



Nine Men The Victims

Terrible Record of the Snowslide at the Mollie Gibson Mine.

Eight Men Are Still Entombed Without Hope of Recovery.

Rescue Party Working Difficultly.

One of the most terrible disasters that has befallen the mining industry in this province occurred at the Mollie Gibson mine, near the town of Hazelton, on the 23rd inst. A snowslide of unprecedented magnitude descended upon the mine, burying nine men and entombing eight others. The snow, which had accumulated on the mountain side for several days, came down in a great avalanche, covering the mine buildings and the surrounding area. The men who were entombed were J. Campbell, W. G. Murphy, Pietro (Italian), Hiroo (Italian), M. E. Hall, assayer; Chinese cook; All buried under the snow. The rescue party, consisting of men from Hazelton and other nearby towns, is working with great difficulty to reach the victims. The snow is so deep and the conditions so treacherous that progress is slow. It is feared that the men who have been entombed for several days may not survive.

Settling The Terms

Trying to Make Basis on Which to Arbitrate Venezuelan Question.

Some Days Must Elapse Before Preliminaries Are Decided.

Germany Insists on Being Paid Ten Per Cent of Claims at Once.

Washington, Dec. 27.—There is now in progress an active exchange of notes between the allied powers, Venezuela and the United States respecting the method of submitting to arbitration the issues which have arisen between Venezuela and the allies. The weight of official opinion here this afternoon was that several days at least must elapse before the terms of a preliminary protocol can be made ready for signature. Germany's insistence upon a payment of ten per cent of her full claim before submitting her case to arbitration, and perhaps Great Britain and France, is a matter which the allies regard as the obligation of honor, and it is further hoped that some arrangements will be made in the preliminary protocol for the raising of the blockade, though it is intimated that the allied ships will be kept ready to renew in case of any difficulty on the part of Venezuela in her obligations.

May Go to The Hague

Parties to Venezuela Dispute Are Agreeable to the Arbitration.

Certain Reservations Must Be Made According to Berlin.

Blockaders Have Now Captured Twenty Vessels Off the Coast.

La Guayra, Dec. 26.—The Swedish bark Fraama, from Cardiff, with 475 tons of coal for the La Guayra Caracas railroad, a British concern, arrived at this port yesterday and was ordered to anchor in the blockade line. Today orders were conveyed to the captain of the bark to leave. This step was taken more to show that the blockade is being maintained, and the vessel was not seized, as she left Cardiff before the trouble with Venezuela began. The Dutch consul here has asked for and obtained permission from the commander of the British cruiser Tribune, to send a schooner to Los Roques, a group of small islands about 100 miles from here, where the charcoal burners who trade with La Guayra are at present without provisions or water, and are being starved by the blockaders. The schooner must carry a flag of truce. She can only take provisions to land the trip, and Los Roques is the only place where the blockaders will allow her to land.

Murdered By Savages

Natives of Mallicolo Shoot Capt. Atkinson of Schooner Lily

Tragedy Was the Result of Superstition of the Natives.

The steamer Moana, which arrived from the Straits of Malacca, brought news of an attack on the recruiting schooner Lily by the natives of Mallicolo, in the New Hebrides, on Dec. 23. The schooner was employed by the British and French governments, and was carrying a large number of natives, who had been employed in New Caledonia by French planters, to the island of Mallicolo, where they were to be employed as laborers. The schooner was attacked by the natives, who were enraged by the presence of the foreigners on their island. The captain, Atkinson, and several crew members were killed. The schooner was set on fire and burned to the water. The natives are superstitious and believe that the presence of foreigners is a curse upon their land.

To Be Hanged On Same Day

Yukon Murderers Will Die on the Scaffold on January 20.

Benjamin Sulte Retires After Thirty Five Years in Public Service.

Minister of Interior Is Taking a Jaunt Through the States.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—The Yukon murderers, Lobbie and Fournier, will be executed on the same day, January 20. Lobbie was to have been hanged on the 20th, but has been reprieved for ten days. Benjamin Sulte, poet and historian, chief clerk of the Militia Department, retired today after 35 years' service. Mr. Sulte is to take a holiday jaunt through the States, ostensibly on a tour of inspection of the Canadian immigration agencies. He will be in Detroit, January 4, Chicago, January 7, Kansas City, January 10, and St. Paul on January 10 and 11, thence to New York. Mr. King, Dominion astronomer, has returned from Washington. He has the 15-inch equatorial telescope which is being used in Cleveland for the new astronomical building, will be ready in a few days. An Austro-Hungary is desirous of working up trade with Canada. An exhibition of the Austrian exhibits in Ottawa. M. S. Altman, Canadian trade commissioner, is in charge. He will visit the capital on Christmas. There was a slight snowfall in the morning, which made everything look clean and bright. There were large congregations at the church services.

