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"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

I HEREBY CERTIFY that "The Ellsworth Company," an extra-provincial company, has this day been registered as a company under the "Companies Act, 1897," to carry out or effect all or any of the objects of the company to which the legislative authority of the legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the company is situate at Phoenix, Arizona.

The amount of the capital of the company is one hundred thousand dollars divided into one hundred thousand shares of one dollar each.

The head office of the company in this Province is situate at 1123 Government street, in the city of Victoria, and J. H. Smith, manager, whose address is Victoria, B. C., is the attorney for the company. Not empowered to issue and transfer stock.

The time of the existence of the company is twenty-five years, from the 8th day of January A. D. 1908. The company is limited.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this twenty-seventh day of November, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

(L. S.) S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The objects for which the Company is established and registered are:

To do a general fiscal agency, investment, promotion, brokerage, theatrical amusement, irrigation, power, transportation, manufacturing and mining business, owning all necessary appliances, machinery, buildings, ships, boats, vehicles, etc., etc., acquiring, owning, operating, leasing, buying and selling all kinds of real and personal property necessary to the carrying on of one or more of the aforesaid general lines of business; to own, and vote shares of its own capital stock and of other corporations; to borrow and loan money; to issue bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness and to secure the payment of the same by mortgage, deed or trust, or otherwise; engaging in any and all classes of business that a natural person might or could in the United States of North America, or in any other part of the world.

WANTED—Game roosters. S. Gregory, Millstream, P. O.

Family Complication.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Jos. Waide Dux, Jr., seven months old, legally became the brother of his father here today, when Judge Petit in the circuit court signed a decree of adoption giving the child to its grandparents, Joseph Dux and his wife. The child's mother is dead, and his father lives with the elder Dux, who is now the legal father of his son's son.

Boundary Complication.

OTTAWA, Dec. 10.—Hon. William Pugsley, minister of public works, accompanied by Dr. King, chief astronomer, has gone to Washington to confer with Ambassador Bryce regarding certain questions affecting the international boundary between Maine and New Brunswick. The right of possession of Folly island is in dispute, and may be eventually referred to The Hague tribunal.

Bad Prairie Storm.

SASKATOON, Dec. 10.—The worst storm of the season so far struck Saskatoon last night and has continued without abatement all day. Tonight it is blowing a gale across the prairie and householders are having a difficult task in keeping warm. Little delay has yet been caused to trains but the railways are having considerable difficulty and are working under great disadvantages.

Bishop Stringer Safe

KINCARDINE, Ont., Dec. 10.—A telegram was received this morning by Mrs. Stringer, wife of the Bishop of Yukon, announcing his arrival at Circle, Alaska, and stating that he was in good health, that he had been delayed by ice and expected to reach Dawson by December 20th. Bishop Stringer is a Kincardine boy, and there has been much anxiety as to his safety, word not having been received from him for six months.

Battleships in Collision.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The U. S. battleships Georgia and Nebraska collided on Thursday afternoon while engaged in tactical exercises, off the Virginia Capes. The effects of the collision were not serious, and the two ships were able to return to Hampton Roads today with the entire fleet. Rivets in the two vessels were strained. This information came to the navy department this afternoon from Rear Admiral Schroeder, commander of the fleet.

Wants Big Salvage

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—The little steamer Excelsior, which was pulled off the rocks at Moss landing and towed to this port by the tug Navigator, has been libelled by the Associated Oil company, owner of the tug, for $12,500 salvage. The Excelsior, after being anchored here, dragged her anchors last night in the high wind and had to be towed to deep water by two tugs. She was valued at about $40,000 and the salvage, towage and repair bills will almost equal her total value before the accident.

ADDRESS ISSUED BY MR. BALFOUR

Opposition Leader Defines His Position in the Present Campaign

LONDON, Dec. 10.—Mr. Asquith was not alone in giving to the people their first real touch of the campaign, for Arthur J. Balfour, the leader of the opposition in the House of Commons, made a simultaneous plea to them in a quiet, dignified election manifesto addressed to the electors of the city of London, who have chosen him as their candidate.

