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WOOD, Dec. 15.—At a large meeting of the Greenwood association held on Friday it was unanimously decided to name Duncan as the candidate for nomination...

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ELEVEN TONS INTO ONE Results of Concentrating at the Le Roi Two Mill.

Excellent Week's Work in Rossland's Big Mines.

Much interest continues to attach to the question of concentration in the Rossland camp, or to be more explicit, to the various problems arising in connection with the treatment of concentrates already produced.

The Le Roi Two company has received the returns from its first consignment of concentrates shipped to the Northport smelter last week, and these are declared by the management to be satisfactory.

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BOUNDARY SHIPMENTS.—One shipment from Boundary mines for the week and year to date were as follows:

THE OUTPUT.—Shipments from the Rossland camp for the week ending December 19, and for the year to date are as follows:

Table showing weekly and yearly production for various mines like Le Roi, Centre Star, War Eagle, etc.

AMONG THE MINES.—WHITE BEAR.—Preparing for the commencement of shipments as early as possible after the first of the year.

LE ROI.—The week was devoted to continued stopping operations on the various levels, especially the 300, and in development on the 1350 level.

LE ROI TWO.—In the mine the usual stopping and development work has proceeded steadily and with satisfactory results.

JUMBO.—During the past week stopping operations were conducted steadily on the first level.

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ORGANIZER BAKER ARRESTED.

Compelled by the Military to Leave Cripple Creek. DENVER, Colo., Dec. 22.—James A. Baker of Slocan, B. C., a member of the executive committee of the Western Federation of Miners, who visited Cripple Creek last week and established a co-operative store for the benefit of the strikers, was arrested by the troops and released on his promise to leave the region.

COAL MINERS STRIKE.

West Virginia Men Object to Proposed Reduction. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 22.—Word has been received at the headquarters of the United Mine Workers that 1000 miners in Preston county, W. Va., have quit work on account of a reduction of ten cents a ton in their scale.

COLLISION IN EAST RIVER.

A Ferryboat Nearly Sunk by the Torpedo Boat Winslow. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The ferryboat American while in midstream off Grand street in East River collided with the torpedo boat Winslow. The main deck of the ferryboat was stove in and the torpedo boat was also injured.

APOLOGIZED TO CONSUL.

The Turks Make Amends to the Outraged U. S. Representative. ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, Dec. 22.—The naturalized American citizen whose arrest by the Turkish authorities caused Consul General Davis to leave Alexandria, has been liberated. The governor of Alexandria made an official call on U. S. Consul Davis and formally apologized for the indignities suffered by the consul.

ANOTHER STEAMER ASHORE.

Large Vessel Now in Company With the Red Star Liner. ANTWERP, Dec. 22.—Another large steamer has gone ashore near where the Red Star liner Finland grounded on Saturday last. Owing to the fog which prevails, the observers ashore have up to the present been unable to ascertain the vessel's name.

FIREMEN'S BODIES FOUND.

Two Victims of the Fire in Mott Street, New York. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Late this afternoon the bodies of Battalion Chief Coleman and Fireman Richard Joyce were found in the cellar of the Mott street furniture factory where they lost their lives last night.

WANT THE CANAL.

Louisiana Houses Vote in Favor of Treaty Ratification. BATON ROUGE, La., Dec. 21.—Both houses of the Louisiana legislature today adopted a resolution requesting the United States senators from this state to vote in favor of the ratification of the treaty providing for the building of the Panama canal.

FISHERMEN DROWNED.

Massachusetts Boats Caught in a Northwest Gale. SWAMPSCOTT, Mass., Dec. 22.—The increasing northwest gale caught several fishermen off shore today, and Walter Carley and Andrew Gallagher, both of this town, were drowned through the capsizing of their dory.

LEAVES BORGIA APARTMENT.

ROME, Dec. 22.—It is reported that Cardinal Merry Del Val, the papal secretary of state, will soon leave the Borgia apartment in the vatican, the occupation of which by the cardinal has given rise to so much discussion.

DR. CHENEY DEAD.

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 22.—Rev. Oren B. Cheney, D. D., the first president of Bates college, died today aged 87 years.

General News Of the Kootenay

POPLAR CREEK.—Ore is being brought down by pack train from the Swede group to Poplar station by George Chataway. The first shipment will consist of about twenty tons and will be sent to the Oyster mill at Cambarne for treatment.

THE LARDEAU.—J. H. Gasey and Charles Woodrow shot two swans on Howser lake, near Duncan City, last week. They measured 90 inches from tip to tip, 6 inches across the foot, and head and neck 23 inches in length.

THE OKANAGAN.—At a meeting of the Vernon Jockey club the following officers were elected: S. C. Smith, president; H. G. Muller, vice-president; W. F. Cameron, secretary.

Work on the two big sawmills at Arrowhead is progressing rapidly. A derrick has been installed at the Big Bend Lumber company's mill. It is stated that wires will be strung from this mill to the town for the purpose of supplying light, which will be a great convenience.

THE BOUNDARY.—Now that arrangements have been completed for shipping from both sides of the claim, the tonnage from the Emma is expected to be materially increased.

SHIPMENTS FROM THE ATHELSTAN are now going to the Greenwood smelter, owing to the fact that the final payment of \$3000 on the Jackpot, adjoining.

THE SLOCAN.—Quietly, but effectually, Manager Zwickey has developed the Rambler during the past year, until today it is the big mine of the McGuigan Basin.

Seven cars of ore were sent out by the Slocan Star this week. An unpleasant incident took place at the mine took it into their heads that the cook was not putting up the meals he should for some time past.

George Findlay has returned from the west fork. He completed three bridges across the river, thus opening a road to Beaverdell. The bridges were built at the expense of Greenwood city and district residents, who contributed sufficient to construct them.

THE HAYES LUMBER COMPANY has resumed sawing, and everything is working like a charm at the mill. Tobacco Plains is going to be a rich agricultural district in years to come.

Exports of coal and coke, as shown at the customs house at Gateway, are constantly growing heavier, and the balance of trade at this port is at least very much in Canada's favor.

THE STOCK MARKET.—The market has shown very little change during the past week, and business has been of small volume.

Table showing stock prices for various companies like American Boy, Ben Hur, Black Tall, etc.

Table showing London market prices for various commodities like War Eagle, Cariboo, etc.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The apostolic delegation has received word from Rome that the pope has granted dispensation from abstinence on New Year's day, which falls on Friday this year.

OWASSA, Mich., Dec. 22.—Miss Caroline Collins was today held on the charge of poisoning her hired man, George Leachman. Leachman's body was exhumed and poison was found in the vital organs.

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Grand Master Fayer, of the Ohio grand lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, has issued a circular to the effect that on Jan. 10, 1904, all saloon keepers, bar tenders and professional gamblers shall either quit the order or those occupations.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The resignation of George B. McClellan as member of congress from the twelfth district of New York, on account of his election as mayor of New York City, was received by Governor Odell and filed with the secretary of state this morning.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22.—There is no truth in the story published by a news agency in the United States, that the czar recently gave birth to a dead son.

SANDY BOTTOM.—The rugged life found among the bar-headed hills of Arkansas forms the groundwork of a graphic story that is depicted in "Sandy Bottom," that melodrama of intense interest.

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CITY NEWS

Recently at Office of Mining Recorder.

Thursday's Daily. records recently at the mining recorder in as follows:

The Le Roi-Annie fract-towensend on Red mound by the Josie, Black and Annie claims, covered between; Fred No. 2 Sophie mountain by Ben of improvements: To J. E. Smith on the Comstock of Sheep creek.

The Fred No. 2 fracture. W. F. Fennell to Charles S. Butte, consideration nomi-

At the final sitting of the supreme court yesterday argument was concluded in Dumas vs. Boutbee, judgment being reserved as to the issue. In the interpleader proceedings as between Boutbee and Pellant, the court refused an application to set aside judgment by default against Pellant. Judge Martin left last night for Victoria, having completed his judicial business in the upper country.

H. Pemberton, manager of the Boundary Falls smelter, is in the city today. The plant is closed down at the present time but report is rife with rumors as to the resumption of an early date with a possible change of ownership. One rumor is that the Snowshoe company will acquire the works, while another credits the Denoro mining company with having aspirations toward owning a plant of its own.

