

THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT

Principal Features of the Agreement Between the Government and Mackenzie & Mann.

Road From the Mouth of Stikine River to Teslin Must Be Finished in Six Weeks.

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—As announced yesterday, the contract for a railway between Telegraph creek and Teslin lake was signed by Mackenzie & Mann, subject to ratification by parliament.

NANAIMO.

Nanaimo, Jan. 26.—Mr. W. M. Balfour, inspector of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, was in the city yesterday and decided to open a branch of the bank here.

The beacon buoy once more has fallen into the mighty deep. The steamer Willapa ran into it when making a landing at Johnston's wharf last night and completely demolished the buoy.

Major Eate and Aldermen Quennell and Manson returned from Victoria today, having had an interview with the provincial government in regard to reducing the expenses of the police department.

NELSON.

Nelson, Jan. 24.—Development work on Toad Mountain properties is being pushed vigorously ahead; the number of claims on which work is being done is five times as many as last winter.

Two promising claims, the J.R.C. and Silver Cap, about a quarter of a mile from the famous Silver King, were last week by Alfred Bunker, R. Reister and A. H. Christie of Nelson.

Mining Licenses.

The New Licenses Received by Collector of Customs Milne.

Collector of Customs A. R. Milne this morning received a supply of the mining licenses. One hundred and thirty licenses were obtained either from Mr. Milne or from the collector of customs at Vancouver, or from the inspectors of police at Dawson before he can locate a mining claim on Canadian territory.

Canada for Canadians.

Hon. Mr. Tarte Excites Applause by the Use of This Expression.

Montreal, Jan. 27.—At last night's banquet to Premier Marchand, Hon. Mr. Tarte, in the course of his speech, predicted that the Klondike gold fever would bring at least 100,000 people to our shores this year.

Canadian Briefs.

Coleburg, Jan. 26.—C. G. Field, M.P.P., is dangerously ill.

London, Jan. 26.—Wm. Shore, M.P.P., was re-nominated by the Patrons of East Middlesex. He was at the last election supported by Conservatives as well as by the Liberal Unionists.

provincial government without portfolio. The provincial legislature meets on Thursday for the dispatch of business.

Winnipeg, Jan. 25.—The premises occupied by Ostrander, Fruiter, and Ossen, bruggers, further were badly damaged by fire last night. Loss, about \$1,500.

Montreal, Jan. 27.—The negotiations between the Canadian Pacific railway and F. Aug. Heinze, owner of the Trail smelter and the railway from Robson to Rossland, for the purchase of that property, by the Canadian Pacific has been reopened.

JOHN LAIRD DEAD.

Liverpool, Jan. 25.—John Laird, ship-builder, of Birkenhead, is dead.

WALSH'S WARNING

The Commissioner of the N. W. M. P. Writes the Ottawa Authorities on Yukon Affairs.

Sure To Be a Scarcity of Provisions—Beware of Fake Klondike Mining Schemes.

Ottawa, Jan. 26.—(Special.—Letters have been received by the minister of the interior from Major Walsh, dated "Mouth of Big Salmon River, Christmas Eve."

Part of his letter contains an important warning of which the public should take notice.

I am informed that 15 or 20 agents and brokers have come out from Dawson carrying with them, some say, hundreds—some say thousands—of certificates for entries for mining on all streams in the neighborhood and to the mountains beyond with the hope that they can be put on the market and be readily seized by the gullible public in the United States and Canada.

CREATED A SENSATION.

Europe Still Discussing Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's Speech.

New York, Jan. 25.—According to advices from London the speech of Sir Michael Hicks-Beach declaring that Great Britain will demand free commerce for the world in Chinese ports, continues to be the sensational feature of all discussion of the complications in China.

PELL FIVE STORIES

Three Workmen on a New York Building Meet With a Terrible Accident.

New York, Jan. 27.—An accident occurred today at the new two-story building in course of construction on Broadway, which will probably result in the death of three men, George McNamara, John Hammond, and Michael Seaman.

THE HANNA INVESTIGATION.

Columbus, O., Jan. 25.—So far the investigation into the charges of alleged bribery in connection with the election of Senator Hanna has been fruitless of results, no witness having admitted anything so far in substantiation of the charges.

THE SPOKANE FIRE

Further Particulars Regarding the Disaster Which Caused a Number of Deaths.

Victims Were Asleep in the Upper Stories and All Means of Escape Were Out of Use.

Spokane, Jan. 25.—At 11:45 o'clock last night the Great Eastern Block, at the corner of Post street and Riverside avenue, six stories in height, and constructed of brick, caught fire.

In three hours the building was totally consumed. The loss is \$400,000. The building was a six story brick, and the two upper floors were used for light show keeping.

These floors were occupied by 75 or 100 roomers, it is not thought that more than 25 were saved.

Great crowds flocked the streets, frantic with excitement. Several thrilling rescues were made.

The fire was a singularly hot one, and the department spent a long time in getting it under control.

While they were going up the people were at the windows shrieking, while the flames and smoke burst out upon them.

Crowds of people on the streets below shrieked in sympathy with them.

The building was owned by Louis Levisky, of San Francisco. It cost \$225,000, and was insured for \$50,000.

On the ground-floor of the structure were the establishments of the John W. Gray Photo Company, stationery and supplies and Skerrett & Donnelly, boots and shoes.

Mr. Skerrett & Donnelly had a stock of \$25,000, of which \$20,000 was covered by insurance.

W. D. Lloyd was sitting in his room on the fifth floor, reading, when the alarm was given.

Everyone who was in bed at that time had a narrow escape. Wrapping his overcoat around his head he came down the stairway.

From a fire escape on the fourth floor, seven feet to one side, a man threw a bucket of water, which was fast to his bed, and came down hand over hand, carrying the boy.

Spokane, Jan. 25.—The firemen are still playing water on the embers of the Great Eastern block, which was burned last night.

Spokane, Jan. 26.—Latest reports show that eight lives, and probably nine, were lost in the fire in the Great Eastern block.

YANKIEES FOR THE KLONDIKE.

Stamford, Conn., Jan. 25.—Fifteen hundred people gathered about the railway station last night to witness the departure of a party of 62 men bound for the Alaskan gold fields.

work of wires. He descended to the ground and was followed back up the ladder by a fireman carrying a light ladder on his shoulder.

London, Jan. 26.—The newspapers here comment on French, Russian and German reinforcements going to the Far East, while no corresponding addition is made to the British fleet, and say:

The Japanese Navy a Factor of Uncertain Value—Germany's Movements at Kiaochow.

