A Victorian Visits Frank

Graphic Description of Recent Disaster by Ex-Speaker

Thrilling Incidents Connected With the Great Land Slide ---Kootenay Affairs.

The Fernie Free Press of the 24th inst., mentions the strival at that place of Ex-Speaker Higgins, where he was the guest of his son, Dr. C. Paul Higgins. After paying a brief compliment to the ex-speaker's ability as an historian, the Fernie contemporary says that Mr. Higgins, who visited the scene of the disaster at Frank, had returned to town deeply impressed with the gravity and immensity of the calamity and the heavy loss of life and property that resulted therefrom. Mr. Higgins reached Victoria Thursday evening, and was interviewed by a Colonist reporter. He says that the present appearance of Frank and vicinity is beyond his powers to describe. The place is a wreck, and public confidence in the stability of Turtle mountain is weak indeed. Many of the business men feel that they have too much at stake to move away, but they remain there at the imminent peril of their lives. The "loose fish" have all gone.

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Turdle mountain marks the boundary between the Bocky Mountain system and the prairie country. It stands or stood before the slide, like a tail sentry overlooking a range of low hills on one side, and the level, fertile builded nearly overlooking a range of low hills on one side, and the level, fertile is about 4,000 feet. Before the slide a perpendicular peak or knoil, some 600 feet high, crowned the mountain and stood clearly defined against the skyline. On the west side of the mountain was a valley about two miles in length. The C. P. R. Co, brid the track of the Crow's Nest Prass railway along the centre of the valley, which is or was watered by Old Man's river, and a small tributary creek. At the foot of the mountain a tunnel has been run into a wide seam of excellent coal, which was been wigorously worked by Mr. Frank of Montana, and there were a tramway and extensive engine houses and ether buildings at the mouth of the tunnel. It is understood that this mine had been disposed for \$1,500,000 to a French company, and payment was to have been made on the 20th instant. Whether it was the frequent explosions of powder in the mountain's internal economy, or whether the disaster was caused by the Inherent weakness of the formation (which is sand and limestone, further weakned by frost and rain) may be never known, but about 4 o'clock in the morning of May 2nd, the peak of knoil broke away with a great roor, and started on its journey toward and across the valley. bringing great masses of broken rock in its train, filling Old Man's river and the small tributary with debrids and huge boulders and overwhelming and destroying nearly cerey living thing in its path.

Nestled almost at the foot of the mountain and in the direct path of the terribe avalanche, were a number of residences occupied by business men of Frank, and two smilling farms, with families domiciled two smilling tain and in the direct path of the terrible avalanche, were a number of residences occupied by business men of Frank, and two smiling farms, with families domicified in neat dwellings. These farms were about 200 acres in extent. The ground was highly cultivated, and there were the usual farm buildings and live stock and implements on the premises. Since the slide no sign of the live or dead stock has been visible on or about the farms, which are burned beneath from 50 to 175 feet of rock deposit. There is no sign now that before the avalanche there were fields in which joyous children played, trim gardens where the early spring flowers were just opening.

only one man—and he a prisoner condemned to death for murder—escaped with his life. He was confined in a deep dungeon, into which the poisonous gases ald not penetrate, and when the worst was over he cawled out of his prison, and as judges and jallers and executioner were all dead, he was free to go where he wished, so he is now a freak in a New York dime museum.

Two or three dwellings were borne on the crest of the rocky wave and the inmates escaped unharmed, but badly frightened. In the dwelling of Mr. Leitch were himself, his wife and six children, three boys and three girls—one a baby of three months. The boys, with the father and mother were hiotted out. The girls were rescued only slightly hurt. When the family retired at 9.30 on the evening before the avalanche, the baby was placed in the hed between the father and mother. The rescuers found the baby fast asseen upon a truss of hay on top of a great pile of broken rock! The father and mother and the boys have not been since seen, and the mystery that agicates people's minds is how the baby escaped in the remarkable manner and was found lying on a small pile of hay that broke its fall—having been deposited so gently that its siumbers were not disturbed. No human agency could have done it, and Mr. Higgins adheres firmly to fibe belief that angels' hands tenderly bore the noor little orphan to a place of safety. The ways of Providence are inscrutable."

