

6. Colored servants in livery will be provided to save editors the manual labor of placing rejected manuscript in the waste-paper basket.

7. Editors will please not swear at the proofreader. A professional blasphemer from the Powers has been engaged for this purpose.

8. The paste will be scented with heliotrop, violet or ylang-ylang, as may be desired.

COMPOSITORS.

1. It is expected that each compositor will be a member of at least four labor unions.

2. The rates of pay will be increased as often as desired.

3. The hours of labor will be diminished every week.

REPORTERS.

1. Each reporter will be provided with a brougham upholstered in blue satin.

2. The proprietors will always be glad to receive advice from the reporters with regard to the policy of the paper.

3. Terrapin and canvas-back duck will not be served at reporters' desks after 4 p.m. Champagne and *pate-de-foir-gras* sandwiches may be ordered at all hours.

5. Reporters will not be permitted to accept free tickets to places of amusement. The office will provide as many tickets as reporters may wish for themselves, their friends or relatives. Boxes at the opera must be applied for three days in advance.

5. All expense accounts will be paid without question.

6. Reporters will not be expected to appear in evening dress before 6 p.m. after that hour it will be obligatory.

7. Any reporter who does not care to work on an assignment will please notify the city editor with reasonable promptness, so that it may be given to some one else.

GENERAL RULES.

1. Salaries will be increased the first and fifteenth of every month.

2. Any employee wishing to borrow money will be cheerfully accommodated by applying at the business office.

3. Any employee who is not satisfied with the brand of cigars supplied by the office will oblige the proprietors by complaining.

All employees are entitled to ten months vacation each year. — *Life*.

Literary Notes.

The new booklet of the Western Real Estate Association, which has been in successful operation for several years has just been issued. It is a very neat little publication, complete in detail, having thirty-two pages. It will be sent to any real estate dealer for a stamp and will be found well worth his perusal. The main office of the Association is No. 9 "Tribune" Building, Chicago and Chas. A. Sweetland is manager.

Waghorn's Guide for April, contains the new time card of the Northern Pacific taking effect on the 3rd inst. The changes are also recorded on the Galt road. The sailing of Atlantic steamers are fully given with information of service and the new summer rates of

passage. A number of new post offices are shown as opened, with their location and stage connections, also new money order offices. Additions have been made to the list of banks in the province. Municipal offices and the general business tables contain all additions and changes to date.

The following is a summary of the objects which the *Argus*, Winnipeg's coming daily, promises to support: 1. Provincial and North-western interests. 2. A vigorous immigration policy, with a view to the speedy settlement of Manitoba and the North-west Territories. 3. To explain the resources of the country for mining, manufacturing and farming industries. 4. To show to foreign capitalists the advantages to be derived from the investment of capital in Winnipeg, Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. 5. To advocate a strict control over all public expenditure without impairing the efficiency of public service. 6. To explain to incoming settlers the best methods of starting farming operations with a view to success and prosperity. 7. To support the interests of both property and labor in Winnipeg and its neighborhood. 8. To support and maintain the rights of the people, irrespective of creed or class. 9. To give a fair and general support to the liberal-conservative party of Canada.

With the April number, the *Cosmopolitan* completes its twelfth volume in a manner worthy the wide and growing popularity of this magazine. The *Cosmopolitan* is the most superbly illustrated of the monthlies and the pictorial embellishment of the April number is rather above the average. The leading article is on "Genoa—the home of Columbus," written by Murat Halstead, who recently visited the city, and illustrated from photographs of all the principal relics of the great navigator which remain in Genoa. "A romance of old shoes," by Miss Elsie Anderson de Wolfe exhibits the best of the remarkable historical collection at Cluny. "Torpedoes in Coast Defence," is the title of a timely paper by Lieut. A. M. D'Armit, of the U. S. Army, with photographs and drawings by J. O. Davidson. Wallace Wood treats of "Homes of the Renaissance," in an illustrated paper, and William H. Rideing, is the author of a delightfully written and profusely illustrated article on "The Crew of a Transatlantic Liner." "The Marriage of American Women to German Noblemen" is discussed by Elizabeth Von Wedel an American who is now the wife of a titled subject of the Kaiser. Other papers are: "The Theatre of To-day," by Cora Maynard; "Two English Men of Letters," by Brander Matthews; "All Sorts and Conditions of Men," by Edward Everett Hale; "A Living Opal," by Ernest Ingersoll, and "Count Leo Tolstoy," a description of the family life of the great Russian novelist and reformer by a friend of his family. Besides all these attractions, the April *Cosmopolitan* is rich in fiction and poetry. "The Rancho of Heavenly Rest," is a vigorous sketch of the southwest, full of action and local color. Its writer is Forbes Heermans, the author of "Thirteen" and more stories. The illustrations are by Irving R. Wiles. "Princess Ratanoff," by Casimir M. Podgoraki, is a characteristic tale of Russian Court life in the days of the Czar Paul I. Frederic Remington has illustrated delightfully "The Rustic Dance," a

poem by Irving Bacheller, and other verses have been written for this number by George MacDonald, Katherine Lee Bates, Charlotte L. Seaver and Sarah M. B. Piatt.

Prosperity of the Indians.

The annual report of the Indian Department of Canada, as presented recently at Ottawa, is very satisfactory. The amount of credit in the Trust Funds last June was over \$3,500,000, whilst the expenditure of last year amounted to about \$932,000, including British Columbia with \$85,000.

The condition of the Indians in British Columbia was dealt with in this report. From one end of the province to the other prosperity and contentment reigned among the Indians during last year, even on the North-West coast, where but a few years since considerable difficulty was experienced, owing to the exaggerated ideas instilled into their minds as to their land rights. Many tribes have been seriously affected by influenza, and many died from it or from the consequences which followed an attack.

Four schools of the industrial type were established at Metlakatla, Kamloops, Kuper Island, and Kootenay, and continue to give unqualified satisfaction, and so pleased are the Indians with the prospects presented to them of having their children educated, and trained to a knowledge of the trades and agriculture, that the principals of these institutions report that if the buildings had double the lodging capacity they now possess, there would be no difficulty in filling them. It is hoped that the industrial institution which it is proposed to be established on Cormorant Island in Alert Bay, for the purpose of instructing the Indians of the Kwakweth tribe in the industries, will be brought into operation during the year.

The Kootenay Indians have been less discontented, and apparently much better satisfied with their circumstances than they have been for years, and the uneasiness noticeable during the winter, which arose from intercourse with their friends south of the line, has entirely disappeared. At Metlakatla a new hospital has been built and opened to the public.

The Indian population in the Dominion is estimated at 120,000 including 30,000 in British Columbia.

Victoria Colonist: Reliable information just to hand gives the assurance that the railroad from Marcus, Washington, into Nelson, B.C.—the Nelson and Fort Sheppard—will be taken in hand at once and completed during the present summer; that is if the Government assists the road with the land warrants asked for. Within a month, the connection between the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern, at Sand Point, will be completed, and the route to the great Kootenay country, via Bonner's Ferry, opened to traffic. Another line yet is projected from Bonner's Ferry to the Nelson neighborhood, of which more will probably be heard at an early date. The men of means who are identified with these enterprise look upon the future of South-west Kootenay as full of great possibilities, and are preparing to take advantage of the prosperity anticipated to the full extent.