police of that city, asking him for his opinion on traffic regulation, and also for whatever booklet the Cleveland authorities published on this subject. His answer to a large extent bears out the contention that limiting autos to a very low rate of speed in all parts of the city does not tend to ward the solution of the traffic problem. Chief Kohler's letter is as follows:

Editor Toronto World: Dear Sir:—Replying to yours of the 20th inst., relative to the traffic situation in your city, beg to inform you that I am enclosing several copies of our traffic regulations. When these regulations went into effect a campaign of arrests for these violations would not bring the desired result, so a school of instruction was established by having our policemen patrol the streets for several months, giving all drivers of vehicles instructions in the management of vehicles so that they shall interfere with one another as little as possible, AND BE ABLE TO GO FROM POINT TO POINT IN THE SHORTEST TIME AND WITH THE LEAST HAZARD TO THEMSELVES AND PEDESTRIANS. This traffic regulation, to a greater or lesser degree, is the duty of every informed officer when on the streets, and all should attend to traffic duty when emergency or necessity requires.

The duty of the traffic policeman is to direct, control, restrict and regulate, in the interest of public safety, health and convenience, the movement of pedestrians, animal and vehicle traffic of every kind in streets and public places, and regulate crowd with a view of preventing accidents and thefts.

In this phase of police work TACTIC IS MOST IMPORTANT, and we rely on our traffic squad for practical and lasting results on the education of drivers and pedestrians to a fuller understanding of traffic regulations. Every driver who knows these regulations will resent infringement of them by others and thus himself become a strong factor in their enforcement.

Some time ago I was asked to prepare instructions which might assist drivers and pedestrians in observing traffic regulations and protect their life and property, and the following is a copy of same. I give them to you, as they may be of some assistance in your city.

"Always remember that the other fellow has as much right in the road as you have, and immediately travel will become peaceful and safe. Pass slow-moving vehicles on the left, but on the right-hand side of the street. Drive slow when approaching a crosswalk, street car or any other vehicle of person occupying the street. 'Fifteen miles is a fair rate of speed for persons occupying vehicles, as well as pedestrians, in any section of the city, providing you observe the above instructions in regard to crosswalks, street cars and other vehicles and persons occupying the street.

"If you intend to obey the law and make traffic safe, always carry a number placard in front and rear of your automobile, and keep them clean, and keep your front and rear automobile lights burning brightly during hours of darkness, whether standing or in motion.

CHINESE METHOD OF MAKING MATTING.

Altho carried on by the most primitive methods and confined to a few localities, the manufacture of straw matting constitutes one of the most important industries of China. A ready market for Canton matting exists both at home and abroad. The United States alone took \$1,135,000 worth in 1909, and in 1910, \$975,861.

The best grades come from the Lintan district, about 200 miles by water from Canton, and the poorer grades from Fungking, fifty miles distant from Canton. A third grade, between these two, is produced in the factories of Gochin, China.

The straw used in the manufacture of matting is that of a sweet water reed. That employed for the better grades of Lintan matting is cultivated with a certain amount of care and with the assistance of fertilizers, which increase the size of the stalks, hasten their growth and give them a sheen. The reeds destined for the poorer grades of Fungking matting are cut by the roadside, and are of a size still green, and in this state is split by coolie women and laid in the sun to dry. Under the influence of the sun's rays the skin of the reeds curls inward, leaving a perfectly round straw for weaving, with a sheen all around.

For all colors, excepting drab and the red used in extra quality matting, the straw is dyed by immersion in a solution of German aniline dye and water. In order to get uniform results the straw is soaked four days in a jar filled with a solution of alum and then taken out and hung in the sun to dry, the reeds which are repeated until the desired shade is secured. The red color mentioned as necessary for extra quality matting is obtained by soaking the straw five days in a dye obtained by boiling Manila red wood four hours and then hanging it out in the sun to dry. This process is repeated three times before the straw is ready for use.

By far the largest part of the matting is woven on small hand looms owned and operated in the homes of the people. These looms are of the simplest possible and most primitive design. They consist of two uprights with crossbars and a revolving drum. The weaving bar has a slit so cut that it can halve the weaver at one time and upon being reversed, the other half. Each weaver has an assistant, who, as the weaver opens the warp, puts in the straw, which is all turned in by hand and is made in the shape of a figure "8" over two warps, thus insuring against any possible loosening of the threads.

After the finished product is delivered at the warehouses and the weavers have done with it, it is run on a process by a person called a "palm-leaf" which consists in passing the matting with the palm of the hand to bring the strands closer together. The great mass of matting manufactured for export abroad is woven according to pattern specifications secured by the dealers or brokers from the local foreign houses and turned over by them to the weavers, when the cargo is ready, the market price on the date on which they placed the order.

NORTH AMERICA AS PORTRAYED IN EUROPEAN FICTION. North America at once plays a conspicuous and an obscure part in European fiction. Allusions to it are plentiful, but descriptions of definite localities are comparatively few. This disparity is not surprising, states a writer in The Bookman. For example, one of the most serviceable stock figures of a certain kind of French fiction is the American uncle. That individual, for some reason or other, ran away from France in his early youth to seek his fortune among the blons and bayous of the "Far West." For years nothing has been heard of him, and he is generally supposed by his friends and relatives to have met his death at the hands of the ferocious tribes of Indians who inhabit the City of Boston, near the mouth of the Mississippi River.