The German fleet may be said to hold the balance between England and Japan and France and Russia, and have the position of arbiter—the very thing the Kaiser would desire, and with the eye on possession of the Far East he can dictate terms.

London, Jan. 26.—The steamer Darmstadt, having on board a detachment of marines and artillerymen, has arrived at Kiaochow Bay.

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TENDERERS FOR TIMBER BERTHS

List of Those Who Were Successful in Obtaining Privileges in the Yukon District.

Agitation To Have the Law Respecting Canned Goods Amended—Mr. Sifton Explains.

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—The following tenders have been accepted at the interior department for timber berths on the Yukon: A. S. Cross, Hootaniqua river; A. McLean, Lake Marsh; E. Vachon, Lewis and Pelly rivers; G. S. McConnell, Hootaniqua river; Klondike Mining, Trading & Transportation Corporation, Teslin lake; J. L. Johnson, Lake Le Barge; J. B. Perry, Lake Nares; and A. S. Kerry, Lake Bennett.

The government have decided to grant free miners licenses at Kamloops, Ashcroft, New Westminster and Nanaimo, in addition to the places already mentioned. Parties entering into gold dredging in the Yukon will be compelled to take out free miners licenses.

General Booth arrived in Ottawa today and was met at the depot by the mayor and a civic delegation. He is to interview the government upon an immigration scheme.

Petitions have arrived at the inland revenue department from some of the eastern-harbour traders, the latter respecting canned goods should be so amended by requiring packers to place in clear lettering on each can the net weight of the contents and the date on which the goods were packed.

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The Warship Maine Shown Regulation Contempt—Spanish Papers Advise Contempt.

Spain Will Respond and Send a Man-of-war to Some American Port.

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These calls have been exchanged the next thing in order was a reception to the acting general, as General Blanco has gone east as far as Catubana.

It is likely the ship's crew will be kept closely aboard the ship. In this way the probabilities of an unfriendly encounter between convivial parties of sailors and rowdies will be reduced.

NO HOPE FOR ALLISON.

The Murderer of Mrs. Orr to be Hanged on February the Fourth.

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OUTLOOK FOR WHEAT.

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For the purpose of this order the families of rebels will consist of their wives, children, parents, brothers, brothers-in-law and cousins.

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STEALING A MARCH ON JOHN BULL.

A correspondent of London Truth sends Mr. Labouchere the following article on the storm raging in the (China) occupation...

What is the gist of the situation? Now existing out (China) way? What is the cause of the situation? English rivals just now display? Why does Germany about so loudly? Why does Russia insist on this? Why does France stand aloof so proudly? Why does the cause, as it seems to me...

All our rivals—and who can wonder? Seeing our hands just now so full, to steal a march upon our rivals? They cry, in their hearts' recesses, John in worries is up to his eyes; John is in half-a-dozen messes; Now is our time for enterprise!

"Poor old John!" they exclaim, with pleasure. "See, what troubles are on his hands; See, how he wastes his strength and treasure; Fighting, poor fool, the desert sands; Fighting for swamps that reek with fever, Seeking for markets that trade is not, Seeking for the peasant's belief; Singing, in lands worth nothing when they are got!"

"Trusting his head, like a silly noodle, In an African horde's nest; Over a mountain and risks the gravest; Just to oblige a Jingo horde; Seeing the peasant's belief; Seeking to show for the blood out-poured."

"Come!" they cry, "what is his strength he fritters? He had a dozen exploits inane; We can seize on the prize that glitters; Far away off the Eastern main; Come! If we show no hesitation; Ten to one they will be wiser; And at worst, what will be consolation; To know that our prize is worth fighting for!"

And who shall say that they have not? Those of our rivals who argue thus? Who shall say that they do not seize on a sitting moment to harass us? Ah, who shall say that, whilst we are filling fields that never a crop have known; They are not rushing with us, and willing, to reap a harvest that we have sown?

To fight as all may be most immoral; But those to fighting most disinclined; May give this hint to the folks who rumour, which they'd do wisely to keep in mind; Your country's treasure and life-blood; The world keep henceforth to this rule; With vigour, and only light for what's worth the pains!

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Of course she would understand. It was all a part of the romance, and the country, and she understood. She left the calling, screaming children and her older companions, and strolled to the ward where he sat, on the grass under the trees. It was out of sight of the schoolhouse. He watched her black little figure moving through the heeled sunshine that came in through the palmy branches of the peepers. They were all alone in the midst of spring and the garden, birds were singing from the earth, the sun was shining from the sky, and the soft wind blew from the sea beyond the valley. The snowy mountains were far away, and the world on the other side of them yet further.

Her name, she said, was Alicia. How sweet the double 'e's of the vowels, how different the stern Nelson to which he had to confess. But even that was pretty when she said it. How old was she? She was 15. The heroines of the poets were that age. Where did she live? Some vague way over there among the pink blossoms. He remembered that when he was a child those questions had always begun an acquaintance: "What is your name? How old are you? Where do you live?" All the wisdom he had accumulated in the years between then and now had vanished. He did not want it. He forgot that he had come to reach the hotel of the valley by luncheon time. He was not hungry; but Alicia was. She put her plump brown hand into her pocket and brought out a newspaper roll. Inside of the paper there was a tortilla and a boiled meat. She ate these while she talked to him and when she had finished she started to draw the back of her wrist across her mouth; but remembering the teachings of school and the presence of the foreign young man she took out her handkerchief. He had meant to ask her for that handkerchief, the white signal which had fluttered in the air; but he saw that it was grimy and ink-spotted, so he asked for the "white ring she wore instead. Alicia parted with it as though it had been very precious.

Then she brushed the crumbs from her black frock and stood up. "I must go now," she said, with an accent that kept the words from being commonplace. "First tell me where you live," he asked. She pointed over to the patch of feathery pink. "In the white house in these trees."

"What is your father's name?" "Matteo Manzeolo," she answered, winding one of her heavy braids around her hand. "I will come to see you to-night," he told her.

"Yes," she answered, with musical indifference, as she went leisurely up the pathway and never once looked back. The man rode on to the hotel and returned to real life as he asked if a valise and a trunk had come, and if there were any letters for Nelson Cameron. There was one. After he had had his luncheon he sat on the long piazza, from which the snow-capped mountains could be seen through the climbing vines, and read it. The letter was dull, and the memory of the brown hair and eyes that had always seemed the most beautiful in the world paled beside that of two soft black braids and two orbs as soft and as black.

There was a vague promise that the owner of the brown hair and eyes might be in California, too, ere long. Cameron was not so pleased as he tried to think he was. He began to imagine the meeting of that night.

