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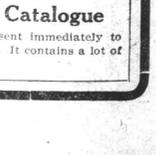
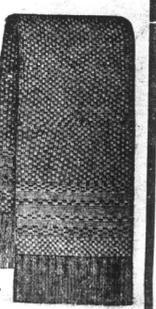
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FIFTIETH YEAR

NEW ENTERPRISE OF B.C. ELECTRIC

Plans to Build Electric Railway From Vancouver to Blaine

HAS PURCHASED CHARTER

Also Secures Option on Power Scheme Projected at Lillooet River

Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 23.—The British Columbia Electric Railway has bought a charter for the construction of an electric railway between Vancouver and the International boundary line at Blaine. This will practically parallel the line of the Great Northern railway.

The same company has secured an option for the purchase of the Lillooet river power scheme, the water rights for which were secured two years ago by Herriman and Burwell, engineers, of Vancouver. There is significance in the two deals, for the company wishes to have ample power for all mainline stations.

The railway charter is a Dominion one, and was owned by Wm. Farrell, of Vancouver, and the estate of the late Dr. Lefevre.

Commissioner Sargent III, Washington, Nov. 23.—Frank P. Sargent, commissioner-general of immigration and naturalization, is critically ill at his home in this city. He returned from New York on Thursday night, and has been confined to his bed ever since. His physical condition is the case of a blood clot on the brain. No one is allowed to see him but his family. His condition was said tonight that Mr. Sargent had a comfortable day, and that his condition was no worse.

CANADA AND THE NAVY

Remarks of Sir Gilbert Parker and Dr. Parkin at Imperial Defence Committee Dinner

London, Nov. 23.—At the dinner of the Imperial Defence committee last night Sir Gilbert Parker said that those who wish to see a strong Canada from the colonies towards the sea thought they saw behind the extension of Sir John Lambert's speech, a special conference the fact that Canada is prepared to bear financial responsibility for the maintenance of a navy, but that Canada was not prepared to subsidize without having representation.

Mr. Parkin, C.M.G., alleged that many Canadians were ashamed that Canada did not contribute, but there were many who were ignorant and who had to be educated.

Gift of Lord Strathcona.

Ottawa, Nov. 23.—The handsome automobile in which Lady Laurier and her friends are to be seen speeding in and about the capital, is the gift of Lord Strathcona.

Over the Century.

Toronto, Nov. 23.—One of the oldest residents, Mrs. Elizabeth Graham, a widow, aged 102 years, died today.

Suspected Fraud.

Hamburg, Nov. 23.—J. C. Moeller, head of the refinery firm of that name at Altona, which suspended on Nov. 21st, was arrested today on suspicion of becoming a bankrupt by fraud.

Mr. Bryan at White House.

Washington, Nov. 23.—President Roosevelt and Wm. J. Bryan were in conference for half an hour in the President's private office at the White House today. "I was not invited," Mr. Bryan said on leaving, "but I called up on the telephone and asked when the President would receive callers, and upon receiving the reply said my respects to the President."

Hindus in Boundary.

Rosland, B. C., Nov. 23.—The Hindu problem in the Boundary district, & the face of the approaching winter, is now reaching an acute stage. At present there are in and around Grand Forks probably seventy-five Hindus who are now idle. The picking of potatoes and other crops in this valley is over, and there is no more work available for these people. The various small owners in the district would willingly give them work, but are prevented by the white laborers, who use violence to the Hindus whenever they become their appearance at the mill. Most of these people have a little money left from their summer earnings, but when this is gone starvation, as well as the winter will take them.

French Colony for Boundary.

Rosland, B. C., Nov. 23.—Rev. Father Ferroux, accompanied by A. Gagnon, a real estate man of Edmonton, were in Greenwood recently, where are interested in the now famous French colony in the Boundary district. The result of their trip is that next week 300 families will go on some 10,000 acres of land purchased by Father Ferroux himself. Two thousand five hundred acres are at the mouth of Wilson creek, and 2,000 in the Kettle River valley above Carmi. These are the professions, but the closing time is in the possession of J. C. Dale, who is in the intention of the colonization to take up at the earliest possible moment.

Mr. Ferroux has secured a contract for the supply of 100,000 ties to be delivered to the C. P. R. in the next twenty-five men will be sent to take up to begin taking them. They will work under James C.

