More Border Pictures By Staff Photographer--- On Mexican Side



ELECTRIC HEAT MAY REDUCE COAL BILLS

Possibility Only, However, and Some Time Before Tried Out Here.

According to General Manager H. J. Glaubitz, of the water commission, electric heating will not become general in London for some time, though It is being used to a limited extent at present.

Recent increases in the price of coal has caused householders to seek another solution for that branch of the "high cost of living" fraternity which is represented by the coal bills. The result has been that attention has been drawn to the possibilities of

the Western States by the United States Government, the power being

Sold at Cost. The power is sold to the farmers at cost for the cold season and the result is a rate of one-tenth cent per kilowatt hour. To translate this into plain English it means that the farmers out there can heat their houses about two-thirds the cost of coal, and where, as the efficiency of coal is only about half of the consumed in furnace, the efficiency of electricity is one hundred per cent. means then that the houses are heated for a small fraction of the cost of the coal and all the bother of firing and ashes left out. General Manager Glaubitz 100ks

upon the scheme with favor, but believes that it will not be applicable here for some time. At present a certain amount of juice is supplied for operating small heaters, but the department does not handle any large amount of such business. At regular prices, the cost of hydro would be prohibitive for heating, but it is figured that used at times when the consumption was below the peak load, the surplus power could be thus disposed of with satisfaction and economy to the consumer and profit to the department,

Auxiliary System Necessary.

Manager Glaubitz claims that the

and a hot water heating system, so that when the peak load was reached the juice could be turned off and still enough heat retained in the hot water pipes to keep a residence or building of any kind comfortably warm till the juice could be turned on again.

PRAISE FOR GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC. I have just returned from a business

trip to the west, including Winnipeg, Regina, Saskatoon and Edmonton, and at the latter point, having a day or two at the week-end to spare, took the opportunity of running down over the Grand Trunk Pacific Line to Tete Jaune, B. C. The sight of Mount Robson alone repaid me for the trip, but the scenery generally was magni-The track was as smooth as some much older roads in other parts of the continent, and it is marvellous how the Grand Trunk Pacific route was discovered, which gave almost a level grade for the entire distance through the mountains, thereby avoiding the steep grades, long tunnels, and electrical heating.

One of the schemes that has been suggested is that being tried out in the Western States by the United the States by the United that work the Western States by the United that were the Western States by the United that work the Western States by the United that were the Western States by the Wes service the Grand Trunk Pacific is offering to the travelling public be-tween Winnipeg, Saskatoon and Edmonton far exceeded my expectations. The standard sleeping cars and also tourist cars are the most modern type and the service of the dining care is beyond criticism. The courtesy and attention shown to ressent rs by all your employees on the train is of a pature that commended itself very highly to me. The time of the Grand Trunk Pacific trains between Winnipeg and Edmonton is several hours shorter than by other routes, but alhough I travelled on two or three different trains, found them always on time, and in view of the excellent track could not but be impressed by the fact that running time between Winnipeg and Edmonton could be reduced very much if necessary, and the shorter time schedule maintained. "The McDonald," the new Grand

> FARMERS ARE BUSY. [Special to The Advertiser.]

looked forward to by many.

Trunk Pacific Hotel at Edmonton, is

Belmont, Dec. 4.—The fine weather has been very favorable for farmers getting their fall work done, and building opera-

electricity would have to be used in VETERAN BAGGAGEMAN LEAVES CAR AT LAST

After Forty-One Years' Service in Grand Trunk Employ, Silas Finch Enters Pension Ranks on Saturday—Few Accidents in Long Railroad Career.

Detroit run.

genial presence.

When the last piece of baggage had been removed from the 4 p.m. Grand Trunk fast express from Detroit Saturday, Baggageman Silas Finch, of 261 Talbot street, severed his active connection with the railroad after 41 years of faithful service, and entered the pension ranks of the company. He is 66 years of age.

Early in the spring of 1872 he entered the service of the railroad, and was assigned to the construction gang at work at Point Edward. It was the time of the substitution of the wide gauge for the narrow track between the Point and Stratford, on the old

It was while engaged in that work that he first cultivated a liking for the which has lingered intil the present, and which makes toppled over and crashed on its side. the parting from the old life harder. At the termination of the work at was lucky, because we rolled over Point Edward he left the employ of several times, and were bumped against the road for a period of almost nine the four sides of the car. Another years, and removed to Stratford. The little mixup occurred near Harriston, early part of 1881 found him again in the employ of the Grand Trunk. Starts on Wiarton Run.