Mr. Balfour's manifesto will be disappointing to an enormous portion of his political followers, inasmuch as it dismisses tariff reform as the "first plank" in the Unionist programme. Mr. Balfour makes no attempt to define tariff reform, but concentrates his attention on an accusation that the Liberal government is engaging in a conspiracy to destroy the constitution by submitting one-chamber government like that of Greece.

The manifesto is exceedingly long. It reviews the history of the crisis and declares hat the government's claim declares that the government's claim be the uncontrolled master of every class and without appeal to the country, even in the most extreme cases.

He cites the United States, where the fundamental principle of the constitution is that every class of property should be taxed alike, and says no such measure as the British budget could be adopted there without a two-thirds majority of both Houses, or become law without a national mandate from the great majority of the country, while even if the House of Representatives approved special taxation it could be stopped by the Senate or vetoed by the president.

"I am not so immoderate," says Mr. Balfour in the manifesto, "as to demand such security for the British citizen, but only that if exceptional taxation is imposed at the caprice of a minister, he should not be deprived of the only means known to the constitution by which an appeal to his fellow-countrymen may be secured."

Mr. Balfour in charging the government with conspiracy to secure a single chamber system like Greece, says that the House of Commons is the primary factor of the will of the people, possessing powers certainly not possessed in the United States or in France, but these unexampled powers he declares will not satisfy the single chamber conspirators, who want the House of Commons to be independent not merely of the peers, but of the people.

"It seems to me," Mr. Balfour declares, "a truism that tariff reform will stimulate home industries. Only by tariff reform can you hope to retain colonial preference, to modify commercial treaties in your favor and secure home produce from unfair competition in the home markets. It will do no injury in neutral markets, and may give valuable aid in protected markets. It is credible that it will not keep capital here that otherwise would go abroad, that if it does the demand for labor will not increase?

"On other respects of tariff reform I will say nothing. The very fact that it is the first plank in the Unionist programme has prevented it ever receiving less than its due meed of attention whether from friends or foes."

CONFERENCE ON ROUTE

The question of joint interprovincial action in aiding to divert the Alberta wheat export crop via the western route to Vancouver was discussed at a conference held between Premier McBride and Hon. W. H. Cushing, minister of public works of Alberta, in Vancouver on Thursday.

"I am quite satisfied that Mr. McBride is deeply interested in the matter. He listened to the proposals made on behalf of the Alberta Government and agreed to give me an early reply sometime during the summer pending the opportunity of discussing the subject with his colleagues," said Mr. Cushing at the Hotel Vancouver.

The proposition submitted by the Alberta cabinet minister was only a tentative proposal and related to joint action by the two governments in aiding a project for providing ample storage facilities in this city.

Celtic Chief Safe.

HONOLULU, Dec. 10.—The British ship Celtic Chief, from Hamburg, which went ashore off the entrance to the harbor here on Dec. 6 was pulled off today by the Arcona, a German cruiser. The damage to the Celtic Chief is slight.

Steamer Johanna Sinks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The British steamer Johanna, loaded with a cargo of sugar from Herlo, Philippine islands, for Philadelphia, sank at sea off Santo Domingo, according to a cable message received here from that island today. The message came from Capt. Nickerson, of the Johanna, who announced only that he had saved himself after his ship had foundered. The fate of the crew of twenty-five is unknown.

Lost His License.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 10.—The license of Capt. L. Snyder, of the steam schooner Argo, which was wrecked near Tillamook two weeks ago, was today suspended for one year by United States Inspectors of Hulls and Boilers Fuller and Edwards. Snyder was found guilty of carelessness and negligence in attempting to cross the Tillamook bar on a half-tide and during stormy weather. Four lives were lost in the wreck of the Argo.

