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From Day to Day

WINTER SOUND.

Around me, to the far horizon's rim, The snowdrifts lie in spotless prim, But all day long I dream of violet trim.

Vancouver, Jan. 12.—Henry Augustus Bading, a young lawyer of 22 years of age, said to hail from Tacoma, is languishing in the police cells, having been arrested in a Seymour street rooming house on a charge of abduction. He is charged with having eloped from Tacoma with fourteen-year-old Lillian Le Furgy, daughter of a prominent lumberman of that city. The couple took the boat from Seattle to Victoria, where they were married on New Year's day. The girl's father, P. J. Le Furgy, came to Vancouver some days ago in search of the runaway, but did not succeed in locating them until yesterday. He immediately communicated with the police and young Bading was arrested while the girl's father was taken in charge by her father. They are registered at the Woods Hotel. The girl's mother is expected to arrive this afternoon from Tacoma, when it is likely that a family council will be held and a decision arrived at as to whether the young couple will be allowed to go their way together or Bading extradited and the charge of abduction gone on with.

A DUO OF ROMANCE.

A special despatch to a British Columbia paper from Woodstock, N. B., not long ago, says: A romantic wedding took place this afternoon at the home of the bride when Miss Lena Burt, daughter of Mr. William Burt, of Woodstock, was married to Mr. Noel Brittain, and the couple left this evening for their future home in Repulse Bay, N. B. Before the departure of Mr. Brittain for the west some years ago, he was engaged to marry Miss Burt. Their correspondence continued until recently. In the meantime Miss Burt became engaged to a prominent young business man of Woodstock, and the wedding was arranged to take place shortly. An announcement card was sent to Mr. Brittain in Revelstoke. He promptly sent along some presents to the bride, which she accepted as promptly followed, arriving here a few days ago. He arranged another date, one day before the proposed wedding with the Woodstock man, and carried off his lady love to his western home.

MUSICIAN'S LUCK.

The name of Grau immediately suggests New York and grand opera and things musical generally. So that no little interest pertains to the following despatch: New York, Jan. 13.—The utmost anxiety is felt by the family and friends of Robert Grau, once manager of such celebrities as Adelina Patti and Helena Modjeska, over the disappearance of the former impresario. Mr. Grau having been absent two weeks and his departure having been surrounded by strange circumstances it is now generally believed he either has met with foul play or that his mind became unbalanced because of the pathetic straits in which he found himself after years of prosperity and fame. The transition was so sudden that the theatrical world fears the worst. Not a word has been heard from the manager.

Two weeks ago Mr. Grau, whose brother Maurice was superseded in the management of the Metropolitan opera house, suddenly disappeared. He was seen in the office, and despite the cold, left abruptly without his overcoat. Absolutely no clue to where he went has been heard. He did not visit friends; he has not been reported at any police station, nor at morgue. Mrs. Grau, who has two daughters, were in New Rochelle, when some of the great agents were earning money for the husband and father. It was the farrowest tour of Mme. Patti that levelled the manager to the ranks of those merely drawing salaries. In January, 1904, when Grau was placed on the stand in supplementary proceedings on application of John Baldwin Hand, he said: "I did not make one cent out of the tour of Paris. I had a contract with the singer for her American tour, but could not execute it. All my money went, and finally I was so reduced that I had to accept a paltry salary of \$50 a week for my travelling ex-

penses, hotel bills, etc. And now there is not a cent coming to me from any source."

SOCIAL.

Miss K. M. Macdonald, B.A., of Wetaskiwin, formerly of Toronto, spent the week-end in town with Mrs. Cogwell and Miss Ross. Mrs. Short has issued invitations to a tea on Wednesday afternoon. The tea given by Mrs. Hubbell on Saturday afternoon proved to be a quite enjoyable affair and largely attended. Mrs. Hubbell, attractively gowned in soft gray with white lace trimmings, received her guests in the pretty hallway. Mrs. Robert Mays and Mrs. Mills assisted in looking after the pleasure of the numerous guests. In the tea room Mrs. Braithwaite and Mrs. Allan Fraser poured tea and coffee, whilst Miss Webster, Miss Johnston, Miss Somerville and Miss Pruyne aided in serving the dainty refreshments. The table, with decorations of pure white carnations and intertwining ropes of smilax, made a freshly attractive picture. Among the many guests present were Mrs. Beck, Mrs. McMahon, Mrs. Thibault, Mrs. Cross, Mrs. McQueen, Mrs. Graydon, Mrs. Turnbull, Mrs. Gardner, Mrs. Ewing, Mrs. Bower, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Saunders, Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Jellet, Mrs. Percy Hardisty, Mrs. M. J. McLeod, Mrs. Emery, Mrs. Nightingale, the Misses Hudspeth, Mrs. Ferris, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Forin, Mrs. Bolton, Mrs. Norquay, Mrs. St. George Gray, Mrs. Jolley, Mrs. Watt, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Duncan Smith, Mrs. Barnes, Mrs. Smith.

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Pay no heed to the irksome peck, For it's only a mile away; Only a mile to a cozy seat, Where you can sit in your slippers feet; Only a mile to an innkeeper, And a glorious pipe and a glorious beer; Take no thought of the weary peck, For it's only a mile away! —Pall Mall Gazette.

