

Fifty Years Ago.

This is the way it was bound to look When grandfather had his "picter took." These were the shadows cast before The coming of Conjurer Daguerre And his art; like a girl in a pinafore Some day to bloom to a goddess fair. Men certainly were not as black, we know As they pictured them, so years ago.

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began to make new men, just as the new pictures of men began to be made. Thousands of people fronted the camera with skins made clean from blotch and blemish, because they had purified the blood with Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It is as powerful now as then. Its record proves it. Others imitate the remedy; they can't imitate the record:

50 Years of Cures.

Record-Smashing

At the Skating Tournament in Montreal.

London Hockeyists Easily Defeat the St. Thomas leam.

Reno or Carson to be the Scene of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons Fight.

SRATING.

MONTREAL TOURNAMENT. Montreal, Feb. 6.-The minth annual race meeting of the Amateur Skating Association of Canada was inaugurated on the M. A. A. A. rink yesterday, under favorable auspices. world's fastest men were on hand, in good form, and the fice was in splenwere knocked to smash in a most astonishing style. The track was 400 meters, equal to 437 1-2 yards. Sum-

First, 500 meters, international, amatour race Alfred Nass, Norway, Feb. 8, 1896, 46 4-5 seconds, 1; J. K. McCulloch, Winnipeg, 48 1-5 seconds, 2; Julfus Seviler, Switzenland, 48 3-5 seconds, Green, Smith's Falls, 49 1-5 seconds, 4; John Davidson, Montreal, 50 1-5 seconds, 5; M. Lordahl, Norway, 50 3-5 seconds, 6; W. H. Davidson, St. John, N. B., 50 1-5 seconds, 7; A. E.

Pilkie, Toronto, 52 2-5 seconds, 8. Second race, one mile, professional-2:56 4-5, 5; H. P. Mosher, Storm King, 13. N. Y., nothling.

amateur-J. K. McCulloch, Winnipeg, 8:32 4-5, 1; Alfred Nass, Norway, 8:37 1-5, 2; Julius Seyler, Switzerland. 3-5, 3; John Davidson, Montreal, 8:52 3-5, 4; C. E. Green, Smith's Falls, 8:22 4-5, 5; M. Lordahl, Norway, 8:55, 6; W. H. Merritt, St. Johs, A. Lee, Montreal, 9:39 1-5, 10. Previous record. 8:37 3-5.

J. Nillson, Minneapolis, 7:42 1-5, 1; O. A. Rudd, Minneapolis, 7:58, 2; Joe Donoghue, Newburgh, N.Y., 8:23, 3; H. P. Mosher, Storm King, N. Y., 8:32 2-5, 4; W. T. Letts, Hoboken, N. J., 8:35 2-5, 5; Harley Davidson, Montreal, Hallf-mile, back wards amateur

Fourth race, three-mile, professional

championship of Canada (Canadian record, 1:41 2-5)-W. A. Lockhart, St. John, N. B., I; V. Flavelle, Montreal. 2; R. T. Holcomb, Montreal, 3. Time. 1:36 2-5. One mile, boys, 15 years and under,

junior championship of Canada (Canatreal, 1; L. S. Skinner, Montreal, 2.

Seventh race, 220 yards, hurdle, amateur championship of Canada (Canadian record, 27 seconds)—T. B. Irwin, Montreal, 1; R. T. Holcomb, Montreal, 2. Time: 25:26 1-4. This concluded the day's programme.

It is rumored Donoghue will pro-test the three-mile race, claiming that Nilsson missed one lap. HOCKEY.

AT SUMCOE The S. O. H. A. match Friday night between Brantford and Simcoe was won by Simcoe, 3 goals to 1

VERY EASY FOR LONDON. The result of the hockey match at the Princess Rink last night, between the St. Thomas and London Collegiate Institutes, was not encouraging to the visiting players, who were defeated 20 to 0. The first goal was made after 15 minutes' play by Frank Hobbs, who continued to score almost at pleasure. He shot 10 of the Fraser made 7, and Windsor the balance. Frank Reid was referee, and F. Screaton and J. Hill were goal judges. The attendance was not large but very demonstrative. The visit-ors were good-natured, however, and took the "jollying" very well. The home team entertained the St. Thomas

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POSITIONS. ST.THOMAS.

