

DEATH OCCASIONS NEAR DEATH

Hardship From Fort

Dec. 24.—Bishop J. O. ... arrived here, ... MacKenzie ... since ... The bishop ... Johnson, ... person on Sep ... to the head of ... time to reach the ... all with a canoe. ... river, emptying into ... was partly frozen, ... back to Fort Mac ... fifty-five days they ... fogs of the Arctic ... food. The supplies ... the men ex ... worse than those ... fifty days there was ... food for each man ... party was compelled ... scasins and muck ... get and eat them ... to walk only five ... when they stumbled ... where there were ... their moccasins ... kept them alive for ...

BARONESS

Dec. 24.—The court favor of Baroness ... the removal of ... been placed upon ... lincourt, Attorneys ... of the late King ... to seize the respo ... sions by their fath ... er had placed claim of ownership ...

ROWNS

Half-Filled Boiler Is Out Buying ... Dec. 24.—Drowned with water, ing ... purposes, is the ... Berridge, the one ... and Mrs. J. ... mother was on her ... store to buy car ... accident occurred at ... in Hilliard, The ... in the kitchen ... the street to the ... there going to the ... to the house the ... no trace of the little ... search of the room ... intally looked into ... and the baby's life ...

SENTENCED

Back on White Men River Mills. ... Dec. 24.—The four ... been on trial here ... days on a charge ... found guilty and ... Howay, Noda, the ... ven two and one ... penitentiary. Nak ... s given twenty ... common jail, Kor ... in the common jail ... months in the jail ... ng from the date of ... ber 1st. ... which the men were ... ce at the Pitt river ... last Noda and an ... kman were working ... the mill when the ... ered with them, tel ... y were not doing it ... ed that the foreman ... the name, and when ... in kind, struck him ... arated, but the real ... ven Noda got his ... started in to elimi ... There was a gen ... the Japanese using ... shisels, and pieces of ... of the whites were ... no very serious in ...

SENTENCED

man who received ... at sentence, was ... dence to have been ... lting others to fight ... her charges of as ... the Japs by other ... ad been mixed up ... the prosecution ... ends of justice had ... withdrew the charge ...

IN BATH TUB

Dec. 24.—Jean ... of Mark Twain ... the bath tub at her ... day. The cause of ...

PIONEERS CELEBRATE

DIAMOND JUBILEE

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Alexander Have Seen City Grow From Tented Field.

While the merry Christmas season was at its height a most interesting event was celebrated at "Rockabella Garden," the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Alexander, this happy old couple having attained their sixtieth wedding anniversary. Four generations were represented. The merry family partook of a sumptuous dinner in the spacious dining room of the "old home," and after the usual well wishes were tendered to the aged hosts, returned to the recent home, "Rockabella," which was prettily decorated for the occasion, where a reception took place from 2 until 5 o'clock p.m. During that time many friends tendered their warmest congratulations and best wishes for the future welfare of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander. Among those present were: Mr. H. Dallas Holmcken, K. C., Miss D. McTavish, Mr. D. McTavish, Mr. and Mrs. James Maynard, Miss E. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Preece, Mr. and Mrs. James Todd (Cedar Hill), Mr. and Mrs. Walsh, Alderman Nicholson (Cedar Hill), Miss H. H. Holmcken, Miss Cooper, Mrs. and Miss Obrian, Mr. M. Rowden, Mr. G. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. R. Palmer, Mr. A. Alexander, Mrs. R. M. Palmer, Mr. A. Rowden, Mr. Wm. Waltan, Mr. and Mrs. F. Saul, Mr. and Mrs. Service, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. J. Bull, Mrs. and Miss Hicks.

