

A GIGANTIC ROBBERY.

The Recent Theft of \$350,000 From the Bank of Liverpool.

Not for 40 years has a British bank suffered a fraud of such magnitude as that of the Bank of Liverpool. According to the official statements issued by the bank authorities at first estimated their probable loss at £170,000 (\$350,000). Some of this has been, or is being, recovered.

Thomas Peterson Goudie, the bank's bookkeeper, whose disappearance is the occasion of so much speculation, has been found after five years in the employment of the bank. He possessed all the characteristics of a good clerk and had won confidence by his methodical, punctual and zealous habits.

He was his duty as the cheques sent to the bank were passed through his department to make an entry in the ledger of their receipt. The cheques of a certain London bank were received by him, but no entry was made of their receipt, and he is supposed to have himself cashed them and destroyed them.

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The Bank of Shanghai early in the last century lost \$1,800,000 through the forgeries of one Faunteroy, who was hanged for the crime. The Commercial Bank of London in 1861, and Parr's Bank, two years ago, were each robbed by clerks to the extent of \$200,000, but in each case the greater part of the amount was sent back or recovered.

All the newspapers in three public libraries in Fulham are now under the ban of a censor. Every day he blacks out some columns of letterpress—from one paper only an inch or two, from another half a column or more.

Of the "Voice of the Prophets," "Old Joe's Trebles," "Newmarket Notes," "Tips for Next Week" and similar items, nothing is left but the titles.

upon librarians. Already they have acquired some acquaintance with horse racing, for, since the end of last week, when they first commenced operations, not a single tip or starting price has been spared.

Printer's ink of durable black quality and a specially made hand roller of the width of a news column are the appliances. By this means objectionable news is rendered absolutely illegible without spoiling any other portion of the newspaper.

The object of all this is that the public libraries of Fulham shall offer no assistance to betting or encouragement to betting men to frequent the reading rooms.

According to people who use the rooms, one immediate effect of this is that greater silence prevails, as there is no longer a hum of voices raised in a discussion about the racing tips.

But despite all criticism, the new regulations are to remain in force. The Fulham council, having recently cleaned and renovated the public libraries, evidently intends that they shall also be purged for the moral good of the community.—London Express.

Some Strange Things That Have Recently Been Discovered.

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is the locating of the veritable "Land of Gold," the existence of which has been a legend among the Aztecs in Mexico for more than six centuries. Somewhere—so ran the story—among the fastnesses of the Sierra Madre is a wonderful valley. Small, enclosed in high, rocky walls, it can be reached by a single subterranean passage, the entrance to which has often been sought but never found.

All this has long been believed to be an Indian legend pure and simple. In the early part of last summer, however, a party of gold-seekers stumbled accidentally upon the valley in question. There could be no doubt about it. There was the subterranean passage, the lofty precipices, the river and the broad ledge of glistening metal; only, unfortunately for the adventurers, the latter proved to be, not gold at all, but iron pyrites.—Detroit News-Tribune.

The "Sin-Wan-Pao" attacks the so-called State Lottery, which is announced as "already beginning to sell tickets in Peking. It says that it is a disgrace to China. It is as if the throne were leading the whole nation into the practice of gambling, and the whole land will become vast gambling hell.

The whole scheme is disgraceful. Lotteries are a subversive or regular business. They are driven out of the Shanghai foreign settlement, but the Chinese government is tickled with the idea that by this delightfully simple plan the indemnities will be paid. The whole scheme is disgraceful.

The War Eagle mine is being unwatered. Pumping operations were commenced on Sunday, and the work is going ahead steadily. A week or ten days will be required to unwater the mine, and it is expected that regular mining operations will be commenced without further delay.

The Trail smelter is likely to close down for a month within the next few days. This step is caused by the necessity of replacing the present rock crusher by more modern machinery of larger capacity. The crusher in use was in the plant when it was sold by the Heinz interest, and has outgrown its usefulness, the balance of the plant having gone ahead too rapidly.

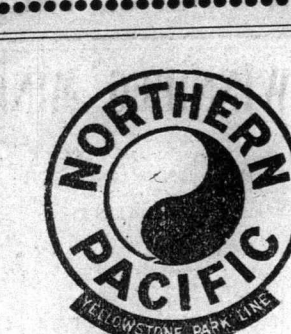
On Sunday a number of small boys were coasting on Queen street, using the sidewalk at a time when a number of persons were passing on Columbia avenue. In one instance a woman came within an ace of being run down and badly injured, being saved by the constant vigilance of the police.

A further adjournment has been granted in the case of Clark vs. Coleman and Adams, that was to have come up for trial at the supreme court sitting opening here today. The action is brought by J. K. Clark of New Denver to recover from J. Frank Colman and Walter A. Adams of Slocan City a large block of stock in the Arlington mine claimed on account of commission on the sale of the property.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. McGregor, who have been in Rossland for the past two weeks, left yesterday for Vancouver via the Canadian Pacific.

Most remarkable of all, however, among recent geological discoveries, is the locating of the veritable "Land of Gold," the existence of which has been a legend among the Aztecs in Mexico for more than six centuries.

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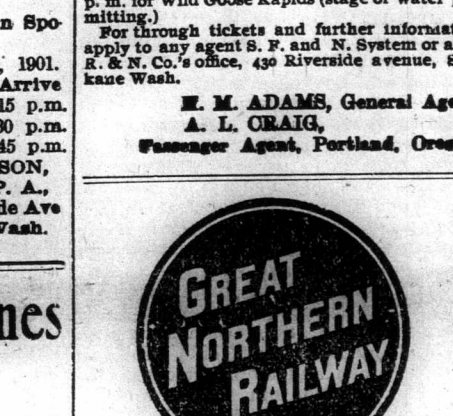
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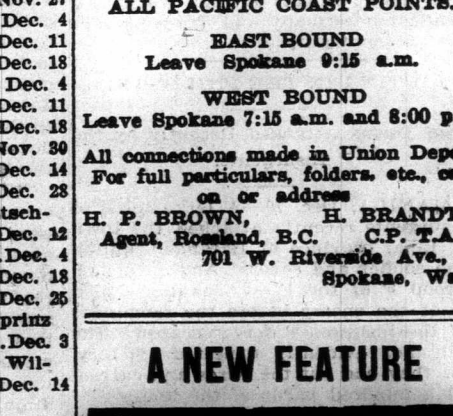
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