William E. Townsend, J. P., has returned to the city from Boundary, whither he went as a member of the board of license commissioners for Boundary Creek license district. Most of the applications for renewals were granted. In the case of the Castlegar hotel the renewal was made conditional upon the owner of the premises securing a new tenant, the former occupant not meeting with the approval of the board. The renewal of the license for the Hartford hotel at Hartford Junction was refused owing to the unsatisfactory character of the applicants' manager. Henry Bohler made application for a license at the Halfway house between Rossland and Trail, but the application was withdrawn. Similar action was taken in respect to an application by John McMillan for a license at Boundary Falls. Axel Gustafson applied for a license at Summit City, which was refused, the commissioners deeming that the two hotels now located at Denoro were sufficient.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Yesterday was the shortest day of the year, according to the astronomers. Today is practically as short, but hereafter a steady lengthening of the days may be counted upon.

Through the transposition of two figures the Le Roi shipments for last week were given at 1620 instead of 5120 tons. The discrepancy was disclosed in the total for the week.

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FAIR WAGES

GOVERNMENT SENDS IN CONNECTION WITH ARMY.

LAFT SCALE OF PAY CITIZANS EMPLOYED THEREON.

McDonoghue, fair wage commis- Federal government, was yesterday in his official the Federal government call for tenders for the Rossland army, and ary under the Liberal ad-contractors will be requi- on a basis that will em- of the running wages ct for all classes of labor of the structure. Commis- McDonoghue is, therefore, sent to ascertain the ruling es and to prepare a scale minister of public works in the schedule for the ling.

Much of yesterday's session of the supreme court was required to hear the argument in Dumas Gold Mining com- pany vs. Boutbee, in the course of which interesting points of law were raised. Judgment was reserved on the conclusion of the argument. The issue of Robinson vs. Empey was then proceeded with. A. H. MacNeill, K. C., for the plaintiff, making a motion for judgment. A. C. Galt appeared for the defendants. The outcome was that defendants were granted leave to put in a defence.

The entrance examinations are proceeding steadily under the direction of Sub-Principal Conroy, who is in charge during the absence of Inspector Wilson. The papers to date have been marked by the absence of "catch" questions, and in the preparation of the tests there has been an apparent and successful effort to prepare questions in the Kootenays. The school trustees found no fault with Mr. King's services, and he has received excellent recommendations from the local board. Steps are now being taken to secure a new principal for the high school, the billet having attached to it the best salary paid to any teacher in the Golden City.

From Saturday's Daily.

The police department has an inquiry from D. T. Lemieux, Riviere des Freres, Quebec, as to the whereabouts of Z. P. Lemieux, who is supposed to be in Rossland or district.

Mayor Dean is arranging to have the city hall open one or two nights weekly to enable voters to register who may be unable to reach the office during the daytime.

The school teachers will receive their salaries for December today at the city hall. The members of the staff have completed the month's service, and the checks are issued in order that they may have the use of the funds for Christmas.

Fred West, a miner, was painfully hurt while at work in the War Eagle mine last night. A large piece of rock was dislodged and fell on one of his wrists, crushing it severely and severing an artery. It is thought the injury will not be of a permanent nature.

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Neville F. Townsend, P. L. S., leaves today for his old home in In. He carries with him a handsome solid gold watch to him by J. S. C. Fraser. A felicitous address composed by William J. Nelson and artistically engrossed by H. Paul Renwick, P. L. S., accompanied the gift. In replying Mr. Townsend reviewed the events of the many years understood to be in connection with the disbursement of the bounty on Canadian lead recently granted by the Federal government, and it is intimated that upon the report which Mr. Parnallee will place before the government upon his return to Ottawa the method of paying the bounty will be outlined. He declines to discuss the matter, however, and his visit to Rossland was for pleasure solely following a sojourn at Trail where he was in consultation with the Canadian Smelting Works management. For a year and a half he was engaged by the government to attend to the distribution of the bounty on iron and steel at the Sydney, C. B., works.

The board of works and the fire, water and light committee of the city council met last night to consider the application of the White Bear Consolidated Mining company for concessions on the streets of the city adjacent to the company's new head-works. A draft agreement was compiled which meets with the wishes of the mayor and aldermen, in the opinion of the city's interests. This agreement covers the use of the city streets as outlined in The Miner on Wednesday. The city will also grant the company such overflow from its waterworks as may occur, subject to the payment of reasonable charges already assented to, and other restrictions protecting the city. The agreement is open to amendment and alterations of a legal nature.

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Smith Curtis returned to the city last night after a flying business trip to Nelson.

Miss Renwick has returned from the coast after an absence of several months.

A number of young people spent an enjoyable evening at the residence of Mrs. Denison on Friday evening. Dancing was the feature of the evening.

J. J. Campbell, commercial manager of the Hall smelter at Nelson, was in the city yesterday afternoon.

A. B. Barker leaves this week for Denver, where he will be married on the 30th inst. to Miss Harriette Rose, well known in Rossland, and a sister of Hugh Rose, night foreman at the War Eagle mine. E. B. Kirby, manager of the War Eagle-Centre Star mines, will be groomsmen.

Mrs. E. W. Ruff is in the city the guest of her son, A. L. Ruff.

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O. A. Sutherland, customs officer at Kaslo, has arrived at Sheep Creek for the purpose of relieving Archibald N. Patterson, who leaves this morning on a short vacation trip to his former home in Dutton, Ont.

Mrs. Kimball and Miss Kimball of Northport are registered at the Hotel Allan.

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Ronald Marsh returned yesterday afternoon from Spokane, whither he went to meet Mrs. Marsh, who has been in a Spokane hospital for the past three months. Mrs. Marsh is convalescing gradually, but will not occupy her home on Le Roi avenue for a time. In the interim Mr. and Mrs. Marsh will be at the Windsor hotel.

A. H. MacNeill, K. C., has returned from Spokane, where he met Mrs. MacNeill, who has spent some months on the coast.

N. F. Townsend leaves this morning for his old home in Ireland.

Principal Brandon of the Trail public school, spent yesterday in the city.

J. L. Whitney and Mrs. Whitney leave this morning for Spokane, where they will be the guests of their daughter Mrs. Mosely, for Christmas.

PERSONALS

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The records of the county and small debts courts afforded a significant indication of improved business methods in Rossland. A couple of years ago it was not uncommon to find sixty garnishees filed for the miners' payday. This month the records of the small debts court contains only three such cases, while two more were filed in the county court, making five in all. Of course there is less business for the courts, but it means that consumers pay their bills promptly instead of allowing matters to go into court, as was commonly done in the old days, when credit business was more loosely conducted.

The Ladies of the Macabees gave a masquerade ball at Union hall last night, and the function was successful and enjoyable. The attendance was large, more than 200 people being within the walls of the structure. Maskers were plentiful, and the usual wide range of costumes was in evidence. The judges were Mrs. Harry McIntosh, Alderman Thomas Embleton and William J. Nelson, and their award was only arrived at after deep consideration. Results were finally announced as follows: Ladies—Miss Mamie Balfour as "June," Gentlemen—Charles E. Summers as "Spanish Cavalier." Best sustained lady's character, Miss Lulu Purman as "Tambourine Girl"; best sustained male character, Richard Arthur as "Indian Chief"; best comic character, Ernest Coy as "The Dutchman." The committee of ladies in charge of the dance included Mesdames Wilcox, Malcolm, Embleton and Annable. No little part of the evening's pleasure was due to the invigilating efforts of J. A. Mackinnon, manager. Graham's orchestra furnished unusually excellent music.

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10:40 a. m.	Rossland	4:35 p. m.
7:20 a. m.	Nelson	7:20 p. m.
10:35 a. m.	Grand Forks	4:00 p. m.
8:20 a. m.	Republic	6:15 p. m.

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THE LANDS AND WORKS DEPARTMENT.

At the time Hon. R. F. Green assumed control of the provincial lands and works department, The Miner expressed the hope that the new chief commissioner would do something to purify that branch of the public service, but he has done nothing.

TRANS-PACIFIC NEWS.

On the first anniversary of the opening of the Pacific cable, Sir Sandford Fleming has written an open letter, regretting the non-use of the cable by the press.

POLITICAL DAMNATION.

The corruptionists at Victoria have plunged the province a million dollars deeper in debt and pledged the people to pay the unprecedented rate of 5 per cent interest for a period of ten years.

HELPING THE GRAB.

