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The inquest on the body of the man killed on the Arrow Lake branch on Friday disclosed the fact that he was a Swede named Andrew Johnson. The coroner's jury decided that he was "killed accidentally by an engine, while under the influence of liquor, no blame attaching to anyone." A rider was added that as the depot and its neighborhood at Arrowhead is more or less a thoroughfare, the railway company should properly light the place.

At the sitting of the court of revision on Thursday it was demonstrated that this town and surrounding country were progressing favorably and adding materially to the country's wealth and development. The total area of last year were: high rate, \$7,325.14; low rate, \$5,700.19. This year they are, high rate, \$9,199.84; low rate, \$7,312.09; giving an average increase of nearly \$2,000 in taxes. The increase from other receipts in the local office, such as mining and revenue amounts to about \$6,000 more than last year.

Mr. Jameson, engineer for the Horner-Payne Co., has given Craig & Hillman a contract for hauling two hundred tons of ore from the Broadway. On this property they are sinking a shaft and running a level to the vein, and will also run a second tunnel one hundred feet below the first workings to catch the vein for the purpose of giving a better shipment will probably begin.

The fact of Messrs. Marpole and Mara going to Montreal together has given rise to much speculation, but it is generally conceded that the total cost of the purchase of the C. & K. S. N. Co.'s steamers and business by the C.P.R.

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REVELSTOKE, Dec. 10.—Ore shipments through Revelstoke up to date from last report are as follows:

	Tons.	Value.	Per Cent.
Slocan Star	200	\$14,740.50	Omaha
Idaho	20	2,795.00	Everett
Total	220	\$17,535.50	

CARIBOO.

Work at the North Star mine, near Queenelle, is shut down.

George B. Walker and three men are working a claim on the Bonaparte river about sixteen miles up the Cariboo road.

Some fine locations have been made in the vicinity of Hat creek.

Considerable work is being done on all the creeks in the vicinity of Barkerville and Stanley. Ground has been found on Creston which is reported to run over \$250 a yard.

Frequent mention has been made of the quicksilver mines at Savona, not far from Ashcroft. The discovery of cinnabar in that section demonstrates the greater variety of Rockford is on the road between Kamloops and Spence's Bridge, about thirty miles to the south of the former place.

Captain Garland, manager of the North Bend mine, and Messrs. J. and J. Lyons have incorporated and organized a company to work the ground leased by them, about four miles up the river, opposite North Bend. It is believed to be a choice piece of ground.

Col. Wright and Capt. Jamieson, well known mining men, have started for Ottawa. A meeting of the stockholders of the 48rd Mining and Milling Company will be held the first of the year at Ottawa, and the next season's work for the North Bend and Omicamea mines laid out.

The North Bend company had a very successful season, all things considered. During the time it was in operation an average of about \$100 per day was taken out with only a small supply of water, much of the time only about 200 inches being used.

A statement of the position of the Horseshoe Mining Company has been issued as well as a circular setting forth that inasmuch as some of the expenditures of \$100,488.08 represent debts that must be paid immediately, it has been deemed advisable by the directors to levy an assessment of 25 cents per share. The plant is complete and ready for active hydraulic operations immediately upon the opening of the mining season of 1897, and it is confidently expected by the management to handle from 2,000 to 3,000 cubic yards of gravel per day. It is not anticipated that another call will be necessary.

MACEO ASSASSINATED.

While on His Way to a Conference With the Spanish He Was Waylaid.

The Cuban Sentiment Aroused to a Condition of Intense Excitement.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—A special to the Evening World from Jacksonville, Fla., says: "General Antonio Maceo, the famous Cuban leader, is really dead. He was treacherously murdered by Spaniards on December 7, while on his way to attend a conference to which he was invited by the Marquis of Ahumada, acting Captain-General of Cuba, while General Weyler was in the field. This morning a letter was received by A. J. Juan, head of the Cuban Junta, in this city, giving a detailed account of the assassination of General Maceo and his entire staff, with the exception of Dr. Zertucha, who was Maceo's physician. The letter came from a reliable source in Havana.