U. S. Bluejackets Drowned.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Not the slightest trace has been reported of the five men who set out in a whaleboat from the U. S. S. Marietta in a rowing race with five other men from the warship off Port Limon two weeks ago. The gig's crew was later picked up, but the racers in the whaleboat are now believed to have lost their lives in the storm into which they ran.

Irish Party Satisfied.

DUBLIN, Dec. 10.—Satisfaction was expressed by several politicians to whom the Asquith declaration on the Irish policy was read here tonight. It was agreeably noted that the premier had evidently abandoned the "step by step" policy to which he had previously adhered. The Irish party will make its pronouncement on the declaration next week. It is believed that the Irish vote in England will be given to the Liberals.

HELP FOR SWITCHMEN

President Gompers Says Federation Will Give Them Assistance in Their Strike.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 10.—The American Federation of Labor will support the railroad switchmen who are on strike in the northwest to the extent of its powers, according to an announcement made today by Samuel Gompers, president of the Federation, after an extended conference with Frank Hawley, president of the switchmen's union of North America. This is said to mean that if the railroads do not concede the demands of the strikers, the trouble may spread until it involves other railroad unions connected with the American Federation of Labor.

Mr. Gompers refused to say whether there would be an extension of the strike, but he asserted that after a full investigation, he was satisfied that the demands of the strikers were reasonable, and that they would receive the support of all affiliated unions.

Mr. Hawley was jubilant over the decision of Mr. Gompers. He ridiculed published assertions of railroad officials that the strike was ended, and exclaimed: "They cannot beat us now that the great Federation of Labor is behind us."

THIRTY-TWO MEN ARE DROWNED

Car Ferry on Lake Erie Given Up For Lost, With All Hands

DETROIT, Dec. 10.—All hope that the car ferry Marquette and Bessemer No. 2 outlived the winter gale which has made of Lake Erie a watery graveyard during the last 24 hours, has been practically abandoned at the head office of the Marquette and Messemer Dock and Navigation company, owners of the ill-fated vessel. It is believed that Captain McLeod and his crew of 31 men have gone down with the big steamer.

COLD NERVE OF FRONTIERSMAN

Indomitable Pluck of Yukon Miner Defies Pain and Misfortune

The case of Michael McMurray, at present a patient in the general hospital at Whitehorse, Y. T., where he is being treated for decaying fingers, the result of freezing, is almost without parallel in the annals of Canadian frontier history. Up to four weeks ago McMurray was located in the very heart of a vast and, but by himself, unexplored territory, one hundred and fifty miles northeast of Teslin post and near the headwaters of the Dease river. He had been there five years, making an occasional trip to the post of Taylor & Drury at Teslin for supplies, it being his habit to carry out on his back enough grub to last him two years as he depended principally upon his rifle for his food. His last trip to the post was early last spring when he again betook himself to the wilds for an extra of two years. But on the way out last spring he had the misfortune to badly freeze the two big fingers on his right hand, which misfortune accounts for his presence in the hospital. As a result of the freezing the two injured fingers began to decay, sometime during the summer and in order to remove the dead bone McMurry tied a strong string around the bone, fastening the other end to a tree and with a determined jerk, pulled the bones of both fingers off at the first joint. While the injured digits did not heal, McMurray went ahead with his work of prospecting and mining and when winter set in to hunting and trapping.

Crowning Misfortune.

Three weeks ago he was one day several miles from his cabin skinning a number of wolves he had shot, and when he returned in the evening, it was to find his cabin in a heap of ashes, it having been entirely consumed by fire during his absence. Everything he possessed on earth except the few clothes he wore at the time were gone. All the grub he had left was a piece of frozen moose meat hanging in a tree nearby, but he had not even a match with which to light a fire to cook it. With a chunk of the frozen meat he started for Taylor & Drury's post 150 miles away. As his moccasins soon wore out he has forced to use his drawers to tie up his feet and that left nothing to cover his legs save a pair of overalls. However, he pushed bravely on, traveling day day and night, without sleep, and with nothing to eat save the frozen moose meat. At the end of six days he reached the trading post more dead than alive only his indomitable grit and Irish pluck having enabled him to withstand the rigors of the trip. At the post he was cared for for a few days and then sent on to Whitehorse via Atlin, arriving Friday of last week. He at once entered the hospital where Dr. Cade found it necessary to remove more bones from each of the injured fingers before there could be any process of healing. Asked if he had no neighbors in the country where he was located, McMurray replied that he had, but that they were located 200 miles south of where he was. McMurray will return to his isolated retreat as soon as he gets out of the hospital, he having located no fewer than six promising quartz ledges, five of which carry free gold and the sixth copper and other materials. He has also located placer gold and from a shaft took $4 after one fire only a few days before losing his cabin. He had the gold in a bottle in the cabin and it, of course, was lost in the fire.