It came about Old Manzeolo and his fat, black-wrapped wife did not object to him in the least. He walked for hours up and down the moonlit road, with Alicia's hand in his and went from her house to the head of the stream, and then to Santa Barbara, where he had told the brown-eyed girl that the first week in March would find him. He had not written to her. He had meant to. But it was the hand of poor tempo.

In pursuance of the romance he was living, he one day put on the dirty overalls and coat of Old Manzeolo and went with Alicia to the San Gabriel railway station to wash and pack oranges. Alicia was dressed in faded dark-blue with a yellow handkerchief around her neck and a pink bow in her hair. She was very pretty, and very open in accepting the open devotion of the American. It was still just a dark for him. It was rather more for her—a little more.

A tally-ho drove up to the station and the driver stopped it, that his party of tourists might watch one of the really picturesque scenes left. Cameron and Alicia Manzeolo were talking together and did not. Each was gazing light love into each other's eyes. The boss of the gang came up to the tally-ho with a handful of oranges. The tally-ho, all wet and glistening with its scrubbing, he offered to the girl on the front seat.

"Thank you. What a splendid one!" she praised. "I am so thirsty that it will taste good to me." "May I feel it for you," he asked, with an intonation that showed him English at once. He had not offered to peel them for the others, but this was a very beautiful woman with brown hair and a skin that reminded him of the woman at home. While he prepared it, she looked at the workers. And when he handed it to her.

"Thank you," she said again, "and can you tell me who that man by the girl in the blue gown is? He is evidently not a Mexican?" He wondered why she should care to know, but he answered. "No, he is an American. All I can tell you about him is that his name seems to be Nelson. It is what the girl calls him."

unfaltering look of the brown eyes, and the scales—the rosy scales of romance—fell from his own. He dropped the orange that he held into the water in his tub and started to the tally-ho. But he took only one step, then went back. The girl on the front seat had turned to the others.

"Can't we get out for a while? I'm sure we are all cramped and tired, and I should like to watch this pretty scene for a while." The Englishman helped her down, but she thanked him and walked away. Her manner implied that she would make her own investigations. She wandered among the boxes and the tubs and trays, heaving a word to the washers here and there. Most of them did not understand her. She came up finally beside Cameron's tub and spoke to him. The onlooker fancied that she might be asking him many questions he had cleared that day, Alicia, a half dozen feet away at the end of the tray, was unconcerned. So the Anglo-Saxon conducts his tragedy.

"It is evidently more attractive here than in Santa Barbara," the fair American said, in cool, placid tones. Cameron stammered. "I can't blame you. It breaks my heart, of course. But that can't be helped. I stand it—and better now than later. Oh, I forgot that you were a great, great deal!"

"Don't you now?" asked Cameron boldly. "Yes, I suppose I always shall, too. But of course, I shall never see you again."

He started to protest, a little outraged in feelings at her severity. "Please don't say 'scene,'" she said, anxiously. "It won't do you good. You ought to know me well enough to know that." Cameron reflected that Alicia would have screamed, and cried, and stabbed, perhaps, but would have forgiven. That was her Latin blood. This girl was Anglo-Saxon. She would never forgive, but neither would she ever forget. He understood—he was her race. So he kept silent.

"Do you love her?" she asked him. "I think so." "Did you tell her you would marry her?" "Yes. He did not attempt to evade. "Then you will keep the promise, will you not?"

"I must leave that to you," she finished. "If you think you should you will do it. Good-by." The cool possessors of hot young blood parted after the manner of the well-bred of their kind. The girl drove away through the country of romance. She was in Elysian fields and her heart and soul were in hades, but no one knew that.

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NELSON HEADS THE LIST.

Exports From That Port for 1894 the Highest in the Province. Citizens of Nelson and West Kootenay in general will be pleased to learn that the value of exports from this port during the year was greatly in excess of that of any other port in the province and was almost equal to that of all the other ports combined. The total exports for the province for the year, as shown by the customs returns were valued at \$16,457,540, of which the port of Nelson is credited with \$7,715,418, an increase of \$4,911,454 over that of 1893. In value of imports, Nelson ranks second on the list with \$1,474,473, and Victoria first with \$2,913,594. In amount of duty paid this port ranks an easy second with \$431,033, as against \$250,949 in 1893; Victoria contributed \$733,433 in 1894, and \$634,570 in 1893 to the revenues of the Dominion. The above figures speak for themselves and are abundant evidence of the continued progress and development of this part of the province.

The increasing development of the mining industry and the stimulus given to all branches of trade by the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass Railway, leads to the belief that the year 1895 which we have just entered will show as great if not a greater percentage of increase over 1894 and more firmly established the reputation of West Kootenay as the most prosperous and progressive mining country in the world—Nelson Miner.

DEATHS HANDS PIONIERED. Kidney Death Grip Fever as the World Awakes to the Glad Facts that South American Kidney Cure Never Fails. The unsuspected presence, the insidious character, and the alarming suddenness of collapse and death from kidney disease of the most common and the most eminent physicians of the day, and not until South American Kidney Cure was introduced to suffering humanity could it be truthfully said that medical science had conquered that scourge of the human race. A thousand testimonials tell of its efficiency as a never-failing kidney specific.

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IN THE GARDEN OF ROMANCE.

The fact that he was riding a bicycle should have kept him from remembering that he was not living in an age of romance. But he forgot it. And to live in the midst of a matter-of-fact world and to be reminded of such a thing makes most of the tragedies of that world.

There were excuses for him, of course. The first, that he was young; the second, that he was care-free; and the last—and as the nursery rhyme has it, the best—was that he had come from the early spring of New York to that of Southern California.

He had ridden through willow paths along the gravel roads that a month before had been the best of the San Gabriel; he had crossed the shallow gleaming branches of the stream time and again; he had looked over the green swell of the divide over as green a valley, where wild flowers were thick on the ground, and where peaches and almond trees made pink and white patches. Just across the valley the mountains were half covered with snow, but the air was warm from the sea and the sky was bright blue.

Some nymph should come dripping and glittering out of the zanja; some slender figure should push its way through the high green barley and the fluted branches of the peppers and stand beside him. He forgot the barbed wire fence between the barley field and the road. The grasses and flowering weeds and the peppers hid it. But the zanja rippled and sparkled on, the barley waved from the wind from the sea, and the sun gleamed on an unhabited world.