Under the new land act introduced and passed by the McBride government with the connivance of the Socialists, timber licenses are not renewable yearly, but there is a provision by which a license may be taken out for five years by paying the five year fees in advance.

This enables the rich speculator to tie up a valuable berth of timber for five years, while the logger and small mill-owner is of necessity left out in the cold.

This is one of the most iniquitous of the many overt acts of the McBride administration. The game of grab, for which the province has become notorious, is thereby boldly encouraged and the honest man in humble circumstances receives another crushing blow.

A MILITARY MISECON.

The visit of Sir Frederick Borden to Great Britain should produce what will probably be the most important legislation of the next session of parliament. Our militia minister is crossing the Atlantic to confer with the war lords of the motherland.

After the meeting of the colonial representatives a militia bill was looked for last session. But the British commission inquired into the South African operations and found some serious defects in the army system.

Just what the Imperial authorities will want is problematical, but what they will get is easier to surmise. There will be no money spent on defence over the spending of which Canada has no supervision.

SOME SHATTERED IDOLS.

The crowns of the financial kings in the United States appear to be badly tarnished. The investigation into the methods of the American shipbuilding trust has shown a number of Wall Street monarchs up in a particularly bad light.

THE LABOR (?) MEMBER.

William Davidson, M. L. A. for Slokan, has so far displayed a decided tendency to drop his much vaunted independence. Mr. Davidson was elected as an Independent Labor candidate and was supposedly opposed to McBrideism and the principles of the Conservative platform.

ACTS OF TREACHERY.

With the single exception of John Houston, every Conservative member of the legislature from Fernie to the Similkameen blindly supported the McBride government in forcing the passage of the new timber regulations.

THE COPPER MARKET.

The copper market shows signs of weakness, the anticipated rise in price

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THE SOCIALISTS.

Messrs. Hawthornthwaite and Williams, the two Socialists in the provincial legislature who are giving McBride a thick-and-thin support and who are therefore responsible for his stupid, albeit rascally, government, of course supported the outrageous amendments that have just been made to the timber and coal and petroleum regulations.

WHERE THEORIES FAIL.

If the report that the ashes of Herbert Spencer are not to be admitted to a last resting place in Westminster Abbey is true the refusal in no sense lessens the general impression of distinction in Spencer's life.

This is the other side of the Spencer philosophy—this question. If we suppose, for argument, that Spencer's agnosticism had a sound basis, shall we also accept his social conclusions, and let the individual pass from among his kind as though he were, indeed, at once resolved into the original matter?

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been full to overflowing, and there would have been no need to borrow more millions. Take the case of the East Kootenay coal and petroleum reserves alone. If the 769 licenses applied for had been granted by Premier McBride, the license fees alone would have netted the province \$38,450.

THE LABOR (?) MEMBER.

William Davidson, M. L. A. for Slokan, has so far displayed a decided tendency to drop his much vaunted independence. Mr. Davidson was elected as an Independent Labor candidate and was supposedly opposed to McBrideism and the principles of the Conservative platform.

ACTS OF TREACHERY.

With the single exception of John Houston, every Conservative member of the legislature from Fernie to the Similkameen blindly supported the McBride government in forcing the passage of the new timber regulations, and they will find it a difficult matter to reconcile their action in this respect with the outraged loggers and lumbermen in their respective constituencies.

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THE APPROACHES TO PORT SIMPSON.

Lord Dundonald curtly dismisses the theory that the two small islands at the entrance to Portland canal could be utilized by the United States to dominate Port Simpson or the approach thereto. He finds "the only power that can shut up Port Simpson in time of war will be the power that commands all the sea approaches to it."

THAT ENGLISH GEOGRAPHY.

It will be remembered that a short time ago attention was called by the principal of the South Park school to some of the curiosities of the geography of Canada as taught in the higher educational institutions of England. The criticism of Miss Cameron was not received in an altogether kindly spirit by some people in this country who seem to think that Oxford is infallible in its teachings and that anything that emanates from Cambridge must be received with bared head.

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America) is Vancouver, the terminus of the Canadian Pacific railway, whence steamships run to China, Japan, Australia and Honolulu, as well as to all ports on the western coast of the continent.

The agricultural and mineral resources of British Columbia, to say nothing of its attractions to the hunter and the tourists, are so vast and varied that it would be easy to devote a whole volume to them alone.

The climate of Vancouver, Victoria and the neighborhood is strikingly similar to that of some of the most popular seaside resorts in the British Islands. One does not expect that every large business corporation should receive a gratuitous advertisement in a geographical treatise, but it is somewhat surprising to note how little mention is made of the vast system of transportation which has been the principal means of building up Canada.

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and one in every respect argues well. Much is to be expected of the industrial activity, which effect of adding the number of men consequently to the improved prospect and prosperity for every municipality itself such as circumstances with sound business judgment rigid economy the so-called fortunes of the city debilitated and its credit stored; but without the factors it is a foregone conclusion that the financial condition will be almost past repair. It is, for the most part, and malicious for serious, the paramount question whether or not economic business methods are to be employed. A community of between 100,000 inhabitants is little more than a village, and administered accordingly. Its revenue does not justify its establishment, and even the expenditure of a small town grows rapidly. With the preposterous have been in vogue during the last three or four years, it is not to be wondered that our financial condition is a municipal must. It is to be done to this there must be a payment of salaries to the aldermen, of course. The staff of the police must also be reduced. The police protection as given by John Kirkup's day, and expense, and instead of spending about as it is now, why can't the city attend to the same? There are other reductions that are necessary, but these will be present. Our object in writing is not to discuss the merits of the city, but to see them properly administered. All those aspirants for office who are not in line there being promptly turned down.

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THE ASSESSMENT ACT. It is a great pity that the Government has rushed the Assessment Act...

THEORY AND PRACTICE. The Vancouver Province has suggested that the people of British Columbia be given the first chance...

VALUE OF PHYSICAL TRAINING. Physical training just now may be regarded as a fad, but it is better than the usual one...

Under the old act he would pay a half per cent on his net capital of \$75,000, or \$375.

No. 2. A merchant with a capital of \$150,000 doing the same business with a profit of \$10,000, and in addition six per cent on half the stock...

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No. 5. A retailer with a capital of \$2,500, stock \$5,000 and debts \$5,000. The profit is \$1,500, and there is owing on stock \$3,000.

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ness of body and mind. It has advantages beyond those of absolute rest. The man addicted to the use of stimulants...

CHAMBERLAIN'S TRIUMPH. Ex-Colonial Secretary Chamberlain is making progress in his work of educating the English masses...

WAR IN AMERICA. War is said to be certain in Central America. Of course it is. To make war certain is the seeming purpose...

WINSTON CHURCHILL. Winston Churchill threatens to organize a new political party because he was not allowed to speak at a Conservative meeting...

DEATH TO NEGROES. Mississippi Whitecaps Indulge in Cowardly Murder. BROOKHAVEN, Miss., Dec. 22.—Elly Hillson, a negro living eight miles from Brookhaven...

ed with great vigor and Cobdenism as a policy is doomed. MINING WILL REDEEM LOSSES. The letting out of the water in the industrial and the publicity given...

SOWING AND REAPING. Were Premier McBride or any of his ministerial colleagues to visit any one of the up-country districts...

EDITORIAL NOTES. Mr. Morgan must feel some regret that present conditions result so often in the printing of his picture.

Canada has troubles of her own without becoming attached to a negro problem, a Panama problem, a Philippine problem, and various naval and pension problems.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22.—The czar has sent William J. Bryan an autographed photograph. U. S. Ambassador McCormick gave a luncheon today to Mr. Bryan...

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CHINA TAKES ACTION. Will Not Allow Port of Ching Wan Tao to Pass Into Foreign Hands. TIENTSIN, Dec. 22.—The viceroy has ordered the customs to take over the port of Ching Wan Tao...

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TO WED, ALFONSO. MADRID, Dec. 21.—According to the Spanish newspapers, a project is on foot for the marriage of King Alfonso to his cousin Maria Del Pilar, aged 13, daughter of the Infanta Maria Del Tac.

WILKESBARRE. Pa., Dec. 21.—An explosion of gas occurred in the Nottingham mine of the Wilkesbarre Coal company at Plymouth today. Eleven men were seriously burned, two of them fatally.

JAPAN MAKES ANSWER

Diplomats Are Still Hopeful That Peace Will Be Kept.