McMurray has been in the Yukon since 1889 and during that time has prospected nearly the entire length of the great waterway, having spent several years around Circle City and a long time in the Stewart country. For the past five years he has been northwest of Teslin and about 40 miles from the British Columbia line.

STRONG PROTEST BY LUMBERMEN

Say Insurance Combine Exists, and Object to 15 Per Cent Clause

VANCOUVER, Dec. 10.—A direct charge of a combine against the Canadian Insurance companies was made at the meeting of Western Canadian lumbermen at Vancouver this afternoon, and the discussion reached the length of appointing a committee to look into the matter and, if possible, to bring an action against the insurance men for illegal combination. The subject occupied the greater part of the afternoon session, and brought out an unanimous opinion that the lumber industry did not receive the full measure of governmental protection which was its due.

A. D. McRae brought the question before the convention when he urged closer co-operation between the premium-payers as against the insurance companies. Legislation was before the senate at Ottawa which would prohibit the manufacturers of the country from insuring their concerns with whom they pleased. He suggested a compromise bill, but was strongly opposed to the proposition which the insurance companies were trying to get passed, and which would enforce a 15 per cent tax on premiums paid to outside companies. The lumbermen wish to place part of their risks with United States companies.

"The organization of the insurance companies is complete," said Mr. McRae, "and the proposal which they have before the senate will, if passed, shut out American companies entirely."

Otto Lechmund said that his experience was that he could get insurance cheaper in the United States than on the Canadian side. He believed in doing business in Canada if the rates were at all reasonable, but he was strongly opposed to the contemplated legislation, which would place the business men at the mercy of the insurance combine.

"We should fight this to the last ditch," said R. H. Alexander. "It seems incredible that the government is going to countenance and encourage the insurance companies, who are formed into a huge combine in Canada, to dictate to the people of Canada the premiums they are going to pay and to stop us going elsewhere if we can get it cheaper. In the lumbering trade we have been harried by commissions, and investigation in the matter of prices is even mentioned, but these insurance people are evidently to be allowed to form a trust with the approval of the government. It seems to me that if a resident of Canada wants to buy insurance in any other country the business is not done in Canada, and I think we must stand for the right of the individual to go and transact business outside of Canada if he thinks fit. This legislation seems to me to be a perfect outrage. The trouble is that the large risks are gradually heading away from Canada, for these combine companies cannot handle the large risks and themselves do business with outside companies, yet they want to stop us doing the very thing that they do themselves. It is perfectly proper that we should be subjected to one per cent tax the same as they pay, but to put on 15 per cent is an outrage."

A stronge resolution was thereupon passed.

Then came a motion which means a radical change in the lumber industry, for the convention decided to make odd lengths of lumber a standard.

The matter arose out of an address by Victor H. Beckman, of Seattle, who reviewed the stand taken by the American lumber manufacturers. He stated that a large percentage of odd-length clear lumber could be utilized in the construction of modern buildings, and that most of the short stuff was cut out of multiple lengths, a much too common practice with carpenters.

Mr. Beckman urged the meeting to pass a resolution on this question, and a motion of Mr. Anstey's was accordingly passed, making odd lengths in the upper grades a standard after January 1.

SPECIAL CHARTER'S FAULTS

May Induce New Westminster to Come in Under the Municipal Clauses Act as Other Cities.