But at the end of the 24th chapter, or the fourth act, as the case may be, when the family, as a result of the intrigues of the wicked notary, faces ruin, he reappears in strange garb, the possessor of fabulous wealth, which is situated in the Philippine Territory, and where the prodigal for years has been exercising a wise and benign rule over the savage Indian tribes of the region.

North America in French fiction may be said to play the same part as it does in the romances dealing with Daudet's Tartarin of Tarascon. Tartarin never went to North America, but he had been there a great many times in his imagination. Under the guidance of Capt. Mayne Reid, whose border tales put a conspicuous figure in the library of the boobyish vicar, the Lionel Lincoln, he had lassoed herds of wild horses and with his trusty rifle had brought down many a buffalo and a redskin on the Texas plains.

MAIL BAG 300 YEARS OLD. A curious discovery, which throws some interesting sidelight on the life of the sixteenth century in Europe, was made some years ago. It was a small, old postoffice at Frankfurt-on-the-Main, where were transferred to the new premises, a complete mail bag full of letters and apparently officially sealed, was discovered hidden among the rafters of the old postoffice, where it had lain forgotten for over 300 years.

FREE GOLD SHOWINGS IN WESTERN SHAW TWP.

Prout Syndicate Lots Show Up Well—Shaft Work Started Immediately.

PORCUPINE, Nov. 25.—(From Our Staff Up North.)—In shooting up the rock on a lead that runs across one of the Prout syndicate lots, to the south of the Porcupine Hudson Bay Company's holdings in Shaw, fine sprinkles of free gold were found in the quartz at the two-foot depth. The lead was traced across the lot to adjoining lots on which an exploration has been taken, making a holding of eight all told now.

Nothing is yet known as to width or character of the vein formation where the yellow values occur, as little or no work has been done, and with opening the south claims, all the syndicate work is now transferred to that section where the lead is said to show up stronger. Shaft work started yesterday and Manager Prout hopes to get down to depth soon. Camps have been built and a large crew engaged. This is one of the first free gold finds of importance that have been reported from Shaw in several months, and especially the fact that the lead is in the western part of the township is of great importance. Sulphide dykes cross the township in several places, but engineers, who sampled them, made no repairs beyond the mere fact that more work should be done to show the width and extent of the consistent values.

The large dykes have attracted the attention of more than one owner, who is anxious to see what owners uncover in this winter's work. The Prout syndicate is composed of Toronto who have a large capital in developing claims in Shaw for the last year.

WILL DRILL TO DEPTH. Bewick-Moreing Company to Test Its Big Claim Holding.

PORCUPINE, Nov. 25.—(From Our Staff Up North.)—While no official announcement is made, word is out to the effect that the Bewick-Moreing Company is to try a series of deep drill holes on its various lots secured from the Timmins-McMartin Syndicate last winter.

Shaft and underground mining will be temporarily pushed aside on some of the lots till the deep drilling is completed. Complete drilling outfit, it is stated, has been purchased and the work will commence very soon. Some of the camps opened last summer have been closed down, pending the drilling.

TRETHEWEY IN GOOD SHAPE. Toronto Brokers Secure Statement Giving Actual Status of Affairs.

An interesting and instructive report on the Trethewey Mine, Cobalt, was made by a statement from Mr. Chas. O'Connell, who is in charge at the property, and prepared by A. E. Oiler & Co. It reads in part as follows: "The Trethewey mine is situated at the present time an average of 100 tons of ore is yielding approximately 1000 oz. of silver in addition to the hand-picked high grade ore. The recent underground developments on the property have been very satisfactory, and several important discoveries have been made in the mine and mill, installing of additional fire protection and contribution to new water supply system being installed jointly by the Ontario, Buffalo and Trethewey Mines.