Then a bell rang out, just ahead, by the roadside, and the silence of the road for his high noon was filled with the voices of children and young girls. The woman entered the garden. She was neither nymph of the zanja nor sprite of the field, only a black gown and a girl, who stood on the schoolhouse steps and wore a handkerchief at the passing tourist. The tourist was a man and young—which was all the school girl cared for. The girl was pretty and willowy—which was all the man cared for. He raised his cap and motioned to a clump of trees down the highway.

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OF course she would understand. It was all a part of the romance, and the country, and she understood. She left the calling, screaming children and her older companions, and strolled to the ward where he sat, on the grass under the trees. It was out of sight of the schoolhouse. He watched her black little figure moving through the heeled sunshine that came in through the palmy branches of the peepers. They were all alone in the midst of spring and the garden, birds were singing from the earth, the sun was shining from the sky, and the soft wind blew from the sea beyond the valley. The snowy mountains were far away, and the world on the other side of them yet further.

Her name, she said, was Alicia. How sweet the double 'e's of the vowels, how different the stern Nelson to which he had to confess. But even that was pretty when she said it. How old was she? She was 15. The heroines of the poets were that age. Where did she live? Some vague way over there among the pink blossoms. He remembered that when he was a child those questions had always begun an acquaintance: "What is your name? How old are you? Where do you live?" All the wisdom he had accumulated in the years between then and now had vanished. He did not want it. He forgot that he had come to reach the hotel of the valley by luncheon time. He was not hungry; but Alicia was. She put her plump brown hand into her pocket and brought out a newspaper roll. Inside of the paper there was a tortilla and a boiled meat. She ate these while she talked to him and when she had finished she started to draw the back of her wrist across her mouth; but remembering the teachings of school and the presence of the foreign young man she took out her handkerchief. He had meant to ask her for that handkerchief, the white signal which had fluttered in the air; but he saw that it was grimy and ink-spotted, so he asked for the "white ring she wore instead. Alicia parted with it as though it had been very precious.

Then she brushed the crumbs from her black frock and stood up. "I must go now," she said, with an accent that kept the words from being commonplace. "First tell me where you live," he asked. She pointed over to the patch of feathery pink. "In the white house in these trees."

"What is your father's name?" "Matteo Manzeolo," she answered, winding one of her heavy braids around her hand. "I will come to see you to-night," he told her.

"Yes," she answered, with musical indifference, as she went leisurely up the pathway and never once looked back. The man rode on to the hotel and returned to real life as he asked if a valise and a trunk had come, and if there were any letters for Nelson Cameron. There was one. After he had had his luncheon he sat on the long piazza, from which the snow-capped mountains could be seen through the climbing vines, and read it. The letter was dull, and the memory of the brown hair and eyes that had always seemed the most beautiful in the world paled beside that of two soft black braids and two orbs as soft and as black.

There was a vague promise that the owner of the brown hair and eyes might be in California, too, ere long. Cameron was not so pleased as he tried to think he was. He began to imagine the meeting of that night.

It came about Old Manzeolo and his fat, black-wrapped wife did not object to him in the least. He walked for hours up and down the moonlit road, with Alicia's hand in his and went from her house to the head of the stream, and then to Santa Barbara, where he had told the brown-eyed girl that the first week in March would find him. He had not written to her. He had meant to. But it was the hand of poor tempo.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had passed into his hands by an East Indian missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and Nervous Complaints, after having tried his wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellow-men. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this receipt, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 820 Powers' Block, Rochester, N.Y.

Free Trial To Any Honest Man. The Foremost Medical Company in the World in the Cure of Weak Men Makes this Offer. HEALTH AND ENERGY ASSURED. HAPPY MARRIAGE, GOOD TEMPER, LONG LIFE.

In all the world to-day—in all the history of the world—no doctor or institution has treated and cured so many cases of the GREAT MEDICAL CO. of Buffalo, N.Y. This is due to the fact that the company controls some of the best and most reliable medicines in the whole realm of medical science.

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A SCATHING REBUKE

Hon. Mr. Speaker Higgins Blatantly Exposes the Mischievous Policy of the Colonist.

"A Good Man Gone Temporarily Wrong" Receives Some Wholesome Advice.

This morning the Colonist published the following letter from the Hon. D. W. Higgins, Speaker of the British Columbia legislative assembly, in relation to the libel suit.

I had hoped to withdraw from the bitter controversy that has arisen over the libel actions and into which I was drawn quite unwittingly, but your article of this morning impels me to again point out the dangerous position which you occupy and into which you appear to have hastened with eyes and ears closed tightly to your peril.

Your quarrel is with "May," not with me; but I cannot help in passing, pointing out how absurd and inconsistent your attitude on Tuesday morning really was. You headed your article "No One's Mouth Closed," and proceeded to proclaim the right of everybody to discuss the guilt or innocence of the accused persons; but almost in the same breath, in the same article, you upbraided Mr. Speaker for having expressed his views as to the right of parliament to consider the matter.

The point on which I propose to join issue with you to-day is where you stand under the law that it may every day from now until the crack of doom proclaim its innocence of the libel with which it has been charged, and that there is no power under the sun that can prevent it from so doing.

I say in remonstrance that there is no law of this land which permits a newspaper or the plaintiff defendant in an action to bias public opinion as to a case while it is awaiting judicial action. No such law or rule exists in Canada or in any other British colony.

Charles Lamb, in his charming essays, tells us that Chinamen are in the habit of burning down their houses to roast their pigs in the flames. You, sir, are not only burning down your friends' houses in the rain, but you are roasting your interests.

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The rush to the rich gold fields of the Canadian Northwest is now on in earnest. The steamer City of Seattle, of the W. & A. S. S. Co., which sailed from Seattle on Thursday at 2 p.m. from his residence and half an hour later from St. John's church.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Cleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

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—Lieut. Baird left this morning for England with twenty-eight invalided and retired men from H.M. Navy.

—Richard Stege, an old miner and hotel keeper, who was in Cariboo, Big Bend and Leach River during the gold excitement at those places, died recently in California.

—Mr. G. L. Schesky has received the appointment of United States consular agent at Nanaimo. He will assume the duties of the office on the 1st of February, vice Mr. W. McGirr.

—James Porter, an old resident of the city, died this morning at his residence, Rock Bay avenue. He was a native of Sunderland, England, and 78 years of age.

At a meeting of the Children's Aid Society held last night and presided over by the Hon. Col. Baker, the appointment of Mr. R. H. Parker to work among the street boys was ratified; a committee to have the streets cleaned was appointed; Mrs. Herbert Kent was appointed treasurer.