SHERMAN vs. SMITH

Writ for Slander to Be Issued by U. M. W. District President Against Member for Nanaimo

Fernie, Nov. 23.—A writ is to be issued against Ralph Smith, M. P., by P. H. Sherman, district president of the United Mine Workers. Mr. Sherman alleges that Mr. Smith has slandered him, and he claims damages, as well as an unconditional apology.

Mail Service Superintendent

Winnipeg, Nov. 23.—George D. Davidson has been appointed superintendent of railway mail service at Calgary.

Russia Pays Japan.

London, Nov. 23.—Russia today wiped out the balance of her indebtedness to Japan arising from the war, the Russian embassy handing over to the Japanese a check for \$24,302,200. This represents the balance due Japan for the maintenance of the Russian prisoners.

Gold From Bank of France

Paris, Nov. 23.—The Bank of France's operations yesterday decided that the American commercial paper with French signatures and giving gold therefore upon the payment of a premium will be continued. A certain point. The Associated Press is informed that the amount of gold to be thus released will not exceed twenty million dollars at the outside, and may be less. The Bank of France is receiving a premium of three-fifths of one per cent. for the gold.

LOOK FOR SUCCESS OF TREASURY PLAN

Washington Officials Gain Confidence From Visit of Mr. Morgan

Washington, Nov. 23.—J. Pierpont Morgan had a short conference with Secretary Cortelyou this afternoon, and afterwards left for New York. Nothing was disclosed in regard to the object of his visit, and it did not last more than fifteen minutes. Mr. Morgan seemed to be in the best of spirits. A feeling of confidence in the success of the new loan seemed to pervade the treasury today, and the apparently belated by the improvement in the situation in New York.

WEEK IN LONDON

Prices Governed by Developments in New York Market—Protection of Gold Reserve

London, Nov. 23.—Business on the stock exchange has been conducted on a much smaller scale than usual during the past week, but the market is steady in face of the demand for gold from the United States, and evidence of commercial as well as financial unrest in Germany, Italy and Portugal.

Despite the extremely nervous state of the money market, there are no first class stocks show a net rise for the week, a console leading with an improvement of half a point. The American position continues to be a dominant factor with regard to the markets.

The measures taken by the Secretary of the Treasury so far have not relieved the situation as much as anticipated, and it is reported that some of the new short term bonds will be issued in France further gold across the Atlantic. The British seven per cent bank rate is attracting fair supplies of gold from the continent, thereby relieving the situation to a moderate extent, and reports that France is releasing small amounts directly to the United States also had a favorable effect at the end of the week.

At the same time, with the bank reserve below \$20,000,000, and the evidence of commercial depression in Germany as well as in America, discount brokers recognize the necessity of assisting the Bank of England to prevent further depletion of the gold reserves, and they have put the discount rates practically up to the bank level. This uneasiness in the money market spread to the stock exchange in the latter part of the week, and induced operators there to reduce commitments considerably pending confirmation of the better position prevailing in the United States at the week end.

All rates have been governed entirely by the uncertainty existing in Wall Street. The market fluctuations here at times have been wide and erratic, and have resulted in a net decline of 7 1/2 points in Louisville & Nashville, 3 points in Erie common and 3 points in Erie preferred. Other changes in the week ranged from 2 points lower, with business almost entirely in the money market. The market today was firm on Secretary Cortelyou's announcement regarding the proceeds of the treasury bonds issue. Next week's arrival of \$450,000 in gold, it is expected, will be keenly competed for.

Calgary Liberal Candidate

Calgary, Nov. 23.—The Liberals of Calgary last night nominated Dr. Stewart as their candidate for the commons. Dr. Stewart was the candidate in 1904.

WHEAT MOVING TOWARD MARKET

Loosening of Money Strings Bringing Out Grain of Prairies

CONFIDENCE IS RESTORED

Wheat Bringing a Higher Price at Winnipeg Than at Minneapolis

Winnipeg, Nov. 23.—All grain men interviewed with regard to financial conditions stated they decided that there was undoubtedly being felt, both in Winnipeg and throughout the entire west, and that a strong evidence of this was to be seen in the fact that grain was being purchased freely at almost all shipping points in the province, several of which have been closed during the past two or three weeks. They also state that the high rate at which wheat is selling in Winnipeg at the present time is another indication that the money is beginning to flow to the prairie, and that confidence is restored among all who are engaged in the handling of grain.