BASEBALL

RADBOURNE DEAD. Bloomington, Ill., Feb. 6.-Charles Radbourne, for many years pitcher for the Providence and Boston teams of the National League, died here yesterday from paresis.

GROUNDERS. A special from Cleveland says: President Frank De Haas Robinson an-nounced yesterday that if the Cleveland club was not permitted by the authorities to play Sunday ball the franchise might pass from this city to Detriot, Milwaukee, or Buffalo. THE TURF.

TIPS. The Hamilton Jockey Club will race four or five days, perhaps ten days,

Hamilton Spectator: A. D. Stewart intends to play for the position of starter at the Toronto and Hamilton spring meetings.
The Washington and Westchester stakes have not received as many en-tries from the west and Canada as

expected, feeling the competition of the spring meetings in the west. Charles Wood, once the premier ockey of the English turf, after the death of "Fred" Archer, has this year been granted a license to ride again, by the English Jockey Club, after a suspension of nine years.

Among the high-priced stallions on the European continent are Saraband and Peter, standing in Belgium at \$500, while in France Le Nicham, Styx Fripon, and others are advertised at a stud fee of 2,000 francs, about \$400

At the sale of Dr. W. Seward Webb's hackneys in New York the stallion Matchless, of Londesboro, went for \$12,000 to W. S. Clark, of Staten Island. H. F. Pierce, of Quebec, bought the mares Lady Alice and Gay Lady for \$1,250.

CURLING. AT DETROIT.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 5 .- Detroit won by three shots in a two-ring match with Forest, Ont., after a close and exciting struggle, on Thursday. Rink No. 1, of Detroit, won by 3 shots, skipped by Robert Hutton, against G. Van Valkenburg. Rink No. 2 played to the game Score: Detroit 23. a tie game. Score: Detroit, 33; Forest, 30.

In the afternoon Forest played two rinks from Windsor, skipped by Messrs. Carley and Cooney, Windsor winning by 2 shots. Score: Windsor, 24; For-Two rinks of Windsor played a friendly game with Detroit, the latter winning by 14 shots.

ST. MARYS. A friendly game of curling was played Thursday between Stratford and Marys, six rinks a side. Three rinks on each, played in each town, resulting in victory for St. Marys by

51 shots.

GAUDAUR PUZZLED. Carsman Gaudaur has expressed some surprise at not having received Sportsman, which the winner of the Sportsman challenge cup is entitled to and which was included in the conditions of the race with Stanburg last been forwarded to Gaudaur within 30 days after race, and as it had been ordered to be made previous to his leaving England, it is feared the medal

CHESS. INTERNATIONAL MATCH BY

CABLE. New York, Feb. 6 .- The second match between chess experts of the John Nilsson, Minneapolis, 2:41 1-5, 1; United States and Great Britain, to Joe Donaghue, Newburgh, N. Y., decide the supremacy of either coun-United States and Great Britain, to 2:46 2-5, 2; Harley Davidson, Montreal, try in the royal game, and for the Sir 2:46 3-5, 3; O. A. Rudd, Minneapolis, George Newnes Anglo-American 2:49 4-5, 4; W. T. Letts, Hoboken, N. J., trophy, will be played on Feb. 12 and 13. The American team will be in Brooklyn, the British team in Lon-Third race, 5,000 meters, international, don, and the moves in the game will be transmitted by cable. It is the most important chess event of the year, and players in every part of the world are interested in the result. The first match for the trophy was played on March 13 and 14, 1896, and wor by the American team.

6; W. H. Merritt, St. Johs, 18. 3-18. The Brooklyn Chess Club 8:57, 7; Tom Moore, Montreal, 9:07 2-5, the arrangements in this country. In England, the British Chess Club, of which Sir George Newnes is president is managing the contest. The American team will be at the Academy of Music, in Brooklyn, the British team at the Hotel Cecil, Strand, London. At 9:30 a.m., New York time, 2:30 p.m., London time, the teams will take their places, the chess tables being numbered from 1 to 10. No. 1 in Brooklyn will play No. 1 in London; No. 2 play No. 2, and so on down, each pair contesting one game.

ATHLETICS. AT RENO OR CARSON.

Dan Stuart, the promoter of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight, said yesterday: "The battle will take place either diam record, 3:30)-B. Spooner, Mon- at Reno or Carson City. There will be no hitch in the programme. I shall erect an amphitheater to seat 25,000 people, and expect it to be full."