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RHEUMATISM'S PANGS
From the Chatham Banner.
Everyone in the village of Wheatley knows Mr. Peter Sippe, who has been a resident of the place for upwards of twenty years, and who during the whole of that period up to last year was a constant sufferer from acute rheumatism, complicated by other troubles, until he was worn almost to a shadow. At the age of twenty he joined the New York cavalry and served through the war of the rebellion. He took part in the historic battles of Bull's Run, Fredericksburg, Culpepper, etc., and at one time rode eighty miles at a stretch, carrying dispatches through the enemy's lines. On another occasion he was on horseback for four days and five nights, and it is little wonder that such hardships left him, as they did thousands of others, with a wrecked constitution. While in the army as a result of poor

food and often bad water, he was attacked with diarrhoea, which assumed a chronic form. This, of course, greatly weakened him, and he fell an easy prey to the pains and tortures of rheumatism. To a correspondent of the Banner he said: "I never expected to be any better in this world, as I had tried scores of medicines which brought me no relief at all. Sometimes for weeks at a time I could not lie down or sleep, and could eat but little. I was not only troubled with rheumatism, but at times was subject to fainting spells, and at other times crying appeared to extra files before my eyes. I would often feel sick at the stomach, at which times food would prove loathsome to me. My kidneys also

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ANEMIA CURED.
From the Sun, Orangeville, Ont.
Some months ago Maggie, the fifteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sweeney, of John street, of this town, began to fail both in health and spirits. Her face was almost as white as chalk, her appetite very fickle, and her limbs began to swell. Notwithstanding her growing weakness she persisted in attending school, until one day her teacher advised her to go home, and not return until she felt better. At the same time the teacher, who knew the value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in such cases, advised her to take them. The advice was followed, and Mrs. Sweeney told our reporter that almost from the outset there was an improvement in her daughter's condition. Her appetite became better, the color returned to her face, and the severe headaches that had made her so miserable, vanished, and she is now feeling better than she has done for many months.

DYSPEPSIA CURED.
Miss Lila Laughlin, a young lady who is teaching in the Port Stewart public school, says: "Some months ago I was suffering from a severe attack of dyspepsia. I procured some medicine from the doctor which seemed to help me for a time, then it apparently lost its effect and I became worse. I had a terrible pain in the stomach, which caused me much distress. Then vomiting set in and continued until I was so weak I could scarcely stand, and at times my sight would seem to leave me. While in this condition my friends advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I procured a half dozen boxes. By the time I had used them I had fully recovered my health, and I can recommend them to others similarly suffering."

FEMALE WEAKNESS CURED.
Mr. John Decaire, Sahanatic, Ont., writes: "I take the liberty of writing you a few lines in praise of your Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. For some time my wife was a great sufferer from troubles peculiar to females. She was very weak, suffered from dizziness and headache, and her complexion was sallow. She was unable to do any work, and made very little progress in her recovery. She was urged to try your valuable medicine, and I decided to get two boxes as a trial. In the course of a week her appetite began to improve and she felt more hopeful. She continued using the pills, and under the treatment has fully recovered her health and vitality. We both strongly advise women suffering as she did to use Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

PARALYSIS.
Do your hands tremble? Are you liable to tremors that you cannot control? Have you lost the full power of using your hands? Do you stagger or falter in walking? Is the face distorted? Is all one side of the body affected? These symptoms indicate the beginning of Paralysis. There will follow agonizing pains, complete disability and death, unless you take it in time. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will cure you.

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TO DAWSON IN A WEEK.
C.P.R. Will Be Able to Land People in Dawson in a Week's Time.
Among the arrivals in the city yesterday was Mr. Robert Kerr, general freight and passenger agent of the C.P.R., who is accompanied by his son, Mr. R. H. Kerr, says the Vancouver News-Advertiser.
Mr. Kerr said that without a doubt the Stickeen route would be the favorite route to the Yukon gold fields, and by about next September the C.P.R. expected to be able to land passengers in Dawson City in comfort in a week's time. He said that the C.P.R. has purchased the two steamers, the Tartar and Athenian, for the Klondike route. Both steamers are elegantly fitted up and well suited for the trade, as he has learned from many who had travelled in them when on the run between the Cape and England. The Tartar's tonnage was 4,300 and the Athenian's 3,900, so that they are much larger by far than any vessel now in the trade. The Tartar is scheduled to sail from Southampton on February 1st, and the Athenian on the 10th of the same month, and from advices received both vessels will bring full cargoes and passenger lists. The voyage to this port will probably take from 42 to 50 days, so that the Tartar should arrive here about March 20th and the Athenian about March 30th. In conjunction with these two steamers, independent companies propose to place the steamers Amor and Peshan on the run between Vancouver and Victoria and Wrangell, and as these vessels will make the round trip in a week, there will be four sailings every week from this port. In addition to the smaller craft already plying from here and Puget Sound, "Amor" for the rest of the journey," continued Mr. Kerr, "equally good facilities will be provided. On the Stickeen route there will be 40 to 50 to 20 speedy stern-wheel steamers operated by the C.P.R., Hudson Bay Company, C.P.N. and other companies, which will convey passengers to Telegraph Creek. At

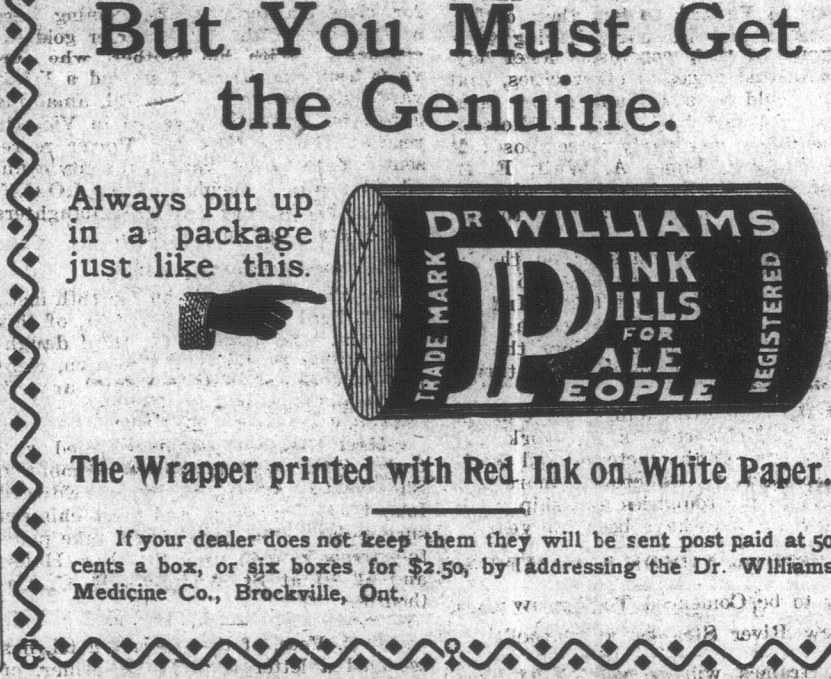
present pack trains will have to be used on the land journey from that point to Lake Teslin, but, as I see from a dispatch from your Ottawa correspondent, Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann have obtained a contract from the Dominion government to construct a railway across that strip of territory. The distance is only 120 to 130 miles, and there are no difficult grades, so that, judging from the rate of construction on the Crow's Nest Pass road—a much more difficult piece of work—this line should easily be completed in four months' time from the date of commencement. Moreover, the railway will probably be used as a wagonway, a section is completed, and this, of course, greatly lessens the distance over which pack animals will have to be used. Then when Teslin lake is reached all is plain sailing. Another fleet of stern-wheel steamers will be waiting and in three days a passenger will arrive in Dawson City. The time of passage down Teslin lake and the Hootalinqua river has been given by me long authoritatively including Mr. F. C. Law, who has spent a considerable length of time in that district. You thus see that it is no dream when I tell you that people will be in comfort in Dawson City in a week's time.