Stock Exchanges Yesterday Had a Doubtful Feeling.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—A dispatch received from Tokio today says that Japan has not yet answered Russia's first proposal. The officials say this shows the incorrectness of the alarmist reports of the English war correspondents saying Japan has answered in the negative and that Japan continues to seek means for meeting Russia's overtures. On the other hand, another Tokio dispatch frankly puts forth the agitated state of Japanese public sentiment, and the intense feeling against Russia, and forebodings of the possible dispatch of Japanese troops to Korea, but, it is added, if this is done, it will be with the assent of Russia, which will relieve the expedition of having the significance of a war move against the Russians. The official advice from St. Petersburg continue to have a hopeful tone, and with advice from Tokio, of the same tenor, the authorities here assert they have good reason to believe that the situation, although serious, has not reached a point where a war crisis is imminent.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Business on the stock exchange today opened flat on the far eastern situation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The renewed tension in the far eastern situation weighed on the London market this morning and was reflected in the opening dealings here.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Lord Rothschild, while declining today to venture an opinion as to the outcome of the Japan-Russian crisis, said to the Associated Press: "One of the most important factors is whether America will seize the opportunity to press her claims for open ports in Manchuria, if she does so it would certainly help to a peaceful solution. I have heard of no suggested loans, either Japanese or Russian. What they would have to do in case of war is a hypothesis I do not care to discuss. The present state is puzzling enough without endeavoring to prophesy."

TOKIO, Dec. 21.—Japan's reply to Russia was handed Baron de Rosen this afternoon at a conference between the Russian minister and Foreign Minister Komura at the Russian legation. Japan's reply is in no way an ultimatum, but she asks Russia to reconsider certain points in her reply to Japan. Baron de Rosen is now sufficiently recovered to resume the negotiations.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—A dispatch to the Havas agency from Seoul, Korea, says: "Numerous conflicts have occurred at Chemulpo and Masampo between Japanese and Korean inhabitants. Japanese telegraph operators have charge of the line from Seoul to the coast. The possibility of Japanese troops landing to preserve order is discussed but it would only be done with the consent of the Russian government."

BERLIN, Dec. 21.—War in the far east is regarded in official quarters here as improbable for several weeks, for the reason that Japan will continue to negotiate and Russia's policy is understood to be simply to "sit and hold on," make no specific promises concerning the territories in dispute and meet an attack if Japan will be satisfied with nothing else. Russia will let nothing go. Japan must be content with that or fight. This attitude, it is believed, is approved by the czar, who is not willing that Russia should take the aggressive. The czar's advisers are convinced that Great Britain will not be involved.

The financial editor of the Tageblatt says neither Russia nor Japan can hope for a loan in Germany, because the foreign office will not give its consent. Russian securities are up in favor in Berlin now. The bankers here think the greatest security of peace in the difficulty is perhaps the impossibility of either Russia or Japan obtaining money in the United States, France, Germany or Great Britain.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The dispatch of the Associated Press from Tokio this afternoon was the first intimation the Japanese legation here received that the Japanese reply had actually been communicated to Baron de Rosen. The legation, later, communicated the details of the reply to the British foreign office, but informed the Associated Press that it was not permitted to divulge the details. The legation admitted that in general terms the Associated Press dispatch from Tokio covered the situation, which a legation official characterized as being "quite grave," but one from which no decisive developments could be expected immediately.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—An authoritative denial is given to the reports from Pekin that the French minister there has notified China that she allied herself with Japan pending a settlement of the Japanese-Russian controversy. The official view is that France and Great Britain are not likely to become involved and that Russia and Japan will be left to settle the controversy.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 21.—Officials of the foreign office do not share the pessimistic feeling regarding the situation in the far east which now seems to be general. They say there is no reason to despair of a peaceful settlement of the difficulties over which Russia and Japan are at variance.

SUING JOHN MITCHELL.

Attorney Wales' Account for \$200,000 Comes Up in Court.

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., Dec. 21.—The famous case of Attorney A. D. Wales, of this city, against John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers' union of America, to recover \$200,000 for services in settling the recent coal strike, came up before Justice Lyon at a special term of court here this afternoon. The proceedings were on a motion made by Mr. Wales' attorneys for the appointment of an open commission to orally examine Thomas D. Nichols, president of district number one of the United Mine Workers at Scranton. P. Justice Lyon adjourned the case until tomorrow. If the motion is granted, attorneys for Mr. Wales and those representing Mr. Mitchell will go to Scranton and examine Mr. Nichols.

TEN MEN ARE DEAD

VICTIMS OF THE WRECK OF A ST. LOUIS AND SAN FRANCISCO TRAIN.

EXPRESS DERAILED THROUGH THE NEGLIGENCE OF A BRAKEMAN.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 21.—In the wreck today of a St. Louis and San Francisco fast train on the Santa Fe road nine were killed and 23 injured, four of whom will die.

The dead: James Kirkpatrick, Geo. Hoyt, conductor; B. A. Dewees, engineer; Theodore Bishard, fireman; James H. Wyman, Asa Morland, Leon Corbin, James Corbin, John R. Bluebacker, news agent.

Probably fatally injured: Sheridan Kanable, E. Garroway, John Bell, messenger, H. B. Darlington, mail clerk. J. A. Bartley, a freight brakeman, whose failure to flag the passenger train caused the wreck, has disappeared.

Express Messenger Bill died later, making the number of dead ten.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 21.—The dead are all western men. One man, whose body has not been identified, was thrown sixty feet into a cornfield. Two men, one from Oklahoma and the other from Arkansas, were fatally injured. Sixteen persons, including Henry McDonnell of Lodi, Ohio, were seriously hurt and fifteen others were slightly injured.

Most of the injured were badly burned and aimed. The responsibility of the wreck is laid to a brakeman of the freight crew, who failed to flag the passenger train. He has disappeared. The engine on the freight had become "dead," and the crew was ordered to remain on the main track and turn the switch for the passenger train then about due. The brakeman was ordered to flag the passenger train, but neglected to do so. Most of the injured were in the chair cars, which took fire soon after the wreck occurred.

MUST RESPECT MOURNERS.

Police Stop Disgraceful Tactics of the Chicago Strikers.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—The picketing of houses from which funerals are to start, whether peaceful or violent, by drivers who went into the strike four days ago, is to be prevented by the police under orders issued tonight by Chief of Police O'Neil.

J. B. Wadsworth, secretary, and Chas. Stevens, business agent of the Livermen's union, were summoned before Chief O'Neil and told that they must settle their differences away from homes of mourning.

"This picketing of the homes from which funerals are holding is beyond the tolerance of a civilized community," said the chief. "Your zeal has carried you beyond the pale of endurance, and such performances as the carrying of labor troubles to the houses of the dead will not be allowed by the police."

"Law, or no law, picketing of any kind around these houses will have to stop. I shall take my chances with the courts on the question if my conduct is questioned by any court."

Chief O'Neil then issued a general order instructing officers to accompany funerals in carriages, if circumstances seemed to require it, and see that the last sad rights of the dead be in no way interfered with.

While the courts have inclined to the permitting of peaceful picketing, Chief O'Neil's order prohibits picketing of any kind around houses of mourning, he declared tonight that in his opinion no court could be found which would fail to sustain him.

On top of Chief O'Neil's order came the announcement tonight that news plans have been launched through the efforts of the Chicago board of arbitration.

RAISED THE WIND.

The Government Enabled to Send \$300,000 to London.

VICTORIA, Dec. 21.—On the strength of the passage of the loan bill the government has obtained from the bank \$300,000, which has been sent forward to London to meet obligations there.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25 cents.

METAL MARKETS.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Lead 111 6s 3d. NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Lead 4.25.

TO ENLARGE CANADA

Project For Bringing Newfoundland and Greenland.

A Cut in Wages by Implement Makers—The Coal Dividend.

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—The Dominion government has now under consideration the question of annexing Newfoundland and bringing Newfoundland into the Canadian confederation. Negotiations are under way with Newfoundland, but it will be necessary to get the sanction of the Imperial government to deal with Denmark with a view of purchasing Greenland. The Dominion government wants to guard against a repetition of its recent experience on the Pacific. Newfoundland in 1895 offered to come into confederation if Canada assumed its public debt, but its railroad and granted an annual subsidy of \$650,000. The offer of Canada was to give the province \$50 per head for its debt, or \$17,000,000. The debt amounted to \$15,000,000, which included the railway obligations of the island. For the railway Canada would give a subsidy of \$6000 per mile for the uncompleted portion and \$500,000 as an annual subsidy.