In addition to the balloting for mayor, school trustees and aldermen on Monday of the coming week, the electors of New Westminster will be called on to decide whether that city shall remain under its present charter or whether it shall abandon the charter and allow itself to be governed, with the majority of the other cities throughout the province and all the municipalities, under the Municipal Clauses act.

Just what the result of the balloting on the referendum will be it is hard to say, but it seems probable that the majority of the electors who have had neither the time nor the inclination to look into the details of the two systems of government will allow themselves to be guided by the opinion of the mayor, the city solicitor and the majority of the city officials and will vote for the change.

It is practically the unanimous opinion of those who are conversant with civic affairs that New Westminster would do well to abandon the charter. Those who have had experience in its workings state that it is cumbersome and unwieldy and that it withstand the rigors of the trip. At unnecessarily hampers the process of city government. To secure the changes in it which altered circumstances make necessary is a formidable task, while under the Municipal Clauses act the way is made comparatively easy for municipalities and cities desiring the passage of private bills.

Independent Telephones.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—The International Independent Telephone Association closed its convention here today with a resolution censuring Chas. S. Norton, of the Indiana State Association, for writing letters which were considered in the interests of the Bell Telephone Company, the principal competitor of the association members. The directors of the Ohio State Association of Independent Telephone Companies pledged themselves to duplicate any trunk lines which might be thrown into the Bell control through the purchase of different companies by James S. Brailey, although Mr. Brailey has denied that his action is in the interest of the Bell systems. A committee was appointed to superintend the re-organization of the association along stronger lines.

NEW RECORDS FOR CANADA ANNOUNCED

New records have been accepted by the newly organized amateur athletic union of Canada as follows:

100 yards—9 4-5 seconds, Robert Kerr at Spring championships, Ottaway, May 25, 1909, and at Exposition grounds, half mile track, Toronto, September 11, 1909, equalling the Canadian record already held by R. Kerr.

220 yards—21 2-5 seconds, Robert Kerr at Exposition grounds, Toronto, September 11, 1909. Straightaway dirt track, no wind. Best previous performance was by P. J. Walsh, at Montreal, September 21, 1909—21 3-5 seconds.

440 yards—49 3-5 seconds, L. J. Sebert, Winnipeg exhibition, half-mile dirt track. Track very fast. Fastest quarter mile so far recorded by a Canadian. Canadian record on 2-7 mile track held by M. Long—49 seconds.

Running broad jump—23 feet 8 1-2 inches, C. D. Bricker, at Olympia final trials in Montreal, June 6, on Montreal A.A.A. grounds.

56-pound weight for distance—37 feet, Duncan Gillis at championships of B. C. A. A. U., Vancouver, B. C., September 18, 1909. Best previous performance by E. Desmarteau, 36 feet 2 1-4 inches, at Montreal, July 27, 1904.

Putting 12-pound shot—51 feet 5 1/4 inches, J. H. Gillis, at indoor championships of B. C. A. A. U., Vancouver B. C., December 5, 1908. Best previous performance on record, 43 feet 14 1/2 inches, by John Bowie, at Toronto, April 25, 1908.

220 yards hurdles—26 1-5 seconds, George H. Barber at annual championships at Winnipeg, on July 17, 1909. Best previous record, 28 1-5 seconds, by L. J. Sebert.

Two-mile walk—13 minutes 39 seconds, by G. H. Goulding, Toronto, September 11, 1909, half-mile track, at Toronto exhibition grounds. Best previous record, 13 minutes 51 seconds, by George H. Goulding, Toronto, May 23, 1908.

One-mile relay (four men)—Varsity team, Toronto, October 22,1909, Halbaus, Sebert, Wright, Chandler.

In addition to the above the committee desires to mention that several Canadian and world's records have been broken at the three meetings conducted at Montreal by the A. A. F. C., in 1907, 1908 and 1909. They are as follows:

September 27, 1907.—

120 yards hurdle—15 3-5 seconds, Forrest Smithson, Multnomah, A. A. C., Portland, Ore. Equals Canadian record.