Wheat is selling at a much higher figure in Winnipeg today than it is in Minneapolis. It will be remembered that previous to the time when the movement was made to seek assistance from the government, wheat took a drop of twenty cents in fourteen days. Some idea of how freely grain is moving may be formed from the weekly statements issued by the C.P.R. During the week, November 15, to November 21, there were 144,000 bushels of grain more than for the seven days previous.

Mr. Gompers Re-Elected

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 23.—Samuel Gompers today was unanimously re-elected president of the American Federation of Labor.

HINDUS ARE HURRYING TOWARDS CALIFORNIA

Many Are Leaving Seattle For Warmer Climate of the South

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 23.—With winter weather coming, Starvation starting them in the face, the luckless Hindus who have been making their headquarters in Seattle during the last two months are hurrying away to California. Those who can raise the money are going by boat or train. The rest are waiting for a boat.

Nine more of them, who were yesterday from Vancouver. After talking over the situation with their countrymen, who had been here, they decided that Seattle is not the place for them, and they say they will leave the train this evening for San Francisco.

Hindu Refuge is Found.

Least evening Policeman Charles Van Rieky discovered where a band of the dark-skinned strangers he had been staying for the last month. They are living in a shanty on College street, near Rialto boulevard, sleeping on the floor. Until two weeks ago they had been employed in digging a sewer, but business necessities have driven them to the kind of work since. They have no money whatever, and their only food is a quart of a spoiled potato soup, a few pounds of flour. They have not even an axe with which to cut firewood.

Huddled around the fire like so many outcasts with barely enough clothes to cover their bodies, the Hindus are a pitiful spectacle. And yet they are proud to ask for assistance. The neighbors say they have caused no trouble.

"I do not care how we are going to do," said John Obu, the leader of the little band, his quavering voice being heard above the din of the morning. "Because of the wet weather we are not able to get work any more. We have no money and little food. I wish we could manage some way to get back to India. We thought we would be able to get plenty of work in this country."

No Place for Them.

Charles Lopez, a Hindu porter employed in a First Avenue barber shop, who has been here several years, says his countrymen should adopt the American way of living or stay at home. "Their habits are so different from those of the white man that it is difficult for them to live here," he said. "They will not work for the white man, and they have furnished a place to cook for many of them lately who have gone hungry for two or three days rather than eat food prepared by other hands. They will starve to death before they will forego their religion. They will not eat beef."

Employment Agency Tricks.

SLOCAN MINING CASE

Full Court Finds for Appellants in Star Mining Company vs. Byron White

Vancouver, Nov. 23.—The full court today handed down judgment in the appeal of the Star Mining company versus the Byron White company, involving possession of two claims in the Slocan district to the famous Slocan Star mine. The latter is the property of the Byron White company, who claimed the right to follow a vein through the disputed territory under the old "apex" law. Chief Justice Finlay, in the trial judge's judgment for the Byron White company and ordered the injunction obtained by the appellants to be dissolved. The full court now reverses this judgment, orders restoration of the injunction, and grants the appellants the right to an accounting. Justice Irving and Martin concur in the decision, Justice Morrison dissenting. The case will be taken to the privy council on appeal.

GREENE AND GAYNOR

Another Case Made in Long Drawn Out Case—Extradition Question Involved

Washington, Nov. 23.—A petition for a writ of certiorari in the famous case against John D. Greene and John P. Gaynor, in which they have been convicted of embezzlement of some \$600,000 from the Government of the United States, was filed in the United States supreme court today. The case will involve some international questions because of the fact that Greene and Gaynor were arrested in Canada, and were held for some time by the extrajudicial authorities of the United States. The question will be raised as to whether a writ of certiorari can be granted for a crime not included in the Canadian treaty can be tried for such a crime. The case is of great importance to Canadian authorities upon a demand for extradition based on other crimes. The two men are under sentence of imprisonment for four years by the United States court for the southern district of Georgia in a case of embezzlement and conspiracy, the conspiracy being alleged to have been committed in the United States. The case was argued before the court by the United States attorney, formerly of the United States army, who has already served a term in prison on the same charge.