MONTREAL, Dec. 21.—Speaking before a meeting of the Canadian Temperance League yesterday, Hon. George E. Foster said: "Give me one generation of people who were total abstainers, and with a five per cent tariff I would undertake to show the greatest reign of prosperity that has ever come to this country."

TORONTO, Dec. 21.—An announcement was made today of a general reduction in wages of the employees of the Massey-Harris company. Implement manufacturers about 2500 hands will be affected, and the cut will in no case be less than ten per cent and in some cases it will be higher. The move is causing great uneasiness among the men. Some years ago they had a union, but the company has steadily fought against organization and today there is no organization.

TORONTO, Dec. 21.—An Ottawa dispatch says there is good reason to think that the Dominion government has under consideration institution of negotiations having for their object the admission of Newfoundland and Greenland into confederation. It is not known whether the subject has been before the cabinet as yet, but there is no doubt that it will be a matter of discussion later. The French shore question remains unsettled, but it is pointed out that Great Britain and France are better friends than they have been for a long time, and this is expected to make settlement comparatively easy matter. As to Greenland, the Danish government would probably be willing to part with a country of so little value to it, provided that suitable compensation was offered.

MONTREAL, Dec. 21.—E. A. Williams, who last week resigned the position of superintendent of rolling stock on the Canadian Pacific railway, has been appointed district general manager of the Erie railway, with headquarters at New York. He will assume the duties of his new position about the beginning of the new year. Mr. Williams came to the C. P. R. from the Soo line, of which he was mechanical superintendent.

TALK TO COLOMBIA

SOME EUROPEAN POWERS TO SHOW THE FUTILITY OF RESISANCE.

COLOMBIAN TROOPS ARE LAND-ED ON THE ISLE OF PINES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Diplomatic pressure will be brought to bear upon Colombia by several European powers to prevent war between that country and the United States. The first steps in this direction have been taken by several foreign powers through their representatives here, who have informed General Reyes of the utility of any attempt by Colombia to retake Panama, showing that it will result only in precipitating the Bogota government into war with the United States.

If this is not sufficient, the representatives of the several countries at Bogota will be instructed to inform President Marroquin that Colombia can expect no sympathy from the European powers in any move she may make on Panama, which would inevitably involve her in war with the United States. The members of the diplomatic corps have been informed by General Reyes himself that he fears that he cannot check his people much longer. General Reyes has said that he is doing everything possible to avoid a conflict. He is so far away that it is difficult for him to make his influence felt as if he were on the ground.

COLON, Dec. 21.—Information has been received here that about 100 Colombian troops have landed at the island of Pines, northwest of Cape Tiburon, which is situated at the western entrance of the gulf of Darien. The island of Pines is in Panama territory, and is the only island along the coast

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ANTHRACITE COAL.

A Fine Article Found in the Dunsuir Colliery at Cumberland.

NANAIMO, Dec. 21.—There is not the slightest doubt that the nine-foot seam of hard, bright, anthracite coal exposed at No. 7 slope a few days ago in the Wellington colliery at Cumberland is of the highest quality and will compare very favorably with the hard coals of Pennsylvania. It was reached at a depth of 85 feet vertical and was exposed by means of two slopes, the driving of which has been attended with very great difficulty owing to the running sand and gravel encountered. The rush of water has also greatly impeded the work which, owing to the inadequacy of the pumps, had to be removed from the mine by means of water boxes—a very slow and tedious operation. The slopes are now down 650 feet at a pitch of 1 in 8 and were entirely freed from water by two large pumps recently installed. For the present only two shifts will be worked until the seam is further explored. A line of railway has been completed between the new mines and Union Bay and shipments will be commenced next week and gradually increased as the mines are developed. An air shaft is now being sunk close to the slopes. The company will also drive into the coal from another direction and will strike the coal shortly after the new year.

DREYFUS CASE.

The Commission Expected to Recommend a Revision.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—At a meeting of the Dreyfus commission next Wednesday M. Victor Mercier, president of the commission and one of the directors of the ministry of justice, will submit a report recommending revision of the case of Captain Dreyfus, according to information given the Associated Press. It is not yet positively known whether M. Mercier's report will be recommended by the court of cassation or by the martial court, but it is believed the court of cassation will now reconsider the case in the light of facts gathered by M. Mercier.

While it is impossible at present to say what view will be taken by the commission, it is expected that it will adopt, at least by a majority, M. Mercier's recommendations.

If the revision of the case should be favorable to Captain Dreyfus, he will be restored to the army, no matter what protests may be made, but it is not expected that he will assume active service.

M. Mercier's report not only establishes that Dreyfus is innocent of writing the Bordsereff letters, but clears him of all charges.

"SANDY BOTTOM."

The next attraction at the Rossland oper house for Christmas eve, December 24th, will be John Crittenden Webb's beautiful story of backwoods folks in the "Sandy Bottom" country in Southeastern Arkansas amid the hills and yales of probably the most homelike region in that part of the United States.

"Sandy Bottom" is one of the natural plays that leaves a strong and favorable impression wherever it is presented. Its naturalness, dramatic criticism, and the spectator yields himself to its irresistible power over his laughter and his tears. The element of success is artistically employed and the lights and shades of the story are finely proportioned with a view to unity. Take your sister to see this play, it will not cause a business divorce, children, they will enjoy the revival of old associations. This is a play for all. The company is said to be an exceptionally strong one.

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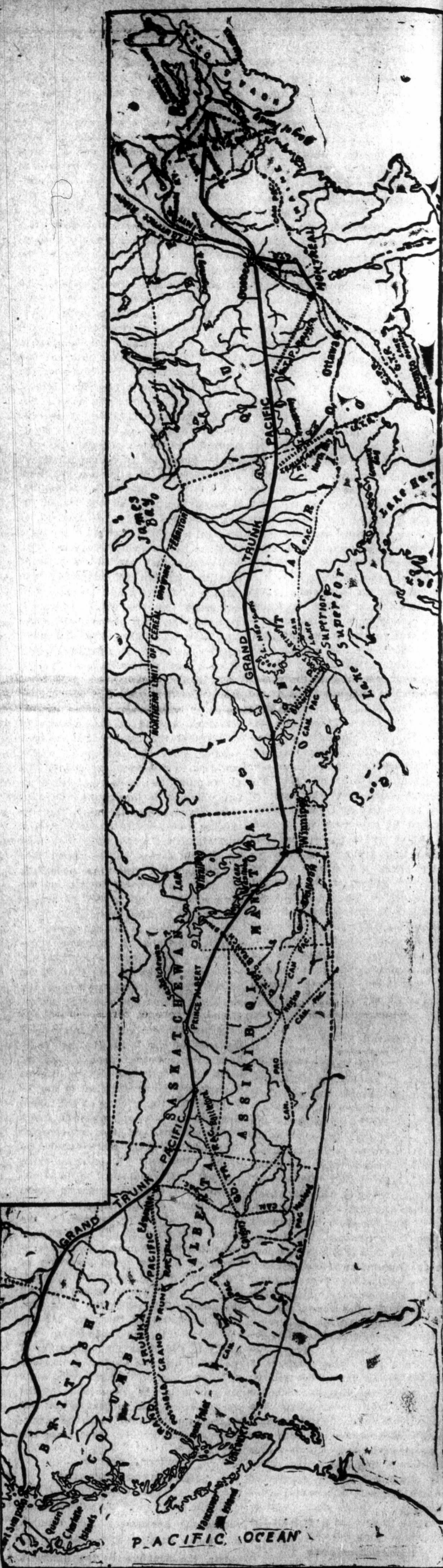
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THE GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC RAILWAY

The accompanying map shows the route of the Grand Trunk Pacific, the new Canadian transcontinental railway which is to be built from the Atlantic seaboard to the Pacific coast. The proposed road will open up an entirely new country containing natural resources of incalculable value. It is well calculated to do more than any other factor towards the settlement and development of the Dominion. It will add immensely to the wealth of the country, and no province will benefit more than British Columbia. The construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific will be commenced early next year and pushed to completion as rapidly as circumstances will permit.

which is wooded, peaked with mountains and also well watered, thus offering every facility for camping and being used as a base of observation. It is significant that the United States auxiliary cruiser Fowler left here this evening bound toward the island of Pines to obtain confirmation of the report. The Bancroft is still on that coast in the vicinity of Nombre de Dios. The Nashville has returned to Colon from Boca del Toro. Thirty-five of the United States ship

Prarie's marines were landed today and took train for Basobispo station. They will occupy the usual company's houses. WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Official confirmation has reached Washington of the landing of Colombian troops on the island of Pines, which lies close to the coast of Panama. These troops number eighty, and they have taken up a position on this island with the intention of making paths through the jungles.