Mr. Chamberlain In South Africa

He Asks that the Antimosities of the Past Be Buried.

Announces that Boer Offer to Fight in Somaliland Is Accepted.

NEW BRUNSWICK FIRE.

Durban, Dec. 26.—Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Colonial Secretary, and Mrs. Chamberlain, who left for South Africa on November 25, on board the armored cruiser Good Hope, landed here at 10:30 this morning. They received a warm welcome from large crowds of people. The speeches made by Mr. Chamberlain in the course of the reception function were for their strong sense of conciliation and as expressing his confidence in Lord Milner, British High Commissioner in South Africa. Bearing in mind, especially, the rumors that his visit would lead to the displacement of Lord Milner, Mr. Chamberlain declared that his mission would have the effect of strengthening Lord Milner's hands, which he hoped would be as great in conclusion as it had been in the maintenance of the rights of the Empire. Referring to the war, the Colonial Secretary said the British and Boer rivalry, between the two races, not kindred in origin or nature, such a struggle for supremacy had been inevitable. From that struggle two proud and kindred races would grow in mutual respect, appreciation and lasting friendship. "Victor and vanquished," said Mr. Chamberlain, "bravely played their parts. We scorn to glory in our triumph, but we do not regret the result. We must give our new fellow subjects equality of position with ourselves. We ask, however, something in return. It is the general drift of newspaper comment this morning. The only paper which really was open to the spirit of the Boer offer to fight in Somaliland, which seeks a chance of making arbitration once more a reputable theory."

Accident on Grand Trunk

Pacific Express and a Freight in Head on Collision at Wanstead.

Twenty Three Killed and Thirty Injured—Partial List of Fatalities.

WORK OF RESCUE.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—Advices from Ashland, N. Brunswick, say that the country around Andijan 11 villages are in ruins, a result of the recent earthquakes, and that fully 8,000 people have been killed and 10,000 injured. The weather is very warm and the work of rescue is proceeding rapidly. No one is permitted to enter Andijan without a police pass.

MASCAGNI ARRESTED.

Unfortunate Composer in Trouble in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Signor Mascagni, the American composer, who abandoned Chicago last week, was placed under arrest tonight on a charge of embezzlement, made by his former manager, Richard Healy. When Mascagni decided to return to Italy he had no further business with Healy, and Healy claims that the contract called for \$5,000, and tried to collect that amount. Mascagni refused to pay any such sum, and the arrest followed.

BLEW UP BANK.

How Missouri Burglars Celebrated Christmas Week.

St. Louis, Dec. 27.—The bank at Union Mo., was robbed of \$15,000 in a sensational manner early today. The burglars broke into the bank, and finally made their escape in a motor car. The number is variously estimated at from two to seven. A detailed examination of the vault showed that it had been looted. The building had been almost wrecked. Probably 50 burglars were concerned in the robbery. The burglar was enabled to escape because there was not an inch of snow between the building and the body. He managed to crawl out, pulling out

STEALING MATTE FROM NORTHPORT

Man Arrested in Rossland Reveals an Extensive Robbing System.

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for the long railway haul to the Great Lakes and the water freight thence to Great Britain will force them to sell on a very small margin or at actual cost. With the Canadian Northern, the Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific railways traversing British Columbia at different points, affording outlets for the wheat of Alberta and Saskatchewan, an immense trade should be established with China, and no effort should be spared by the people of the province to secure these roads. It may be argued that Siberia will be a competitor for this trade, but the fact should not be overlooked that the Russian wheat fields are much further inland than ours, and their output will be subject to heavy railroad tolls.

Our fisheries, too, if developed, should become an important factor in our trade with China, which consumes immense quantities of dried and salt fish. This is an industry which has, so far, been neglected, but is well worth the attention of British Columbia canners and fishermen. To establish a trade in fish, it would be necessary to send a special agent to China with a generous supply of samples—a shipload would not be too much—and arrange the opening of permanent agencies in the treaty ports, and the same applies to lumber and all branches of trade. In this our business men would only be following the example set them by their British and United States rivals, and it is the only way to secure trade.

A GREAT PACIFIC DRY DOCK.

Under the above heading the Toronto Globe has the following to say of improved dockage facilities at Esquimalt: Upon Canada's Western seaboard the accommodations for a busy Maritime trade are fast developing.

