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MASSACRE OF WOMEN

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NO KILLINGS

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Underwear and Hosiery for Week-End Shoppers

UNDERWEAR

AT 15¢ OR 2 FOR 25¢—Ladies Cotton Vests, long sleeves, short sleeves, and no sleeves.

AT 20¢—Ladies Cotton Vests, long sleeves, short sleeves, excellent value.

AT 25¢ AND 35¢—Ladies Extra Fine Cotton Vests, with lace yokes, low neck and no sleeves.

AT 30¢—Ladies Special Quality Cotton Vests, with lace yokes and necks, and sleeves lace trimmed. Low neck and no sleeves, also short sleeves and long sleeves.

AT 45¢—Ladies Cotton Vests of splendid quality, low neck and short sleeves, low neck and no sleeves. Neck trimmed with lace and ribbon draw.

AT 50¢—Ladies Fine Cotton Vests, high neck and short sleeves. Open front.

The above are merely a few of a modestly priced underwear items—we have other underwear in more elaborate styles and trimmings at any price you feel disposed to pay.

HOSIERY

THE CELEBRATED PENMAN'S HOSE, seamless, full fashioned. Per pair 50c and **35¢**

CHILDREN'S AND MISSES' PENMAN'S HOSE, all sizes, plain or ribbed. Per pair, according to size, 50c and **25¢**

THE "LITTLE MISCHIEF" HOSE for the youngsters, silk inside and outside, wool centre. In black, tan, cream, sky, pink and blue. Sizes 4 to 6½. Per pair, 50c and **35¢**

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SEATTLE, March 17.—With their in the east of prosecuting fraudulent coal lands ended with several indictments at Seattle and Alaska. A. J. Townsend, chief of the field division of the United States land office, and B. D. Townsend, assistant attorney-general, will leave Chicago at once and move the scene of their operations to Seattle, where three important cases now await them. The return of Mr. Townsend and Mr. Townsend will complete the mobilization in Seattle of the government's forces in charges of fraudulent coal land cases. With them will come five or six of the special agents and assistants of the attorney-general who have been instrumental in gaining sixteen indictments in Detroit and Chicago.

Mr. Townsend, assistant attorney-general, with headquarters at Omaha, who for the past four years has been prosecuting land cases exclusively, is already on the scene, and for two weeks has been preparing the government's brief of facts for the coming cases in the absence of Mr. Townsend.

Besides Mr. Townsend, an addition to the field division has just been made in the person of Mr. S. H. Hibbard, government surveyor and mining expert, who arrived this week from Denver. Mr. Hibbard it was who investigated the coal fields in Alaska to determine whether the law was in all cases being carried out, with the result that he found that it was not.

The first skirmish in the coming campaign will take place on March 20, when Judge C. H. Hanford will hear arguments on a demurrer filed by attorneys for Christopher Cornelius and George Stimmons, who were indicted by the federal grand jury sitting at Tacoma last fall, charged with conspiracy to defraud the government of 6087 acres of coal lands at Kalama, Alaska, said to be worth more than \$1,000,000. The most important of the cases before the local office will be that of the "English claimants" or the Munday group, composed of Archie W. Shields, C. F. Munday, Algeron A. Munday and Earl W. Siegler. The indictment, returned at Tacoma, charges that on May 1, 1905, the men named entered into a conspiracy to defraud the government of eight-thirty coal claims, each of 180 acres, for the use and benefit of the Alaska Development company and the Pacific Coal and Oil company.

The trial is set for March 28 in the United States district court.

The third group, indictments against whom have been returned, is composed of D. A. McKensie, C. A. McKensie, Harry White, Charles Doughton and Raymond Brown. Indictments against this group were returned by the grand jury sitting at Spokane at the September term, and this case will be tried at Spokane, after the cases here are disposed of.

Can't Buy War Talk

GREELEY, Colo., March 17.—Scores of men and boys last night attacked the house of George Ikeda, a local Japanese merchant, smashed all the windows and dispersed before the police arrived.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Grant, of Vernon, who have been visiting in the city, left last night on their return home.

MOTHER COUNTRY AND RECIPROcity

Questions Asked and Answered in House of Commons—Part Taken by Ambassador Bryce Discussed

LONDON, March 17.—In the House of Lords today Lord Morley, replying to a question, said every message from Ambassador Bryce relating to the negotiations between Canada and the United States had been presented in parliament with the exception of certain necessary omissions. The government did not propose to publish further correspondence with the government.

In the House of Commons today Mr. Tennant asked if Great Britain was likely to get more advantages under the reciprocity arrangement if also, about wait until it was actually ratified. He also asked whether Sir Edward Grey thought the steps taken to safeguard British interests sufficient.

Sir Edward Grey replied that he thought the best steps had been taken, and it would be very undesirable to interfere with the Canadian ministers in matters within their competency. Canada had received Britain's representations sympathetically.

INTERNATIONAL SHOW

LONDON, March 17.—Olympia will be converted at a cost of \$250,000 into an old-fashioned English village for the International Home Show, which will be held during coronation week. Visitors will sit beneath the latticed windows of old-fashioned cottages; they will walk among beautiful flower gardens dotted here and there with sun dials, and take their refreshments in models of historic village hostels.

The Elizabethan cottages, with their quaint gables, will extend from one end of the arena to the other, and in the centre will be a large beehive hall, which will constitute the royal box. At night it will be a village of 20,000 lights cunningly hidden in the latticed window settings to represent the soft glow of thousands of candles. The arena will be laid out as a flower garden, the background of the ring representing the wall of an old English country house. An army of gardeners is already at work preparing a color scheme for the floral decoration which has to be carried out in six days.

The entries this year up to the present are well in advance of previous years, and for the first time in the history of the show German exhibitors will be represented in the jumping competition.

Traffic up to now heads the list of entries, with 27,000 German exhibitors, next with fourteen, France ten, Belgium eight, Sweden six, Austria six and the United States and Canada three each.

The most interesting feature of the show will be the appearance of the Russian tanks and drosky vehicles, which offer great facilities for displaying the art of driving. A great gala festival will take place on coronation day, and all the officers taking part in the show will join the grand riding display.