ACTIVITY BOU

Close of the Year a Condition of Prosperity

Deals Pending to be Much Done

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ACTIVITY IN BOUNDARY

Close of the Year Shows a Condition of Prosperity.

Deals Pending That Promise Much For the District.

PHOENIX, Dec. 19.—A force of men is now employed at the Providence mine, in Providence camp, by Manager McIntosh. This high grade property is shipping on an average two cars of ore per month, and it is the intention to send most of the ore to the Greenwood smelter in the future. Work on deepening the incline shaft, which is now down 185 feet, will be started shortly after the first of the new year. Adjoining the Providence, the Estorn is also making a fine record. The owners, Phil McDonald and James Sutherland, have a force of 14 men employed, and from the shipments of the high grade ore made in the last few months were able to meet the balance of the \$5,000 due last week on the bond to C. L. Thome, of Midway. In fact the total amount of the bond has been paid from the net proceeds of the ore shipments.

The 1,000-foot gravity tramway has been completed by Manager McVicker, of the E. P. U. and Gold Finch mines, which are being worked jointly by him. He has some 18 men at work, and is making shipments of high grade ore frequently.

Jay P. Graves, general manager of the Granby company, came in on last night's train accompanied by the assistant manager, H. N. Galen, of Grand Forks, on a trip of inspection to the company's properties in this camp. The mines are keeping up a steady output of about 2,000 tons daily, to supply the six furnaces at the smelter, and in order to do this the ore crusher is working double shift, as well as part of the three steam shovels, which are used to load ore into the railway dump cars. The two locomotives that will replace horse power in the mines, are expected to arrive daily now.

Appearance now indicate that the total tonnage from Boundary for the year will approximate \$75,000 tons, the amount running up pretty fast of late.

H. H. Shallenberger, who is interested in and managing the work being done on the Dom Pedro, in Skyhawk camp, for the Chicago and British Columbia Mining company, is asking for tenders for the sinking of a shaft for 100 feet. This group has some very rich ore, and considerable work has been done on the claims.

Several deals of more than ordinary importance in a mining way are pending in the Boundary, which, when completed, will add materially to the number of men now employed in this section.

Active diamond drilling to test the ore bodies is now proceeding on the Yolarie, on the north fork of Kettle river, by the contractors, Boyles Bros., of Spokane. This is the group that was recently bonded to Michigan capitalists for a figure approximating \$100,000. As soon as there is snow enough to permit, a shipment of high grade ore will be made from the Roderick Dhu claim, in Long Lake camp. Some remarkable assays have recently been had from this prospect, and the shipment will doubtless give excellent returns.

COUNCIL NEXT YEAR

POSSIBLE CANDIDATES FOR PLACES IN THE CIVIC GOVERNMENT.

NOT A VERY LONG TIME FOR CITIZENS TO MAKE A SELECTION.

Less than a month hence the electors of Rossland will choose the men who are to preside over the destinies of the city for 1909.

It is generally presumed that Mayor Dean will be a candidate for re-election. Some of his special ideas, notably that of securing a reduction in the insurance rates, have not yet come to fruition, and it is thought he will appeal to the electors to be allowed to complete this and other schemes for the betterment of the city's interests.

Although it is an indefatigable worker, his workshop has certainly lost many friends since he first hung his hat in the mayor's office at this city hall, and the knowledge of this in itself is certain to breed opposition.

Ex-Mayor Clute is said to have aspirations for a second term and at the present moment he has a requisition in circulation asking him to be a candidate. In many quarters Mr. Clute is regarded as an absolute impossibility—so much so, in fact, that it is not likely that he will make the fight. The requisition is simply a feeler.

Alderman Harry Daniel is also mentioned as a candidate, but by many is classed with ex-Mayor Clute among the impossibilities.

Alderman Emberton has been referred to as a possible entry for the majority sweptstakes, but up to date he has not admitted the soft impeachment. The grand lodge of the I. O. O. F. meets in Rossland next summer, and for Mr. Emberton, himself a grand lodge delegate and officer, to greet the brethren of the three links as mayor of the Golden City.

Ex-Alderman Charles R. Hamilton

has been suggested as an admirable mayor in embryo and a certain winner should he elect to thrust his barque into the troubled waters of the election sea. As a former member of council, a citizen possessing extensive interests in Rossland and vicinity and an able lawyer, Mr. Hamilton would perform the functions of mayor with credit to himself and the community.

He is credited with being opposed to aldermanic salaries in existing conditions in Rossland, but it is absolutely certain that only great pressure would induce him to accept a nomination for an office that would necessarily engross some time now fully employed in his extensive legal practice. Should he yield to representation and become a candidate it would be solely from patriotic motives, and a citizen animated by such principles is exactly what is required at the city hall.

As to the candidates for aldermanic positions, it may be stated that there will be no shortage of material from which to select a council. Aldermen Emberton, McKellan, Dunlop, Talbot and Armstrong have signified their intention of dropping out of the council, while the names of Armstrong and Talbot are beyond question by reason of the fact that he has removed from the city to Poplar. So far as the other aldermen are concerned, it is notoriously the case that in event of their changing their minds equally astounding volte faces have been made at the urgent request of a large number of ratepayers," to quote the familiar election card.

Thomas Stout is named among those who will have a genuinely cordial invitation to become a candidate for election as alderman. Other possible candidates are Joseph Morris, John Phillip, James Hoskings, T. Hume, J. B. Johnson and half a dozen others whose names will crop up in the course of the next fortnight.

IN THE FIELD OF SPORT

The hockey season is now practically in full swing, and it is interesting to look at the local situation with a view to sizing up Rossland's chance of retrieving past defeats and bringing the hockey trophy back to the Golden City, whence it has been triumphantly taken each season for the past three years to decorate festive boards in the Queen City.

Up to the present time the hockey management does not appear to have lived up to the bright hopes built up at the commencement of the season. Possibly these hopes ran too high, but many enthusiasts are disposed to believe that the adage, "too many cooks spoil the broth," is being demonstrated in the instance of the hockey team. In past seasons the direction of the club has been vested practically in one man, and it is admittedly easier for an individual to conduct, correspondence and dispose of details than to assume a month or a half dozen committeemen together every time it is necessary to order a half dozen hockey sticks. It is safe to wager that if some member of the present executive committee is empowered to conduct club business and report at weekly meetings of the executive what he has done in the seven days preceding, the net outcome would be much more satisfactory than can be accomplished under existing conditions. The suggestion is certainly worthy of consideration.

The hockey players practice at the rink on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings prior to the regular skating, one night being devoted to the intermediate players.

Rossland's first match will probably take place during the second week in January, which will admit of a reasonable amount of practice. Trail is said to have a fast seven, and the Smelter City men will be brought here for a game in the week specified, if agreeable to them. Nelson, Revelstoke and Fernie, all with fast sevens, are in the field to meet Rossland, so that the season now opening is likely to be lively.

MISCELLANY.

An Indian wrestler of renown is now doing stunts on the coast and dazzling the sportsmen by the sounding Pacific with his layout of warpaint and buckskins. His name is Chief Two Feathers and he is a Flathead Indian from Montana. In height he is six feet four and a half inches, and he tips the scales at 215 pounds. For the entire twenty-three years of his life he has practiced wrestling, and now thinks he is some pumpkin at the game; at any rate he is ready to take on all comers. Two Feathers is also an expert broncho buster and hunter.

Nelson is headquarters for a bunch of meal-ticket athletes, boxers and wrestlers. The air is full of fights and rumors of matches, while the principals do stunts daily in the gymnasium at the rear of a popular saloon, breaking off amiably if invited to "licker" at some admirer's expense. A little later there will be doings at the opera house, in which two alleged fighters will chase each other around the rings for twenty long rounds, the referee will inform the audience that he is unable to give either man a decision, hence his award must be a draw, and the boys who put up a dollar a throw at the gate will kick themselves around the nearest corner in the same old way.