On Canada's Western seaboard the accommodations for a busy Maritime trade are fast developing. They are being brought into existence by the country's commercial intercourse with the ports of Russia, China, Japan, Korea, the East Indies, New Zealand and Australia. Great material progress on both sides of the Pacific are being made, and the volume of trade is being put on a new footing.

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The British Foreign Office recently published a report on the foreign trade of China, by Mr. Jamieson, British commercial attaché in China, which makes interesting reading for Canadians. Comparing the figures for the year with those of 1896, the year in which trade recovered from the war with Japan, it appears that while the total trade in 1896 was just over 54 millions sterling, it amounted last year to very nearly 63 millions, the imports having increased by 5 1/2 millions, and the exports by 3 1/2 millions sterling.

As the Globe is credited with being in the confidence of the Laurier government, it is quite probable that its use of the term "British" in the news columns of the Colonist recently, regarding the contemplated enlargement of the Esquimalt dry dock or the construction of a new one of greater dimensions may soon become a reality.

AN INTERNATIONAL "DEAL"

The following story, which appears in Eastern exchanges, throws an interesting side-light on the transfer of Alaska by Russia to the United States: "It is now stated on some authority that the sale of Alaska to this country was really a gift to the latter country in return for the payment of the expenses of the Russian squadron which lay in New York harbor some time at the time of the Russo-Japanese war."

THE UNKINDLED OUT.

The indication which Canadians once felt at the ignorance of Canada and Canadian affairs displayed by British newspapers has gradually changed to amusement, not unminged with pity, at the density of comprehension of the latter. The vastness of the Empire considered, and the multitude of races, climates, business interests, and other puzzling details, included within its boundaries, have made it plain to the people of the Dominion that the average Briton at home could scarcely be expected to grasp it all.

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marked, our Governments, and the people of the Dominion are on the verge of a step towards this good end, namely, the realization of the true state of affairs. May the good work go on!

PROGRESS IN MANUFACTURES.

Whatever particular circumstances may interfere from time to time with the whole trade in any preceding year, there can be no doubt whatever that the proportion of manufactured articles to the raw materials exported is steadily increasing.

The government of Manitoba has decided agricultural college. This is a step in the right direction, as it will have the effect of educating the young men of the province to the advantages of a farmer's life, and tend to keep them in the country instead of seeking a livelihood in the United States as half-baked professional men.

FORESTS VS. PULP.

Important as the preservation of our forests may be, and the stand-point of climate, fuel, and natural picturesqueness, the consideration which will appeal most strongly to the mind of the average man, is the question of the pulp industry. And this leads on to the question of how best to utilize them without jeopardizing the fish and game industry. And this leads on to the question of the pulp industry.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

A CORRECTION. Sir,—In one of your news items of this morning, it is stated that the bridge over the Kootenai river, which was washed away, and that train service was suspended. Let me inform you that no such thing has happened.

PRESS COMMENT.

The new rule adopted by the stewards of the Henley Regatta in England, that no row which has been under the direction of professional oarsmen, shall be allowed to compete, is an admirable one, because it is an admirable one, because it is an admirable one.

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MISS BLANCHE MYERS. A SOCIETY LADY'S LETTER.

Miss Blanche Myers, 810 Penn street, Kansas City, Mo., a prominent society woman of that place, has the following to say of Peruna:

"During each of the past four seasons I have caught a severe cold, when suddenly chilled after an evening party, and catarrh for several weeks would be the result. One bottle of Peruna cured me, and I shall not dread colds any more as I did."

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Public Works Engineer Inspecting Government Works - Farmer's Institute Organized.

Boundary Ore Shipments Increase for the Week Although Christmas Holiday Was Observed.

The Half Million Mark Will Be Passed for the Year.

PHOENIX, Dec. 26.—(Special).—For this last week the Boundary ore shipments total up a little more than for the previous week, notwithstanding that some of the mines did no shipping on Christmas day.

PERSISTENT REBEL. Colombian Indian Leader Desperately Tries to Escape.

PANAMA, Dec. 26.—Victorino Lorenzo, the Indian leader who fought with the revolutionists, made a sensational attempt to escape from confinement on board the Colombian cruiser Bogota yesterday.

By high mountains against the Russians in 1900, and who have begun a movement against the Chinese government.

The Trustees in Session Discussed Privately Last Night Teachers' Salaries and Possible Changes.

Letter from the President of McGill University re Affiliation.

A special meeting of the School Board was held yesterday evening, having been summoned by Chairman Hall for the purpose of discussing privately the question of teachers' salaries and possible changes.