Across the valley and haif way up the side of a hill some 600 feet in height. a great place of rok 5.75 feet long by 56 feet in height, reposes as securely as if it had always been there. This secure has western from its resting place on the mountain ton and hurled clear across the two streams and along "he valley until it reached its new location. It is estimated to we fig. 56,000 tons.

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he asked.

"Of course I am." I replied. "I am scared out of my life. My heart's in my throat all the time."

"Then why don't you protest—let's form a committee and wait on the conductor."

"Oh," said I, "control your feelings. You are making a fool of yourself, and then I think I told him (I am almost ashomed to write it) to "dry up."

The old man gray furlows, and the rest that medical men have to

sat down on the other side. Presently the train started and with a muttered, "thank Gawd," he pulled his travelling cap over this eyes and fell asleep or protended to do so, and troubled me no more.

It is related of the division superintendent that he passed the night following the disaster in his private car, which was drawn up under the shadow of the crumbling mountain. Every soul but he left the train. "Foolhardy." I remarked when the incident was mentioned in my presence.

"Not at all," was the reply. "He knew that if he funked the trackbuilders would not relay the track, and so in the interest of his company he placed his life in jeopardy. The next day the men, reassured by his action, came back and went to work."

To give the Colonist readers an idea of

The government can borrow this money at 2½ per cent. Legislation will also taken pastures on which stock roamed, and dwellings where happy human beings made taken one great mound of broken rock on which I stood it is believed that thirty human beings lie buried. There they must like till the dawn of the resurrection. In the whole valley 82 were killed and only ten bodies have been recovered. There were some marvelous escapes—there generally ten bodies have been recovered. There are no some marvelous escapes—there generally are in all great disasters. At Martinique only one man—and he a prisoner condemnolly one man—and he a prisoner condemnol of New Brunswick to Quebec, and then and he a prisoner condemn-er murder—escaped with his

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TENDENCY OF THE TIMES.

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The B. R. Seabrook Machinery and Supply Co.'s Office and the lately imported White Automobile.

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gress, the railways announce that they will grant a single fare for the round

at various points in Northern Ohio to-day. There were reports of tornadoes, but nothing more serious than a heavy straight wind could be located. in twenty years past. "Kayak will develop rapidly. At least fifteen large oil developing outfits will be working there within the next sixty days."

SHOCKING ACCIDENT. Brandon Wholesaler Falls Into Machinery and is Killed.

Winnipeg, May 28 .- At Brandon this Monroe fell into the machinery, and every limb in his body was broken be-fore he could be extricated. He died everal hours later.

NATIONAL SHOOTISTS.

Meeting of Rifle Association Opened in London Yesterday.

during the Wagner commemoration week in this city was arranged by the musical committee last night. Prof. Stillman Kelly, of Yale, will conduct the overture to his opera, "Aladdin," as the American selection. The concert, which will occur on three days tollowing the unveiling of the Wagner statue, will represent the historical development of music from Gluck to Wagner, ment of music from Gluck to Wagner, in invitation was sent to Bandmaster.

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JEFFREYS DIVORCED.

At Edmonton

London, May 28.—Ellis Jeffreys, the well known actress, has been granted a divorce from the Hon. F.G. Ourzon, on the grounds of cruelty and misconduct. Curzon is the son of the late Lord Howe.

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HOME FOR AGED AND INFIRM WOMEN

At the annual meeting of the committee of management of the Aged and In firm Women's Home held vesterday the southeast corner of Lan

London, May 29.—At a meeting of the National Rifle Association today, Lord Chaylesmore, who presided, an mounced that the international competitions and the international competition of the year there are the long than the long in the mounced that the international competition for the Palma trophy would be shot off on July 11, the opening day of the Bisley meeting. Six teams had entered, including teams from the United States and France. King Edward and the Prince of Wales are greatly interested in the contest. The latter had promised to be present. The King has not yet been able to come to a definite decision as to whether he will attend.

At the beginning of the year there were admitted from time to time. Of this number, 3 were removed by death, viz. Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Catherine Smith, Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Catherine Smith, One Mr. Davis, was taken to the insane asylum, and she too has died since then. One has gone to be cared for by her daughter, and one to care for herself, leaving at present 10 in the home. Two of this number pay for their own maintenance, and one is supported by the provincial govone is supported by the provincial gov-

WAGNER FESTIVALS.