Putting 16-pound shot—49 feet 7 1-4 inches, Ralph Rose, Olympic club, Canadian and world's record.

Throwing 16-pound hammer—178 feet 7 inches, M. J. McGrath, New York A. C., Canadian and world's record.

October 3, 1908.—

Five-mile run—25 minutes 31 4-5 seconds, F. G. Bellars, N. Y. A. C.

September 15, 1909—

440 yards run—48 3-5 seconds. W. C. Robbins, Irish-American A. C.

880 yard run—1 minute 52 3-5 seconds, W. Lunghi, of the Irish-American A. C., Canadian and world's record.

Three-mile run—14 minutes 58 3-5 seconds, J. J. Sullivan, Irish American A. C.

Throwing the discus—139 feet 10 1-2 inches, Martin J. Sheridan, Irish American A. C.

OPIUM SMUGGLERS CAUGHT AT VANCOUVER

Two Chinese of Crew of Empress of China and White Man Are Apprehended.

For the alleged smuggling of opium and silk P. C. Donovan and Cum and Yuen Moke, were arrested yesterday afternoon in Vancouver, the former for bringing the goods ashore off the Empress of China and the two Chinamen for supplying the goods to the white man.

The three men were taken to jail and yesterday morning in police court were formally charged with smuggling. The hearing was adjourned to today. It is alleged that smuggling is being carried on extensively and in the arrest of Donovan the customs officers believe they have in custody the go-between between the Chinamen and the people who receive the goods. Donovan has refused to make a statement denies his guilt. He has engaged the legal firm of Russell & Russell to defend him. The Chinamen have not yet secured counsel. The trio were arrested after an exciting chase along the waterfront.

A good deal of opium is smuggled into Vancouver by Chinese but it is brought in small quantities and detection is difficult. Customs Officer Laing, however, stumbled on a case when he watched Donovan go aboard the Empress of China. He waited until the man came ashore and started after him, but Donovan started to run with Laing in pursuit. Through the sheds they ran Donovan finally making for the C. P. R. tracks where he was overhauled and captured by Laing.

He was taken into the baggage room at the depot and held there until Colonel Worsnop, of the customs department arrived, when it was found that he had some ten small cans of opium in his possession. He stated that he bought those from Chinese on the Empress of China and the meeting adjourned to the liner where the Celestials were pointed out and joined the white man in a trip to the police station. Donovan told the customs people that he paid $100 for the opium.

This is the first smuggling case from a white liner since the big cigar raid of eighteen months ago when customs officers confiscated a nuantity of cigars from the Empress of Japan.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE

Son of Minneapolis Millionaire Lost in Kamloops District.

Considerable anxiety is being felt by their friends over the mysterious disappearance of a young man named S. V. Howe and his companion, a timber cruiser named Cunningham, who nearly three months ago left Kamloops to look over timber lands up the Clearwater river and of whom no word has been received since Nov. 13.

Young Howe, who is a recent graduate of Yale, and the son of a millionaire lumberman of Minneapolis, with Cunningham came to Kamloops about September 15 with the object of going to the Clearwater country, as stated. They purchased supplies locally and a couple of horses and left for up river.

On September 25 they bought further supplies from G. Fennel, the trader at Chu-Chua, North Thompson, and left for the timber berths to be inspected. For some time nothing more was heard of them and then there came a letter to his father from young Howe dated "In Camp, Nov. 12," and from the fact that he mentions having seen the falls and the donkey engine taken there some years ago by a logging outfit, it is presumed they were at that time at Raft river. Since then there has been no word of any kind from them.

During the interval between leaving Fennel's on September 25 and writing the letter dated November 13 Howe issued five checks on the Bank of Commerce where the sum of $1000 was placed to his credit. The checks were all for small sums and were in favor of James Haskell, who lives at Horse lake ,lying between the Clearwater and the Cariboo road, A. Lajosie and William Ryan. Haskell's checks were dated November 10. The checks were cashed at Bridge Creek by Stephenson Bros., and at Clinton by E. Bell, and in due course were returned to the bank here.