The old couple were the recipients of many useful and valuable Christmas gifts which showed the love and esteem of the donors. Among these were the following: Mr. and Mrs. J. Bull, cheque; Misses Hilda and Hazel Alexander, brilliant comb; Harvey Alexander, handkerchiefs; Mrs. and Miss Williams, cheque; Mrs. Palmer, dressing jacket; Mr. and Mrs. R. Palmer, fowls; Mr. H. D. Holmcken, beautiful cake plate and fruit cake; Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, cheque; Mr. and Mrs. Walsh, silk handkerchiefs; Mr. and Mrs. Preece, pot plants; Mr. and Mrs. James Maynard, slippers; Mr. and Mrs. Todd, cut flowers; Mrs. and Miss Hicks, cheque; Mr. R. Hicks, cheque; Mr. and Mrs. Saul, cheque; Mrs. Newcomb, cheque; Alderman Nicholson (Cedar Hill), cheque; Mr. and Miss McTavish, china.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Alexander are pioneers of the city who have seen Victoria grow from a tent-covered field, and Hudson's Bay Company trading post into a beautiful city. They took back and compare the stump-covered fields of Victoria in 1858 with the lovely streets and parks of the present time. They were residents of St. Louis for a long time. Mr. Alexander having been and operated a grist mill in that city for 16 years.

Hearing of the gold discoveries in California, the young husband decided to leave St. Louis and try his luck in the mines. Leaving there in 1855, accompanied by his wife, two children, four friends and a guide, they crossed the plains in a van drawn by a five-wheeled bullock team by way of the independent road, Platte river, Sweet Water river, Pacific springs, Salt Lake road and Humboldt river. Many creeks and streams were crossed on a raft. During this long and dangerous journey Mr. and Mrs. Alexander encountered many hardships, and had narrow escapes from Indians. The natives robbed the party of their cattle and other belongings. Mr. Hullback, one of the party, found it necessary to shoot twenty-two Indians. This act quieted them for a while.

After reaching California tired and footsore from their four months' journey, Mr. Alexander worked in the mines for a while. Becoming dissatisfied he left California on the steamer Oregon, on July 1, 1858, and arrived in Victoria, then an infant city, reaching from James Bay to Bastion Square. Mr. Alexander tried his luck once more in seeking for the beautiful yellow metal in the Fraser River mines in 1861, and there met with success. Returning to home and family, he worked at his trade as a carpenter and received the wages of \$8 a day. After a while Mr. and Mrs. Alexander went to live in South Fork of the Fraser, that district for thirty-three years. Later they returned again to that portion of Victoria known as Swan Lake district, where they have resided for seventeen years. They are highly respected by all who know them. Mr. Alexander is 85 and Mrs. Alexander is 75 years of age. They are the parents of twelve children, six of that number having crossed the divide. Six children, twenty-nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren are living to comfort the old couple in their declining years.

NUMBER SEVEN MINE.
Consolidated Co. Acquires More Property at Phoenix.
Phoenix, Dec. 22.—The Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company, owning the Trail smelter and operating the Snowshoe mine at Phoenix and several other properties, have acquired the No. 7 mine in Central camp, about six miles south of Phoenix.
A bond was taken early in the summer and the property thoroughly sampled. The company has also secured an option on eighteen acres of land close to the property on which they purpose erecting a mill, to which the ore will be trammed to the concentrator.
A. B. Cartwright, formerly of the St. Eugene mine, Moyle, and Trail, has been placed in charge of operations at No. 7, under Superintendent Bessel of the Snowshoe mine.

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Chester, Penn., Dec. 27.—While fishing in Darby Creek, James Zell dropped his gold watch and chain overboard and, after trying to recover them, gave them up for lost.

Recently Mr. Zell's father went fishing at the same spot. When ready to go home, he felt a tug at his line and when the hook came into sight, there were the missing watch and chain.
Lost health is not so easily recovered. The easy way and the right way to keep well is to guard your health while you have it.
A "Fruit-a-tives" Tablet every night at bed time will keep the Liver active, the Bowels regular, the Stomach sweet, the Skin clear and the whole system in the best and most vigorous condition. If you are not feeling, or sleeping, or eating as you should, take "Fruit-a-tives," the famous medicine made from fruit juices and tonics.
"Fruit-a-tives" are sold by all dealers at 50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, or trial size, 25c—or will be sent, postpaid, on receipt of price by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

BURGLARS BUSY AT VANCOUVER

Two Safes Blown Open With Nitro-Glycerine—Robbers Flee Without Booty.