Grand International Concert Arranged For at Berlin.

Berlin, May 28.—The programme for the international concert to be given during the Wagner commemoration week in this city was arranged by the concert arranged by the provincial government.

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During the year the sewer has been brought to the home, at a cost of more than \$300. This debt is almost liquidated, as well as several hundred dollars paid on the last new addition to the building, thanks to the kindness of many friends of the institution.

During the year the sewer has been southwest corner of H. C. Robey's claim and adjacent to the northwest corner of Arthur Greenstock's claim; thence costs 80 chains; thence south 80 chains to the place of beginning, containing 640 acres.

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J. A. McFARLAND, Locator. MURDOCK McKAY, Agent. Dated April 7, 1903. OARSMAN DEBARRED.

Denornelle Refused Entry at the Henley Regatta.

New York, May 29.—Ferdinand Denoruelle, the noted amateur oarsman of New Orleans, who entered for the Diamond Sculls at Henley, has been rejected by the Henley authorities, and consequently will not row for the most prized trophy of amateur sculling world. Secretary Fort Myra, of the American Amateur Association, has received a notification from Henley of the rejection of Denoruelle's entry, and has notified the New Orleans Association of the action of the Henley stewards. Denoruelle, who is at the Harlem Rowing the Club, says that he has not been officially of the Commission of the Murphy legacy, as they received none of it.

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The committee wish to contradict the impression that they received a portion of the Murphy legacy, as they received none of it.

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Thanks are extended to James Dunsmuir, M.P.P., and S. M. Robins for generous donations of coal.

Jackson says that several of the mountain desperadoes have been riding night and day since White and Jett were lodged in jail here, and urging the mountaineers to rescue their comrades. The military authorities here have been able to secure no further intelligence from the mountains. It has been decided to

Prizes" with common soaps are dearly paid for at the expense of clothes and hands.

REDUCES EXPENSE

AN ACCIDENT TO CONSTITUTION

Dated April 7, 1903.

MURDOCK McKAY, Locator (2) Commencing at a post being the southwest corner of Edward Lewis' claim, and adjacent to the northwest corner of Murdock McKay's claim; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains to place of beginning, containing 640 acres.

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EDWARD LEWIS, Locator-MURDOCK McKAY, Agent. Winninger, May S.—At Brandon institution a shocking accident occurred in the Brandon Brewery Co's works. A Monroe fell into the machinery, and worker limits to the machinery, and every limb in his body was broken before he could be extricated. He died several hours later.

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ARTHUR GREENSTOCK, Locator, MURDOCK McKAY, Agent.

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MINERAL ACT .- (Form F.) Certificate muir, M.P.P., and S. M. Robins for generous donations of coal.

LAURETTA GOULD,
Hon. Sec.-Treas.
The old staff of officers were all reelected, viz.: Mrs. W. L. Clay, prosident; Mrs. F. Carne, vice-president; Mrs.
Gould, secretary-treasurer.

KENTICKY DESPERADOES. Dut Posts Maintained Night and Day to Prevent Raid.

Tor, a Certificate of Improvements, for purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of above claim. And further taken not that action, under section 37, must be confirmed before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements. Dated this of day of A improvements.

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organized for the sea ton Point grounds are the ball games. Local Odd Fellow parations for the Gr to take place here Masonic Grand Lod in Vancouver this Another case of investigated by the Officer, J. C. Sou Colonist correspond officer to the shack v was lying. His mot give him the medic when the child was t had taken him awa fused to apply hot cause she said hea worse. The shack w condition, hardly fit pigs. The child we fever from neglect at were creeping with man, whose name month from her hu ger, working up the clean thing about man herself, who w house, and the w that she was getti book. The theory bright, intelligent little fellow prospect of return for he said Santa he got soup there. The City Coun against loss by On Saturda

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local representative The Tourist As 9,000 pamphlets, M. K. Rogers, Daly's gold coppe from Hedley, was from Seattle, whetric plant for the Hedley, costing said when the would spend the years work the half million tons running \$12 per t At the meeting Shingle Manu held yesterday, consequence of the of shingles in Can States, the output by the closing dow at all the mills, reduced. Some mills, and the output of the closing down at all the mills, and the control of the control of

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