Recently, Charles A. Weil, president and manager of the Eureka Lumber Company, of Eureka, Montana, accompanied by George Patterson, of the same place, a cruiser, arrived in Kamloops to make enquiries about the missing men, and as no trace of them could be had he secured the services of W. W. Wood, who left in company with Patterson for the Clearwater country to institute a search. Five or six men from the North Thompson will be added to the search party, which is provisioned for five weeks.

Mr. Weil still remains in town and if no satisfactory replies are received to enquiries made over the 'phone through the Louis Creek office, additional search parties will be despatched to look for the missing men, who it is feared may be either lost in the mountains or have fallen victims of some accident.

Mr. Howe, who is a principal stockholder in the Eureka Lumber company, has left Minneapolis for Kamloops.

Cunningham, the cruiser who left with young Howe, is an experienced man and has done cruising in the mountains near Fernie.

State of Trade

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Bradstreet's state of trade tomorrow will say: Colder weather and the near approach of the holidays have stimulated trade quite generally throughout the northwest, and even helped southern trade, especially in the western part of the cotton states. Retail trade in Canada is active, and business in holiday lines is expanding. This tendency will continue for the next fortnight. Business failures for the week in Canada ending with Thursday number 30, which compares with 25 last week, and 60 in the corresponding week of 1908.

Chris Knudson, ex-constable of Steveston, is in custody at Vancouver, charged with the theft of a valuable overcoat.

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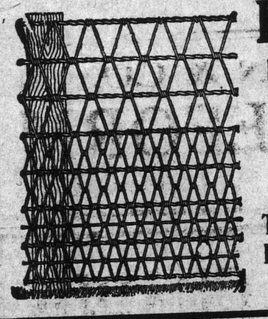

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MISFIRE OF SHELLS

Saves Socialist Leader Phillip From Sudden Death.

Because two cartridges in succession missed fire, Frank Phillips is alive today and Joseph Wason is in the police cells at Nelson awaiting his trial for attempted murder, instead of the gravest crime in the catalogue.

Wason held a gun to Phillips' head and pulled the trigger twice, ineffectual clicks being the result. Next moment Phillips had his man on the ground while G. Johnson, Phillips' companion, wrested the revolver from Wason. The scene was enacted yesterday afternoon, when Nelson's main thoroughfare was thronged with pedestrians.

Frank Phillips is a well known Socialist, being chairman of the Socialist party in Nelson, and owner of a ranch at Beasley. Joseph Wason is a miner. Wason claimed that Phillips owed him a sum of money and would not pay it. Arriving from Cranbrook, where he was employed at the Nethermine Tuesday afternoon went to the Miners' union hall, where he found Phillips and asked him to make a settlement. Phillips denied that Wason has any claim on him.

Wason then went to the store of the Wood-Vallance company and purchased a 32-calibre revolver and a box of cartridges. He then returned to the west end of the town and commenced watching for his man.

About an hour afterwards Phillips in company with G. Johnson came up the street. Wason met them, raised his revolver and levelling the weapon at Phillips' head pulled the trigger twice. An examination of the revolver in the police station disclosed the fact that all five chambers had been loaded and that the caps of two of the shells bore a dent each from the impact of the firing pin.

Dairy Association Competition.

The British Columbia Dairymen's Association under the auspices of the provincial government department of agriculture will hold a dairy farm competition from January 1 to December 31, 1910.

Prize to be awarded—Challenge cup. (Cup to be won three times, not necessarily in succession, before becoming the absolute property of competitor.)

A gold medal will be awarded to the successful competitor securing the cup each year, as also will silver and bronze medals be given the next two best competitors in order of merit.

Entries close January 1, 1910. For further particulars and entry forms apply to R. W. Hodson, secretary-treasurer, live stock commissioner's office, department of agriculture, Victoria, B. C.