> BLOWS The chance of Peter Maher and Tom Sharkey coming together is very bright. It is said that Jim Corbett intends

to take another trip to England next summer if he defeats Bob Fitzsim-A bill to prevent prize fighting was passed by the California Senate, and now goes to the Assembly for action. Billy Duke, of Baltimore, and Joe Ulman, of Savannah, light-weights, fought fifteen rounds at Washington, on Thursday night. The fighting was vicious. Heavy blows, like sledge-hammer thumps, fell on each other's breast, side and head, until Duke landed on Ulman's jaw, and he dropped to the floor and was counted

MISCELLAUROUS. BOWLS WITH HIS FEET. Middletown, Feb. 6.-John Mly-chreest, of this city, bowls in the Y. no arms, but he has acquired considerable ability in rolling the heavy Young Mylchreest can drive, dress himself, feed himself, make change, write, and has painted several creditable pictures, and his toes are as facile as any one's fingers.

Dr. Agnew's Ointment will cure all cases of Itching Piles in from three to six nights. One application brings it is peerless. Also cures Tetter,

Rheam, Eczema, Barber's Itch and all erv.ptions of the skin. 35 cents. Most fish can utter audible noises. George Wombwell, once a famous showman in England and Scotland,

Blaikie, president was appointed chairman, and Mr. Wm. McCabe, secretary, The directors' report presented at the meeting showed marked proofs of continued progress and solid prosperity in every leading branch of the company's business. Details of the substantial gains made by the company during the past year are more particularly referred to in the remarks of the president and the report of the consulting actuary.

Summary of the financial statement and balance sheet for the year ended

Dec. 31, 1896: Cash income \$ 641,788 08 Expenditure (including death claims, endowments, ma-

tured investment policies.

profits, and all other payments to policy-holders). Reserve fund 1,991,526 00 Net surplus for policy-hold-

WM. McCABE. Managing Director. Audited and found correct.

JAS. CARLYLE, M.D., Anditor. Mr. W. T. Standen, of New York, the company's consulting actuary in his full and detailed report of the year's operations, said: "I have exdividend periods mature in 1897, and have apportioned to them the dividends accruing thereon. These settlements like those for 1896 will be found to comattained by the best managed companies. This is cause for congratulation on the part of your policy-holders, as, notwithstanding the large payments for investment policies maturing in 1896, you have been able to sumplus to your credit. The large amount of your new business for 1896-2,603 policies for \$3,554,960-being half a million dollars in excess of any preoperations of the company are becom ing better known and appreciated. Your results show a good surplus earning power, indicating that your business is of a paying character."

The president, Mr. John L. Blaikie, in moving the adoption of the report,

"I am fully warranted in congratulating every policy-holder, and every person interested in the company, upon the splendid position to which it has attained, and upon the results of the past year's business.

"An examination of the figures be fore you reveals many most interesting and important particulars. "If we compare the business of th

year just closed with that of the previous year, viz., 1895, we have the following resulits:

Assets increased \$215,315 26, or over 9 Cash income increased \$60,309 84, or over 10 per cent.

New insurance issued increased \$542. 110, or over 18 per cent. Total insurance in force increased

\$1.714.785, or over 10 per cent. Reserve fund increased \$1195,704, or over 10 per cent. Payments to policy-holders increased

\$150.459 94, or over 142 per cent. In no former year have such magnificent results been attained.

The financial strength of a company may be gauged by the relation of its assets to its liabilities. In this respect the North American exceeds that of its chief competitors in Canada, having \$120 of assets to every \$100 of liabil-

Hon. G. W. Allan, in seconding the resolution, said: "The president has spoken fully on the satisfactory position of the company, yet there are one or two points to which I will briefly refer. 'There are our investments in which all are interested, and will be pleased to learn that they were very carefully made, and have turned out exceedingly satisfactory, as evidenced by the prompt manner in which our interest has been paid."