IT'S IN THE GAZETTE.

Special Features of Last Issue of Provincial Weekly.

The last issue of the British Columbia Gazette contains the following appointments:

A. Hayes, of New Westminster, to be a Justice of the Peace in and for the province.

H. H. Parkinson, J. P. of Fairview, and E. Bullock-Webster, J. P. of Kermeo, to be license commissioners for the South-East Yale district, vice L. W. Shatford and R. L. Cawston, resigned.

Isaac Herd, of Lansdowne, to be a license commissioner for the North-East Yale district, vice F. Appleton, resigned.

Notice is given that under the Public Inquiries Act S. A. Fisher, of New Westminster, will hold an inquiry into all matters connected with management of the Provincial Home at Kamloops. The first sitting was held at Kamloops on Wednesday, December 16th.

The Southeast and Northeast Yale license districts have been redefined as follows:

Southeast Yale License District—All that portion of the former east riding of the Yale electoral district not in any municipality, and situated south of the south end of the Okanagan electoral district which lies south of the south end of the said lake and north of the northern boundary of the Similkameen electoral district.

Northeast Yale License District—All that portion of the former east riding of the Yale electoral district not in any municipality, and situated north of the south end of Okanagan lake and including that portion of the Okanagan electoral district which lies south of the south end of the said lake and north of the northern boundary of the Similkameen electoral district.

GENTEEL POVERTY.

Clergymen Struggle Along on \$500 a Year in England.

The poor we have always with us, but now and then England is treated to a startling glimpse of genteel poverty whose debasement seems impossible, says the London Daily Mail. Take, for instance, the sad case and its developments of the Rev. G. P. Ericose, who has been trying to support the dignity of a clergyman in a Kentish town on \$810 a year. It has attracted sympathetic attention throughout the country.

One rector, whose net income is much less than \$500, sends a most pathetic description of his life to the Daily Mail. "You ask," he writes, "if it is possible for a clergyman to starve. I myself have not actually done so as yet, but the least little accident, now or for years past, would have sent me to the workhouse, or I should have died in my bed and remained there buried for possibly a fortnight. I have kept starvation away by living alone for the last seven years. I do my own cooking, my own washing, light my own church fires, and on one occasion even dug a grave. I have been ordained somewhat about eighteen years, and am worse off from a money point of view than I was before ordination. New clothes and such things—well, I simply don't bother about them, as I have ceased to bother about having to do my own little washing and mending and darning. The neighboring clergy I simply let go, for I have a pride that prevents me from visiting as a pauper where I feel that my intelligence and position would entitle me to appear as an equal, or more. I am poor and proud, and I suppose that many of my brother clergymen are the same. We don't complain, for what is the use of complaining? I have not a single helper in my parish, which is a poor one, and I am obliged to pay my own music in the church on Sundays, and pay my own church expenses."

Several correspondents point out that the clergy are in many instances paid far less than skilled artisans, and some earn as little as laborers. When the amount of money spent on their education is considered "there is no class in the community so badly paid," according to the correspondents.

The shadow of the workhouse appears to creep into many a parson's life, to judge by the letter printed. A curate observes that several of his colleagues have ended their existence in the workhouse after years of work, and he looks forward gloomily to the

Taxes to Be Paid Under New Act

VICTORIA, Dec. 19.—All notices issued under the old assessment act are to be cancelled. A force of men is now employed in the finance department making out new notices on the basis of the new assessment bill, which thus becomes retroactive. Taxes payable before the end of January, will therefore be collected under the provisions of the new act.

same fate, as "my earning capacity after twenty years' experience is considerably less than when I first started, and is likely to decrease."

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

J. McG., Khyodart, N. S.—The Mother Lode property in Burnt Basin has not been operated on an extensive scale this year. The wagon road which will open up this section is now partially constructed, and will doubtless be finished in the spring, when the Burnt Basin section as a whole should have a bright future.

J. T. U., St. Thomas, Ont.—The New Giant company bought out the old concern at three cents per share cash, or six cents per share when paid in shares of the new company figured at \$4.88 per share. In this basis 51 shares of the old company called for one share in the new concern, and a certificate for 500 shares would be replaced by one for six shares in the new company with something over, for which the new company might issue another share or otherwise reimburse the holder of the certificate. The price quoted daily on local stock exchanges is for shares in the original company.

REFORM ASSOCIATION OPENS COLUMBIA AVENUE OFFICES.

POLITICAL CAPITAL AT CITY HALL—PROPOSE MASS MEETING.

The municipal political pot is beginning to boil. Yesterday the Municipal Reform association opened rooms on Columbia avenue. The function of the premises for the present will be the registration of voters, in which there is a wide field for activity. The exact program of the association will be forthcoming ere long.

The Reform organization is not the only element taking a hand in local politics. In various quarters activity is manifested, especially in the matter of registering voters. More attention is required on this point than in any past year owing to the alterations in the Municipal Elections Act whereby various classes of voters require to register anew. In the past the assessment roll was the standard for the registration of property owners, and it was customary for husband and wife to be placed on the roll as joint owners, thus obviating the necessity of one or other registering. Apparently the amendments make the registry office rolls the guide for the compilation of the voters' list, and only recorded owners are placed thereon, leaving the other owner, whether husband or wife, to register by declaration. This alternative should not be overlooked by citizens.

Political capital will probably be manufactured at the city council during the remaining weeks of the present board's regime. A move in this direction will be taken at tonight's session, when a motion to pay accrued civic salaries before the end of the current month will be presented. The point in this is that the council on taking office made a rule that civic salaries only matured fifteen days after the completion of the month in which the salaries were earned. It is claimed on one side that this is but a reasonable measure of protection for the corporation, whereby employees are prevented from leaving at a moment's notice and thus embarrassing the public service. On the other side this argument is not refuted, but it is claimed that if the present council does not pay December salaries in December the amount will not appear in the statement for the fiscal year, but will be foisted on the incoming council, while the outgoing board will have a financial statement the better by exactly the amount of the December payroll, no inconsiderable item. That this point should be raised is only of importance as evidencing the fact that salaries are already being trimmed for election day.

As to the majority candidates, matters are still in statu quo, no pronouncements having been made. Report still credits J. Stilwell Clute with an ambition to cross swords again with Mayor Dean, while Alderman Daniel is said to be determined to enter the field if Mayor Dean offers himself for re-election. The Reform association is understood to have a dark horse in contemplation for the majority race, but ex-Alderman Hamilton easily has the centre of the floor among the new men suggested for the contest, and if he were induced to accept a nomination it is quite certain the fact would substantially alter the face of things.

The advisability of a semi-public meeting at no late date to discuss the situation is under discussion in some quarters.

FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS.

Hunter Bros' Establishment as Headquarters for Holiday Gifts.

For holiday shoppers no establishment in the Kootenays offers a wider assortment of articles suitable for Christmas gifts than does Hunter Bros. "The Big Store." The stores will be open each evening through the week for shoppers. For variety, excellence and range of prices the stocks in the various sections of the establishment commend themselves strongly to holiday purchasers.

From the street an idea of the Christmas offerings at the Big Store can be gained. Unusual taste and care have been lavished on the window decorations, and the effects secured have attracted widespread attention.

Commencing at the east side of the Big Store, the first window is devoted to the display of goods suitable for gifts to members of the fair sex, and the display is genuinely attractive. Prominent are beautiful silk shirtwaists such as delight the hearts of ladies and are a joy forever to fortunate owners. A feature is also made of handkerchiefs, which form so welcome and useful gifts for ladies. The variety ranges from the filmy creations in lace to the dainty linen kerchiefs for more practical use. In addition wonderful drawn-work is shown, with articles of a similar nature that attract and delight ladies. The prices of all goods are reasonable and the range is such that every purse can be accommodated without departing from the general standard of excellence.

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DROWNED IN ARROW LAKE.
O. Drolet's Fatal Attempt to Row From Halcyn to Nakusp.