Vancouver, Dec. 27.—Two safes in the city were blown open with nitro-glycerine early Saturday morning, but so far as is known, not a single dollar was taken by the burglars, although in both instances bills were lying within easy reach.
The first case was at the office of the Chew Lumber Company, at the corner of Sixth avenue and Laurel street. About 3 o'clock in the morning Watchman Matthews, while on his rounds through the yards, heard a shot, apparently in the direction of the office. He ran to the scene and saw three men running down the street. They were too far away for apprehension, so he telephoned the police. Detectives worked on the affair for hours, but the men had got safely away. The contents of the safe were disturbed, but none of the money had been taken, although there was a considerable amount of it there in view. The craftsmen were doubtless frightened by the rapid approach of the watchman when the shot went off.
The other safe which was cracked was that in the office of the Cascade woodyard on Paine Creek. This burglary happened during the same night. There were valuable papers and a considerable quantity of cash in the safe, but nothing was pilfered.

PRETTY WEDDING ON CHRISTMAS NIGHT

Miss Bell and Mr. George Roland United in Matrimony.

A very fashionable wedding took place on Saturday evening at the residence of the bride's parents, Edmond road, when Miss Ida Gertrude Bell, the youngest daughter of Mr. W. Bell, and Mr. George Roland were united in marriage by Rev. T. E. Holling. Both are well known in this city, having lived here for some time. A large number of friends gathered to witness the ceremony and after congratulating the young couple.
The bride looked very charming in a dress of white net over white silk trimmed with pearls. She also wore a pretty veil. Miss Flossie Baker, who acted as bridesmaid, was dressed in pink satin and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. Mr. Shaw, of Vancouver, acted as best man.
The decorations were carried out with white streamers, which were arranged very artistically. The table was decorated with white carnations, and what must have been most gratifying to the guest was the almost whole household turnout of his neighbors of Camp Slough and Rosedale, says the Chilliwack Progress.
The banquet was held in Henderson's hall, which was most artistically decorated with flags and banners and garland hangings.
The Chilliwack Dance Orchestra was present and well provided with a collection of harmonizing music that did much to further the spirit of good feeling that prevailed.
At the conclusion of the dinner the president of the Liberal Association, Mr. J. A. MacLeod, proposed the toast of the "King," which was responded to by the singing of the national anthem by the entire assembly. He then proposed the toast to the "guest" of the evening, Mr. E. Darrow, in a well worded address, spoke of the worth and sterling qualities of Mr. Munro, as a man and a neighbor. During the course of his remarks, a beautifully framed and illuminated address was handed to him by little Miss Frankie Kipp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Kipp, and on behalf of the committee presented to Mr. Munro. Accompanying the address was a presentation of a beautiful hall clock, which at the proper moment was unveiled by little Miss Ada Nelems, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Nelems, and disclosed to the astonished gaze of both Mr. and Mrs. Munro as well as the larger number of people present. Along with this a bouquet of carnations and roses was presented to Mrs. Munro by the same charming little lady, amid a storm of applause from the entire assembly. Mr. Munro responded most manfully to the words of praise and the tokens of affection presented to himself and Mrs. Munro.

MYSTERIOUS STABBING CASE AT VANCOUVER

Man is Taken Into Custody Charged With Attempted Murder.

Vancouver, Dec. 27.—As a result of a stabbing affray in the Manitoba hotel early Saturday, Raymond Miller is in St. Paul's hospital with three ugly knife wounds in his back, and Eugene Cullity is in the city jail facing the charge of attempted murder.
Early on Saturday morning the police received a call to the Manitoba hotel, and Constable Jewett found the man Miller lying on the bed in a pool of blood, with one leg sticking straight out, one on the left side and the other two on the right. On another bed in the room he found W. A. Poole, apparently in a state of intoxication. Frank Gates was also present and evidently under the influence of liquor. The story he told the constable was that a stranger had suddenly entered the room where the three were, and drawing a long knife, had attacked Miller viciously.
Acting on the information given, the policeman went to room 304, where he found the man Cullity busily engaged in "removing" traces of blood from his person, while a blood-stained garment lay on the floor. He was at once arrested and taken to the police station where a charge of attempted murder was preferred.
While Miller's wounds are reported to be serious, ultimate recovery is hoped for.