"There is another point of comparison which will show favorably for our company, that is, as to the relative profit earnings. I am satisfied that those interested in the company have every reason to feel exceedingly gratified at the very prosperous condition which it holds at the present moment." Mr. J. N. Lake, in moving a vote of thanks to the company's Provincial managers, inspectors and agency staff, referred in very complimentary terms to the splendid work done by the outside staff in 1896, sus evidenced by the grand business secured during that year, and also that the new business in January, 1897 was already largely in excess of the whole amount received for the same month last year.' James Thorburn, M.D., Medical Director, presented a full and interesting report of the mortality experience of the company from its organization, value. which illustrated fully the care which had been exercised in the selection of

the company's business. After the usual vote of thanks had been passed, the election of directors took place, whereupon the newlyelected board met, and Mr. John L. Blaikie was unanimously elected president, and the Hon. G. W. Allan and Mr. J. K. Kenr, Q.C., vice-presidents.

Of the \$33,670,120 given away by benevolent persons last year about one-half went to colleges and nearly \$10,-

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ENGINEERS' REPORTS

RICH "SUNSET No. 2" GOLD-COPPER MINE

ROSSLAND, BRITISH COLUMBIA,

NOW UNDER VIGOROUS DEVELOPMENT BY THE

anadian Gold Fields Syndicate

TO INVESTORS:

The following reports on the Sunset No. 2 by Messrs, Davey, Robbins and Sword, Mining Engineers, are presented with peculiar pleasure, since neither of the gentlemen knew that the other was to report on the property, and yet the report of each is confirmatory of the other two. Also because all of the reports are confirmed by the action of Mr. James Clark, Superintendent of the Great War Eagle Mine, from its purchase by Patrick Clark for less than \$15,000 in 1894, until its recent sale to the Gooderham Syndicate for \$850,000. Mr. Clark, after examining the Sunset in company with his engineer, purchased a large block of Canadian Gold Fields Shares, and accepted the position of First Vice-President and Advisory Director of that Syndicate.

Rossland, B. C., Jan. 4, 1897. Howard C. Walters, Esq., President

Limited, Rossland, B. C .: My Dear Sir,-Pursuant to your request. I have visited the "Sunset" mine and made a critical examination of the explorations up to date, from a practical as well as a scientific stand-

The results of my examination are as follows:

I find the Sunset lying on the east slope of Deer Park Mountain, and in developed with a greater or less degree of success. Some of these claims are already, even at this early day, giving unqualified evidence of becoming large producers in the near future; consequently dividend-payers. Hence the "Sunset" is socially in most excel-

The formation is a coarse-grained diorite, quite silicious, and containing assume its proper shape at a moderate larger crystals of hornblende than

The vein, as far as the present shaft discloses it, presents some features which are rare in Trail Creek district at the present stage of development, viz .: it has all the "earmarks" of a genuine fissure vein, which are as follows: (1) It cuts the trend of the diorite at a slight angle in its course. If it were not a strong fissure the vein would conform to the lines of least resistance, which in this case are the parallel seams, caused by the cooling and consequent contraction of the :molten mass of diorite. (2) The walls are 'clean cut," smooth and regular. (3) Upon each wall there is a distinct line of separation and cleavage, and also a thin scale of what is locally called shale, but which is diorite, first rubbed to a powder by attrition, caused by the grinding movement of the fissure, and then hardened and metamorphosed by the subsequent mineralizing of the vein. (4) Also the regular manner in which the ore forms in the vein, and the uniform manner in which the gold values are distributed in the chute. viz., of low value on the edges of the start your development work on. chute, and gradually increasing as the chute widens, and again decreasing as the other side of it is approached. These features induce me to strongly believe that the ore-chutes will be longer and more regular both in size and values than is usual in this dis-

The vein has a uniform width of about five feet, and its course is about 20 degrees north of east. It: is vertical for the first forty feet, then dips to the north at an angle of about 12 degrees from the perpendicular. This change in the dip has very naturally caused a pinching of the ore body, and a consequent lessening of the values at that point; but as the shaft deepens and departs from this change the ore is rapidly widening and increasing in

tite, or magnetic-iron pyrites, with Canada Gold Fields Syndicate, small amounts of copper pyrites; the quartz is a fine-looking gold quartz. The ore-chute disclosed in the shaft

was about two inches wide at the surface, assaying \$4 gold per ton. This the shaft and increased in value until change of dip occurred, accompanied | while in the east end the ore is but by the change in size and value, as a few inches in width.