HUDSON STRAITS.
Capt. Whiteley Says They Are Navigable For But Three Months Each Year.
Capt. Whiteley, who was one of those engaged in the exploration of Hudson Bay straits on the steamer Diana, and who recently returned to Victoria, does not speak very glowingly of the scheme of the Manitoba to transport their wheat to England in iron steamers from Port Churchill, in Hudson Bay, to the Hudson straits to England. The object of the exploration trip of the Diana was mainly to see if this was practicable, and after a complete investigation, it was found that there was only a period of three months in which the straits were navigable for steamers. He stated during the latter part of July, August, September and the beginning of October,

that the straits were navigable for steamers. Under the circumstances, notwithstanding that nearly a week would be saved by this route, it would scarcely pay to run steamers between Port Churchill and the mother country. Had the straits been navigable for say about six months each year, it is understood that a railway was to have been built from Winnipeg to Port Churchill, thence iron steamers would run to England and Europe.
THE MINERS' LICENSE.
Rosland Labor Council Denounces the Tax as Radically Wrong.
Says the Rosland Miner: A well attended meeting of the Trades and Labor Council was held Saturday evening. The following resolution was submitted and unanimously adopted:
Whereas, Section 8 of a law cited as the Mineral Act, 1896, imposes taxation upon operations of all mining industries (excepting coal) and
Whereas, it is the sentiment of this body that in such legislation the method is a factor of equal importance with the amount; and
Whereas, such taxation is a direct tax upon labor and places a heavy weight of taxation upon the shoulders of those who are least able to bear it; therefore be it
Resolved, That this council denounces as radically wrong the principles contained in said section 8, which is false in theory and iniquitous in practice, and cannot be justified from any moral or economic basis, and in the best judgment of this organization should immediately be repealed.
REAR ADMIRAL McNAIR BACK.
San Francisco, Jan. 28.—Rear Admiral McNair, late commander of the Asiatic squadron, United States navy, arrived here to-day on the steamer Coptic. Commodore Dewey is now in charge of the Asiatic fleet. He hosted his penant over the flagship Olympia January 3rd.

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But You Must Get the Genuine.
Always put up in a package just like this.
The Wrapper printed with Red Ink on White Paper.
If your dealer does not keep them they will be sent post paid at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.