50 men and youths' overcoat, half price for cash until December 31.

SHIPS' FIGUREHEADS. Wait Over Their Disappearance and Paean Over Ancient Romance.

Sir Edwin Arnold in London Telegraph. A wall has gone up from those who admire the bygone glories of our maritime history.

Winnipeg's Christmas. Mercury Out of Sight But City Feels Merry.

Waterproof cravattes, reduced to \$9.00.

Troublous Times in Restless China. Rebels and Soldiers Both Harass the Province of Kwangsi.

Junk Disaster Causes Great Loss of Life-Earthquakes Kill Hundreds.

AN EXCELLENT JOURNAL. British Columbia Mining Exchange and Investor's Guide For December.

SUNLIGHT SOAP will not burn the nap off woollens nor the surface off linens.

SUNLIGHT SOAP REDUCES LAUNDERING EXPENSE. Ask for the Octagon Bar.

Victory, Triumph and Velvet Opinion of a Prominent Financier and Mining Man on Sophie Mountain.

Success of the Kootenay Mines Depends on Economic Management.

Mr. C. Williamson Milne, who is chairman of the Roseland-Kootenay Mining company, and who with David B. Bogle, organized a prospecting company in Kootenay in 1885, arrived in the city from Roseland on Christmas night.

Are Asked to Visit Victoria. Another Invitation to Be Sent Holiday Seekers The World Over.

Mayor Hayward Eloquently Portrays the City's Attractions. His Worship Mayor Hayward, who is president of the Tourist Association, has prepared for special circuit among the more wealthy class who go "touring" on long jaunts, a very eloquent and interesting address.

THE ROSSLAND-KOOTENAY. This is Mr. Milne's first visit to British Columbia, and his immediate object was to inspect the Nickel Plate and Columbia-Kootenay mines at Roseland.

THE TWO PER CENT. TAX. Mr. Milne said it was his "bogus" in the London mining market, the man on the street seeming to look upon it as the entering wedge to a new era.

ABSOLUTE SECURITY. Genuine Carter's Little Liver Pills.

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GERMANS AND THEIR METHODS

A Bright Letter from Bremen on Ways of the People.

School Begins at 7 O'clock All Study English and French.

Enclosing the following letter from a friend visiting in Germany, a correspondent writes: "There is a great deal of interest being taken at present in England in German educational methods, and many seem to think that the Germans are beating us in every direction, more especially technically."

Dear J.—Here I am, once more in dear old Bremen, I am enjoying with the C. & W. who invited me for a two month visit, and I am having just a lovely time.

Both Fran and Herr C.—are very jolly and good-natured, and speak English very well. They are very kind and hospitable, and speak a little English—some quite a lot.

In a typical German town I think it is understood that the German citizen actually survives. The town has grown greatly since we were here.

There are some fine large new houses built, streets laid out, and it is very good to see that the Germans are beating us in every direction, more especially technically.

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Sealing Catch in Japan Sea

The Season's Work of the Schooners of the Japanese.

Steamer Tarter in from Yokohama—Unknown Bark Reported Ashore.

According to advices received from Hakodate by the steamer Tarter, the sealing season of the Japan coast by the Japanese sealing fleet has been of the whole profitable to the extent of the industry.

The catches of the Victoria and Japanese schooners which hunted for Japan during the season were as follows:

Table listing catches of various schooners including British Schooner Dona Stewart, Genero, Director, and others, with columns for species and quantity.

First Chibuchi was wrecked on October 5 with her Northern catch of 578 skins on board; has not been heard of since.

Steamer Tarter, of the C. P. R. line, reached port last night from Yokohama in a fine condition.

News was brought by the Tarter of the loss of the steamer Bunsang, in collision with the Japanese steamer Kiangyan in the Malacca Straits.

Despatches from Hakodate report that an outbreak of fire occurred on board the steamer Bunsang.

The description of the wreck fits a number of vessels, but the most likely is the Paul Rickmers, 207 days out from Bangkok for Germany.

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CAPTAIN DISAPPEARED

The schooner A. M. Baxter, captained by Capt. Holman, left for Seattle on Saturday night.

A cook and two sailors reported for duty Sunday, and they had been employed by Capt. Holman in Seattle, and they went to sea in the vessel.

Some time ago it was reported that the Japanese government intended, when the steamer Tarter, from the late of the Japanese government, to send a squadron of Japanese warships to the coast of British Columbia.

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T. N. Woodgate C. E. Presented With a Gold Watch—Work at Esquimalt.

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