the midst of claims which are being to the west, or into the mountain. The end of a chute of ore, and as levels vein is exposed in quite a number of are driven west on the vein, the places for some 500 feet westerly, all showing more or less ore, assaying from a few dollars up to \$60 and \$70. now being started from the bottom Shafts marked Nos. 2, 3 and 4 on the of the shaft and will be extended west blue print are somewhat south of the in the ore body. line of the vein; but the whole formation seems to be tilted or broken over in that direction, and will undoubtedly informs me it is his intention to con-

> Shaft No. 5 exposes the vein as regular as shaft No. 1, and about five to six feet wide, carrying some fair ore. Judging from these surface indications, I believe there will be several strong ore-chutes within this 500 feet,

> and there is a possibility of its being one unusually long chute. In regard to your future plan of exploration, I would suggest the immediate erection of a small air compressor and hoisting engine at your No. 1 shaft, as there is no question but what the splendid showing warrants it. You should commence drifting west at the 50-foot level, thereby opening up reserves of shipping ore, and also continue sinking the shaft. I think that within 30 days you can be in a position to mine and ship eight to ten tons of ore per diem, and keep it up indefin-

itely, if you so desire. Your mine lies so close to both railroads and adjacent to town that there is nothing left in the way of convenience to be desired. In conclusion, I wish to say that in the "Sunset" mine you have a property

of great merit, well worthy of most thorough and systematic development You have what I believe to be a genuine fissure vein of unusual strength and regularity. You have a splendid chute of high grade ore as a basis to You have what is termed in miners' parlance, a "grass-root" shipper; in other words, a mine which has pay ore from the start, which only needs opening up for cheap extraction and for letermining the extent of the one

I can say without reservation that "Sunset" is "the strike" of 1896 in Trail Creek, and it is the "peer" of any mine in the district at the same stage of development.

Yours very truly, FRANK J. DAVEY.

Rossland, B. C., Jan. 3, 1897. Howard C. Walters, Esq., Rossland,

B. C .: Dear Sir,-As per your request, I visited the Sunset No. 2 mine this morning. The time at my disposal being limited, I confined my inspection to the main shaft, which is being sunk near the center of the claim, on an exceptionally well-defined vein, the general course of which lies in north-shares.

The ore is a highly silicious pyrho- | easterly and southwesterly directions. The vein at this point has a general width of between five and six feet, and is between almost vertical walks, though at the bottom walls are changing and the dip of the vein is towards the north.

The shaft is now down a distance of 60 feet and has been sunk on ore rapidly widened to the full width of from the surface, varying in width from a few inches to four and five \$56 was obtained; the average where feet in places. The vein is about five feet wide at the bottom of the shaft, ore body was widest being about \$46 | showing about three feet of ore on the to \$48, then as is mentioned above, the hanging wall side in the west end,

It is very evident that this shaft stated. The pitch of the ore-chute is has been sunk on the extreme east waste or gange that now lies on the foot will cut out, and the entire veir be filled with ore. A drift is

As soon as this shaft is sufficiently advanced to permit men to work both in drift and shaft the superintendent tinue the sinking of the shaft and driving of levels at convenient distances, when stoping will be com-

The Sunset, from present showing, certainly seems to have a bright future before it, and unless the unexpected happens, it is safe to predict. will soon rank as one of the shipping of Trail Creek.

Respectfully yours, CHAS. P. ROBBINS.

Rossland, B. C., Jan. 4, 1897. H. Walters, Esq., Rossland, B. C.: Dear Sir,-As you desired an expression of opinion regarding the 'Sunset' mineral claim, I accordingly visited and examined it, and beg to state as follows:

The property is admirably located regarding its relative position to other claims already proved to be valuable, being bounded on the north by the 'Phoenix," and lying adjacent to the Nest Egg." "Homestake" and others. There are two good shafts on the roperty that have been sunk on the In the one at present sinking, and which has a depth of about feet, there is a continuous chute of ore from the surface down, varying in width from one to five feet, an which, considering the unusually high and constant assays value, viz., about \$40 in gold, gives the property a prospective value second to none in the district, considering the amount of development already done.

I know of no other mining prospect in the district where the ore samples as well and is more deserving of a thorough exploitation. In view of this, I should suggest that the development be rapidly pushed along, and that a mining plant adequate for the same be installed on he property, which has such a favorable promise of making a valuable mine

I am, yours very truly, JAMES D. SWORD,

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