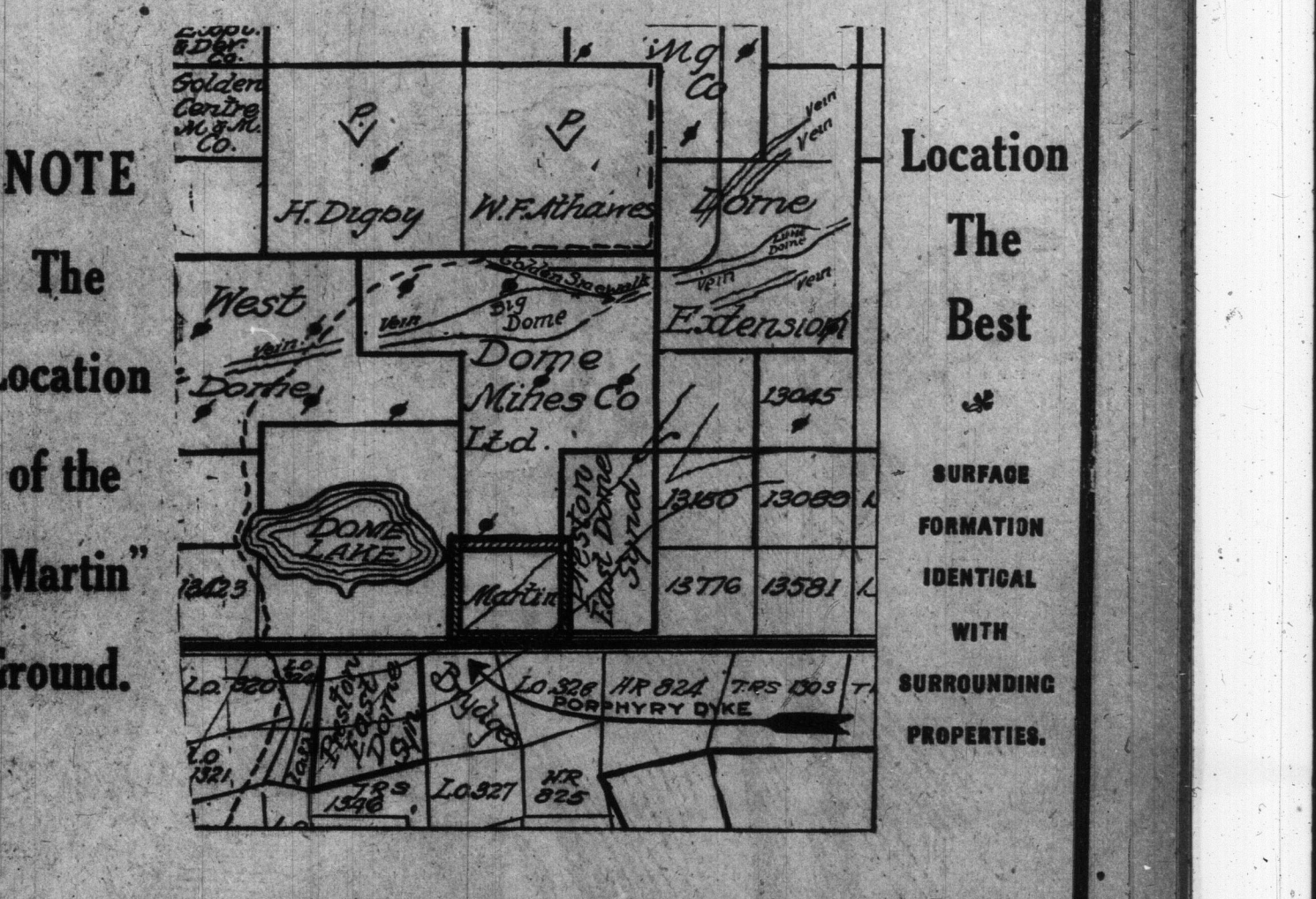
BIG MONUMENT DISINTEGRATING. The Washington Monument, at the national capital, highest of stone structures, and designed by its builders to stand as long as the pyramids, is suffering from a disintegration that will not immediately fatal, will materially shorten its life, says John S. Mosby, Jr., in The Popular Mechanics Magazine.

A NEW METHOD OF STUDYING MARS. Photographing thru colored screens is the new method of studying Mars that has been undertaken by Tikhoff at the Pulkova Observatory. Four different screens were used—translucent, red, orange and yellow, and green—and in the thirty-inch equatorial telescope they produced good photographs of every small size.

The red and the green filters gave strikingly different results. On the plates that were exposed under the red, the continents are much brighter than the south polar cap, while the seas are very dark and the canals are best seen; and the pictures that were taken under the green show the south polar cap as the brightest object, and the seas are grayish. A study of the polar cap has made it appear greenish instead of white.

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TROUBLE BREWING IN THE COAL FIELDS?

Nine years ago the long and bitter strike in the hard coal district, the effects of which were felt all over the United States, was ended by the agreement between operators and miners, brought about by the commission appointed by President Roosevelt to settle the matter. Unquestionably this gives the mine workers a powerful weapon if they do not get what they are seeking for a strike in many states at one time would have a far-reaching and disastrous effect upon industries.

It is asserted by many observers that the striking of the coal fields has proved an excellent solution of the problem that existed in 1902 and 1903. It is to be continued to govern conditions in the anthracite region, is a question. The men say it is "outborn." The operators gave the mine workers an advance of ten per cent. in pay, a decrease from ten to nine hours in the length of the working day with a corresponding decrease in wages, and the privilege of having their own representatives inspect the weighing and measuring of coal to see that fair treatment was accorded. Further, the commission established the minimum time the price of coal at the mine should be \$4.50 a ton. For example, today the United States Commission on Labor, whose function it is to gather the sales statistics and compute the average price, sent out a notice that for a strike in many states at one time would have a far-reaching and disastrous effect upon industries.

VIATOR'S REFUSAL EXPLAINED. "The right foot may be the wrong foot, but the wrong foot is never the right foot to kick under the table," proclaimed Henry Kolker of "The Great Name" Company in explanation of this tangled statement offers the following: "A Milwaukee man and his wife recently received a call from an old friend whom they had not seen in years. Just before the three sat down to a

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