This time he served in the capacity of baggageman running out of Strat-ford to Wiarton. His promotion was rapid. He was soon given a run into part of the game. It is a hard life, Talbot street residence.

New York, Dec. 4.—A cable from Berlin to the New York American ays "Every real man wears a moustache," is said to be the Kaiser's re-mark on a subject of the newest fad of Germans, both officers and civilians to shave the faces smooth.

FAVORS MOUSTACHES

[Canadian Press.]

The Emperor expressed the wish that army officers should continue to wear the moustache. No order on the subject has yet been issued, but the Emperor's views have been commun-Mr. Finch was extremely popular icated to the officers of his immediate with the commercial travellers and entourage.

MANY LOST IN FLOODS.
[Canadian Press.]

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 4.-Late reports from the flooded districts of Central Texas brought the death list up to thirteen and added new stories of suffering and hardship in the stricken sections. A still greater number was reported missing.



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London and removed his family to the but an interesting one. I am ready t MUST GET PERMISSION ARMY MAKES ANNUAL

About ten years ago he received a

other frequenters of the road, and the

"drummers" particularly will miss his

"There was only one serious acci-

dent that I was ever connected with."

said Mr. Finch, in discussing his rail-

road experience, "It happened at New-

bury about six years ago, when the

boiler of our engine blew up. Both

engineer and fireman were frightfully

scalded and died from the effects soon

Escapes With Scratch.

the baggage car from the rails and

I got off with a few scratches which

on the Stratford branch, when our

local collided with a way-freight. For-

tunately the trains were travelling at

a low rate of speed or serious results

"The force of the explosion threw

beautifully located on the heights tions and Opens Relief Department.

> investigated by the sisters of the League of Mercy, as the army does not favor indiscriminate giving. Appeals are made for food, clothing and furniture, as well as cash, and they are equally acceptable. Citizens knowing of needy cases are asked to report them, and the cases will be investigated. A relief department has been opened at 394 Clarence street.

REFERENCES BAR TO **WOULD-BE SOLDIERS**

Inability To Produce Character Testimonials Results in Recruits Being Turned Down.

During the usual winter recruiting at Wolseley Barracks this year, there have been a large number of would-be recruits rejected. Major C. H. Hill, officer com-manding, declares that applications have been numerous during the last few weeks. The fact that something more than the application is necessary renders the number being taken on the strength of the local company of the Royal Canadlan Regiment much smaller than might be supposed.
"I have rejected about 30 men during the last two months," said Major Hill to

The Advertiser.

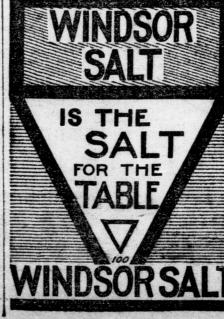
Asked as to the principal cause of rejection, he declared it to be the lack of satisfactory character references.
"I always demand the best of references as to character from the men," he said. "I have turned down many on that account. The medical examination is a account. The medical examination is a very stiff one, also, and a good many are turned down through physical defects—flat feet, pigeon toes, etc. However, I do not think that more than five or six have been turned down by the medical examiners during the past few months. The majority I have refused because they could not furnish satisfactory references as to their character."

CHRISTMAS APPEALS TO TAKE WARDSTO U.S. overlooking the Saskatchewan River, and its opening next year is being Sends Out Requests For Dona- Adopted Girl, Taken to Niagara Falls, N. Y., May Be Brought Back.

> The annual appeal of the Salvation | Persons who acquire children who Army for donations towards the are wards of the Children's Aid So-Christmas dinner for the poor and ciety have no right to remove the winter relief work is being made, and children to the United States without circular letters have been sent out to the authorization of the society, accitizens. Two hundred baskets were cording to Inspector Joseph Sanders, sent out last Christmas to as many who has for some time been investipoor families, and a great many were gating the case of Jennie Burton, aged aided throughout the winter by the 10, adopted daughter of Harris Burarmy's relief department. All cases are ton, of 1111 Grove avenue, Niagara investigated by the sisters of the Falls, N. Y., and a former resident of

London. The local authorities were advised that the child was being reared under conditions which were not for her good, and recently, through Charles Black, Children's Aid official at Niagara Falls, commenced an investigation of the case. It was desired to bring the little girl back to London, but in Niagara Falls police court Judge Piper declined to have any connection with the case, claiming that it was not within his jurisdiction. Efforts to have the child returned to London through the medium of the immigration department have also

Inspector Sanders has reported the case to the Government, and if that body sees fit it may take action to have the child brought back. The necessary legal procedure is too ex-pensive for the local society to as-





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