Last Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning an accident happened on Upper Arrow lake whereby O. Drolet of Greenwood, a timber cruiser in the employment of the Yale-Columbia Lumber company, is supposed to have been drowned. Drolet was on the Upper Arrow lake on the firm's business, and left Halcyn Springs on Tuesday afternoon in a rowboat to row down to Nakusp. It was his intention to make St. Leon Springs that night. Towards dark he was seen near Lone Tree point, about eight miles south from Halcyn. Early next morning the boat, much battered, with oars missing and one rowlock gone, was found on the beach about 200 yards south from Halcyn dock. Drolet's top coat was found in the capsized boat. Enquiry made by wire at St. Leon and the logging camp showed that he had not reached either place. Careful search has so far failed of discovering the body. It is supposed that Drolet turned back to Halcyn on account of the weather, and that his boat struck a rock while he was rowing along near the shore. Drolet was much respected by his employers and by those with whom he worked.

MUNICIPAL POLITICS

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COAST TO KOOTENAY.

Statement That J. J. Hill's Engineers Have Found a Route.

A St. Paul dispatch says: It was announced in St. Paul today on high official authority that President James J. Hill's engineers have found a satisfactory route from Princeton to the coast and that the Kootenay line he has had in mind for two years will be built, running in a northerly direction to Princeton, B. C., and then in a more southerly course to tide water. The line will follow the Similkameen to Princeton. The difficulty has been in finding low grades west of Princeton. The official statement is as follows: "The line will be an ore and coal line and the grades must be low or Mr. Hill will not build. Such grades have been found. They are lower than those of the Canadian Pacific through Kicking Horse pass. Mr. Hill is now in a position to go after a tremendous amount of Canadian business, for which he can afford after the line is built to make a lower rate than the Canadian Pacific can afford.

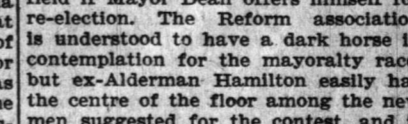
"It may be interesting to state that there will be a kind of revenge in this. The Canadian Pacific once blocked a Kootenay project of Mr. Hill's in the Canadian parliament, and asked \$2,000,000 in subsidy and 2,000,000 acres of land. The project partly covered the same line Mr. Hill now intends to build. The building of this line means that Mr. Hill believes that there is traffic to support a line which the Canadian Pacific will not build without enormous subsidy.

"I am informed that the line will be built within a year or so. The matter, as I am advised, now rests almost entirely with what the decision in the Northern Securities case is. This decision will mean the expenditure of millions in Great Northern construction if it is favorable.

The statements in this dispatch concur with the reports concerning the explorations of the engineering parties sent out by the Dunsmuir government. It is understood that they found a feasible route, involving grades no greater than two per cent, which would certainly offer no great impediment to railroading these days. It is likely something more definite will be heard in the near future in regard to the building of the much needed road.

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CITY SELLS WATER

CORPORATION WILL REAP BENEFIT FROM WHITE BEAR MINE

FOR THE SURPLUS WATER SOLD TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT.

The full text of the arrangement whereby the White Bear Mining company will secure the city's surplus water has been passed by the city council in the form of a resolution.

The mining company is to pay a rental to the city for water used, this rental is to be one cent per ton of raw ore crushed when the net profit of the ore is twenty-five cents per ton or less.

The city reserves the right to give priority to any other mining company requiring the water, providing the water is returned to a point where the White Bear company can utilize it.

A schedule of conditions is set forth in connection with the use of water as follows:

- 1. Non-use of the water for one year by the company will void the agreement.
- 2. The company is to commence using or paying for the water on August 1st next.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—The overdue American liner Marion passed the Delaware breaker this afternoon.

MASS AT MIDNIGHT.

Will be Celebrated at Sacred Heart Church This Christmas.

Midnight mass will be celebrated at the Church of the Sacred Heart tomorrow night. In past years it has been the custom of members of the church to spend the opening moments of the sacred holiday in adoration, and the interest manifested in the service has always been keen.

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A. Merita, a Swede, has retained C. E. Gillan to recover a sum aggregating close to \$100, which he claims was taken from him under most unusual circumstances.

Judgments have been filed against the Cascade Gold Mining company in the interests of the following creditors:

The Rossland stores look better this week than at any season since I came to Rossland," says a pioneer mining man of the camp, whose evidence goes as far back as the earliest stores of any pretensions on Columbia avenue.

A shipment of five Missouri "possums was delivered in Rossland last night to grace the festive board at "Zelig's" annual dinner.

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SHORTAGE OF LUMBER IN ONTARIO-NOMINATIONS FOR COMMONS.

MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—R. Sturtevant, imperial consul for Russia in Canada, stated today that there was no fear that Russia would allow any more steamers to leave its ports with settlers for the Canadian Northwest.

MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—Every Christmas the street railway company has presented each married employe with a turkey.

CORNWALL, Ont., Dec. 22.—Cornwall Liberals today chose George Smith as their candidate for the Dominion house.

PEDFORD, Quebec, Dec. 22.—The Conservative convention today selected Dr. Cimeau of Farnham for the Dominion house.

BRITANNIA, Ont., Dec. 22.—A man, supposed to be John Wark of Arrol's, was jumped from a car window in a trans-continental train going thirty miles an hour, near here yesterday.

TORONTO, Dec. 22.—The shortage of lumber, the largest in years, is due to a scarcity of choppers, says a Canadian who were ordered deported as not fulfilling the requirements of the law in the United States.

SYDNEY, N. S., Dec. 22.—The death of Wm. Toole, aged 60, was found in a field at Sydney mines this morning, and it is believed a foul murder was committed. The coroner is investigating.

HALIFAX, Dec. 22.—The 38th company, R. C. A., and details of other corps, for Esquimaux, left this morning under command of Captain English.

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—Under date of Nov. 29 last, Lord Lytton writes to Lord Minto as follows: "In reply to your excellency's dispatch No. 325, of Oct. 23, I have the honor to inform you that the king has approved of his birthday being celebrated in Canada on May 24 as a general holiday, the official celebration taking place on Nov. 3."

TORONTO, Dec. 22.—At a meeting of the board of directors of the Empire Land company held here with Hon. Robert Rogers and Edward Day, the manager, the recent purchase by the company of 400,000 acres of colonial land in Assiniboia and Saskatchewan was formally ratified.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Charles M. Schwab today filed his answer to the cross bill of the United States Shipbuilding company and James Smith, Jr., its receiver, in the United States circuit court for the southern district of New York.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 22.—The coroner's jury in the case of Thomas Prendergast, who died a few hours after his fight with "Kid" Williams on Friday night, has returned a verdict that "deceased came to his death from rupture of a blood vessel in the brain caused by blows received in a boxing contest with Kid Williams, in this city, and in our opinion without malice."

THE BEST INVESTMENT IN ROSSLAND—AN ADVERTISEMENT IN THE ROSSLAND MINER.

its creditors and its bondholders and stockholders or otherwise, I deny that with any purpose of accomplishing such intent and purpose or otherwise, I or any assistants of mine represented to the shipbuilding company that said shares of stock were worth the sum of \$30,000,000.

Mr. Schwab denies that he ever made any false representations regarding the Bethlehem steel company, and denies that his stock on July 31, 1920, was not worth to exceed \$7,700,000.

He admits he is the owner and holder of upwards of nine million dollars of the \$10,000,000 of preferred stock, and upwards of nine million dollars of ten million dollars of the common stock of the shipbuilding company.

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BRANDISHED A KNIFE.

An Escaped Lunatic Interviews the Governor of Nebraska.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 22.—Clayton S. Deeter, an escaped insane inmate of the Grand Island Soldiers Home, armed with a huge paper knife, succeeded in getting into Governor Mickey's private office today.

ACCUSED OF MURDER.

A New York Burglar Said to Have Helped to Kill a Watchman.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—John Kelly, alias Lyons, was arrested today and charged with burglary committed last week. Later it was learned that Kelly is wanted in Paterson, N. J., on a charge of killing John Christian, a watchman at the Grant's silk mills.

THE WOMAN GOLFER.

MISS ADAIR GIVES HER OPINION OF THE AMERICAN PLAYERS.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Miss Rhona Adair, the champion woman golf player of Ireland and England, who has just returned here from a visit to the United States and Canada, brought back most pleasant impressions of the American girl golfer, whom she describes in an interview as being a thorough sportswoman, equally pleasant as a partner or as an opponent.

AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Daily News referring to the Australian elections says it has produced the boss and his commission. Probably the majority of these elected are moderate protectionists and certainly anti-imperialistic with not the smallest prospect of endorsing a preference.

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