From the letter it appears that the Marquis of Ahumada, who is acting as Captain-General of Cuba, sent a letter to General Maceo, inviting the Cuban leader to a conference. Maceo never for a moment thought treachery was intended, especially by such a prominent Spaniard as the Marquis of Ahumada. Accompanied by his staff only, he went to the rendezvous, little dreaming of the awful fate which was in store for him. On arriving at the trocha, the Spanish soldiers there, acting under orders, saluted the rebel chieftain as he passed, but after reaching the rendezvous Maceo was surprised to see instead of the Marquis of Ahumada a large body of Spaniards who seemed to come from every side. The actions of the Spanish troops were so suspicious that Maceo felt that he had been trapped and his suspicions were confirmed when a peremptory order came from a mounted officer whose name it was subsequently learned was Major Cerejuda, demanding his unconditional surrender.

"Never," was the reply, and hardly had the words been uttered than volley after volley was poured into the little band of patriots, who, although hemmed in on all sides and outnumbered almost one hundred to one, stuck spurs to their horses and with cries of "Cuba Libre" rode gallantly to their death. Maceo is reported to have fallen at the first fire with a bullet through his head, breaking his jaw, and another bullet hit him in the chest. Both were fatal.

Young Francisco Gomez, son of the Cuban commander-in-chief, was the next to fall, and in a few moments bloody corpses, all shot almost beyond recognition, so fierce and concentrated was the Spanish fire, was all that remained of the gallant Cubans who had trusted to Spanish honor.

Only one member of the staff escaped, and that was Dr. Zertucha. The letter then goes on to say that the corpses were buried on the field and every precaution taken to keep the details of the horrible butchery from being made public. It is the opinion of many that this dreadful assassination of Maceo will do more to force prompt action on the part of the United States in regard to Cuba than anything else which could have happened.

A despatch to the New York Junta says that Maceo was assassinated through the instrumentality of Dr. Zertucha, who led Maceo and his entire staff across the trocha, where they were met by General Ahumada, the General Maceo and his entire staff being assassinated with machetes.

MADRID, Dec. 12.—The Queen regent to-day received in audience Senora Cirujeda, wife of Major Cirujeda, whose troops appear to have killed Antonio Maceo. Her Majesty congratulated the Major's wife and granted imperial protection for the Major's eldest son, who accompanied Senora Cirujeda. The Queen also promised to pay for the boy's education.

Those who are conversant with the plans of the Spanish Premier, Senor Canovas del Castillo, state that since the debate in the chamber of deputies the government has not thought of the posted reforms in Cuba, being solely occupied with providing means for the success of the war. While they consider that the death of Antonio Maceo is a great blow to the insurgents, it is pointed out that some time must elapse before it can be fully felt. When Maceo and Gomez were asked at an earlier period of the insurrection whether they would order their followers to lay down their arms in the event of autonomy being granted to Cuba, they refused and said they would only consent to complete independence and a republican form of government. Spain therefore, is convinced that the rebellion must be crushed by force of arms, and to discuss reforms at present would be equivalent to proposing an arrangement with the insurgents which at most, would secure a temporary peace, that would not last six months. So long as there is the slightest doubt of the superiority of Spain in Cuba the war will continue; but when that superiority is established, Spain will consider the advisability of granting such reforms as she may think necessary.

NOT SETTLED.

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—La Semaine Religieuse, official organ of the archbishop of Montreal, says the school question is not settled but has entered on a new phase. That journal pledges to the minority of Manitoba in the struggle about to be entered on, the support of the entire clergy, under the direction of the episcopate and with the encouragement of the Pope.

Do not allow your system to get weak and debilitated. It is a sure and strong way of taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

PROSPECTIVE GOVERNORS.