"What does your wife want for Christmas?"
"Something that I can't afford," as usual.—Detroit Free Press.

MEMBERS OF THE CABINET CONFIDENT

SATISFIED WITH PROGRESS OF CAMPAIGN

Chamberlain Writes on Tariff Reform—John Burns Makes Protest.

London, Dec. 27.—At present there are not wanting signs that the ministerialists, from the Premier and the Chancellor of the Exchequer downwards, are quite satisfied with the progress of the election fight. But, of course, a vigorous New Year campaign by the Conservatives, with Mr. Balfour leading, may change their confident demeanor.
It is officially stated that the writs will now issue from the Crown Office on January 10th, thus corresponding with 1906, and giving the Radicals what they claim to be the advantage of a Saturday poll in the earlier constituencies.

Mr. Chamberlain is making up for his enforced silence by a series of telling letters, in one of which he says: "I do not find any difficulty in answering those who profess to believe that tariff reform will make food dearer. In Germany, if it has not raised the cost of living, I do not see why it should do so in this country. On the other hand, we may arrange matters so that goods imported free are raw materials and not finished manufactures."
At Newport, Lord Tennyson read a letter from Mr. Chamberlain, stating he hoped this election would be the end of the system which had made possible all we complain of, especially unemployment.

Lord Milner, speaking at Cardiff, said the present duty of the people was to consider the relative position of both parties and disentangle it from irrelevant matter, which had been raised to the prejudice of one party. People had to consider the financial proposals of the government against what was really the true interests of the country.
John Burns, speaking at Nine Elms, complained that the placards and cartoons of Unionists were scandalous. They were issued in the interests of the food taxer and trusts, which would get a footing through the tariff and bring about the moral degradation of people as well as political corruption. It was monstrous that London should be subjected to grotesque exaggerations which hid the facts from the people.

Mr. Macnamara declared in a speech that the Conservative party had landed itself in for a record defeat. So far as he could see they knew it, they knew they could not face the constitutionalism raised by Lord Lansdowne's motion, and they therefore rushed frantically from one expedient to another.
The result of a plebiscite taken at Gateshead in order to prefer a three-cornered contest was as follows: In 19, 183 post cards were sent out and 701 were returned, the result being Elvers-ton, Liberal, 3,617; Jonson, Labor, 2,325; Doyle, Unionist, 1,069.

C. W. MUNRO IS GUEST AT BANQUET

Former Member Presented With Address and Hall Clock.

About 350 of Mr. C. W. Munro's friends and supporters answered to invitations, and gathered on Tuesday evening to do honor to a man who had represented them in the provincial legislature for the past eleven years. There were present friends from the extreme bounds of the constituency, and what must have been most gratifying to the guest was the almost whole household turnout of his neighbors of Camp Slough and Rosedale, says the Chilliwack Progress.
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"The secretary of the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home, Wm. Scofield, gratefully acknowledges the donation of \$21, the proceeds of a concert held at Sidney recently by the Sidney basketball club.

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WRECK CAUSED BY BROKEN RAIL
List of Those Injured in Accident on C. P. R. Near Chapeau.