SHORTLY BY THE WALTER L. RICH, which in all probability will be the last of the sealing fleet to sail. About twenty vessels will be left in the inner harbor, their owners having decided not to send them out this spring.
The steamer Columbia, of the Northern Pacific line, left Yokohama for this port on January 23rd. She is due here Feb. 6th. The Columbia has 400 tons of freight for Victoria. The steamer Victoria, of this line, arrived at Yokohama on Jan. 24th.
ATTACK AND DEFENCE.
Lecture by a Well Known Military Expert in Toronto.
The Toronto Globe says:
The lecture season at the Canadian Military Institute was commenced last evening, when some fifty officers gathered to hear Major Lessard, R.C.D., inspector of cavalry, deliver a most instructive lecture on the characteristics and employment of the three arms and the principles of "attack and defence." Major Macdonald, Highlanders, presided. The lecturer, after outlining the characteristics of the infantry, cavalry, and artillery respectively, compared their employment and the methods adopted and the results attained in Frederick's era and Napoleon's era, and drew practical lessons showing the requirements of the present day, stating them concisely as (1) the utmost development of fire, (2) the highest possible mobility and (3) the most difficult target for the enemy, and elaborating these by explaining the various formations and the proper employment of the three arms. The lecturer proceeded to deal with each arm in greater detail, drawing illustrations from famous battles, cavalry v. infantry at Mars la Tour, cavalry v. infantry at Marengo and Custozza and various others, concluding with an interesting discussion of the three arms combined, and the part played by each and the order in which they would engage an enemy in a chosen position, the defence of a position which an enemy attacks and the attack on an enemy who is himself advancing to the attack.
A discussion in which many of those present took part, following, illustrating various conditions being used to explain the disposition of the several arms.
COAL OPERATORS AGREEING.
Chicago, Jan. 26.—The interstate joint conference of bituminous coal miners and operators met to-day expecting to receive a report from the joint committee and to give it a quick settlement. The conference is now waiting to receive a report of the state scale committee which will be about as follows: A general advance of 10 cents to date from April 1, eight hours work a day to date from June 1, and a uniform day wage scale to date from June 1. The advance has been acceded to by all but one or two members from Ohio, who it is believed are on the verge of surrender.
BIG FIRE IN ST. LOUIS.
St. Louis, Jan. 26.—One of the most disastrous fires experienced in East St. Louis in many years started about 9:30 last night in the Union elevator, the largest building of its kind either here or in St. Louis, and before it burned itself out property to the estimated value of \$1,000,000 was destroyed. The elevator and its contents, supposed to be not far from 3,000,000 bushels of grain, the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy freight house, adjoining, with ten cars of merchandise, 85 cars of coal and a number of small dwellings were burned, together with the stables of the St. Louis Transfer Company.
BANK ROBBER FOILED.
St. Louis, Jan. 26.—A young man about 22 years of age entered the office of Judge Madill, president of the Union Trust Company, yesterday, presented a revolver and demanded \$5,000. Judge Madill held him in consultation until detectives arrived and he fled. A bottle of nitro-glycerine was found in his pocket. Attempts to find out who he is have failed.
MICHAEL WANTS A DIVORCE.
Crown Point, Ind., Jan. 26.—In the Lake county circuit court, Jimmy Michael, of the Welsh hotel, through his attorney, J. K. Stinson, has filed a suit for a divorce from his wife, Annie Michael, nee Lewis, to whom he was married in the city of Cardiff, Wales, March 12, 1885. He claims that she deserted him in the city of Aberdeen, Wales, three months after their marriage. He further says he has been a resident of Hammond since Sept. 1st, 1895.
SIR F. D. MIDDLETON DEAD.
London, Jan. 26.—Lieutenant General Sir Frederick Middleton, a member of the crown jewels, is dead. Sir Frederick Middleton was in command of the forces during the Boer rebellion in the Northwest Territory of Canada in 1885, and for his services received the thanks of both houses of parliament.
HAS PROSPERITY RETURNED?
Washington, Jan. 26.—The house consumed most of yesterday afternoon in discussing industrial conditions, the Republicans affirming and the Democrats denying that prosperity has returned.
AN OMINOUS REMARK.
"Say, Mary," said the doctor, "What, dear?" she asked, "Did you hear that remark the doctor made after he looked at me?"
"No; what was it?"
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THE CZAR FEARS NOTHING.
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TO DAWSON IN A WEEK.
C.P.R. Will Be Able to Land People in Dawson in a Week's Time.
Among the arrivals in the city yesterday was Mr. Robert Kerr, general freight and passenger agent of the C.P.R., who is accompanied by his son, Mr. R. H. Kerr, says the Vancouver News-Advertiser.
Mr. Kerr said that without a doubt the Stickeen route would be the favorite route to the Yukon gold fields, and by about next September the C.P.R. expected to be able to land passengers in Dawson City in comfort in a week's time. He said that the C.P.R. has purchased the two steamers, the Tartar and Athenian, for the Klondike route. Both steamers are elegantly fitted up and well suited for the trade, as he has learned from many who had travelled in them when on the run between the Cape and England. The Tartar's tonnage was 4,300 and the Athenian's 3,900, so that they are much larger by far than any vessel now in the trade. The Tartar is scheduled to sail from Southampton on February 1st, and the Athenian on the 10th of the same month, and from advices received both vessels will bring full cargoes and passenger lists. The voyage to this port will probably take from 42 to 50 days, so that the Tartar should arrive here about March 20th and the Athenian about March 30th. In conjunction with these two steamers, independent companies propose to place the steamers Amor and Peshan on the run between Vancouver and Victoria and Wrangell, and as these vessels will make the round trip in a week, there will be four sailings every week from this port. In addition to the smaller craft already plying from here and Puget Sound, "Amor" for the rest of the journey," continued Mr. Kerr, "equally good facilities will be provided. On the Stickeen route there will be 40 to 50 to 20 speedy stern-wheel steamers operated by the C.P.R., Hudson Bay Company, C.P.N. and other companies, which will convey passengers to Telegraph Creek. At

present pack trains will have to be used on the land journey from that point to Lake Teslin, but, as I see from a dispatch from your Ottawa correspondent, Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann have obtained a contract from the Dominion government to construct a railway across that strip of territory. The distance is only 120 to 130 miles, and there are no difficult grades, so that, judging from the rate of construction on the Crow's Nest Pass road—a much more difficult piece of work—this line should easily be completed in four months' time from the date of commencement. Moreover, the railway will probably be used as a wagonway, a section is completed, and this, of course, greatly lessens the distance over which pack animals will have to be used. Then when Teslin lake is reached all is plain sailing. Another fleet of stern-wheel steamers will be waiting and in three days a passenger will arrive in Dawson City. The time of passage down Teslin lake and the Hootalinqua river has been given by me long authoritatively including Mr. F. C. Law, who has spent a considerable length of time in that district. You thus see that it is no dream when I tell you that people will be in comfort in Dawson City in a week's time.

HUDSON STRAITS.
Capt. Whiteley Says They Are Navigable For But Three Months Each Year.
Capt. Whiteley, who was one of those engaged in the exploration of Hudson Bay straits on the steamer Diana, and who recently returned to Victoria, does not speak very glowingly of the scheme of the Manitoba to transport their wheat to England in iron steamers from Port Churchill, in Hudson Bay, to the Hudson straits to England. The object of the exploration trip of the Diana was mainly to see if this was practicable, and after a complete investigation, it was found that there was only a period of three months in which the straits were navigable for steamers. He stated during the latter part of July, August, September and the beginning of October,

that the straits were navigable for steamers. Under the circumstances, notwithstanding that nearly a week would be saved by this route, it would scarcely pay to run steamers between Port Churchill and the mother country. Had the straits been navigable for say about six months each year, it is understood that a railway was to have been built from Winnipeg to Port Churchill, thence iron steamers would run to England and Europe.
THE MINERS' LICENSE.
Rosland Labor Council Denounces the Tax as Radically Wrong.
Says the Rosland Miner: A well attended meeting of the Trades and Labor Council was held Saturday evening. The following resolution was submitted and unanimously adopted:
Whereas, Section 8 of a law cited as the Mineral Act, 1896, imposes taxation upon operations of all mining industries (excepting coal) and
Whereas, it is the sentiment of this body that in such legislation the method is a factor of equal importance with the amount; and
Whereas, such taxation is a direct tax upon labor and places a heavy weight of taxation upon the shoulders of those who are least able to bear it; therefore be it
Resolved, That this council denounces as radically wrong the principles contained in said section 8, which is false in theory and iniquitous in practice, and cannot be justified from any moral or economic basis, and in the best judgment of this organization should immediately be repealed.
REAR ADMIRAL McNAIR BACK.
San Francisco, Jan. 28.—Rear Admiral McNair, late commander of the Asiatic squadron, United States navy, arrived here to-day on the steamer Coptic. Commodore Dewey is now in charge of the Asiatic fleet. He hosted his penant over the flagship Olympia January 3rd.

SPEAKER'S LETTER

Hon. D. W. Higgins Writes in Very Strong Terms to the Editor of the Colonist.

The Extraordinary Position Adopted by That Newspaper Pointed Out.