TORONTO, Dec. 12.—(Special)—A Montreal special to the World says the political prophets there say that when Hon. Mr. Kirkpatrick's term of office expires at Government House, Toronto, an important shuffle will take place, more especially in the Quebec representation in the Laurier cabinet. Hon. Mr. Edgar, who is to be Governor of Ontario, will be replaced as Speaker of the House of Commons either by Deputy Speaker Brodeur, M.P. for Rouville, or Cleophas Beaulieu, M.P. for Berthier. Hon. Senator Pelletier will be appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, being succeeded in the senate by Sir Henri Joly, whose portfolio will be taken by Mr. Choquette, M.P. for Montmagny.

The very greatest interest is being taken in all that pertains to mining movements in British Columbia. Every new sale of property or the incorporation of a company is closely watched. There are none who do not believe that the Rossland district has a wonderful future before it. Next season gives promise of seeing an immense influx of moneyed men into Kootenay.

Charles H. Ewing, collector of customs at Cobourg, died this morning. Ewing was employed in the customs service for over 30 years, and had been collector at this port for 15 years. He was 66 years old.

MR. DAVIES AT VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 14.—(Special)—Hon. Mr. Davies met the representatives of the local pilotage board at 11 o'clock and had a protracted discussion with the board. He met the board of trade and city council at 2:30. The corporation presented him with an address of welcome, which was followed by an address from the board of trade which referred to the fast Atlantic steamships, neglect of British Columbia by the federal government, the Fraser River, the Channel the fisheries, a cable boat for the North, a lighthouse at the Narrows and support to a road from the Coast to Kootenay. Hon. Mr. Davies replied to all the questions but gave no definite promise. An address from the cannerymen followed. Mr. Davies being criticized by Mr. Ladner on his intimation that the hatcheries were in an experimental state only. Other deputations followed. The banquet in the evening was largely attended.

J. Dalton, of the Fraser River Mining and Dredging Co., broke his leg while prospecting in Lillooet recently. It was found necessary to amputate the limb. By last advice it is said Mr. Dalton cannot survive the shock.

MACEO'S SUCCESSOR.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The last letter that the Cuban Junta in this city received from General Antonio Maceo contained an estimate of the qualities of General Ruiz Rivera, who if Maceo had been killed, as is now generally admitted, will succeed him in the insurrectionary command. General Maceo writes: "Rivera is not only brave, tireless and indomitable, but he is a great tactician. He is a thorough soldier and has acquired military advantages enjoyed by few men in my command. He knows the map of Cuba as well as the oldest guide and can hold Pinar del Rio against the Spanish army for ten years if necessary. Cuban organization here, made the following statement: "I received a telegram from my agent in Jacksonville affirming the news that General Maceo and his staff came into conflict with Ahumada, Weyler's lieutenant, and was murdered. Dr. Zertucha was present. The news does not surprise me, because the first reports of Gen. Maceo's death were so contradictory that I saw mystery in them. I was inclined to believe the report was false, but that if Gen. Maceo had really been killed it was through the assassin's knife."

BISHOP OF BUFFALO.

BUFFALO, Dec. 14.—A special cablegram from Rome says that Rev. Father James E. Quigley has been selected by the Pope as Bishop of Buffalo to succeed Bishop Ryan, deceased. Father Quigley was born in Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 13, 1855, and came to Buffalo in 1868. He studied in the Seminary at Steubenville, and in 1873 was sent to the University at Innsbruck, Austria. Two years later, he was transferred to the College of Propaganda, at Rome, and concluded his studies in 1879, when he was ordained, and the degree of D.D. was conferred upon him. His first assignment after he returned to America was to the charge of the church at Attica in this state. For a number of years he has been rector of St. Bridget's church in this city. The appointment is a most popular one.

UNTOLD AGONY.

Disturbed by Excruciating Rheumatic Pains—Seven Years' Untold Misery—No Remedy to Help—No Physician to Thwart the Onslaught—But South American Rheumatic Cure Charms Away the Pains in 12 Hours and the Suffering Slave is Emancipated.

J. D. McLeod, of Leth, Ont., says: "I have been a victim of rheumatism seven years, being confined to my bed for months at a time, and unable to turn myself. I have been treated by many of the best physicians without benefit. I had no cure I saw advertised, but my wife induced me to get a bottle of South American Rheumatic Cure. At that time I was suffering agonizing pains, but inside 12 hours after I had taken the first dose the pains left me. Three bottles completely cured me, and I rejoice in having the opportunity of telling what a great cure it has wrought in me."