Fort William, Dec. 27.—Latest reports show that 31 persons were injured when part of the Toronto-Winnipeg express was derailed thirty-seven miles west of Chapeau. The cause, as far as yet ascertained, was a broken rail, the engine having passed over safely. Among the injured were:
Mr. Comstock, aged 32, Norwood, Ont., scalp injured, not serious.
Geo. Karkon, aged 46, Millbrook, Ont., scalp wound, not serious.
Theo. Mogine, aged 50, Amsterdam, N. Y., back injured, not serious.
James Gilmore, aged 72, 93 Borden street, Toronto, shoulder injured.
Miss Gilmore, 32 Borden street, Toronto, back injured, not serious.
Mrs. Arthur Bruce, Francis, Sask., ankle sprained, not serious.
H. Ingram, locomotive foreman, C. P. R., Nakusp, B. C., cut over eye and bruised jaw, not serious.
T. Nelson, Pilot Mound, Man., arm injured, not serious.
E. Prior, Emerson, Man., finger nail torn off.
D. A. McLean, Moosomin, Sask., internal injuries.
Mrs. Lewis Melon, Halbrite, Sask., internal injuries.
Mrs. Hugh McMahon, Newdale, back and side injured, probably serious.
C. Ward, 233 Panton street, Fort William, scalp injured, not serious.
G. H. Lalmg, 134 Osgisting street, Toronto, right side bruised.
E. Campbell, aged 35, Lethbridge, Alta., head slightly cut, not serious.
Mrs. W. McElroy, age 38, Frohisher, Sask., neck and shoulder hurt, not serious.
Mrs. D. W. Turnbull, 250 Austin street, Winnipeg, badly shaken up.
Mrs. S. Dickson, age 33, 117 Demur street, Winnipeg, hurt about body pretty badly.
Mrs. E. Saunders, age 35, Crossfield, Alta., leg hurt, badly.
Mrs. A. Gow, age 30, Carberry, Man., back hurt, not serious.
J. H. Comstock, age 36, Norwood, Ont., head cut slightly.
Mrs. McMahon, head slightly cut, side hurt, not serious.
George Vale, age 35, Govan, Sask., back sprained, not serious.
Mrs. J. D. Watson, age 31, Moosejaw, Sask., hip hurt, not serious.
Mrs. W. Glendenning, aged 30, Saskatoon, Sask., badly shaken up.
George Patterson, aged 30, arm hurt, not serious.
Mrs. J. E. Millburn, age 33, Sellen Creek, Sask., right eye bruised, not serious.
Mrs. J. H. Towdsale, age 25, bruised hand and wrist, not serious.

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QUARRYMAN KILLED ON TRACK AT KOKSILAH
Run Down by a Work Train—Had Travelled Much of World.

David Bennett, who had travelled over a considerable part of the world, was run over and instantly killed by an E. & N. work train shortly before midnight on Thursday near Koksilah station.
Bennett had been employed for the past few months at the C. P. R. stone quarry at Koksilah. On Thursday evening he was in the Koksilah hotel, where he had several drinks. About eleven o'clock he left for his lodgings and walked down the track. It is supposed that he was killed by a work train which passed through at 11:30. The body, badly mangled, was found next morning between the rails. Provincial Constable Morton had the body taken to Duncan, where an inquest was opened to-day. Burial took place at Duncan this afternoon.
The provincial police here have been unable to get any trace of any relatives or friends. From papers found on the body it was found that Bennett had travelled a great deal in Europe, the United States, South America, Australia, South Africa and other countries. About a year ago he spent a short time in Victoria on first coming to the province.

NO SUCH LUCK

He looked in a store window and saw "Hats reduced." "Heavens!" said he to himself. "What was their original size?"—Lippincott's.

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ACCEPTED THE CALL.
Rev. N. G. Melvin Comes to Revelstoke From Glasgow.
Revelstoke, Dec. 23.—Rev. W. L. McRae, moderator of the Presbytery of Kamloops, has received a cablegram from Glasgow, Scotland, announcing the acceptance by Rev. N. G. Melvin, B. A., of the appointment to St. John's Presbyterian church at Revelstoke to commence duties early in January. Mr. Melvin has a number of friends in this vicinity who will be glad to learn of his appointment. He was formerly stationed at Arrowhead, but has recently been taking a post-graduate course in Theology at Glasgow.
KILLED IN MINE.
Ferne, Dec. 23.—Joseph Hewitson, aged 25 years, engaged as driver in No. 1 mine, Coal Creek, was killed while making a trip of coal cars out of the mine. The horse became unmanageable and the deceased jumped from the string and was crushed between the cars and the timbers, having his back broken and dying before he could be brought to the tunnel mouth. He had only been employed for about two weeks, coming from Cumberland, England. He was unmarried.