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Says Issue of Certificates and Canal Bonds Will Work Injury

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"On Friday, November 15, the crisis of the present currency panic had been reached and successfully passed through the splendid achievements of the American bankers buying gold to this country to the extent of about \$15,000,000 at a very great cost to themselves, for it was purchased generally at a premium of about 2 per cent, and also by responding to the various calls in using clearing, various certificates and cashiers' checks in connection with a letter of the bank to the larger denominations of \$10, \$20, \$40 and \$100, as well as the larger denominations of \$100, \$200, \$400 and \$1,000."

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"It is disturbing that the effect is bound to be to the commerce of the country, and to the import of gold on the part of the banks. That operation was related to our coming exports and a strictly business transaction."

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"In conclusion let it be remembered as absolutely certain that the process of our currency policy is injecting into the same danger from which we are now suffering, if only some exciting cause be present to precipitate the trouble."

"For the honor of the government, and for the welfare of the whole country, I sincerely hope that a single three per cent bond will be issued now, and that the administration will have the wisdom, the offer of the \$100,000,000 three per cent issue immediately, thereby relieving the present situation and protecting the people against the future consequences of a most serious mistake."

MINERS TO VOTE ON WAGE SCALE

Choice at Rosland Between Reduction and Closing of Mines

LOW PRICES OF METALS

Ore Production of Kootenay and Boundary Mines for Past Week

Rosland, Nov. 23.—The Rosland miners' union will hold a referendum tomorrow for the purpose of determining whether or not the present scale of wages will be decreased to the scale which prevailed prior to July 1 of this year. The scale at that time provided for \$3.50 a day for miners, instead of \$4 as at present. Other workers around the mines have their wages reduced in the proportion if the vote is in the affirmative. The low prices of metals cut down the profits of the scale of wages is not reduced.

Following are the shipments for the week: Centre Star, 4,120; Le Roi, 3,115; Le Roi No. 1, 2,477; total for week, 7,900, and for year, 248,114 tons.

Nelson, Nov. 23.—Following are the ore shipments in the eastern British Columbia districts for the past week:

District	Week	Year
Boundary	1,273	1,140,981
Rosland	4,407	248,743
East of Columbia river	3,659	156,714
Total	11,339	1,547,037

Moorish Rebels Whipped

Madrid, Nov. 23.—A dispatch from Melilla published here today says that the Moorish rebels in that district were ambushed in the mountains recently and were annihilated by the imperial troops.

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PROPOSED RAILWAYS

Projected Lines to Pass Through Portions of Alberta and British Columbia

Ottawa, Nov. 23.—The Edmonton-Yukon Pacific Railway company will apply next session for an act empowering it to construct a branch line from a point on its authorized line to Vancouver, and from a point on its authorized line to the headwaters of the McLeod and Brazeau rivers, and other in the Yellow Head Pass or Peace River Pass, and thence by such route as is found or deemed most practicable to a point in British Columbia, or to connect with an authorized line of the British Pacific Railway company.

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P. BURNS ADVISES ALBERTA STOCKMEN

Tells Them to Hold Their Cattle for Higher Prices—Irrigation Work

Calgary, Nov. 23.—P. Burns, the leading western Canadian stock raiser, published a letter in today's Alberta wherein he advises the stock raisers of Alberta against selling their beef at this time, and to hold it for two months, when the province will be overrun with buyers who will be glad to pay big prices. He says that he had the money he would buy up every head of stock in Alberta and feed them until spring, when top prices will be realized.

The C. P. R. engineer, says of the advance work to keep the construction force on their hands busy until spring, have been called into the city, where they will spend the winter working up their summer field notes. They have had a busy season, and have cut out and staked hundreds of miles of irrigation canals since last spring.

ALBERTA LUMBERMEN

Further Evidence Intended to Show Combination—Hon. Mr. Finlay's Membership

Edmonton, Nov. 23.—The circumstances leading up to the formation of the Alberta Retail Lumber Dealers' Association for the purpose of opposing the proposed extension of the provisions of the Supreme court yesterday, the two witnesses examined were R. C. Thomas, former secretary of the advisory board of the Western Alberta Lumbermen's Association, whose office became defunct when the Alberta association was formed, and who took an active part in the movement to organize the Alberta lumbermen under a separate organization.

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PARTY IN GOOD FIGHTING FORM