Sold by Dean & Hiscock's and Hall & Co.

TECUMSEH, Dec. 11.—David Fraser arrived here last night from Aberdeen, Wn., en route around the globe on foot. He is now 16 days ahead of his time and is in good health. Mr. Fraser resumed his journey to-day to Toronto.

RUSSIA AND CHINA.

Considerable Discussion Over the Treaty—Penal Settlement Abolished.

Destruction of Druidical Remains—Foreign Parcel Post—Trade of London Waning.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The text of the Russian-Chinese treaty reproduced here from the North China Daily News, has aroused considerable discussion and is regarded as a matter of the greatest importance. Some of the newspapers refuse to believe it authentic as it would be a great victory for Russian diplomacy. The Spectator to-day, however, believes it to be exact and says: "No forger would have tried so elaborately to protect the pride of China, while securing every Russian object. Nothing is ceded openly, but Russia is permitted to run a railway to Kwantung, and to have the right to keep all the troops she pleases, to protect the Manchuria stations, and she is also to fortify Fort Arthur for China. No glass is required to interpret phrases like these which completely invest Russia with the military control of Manchuria and the Liang Tung.

France has decided to abolish the penal establishment in New Caledonia, which the Australians have long demanded. The British cabinet has decided to transfer to the island of Madagascar the penal establishments, and to develop the island of Madagascar.

Great indignation prevails in anti-quarantine circles at the news that a number of Druidical remains at Dartmoor have been destroyed, notably a stone avenue and several hut circles on Shierston Common. It appears that rural council contractors broke up the ruins in order to utilize the pieces of stone in mending the roads.

It is announced that the pourparlers for a settlement of the frontier disputes between British Guiana and Brazil are expected shortly to be concluded. The formal negotiations commenced on the frontier question between Dutch Guiana and Brazil will be dealt with at the same time.

Edwin A. Abbey, the American artist, is one of those who have been commissioned to paint the frescoes of the vacant spaces in the royal exchange.

The statement made by Sir Thomas Biddell, a member of the committee of the Oriental Steam Navigation Co., to the stockholders of that company, that trade with the port of London is waning, has attracted attention and is generally endorsed in shipping and mercantile circles. London is declared to be still the leading port of the world, but it is losing its prestige as a distributing centre and goods are being taken direct to continental ports. The two chief reasons given are the exorbitant dock charges and the despatch of London labor.

The announcement that a foreign parcel post will be established in pursuance of the recent act of the congress of the United States is warmly received here, but there is some regret at the occurrence of the alleged narrowness of the policy of confining the transmission of the parcels to American vessels. The Daily Telegraph claims to see in this a characteristic example of a narrow protectionist spirit, but the despatch of London labor, occasionally came down to dinner in red satin bloomers.

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In the French chamber of deputies to-day, during the discussion of the naval budget, M. Pelletier, representing the Bonches-du-Rhone, severely criticized the waste of money and obscurity of the accounts of the administrative department of the navy. He pointed out that there had been forty-two accidents to French warships of different classes during the past couple of months, and attributed them to bad construction due to red tape, another to the differences between the admirals and the engineers. The entire organization, he added, needed revision.

An inquest into the death of Fred Kast, who with Lady Selina Scott, John Cockerton and William Aylot, had been on trial upon the charge of having libelled Lord Russell, was held to-day. One of the witnesses testified that before his death, which resulted from pneumonia, Kast declared that everything he had said regarding Lord Russell was true. Lord Russell's solicitor, who was present at the inquest, protested against the admission of the witness and his evidence.

The police have seized a number of political letters and papers at the students lodgings in Moscow and have made forty more prisoners to-day. A long story of the circumstances attending the death of Antonio Maceo by Dr. Zertucha, his physician, is published here. It concludes with saying: "Maceo always admired the bravery of the Spaniards and had little liking for Americans."

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