THE POOR WITH US.

A Peep Into Conditions in Edmonton. Edmonton is splendidly prosperous, a radiant, energetic western city that is forging its way ahead in quite irresistible fashion. It is an inspiring sight to the on-looker, but if one only looks closely enough it is not without its cases of need, too. For this one must look closely, however. As one wide-awake clergyman said: "There are several families here who are in need—not destitute, remember—but in need; only they won't own up to it. They are rarely reached except through individual acquaintances. This class of whom he speaks are mostly people who reached Edmonton last summer and autumn, and who have not yet got fairly settled in the country. A few such cases were being helped by an East-end church, but have now become independent of aid. They only furnished an instance of the thoughtfulness that common humanity demands from the prosperous settled westerner toward the incoming families. These will some day form prosperous homes of their own, but just at first the road is not an easy one. Another case that has been looked after by the Civic Relief Committee for several weeks is now at a point where outside help is needed.

WHO WILL HELP THIS MAN?

A man, with a wife and family of five small children, has been for some time discharged from the hospital after a severe attack of typhoid fever. He is now able to work again, but so far has been unable to get any employment. He is a hod-carrier, can mend horses and do any sort of odd jobs. One would think that many in Edmonton would have work for such a man to enable him to provide for his family. Poverty is no disgrace, but it is a very uncomfortable affliction,

and the well-to-do man or woman who for sheer thoughtfulness lets a brother or sister in the human family go with lean stomach and failing energy are one would rather not see what. At any rate, there are times when thoughtlessness is assuredly criminal.

A KINDLY DEED.

On the other hand there comes to me today a story of gentle feeling and practical humanity that is one tempted to linger over. Some readers may recall a letter published in the Bulletin of Nov. 22, from a poor woman in Lougheed district and addressed to Mayor May. She wanted help for herself and four small children, who were left practically destitute whilst her husband, a new settler, had been arrested for a petty theft. The man has since been released on parole, because of highly extenuating circumstances, and is doing well.

But in the meantime some good hearts among the women of Edmonton had voluntarily set to work to help the poor family beginning the winter in a bare mud shack on the prairie. The mayor had personally sent assistance at once, as the case was beyond the city's jurisdiction. Then one woman who has done much quiet charitable work here for some years used her telephone with fine effect, and on the first day \$30 in cash had been donated. Before the Christmas box was finally ready it included groceries, clothing, flour, bed and springs with bedding. It will be remembered the man had been arrested for carrying off an old bed frame to provide some other resting place for his wife than the floor of the shack. That was a veritable Santa Claus visitation to the homesteader's bleak house in December, and just recently a letter came from this woman, pouring out her gratitude to her sister-women for their goodness. She assured the senders that every object had been put to use and had been beddy bled.

It is a distinct pleasure to have such an instance to record. Word has come through of just such a case as Rev. Mr. Gray spoke of—of a case that with some work and small income is still in straitened means, but does not "care to own up to it" publicly. These are the people best deserving of aid—independent, hard-working people who temporarily at least Fortune does not favor. For deserving people on whom this severe winter has come too hard there is relief always to be had on application to the Civic Relief Committee at the city hall to the various clergymen, or to the Salvation Army barracks.

RECEPTION DAYS.

Mrs. Bulyea will receive on Thursday of this week at Government House. Mrs. Auguste Noel will not receive tomorrow as formerly announced, but will receive on the following Wednesday.

SOCIAL.

Lady Davies' dance at Ottawa recently in honor of her youngest daughter, Miss Mary Davies, and her guest, Miss Katherine Steele, of Toronto, was a brilliant affair. The house was prettily decorated with holly, evergreen and mistletoe. The hostess, who received in the library, wore a handsome gown of black accented with blue tulle and black left feta trimmed with sequins and lace. Miss Gertrude Davies was gowned in white crepe de chine made in empire effect, trimmed with pearls and lace. Miss Mary Davies looked very dainty and sweet in pale blue sole de union over blue tulle. Among the guests who have friends in Edmonton were the Misses Oliver, Miss Marjorie Powell, Miss Gladys Hanbury-Williams, Miss Edith Fielding, Miss Elinor Bates, Miss Nora Lewis, Miss Elinor Taylor, of Edmonton, and Miss Mary Fitzpatrick.

WESTERN GIRL TO WED.

High River Times: The announcement of the approaching marriage of Miss Limoges was the cause of much surprise to her many friends, who had no intimation that the event was to take place so soon. Even when Mr. W. L. Christie left some time ago for Montreal and Miss Limoges followed a few days later, it was not surmised that these two were so shortly to be united in the holy bonds of wedlock. The exact date of the wedding has not been learned by the Times, but it will occur about January 16th, in the Archbishop's Palace, Montreal. The bride is at present in Montreal, and her father, Mr. Joseph Limoges, her father, is now on his way there, to be present at the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Christie will spend some time in New York, and Palm Beach, Fla., before sailing for England, where they will make their future home. There is perhaps no one in High River who will be more missed in social circles than Miss Limoges, who has spent most of her life here and is a general favorite, yet all rejoice with her in her happy marriage. Her father congratulates Mr. Christie, who has succeeded in inducing her to sever

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