Hon. D. W. Higgins, speaker of the British Columbia legislative assembly, has addressed the following communication to the editor of the Colonist, in respect to the libel suits discussion:

"Your article of Sunday, headed 'No One's Mouth Closed,' was written under a complete misapprehension (for I cannot bring myself to believe that you would be guilty of a willful perversion) of facts, and I deem it my duty to crave space in your columns to present the other side of the question to your readers. At the beginning I must express my deep regret that you failed to inform yourself as to the right of the legislature and the press to comment on a case that forms the subject of judicial action, before writing your misleading and mischievous article; misleading, because calculated to convey to unthinking persons an erroneous idea of their rights; misleading because likely to give rise to a controversy calculated to prejudice the public mind for or against the accused in the libel actions, and render a verdict by a jury improbable.

"You admit that you have not the rule (governing the case) at hand, and you then denounce the rule, if any exists, as 'rank nonsense,' and intimate that even if the speaker should rule that a case which is sub judice may not be discussed in the legislature, his decision should be over-ruled. What a pity that you had not the rule at hand, or that you did not wait until you had consulted a copy of 'May' before indulging in mock heroics and threatening a political upheaval if an attempt were made to close any one's mouth.

"Is it possible that the Colonist library is so incomplete that it does not contain a copy of 'May' or that the legislative library or the nearest solicitor's office was not accessible to supply the information of which, I must be pardoned if I say, you stand sadly in need. You are a writer of too wide experience to be reminded that it is not Mr. Speaker who makes the rules, but it is to enforce them, strictly and impartially; and so far from the rule which prevents debate on matters that are before a court being 'sensational' (as you say), I deem it a most salutary regulation, fair alike to both accuser and accused. With out further preface I shall refer you to 'May's' Parliamentary Practice, tenth edition.

"On page 264 it is said that 'a matter whilst under adjudication before a court of law should not be brought before the house as a motion or otherwise.'

"On page 308: 'A member while speaking to a question may not refer to matters pending a judicial decision.'

"On page 316: 'Matters awaiting the adjudication of a court of law should not be brought forward in debate. This rule was observed by Sir R. Peel and Lord J. Russell, both by the wording of the speech from the throne, and by their procedure in the house regarding Mr. O'Connell's case, and has been maintained by rulings from the chair.'

"These extracts may not convince you of the error into which you have yourself fallen, and into which you have dragged your readers; but they seem very conclusive to my mind. It is no use telling me what in your opinion ought to be. You are only to deal with things as they are. The wild-eyed orator when told that his statements did not agree with facts, replied, 'So much the worse for the facts. You are told that 'May' does not comport with your article, you will probably exclaim, 'So much the worse for 'May.'

"But the rule which you denounce as 'rank nonsense' has stood the test of many years in the foremost debating body in the world, and its wisdom has not to my knowledge been questioned—at least not successfully. We can all learn from British methods of procedure both in and out of parliament. There is no country on earth where a man can be as certain of a fair trial before unbiased judges and unprejudiced juries as in England. Much of this is due to the respect which all classes entertain for the law and the confidence they feel in the administration of that law; and much is due to the admirable way in which the press conducts itself while the case is awaiting trial or being heard. Comment is seldom made, and an indiscretion is as severely punished as contempt of court by the judges. When the Tebborne matter was on trial transgressors of this excellent regulation were severely dealt with. You, sir, when reminded by a contemporary that it is wrong to comment on the guilt or innocence of the gentlemen who have been committed for trial on a charge of libel exclaim 'This is not Russia.' No, this is Canada, a dependency of the British Crown, where the press is free and untrammelled—free to discuss every question of public importance; but where it is not licensed to browbeat judges, assault juries, or prejudice cases, as is done

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THE CITY FATHERS

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expenses in connection with the leper station are assumed by the Dominion government that refused to contribute to the expense of the lazaretto. It was four years since anything had been paid. The costs of the leper station did not devolve upon the city yet they had taken it over and were in honor bound to maintain it. Ald. Williams motion was practically a threat, and in his opinion the government would laugh at that.

Motion lost on the following division: Ald. Williams, Kinsman and Humber, Nays; Ald. McGregor, McCandless, Hall, Humphreys and Phillips. Ald. Phillips' motion asking that tenders be called for supplies for the Old Men's Home was carried.

Ald. Williams moved as follows: "That considering the questionable statement, given in evidence, by the former city carpenter, in re his boring holes in the timber of Point Ellice bridge, and as it appears that no proper attempts were made to contradict the said statements, this council take immediate steps to thoroughly investigate the truthfulness or otherwise of said statement; and a committee, consisting of his Worship the Mayor, Ald. Kinsman and the mover, be appointed, with power to call for persons and papers and report to this council at as early a date as possible."

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The Size of Claims—Conditions—Issuing of Licenses

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 28.—consideration, and with William Ogilvie, the great authority on the Yukon code on the legal conditions of govern placer mining in the regulations in substance.

Free miners shall mean male over the age of 18, that age, or a joint statement in and lawfully valid existing free mine and no other.

A free miner's certificate transferrable. This certificate granted for one year to date thereof or expiration plaintiff's then existing certificate, the payment thereof of the unless the certificate is to favor of a joint stock which case the fee shall company having a nominal ceiling \$100,000, the fee

Only one person or joint party shall be named in certificate. This certificate shall be the private property of the holder, and shall not be subject to the privilege of proving title necessities, for building and for general mining of the exclusive use of himself, but such person extends to timber which is granted to other persons.

Certificates may be obtained in person at the department in Ottawa, or from the Dominion land office, Calgary, Edmonton, or the Northwest Territory and New Westminster, British Columbia, or from the collectors of customs and excise, B. C.

No person or joint party will be recognized as right or interest in or to less he or it or every person employment shall have a certificate unexpired, and the holder thereof shall be the owner thereof shall all his right and interest in or before the day of expiration of such certificate free mine, or certificate of title.

Nevertheless, should fail to keep up his free mine, such failure shall constitute forfeiture or act as an abatement of the claim, but the interest of the claimant shall be reserved for the government.

That is to say, when a free mine is discovered, the claimant's claim adjoining a numbered consecutively, 250 feet will be reserved for the government and so on.

The penalty for trespass claim reserved for the government and so on.

If any free miner or party discover a new mine every shall be established fact of the mining receiver or his claims of the shall be allowed:

To one discoverer of claim in length; to a party of two claims, amounting together in length; to each party beyond two in number, an ordinary size only.

A claim shall be recorded mining recorder in whose situated within 10 days of date thereof.

Entry shall not be granted which has not been staked in the manner specified regulations. An entry fee charged the first year, of \$15 for each of two years.

A royalty of 10 per cent shall be levied and the gross output of each claim \$2,500 shall be deducted from the gross annual output of a claim, the amount upon which shall be calculated, but it shall not be allowed unless paid at the banking office of the Dominion of Canada.

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