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3c. Total 16,000.

ROSSLAND WEEKLY MINER.

ROSSLAND, B. C., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1902

Seventh Year, Number 16

Two Dollars a Year

THE STUMPAGE TAX

EXACTED SO AS TO BE A HAR-
SHIP ON MINE OWNERS
AND OTHERS.
SETTLERS WHO WERE DEPRIVED
OF A CHANCE TO EARN A
LIVING.

A strong feeling exists among the mining men and others in the Kootenays that the imposition and method of collecting the stumpage tax is capable of being altered with much advantage to the country in general. The matter was gone into at the last Board of Trade meeting here and will be brought up at the Associated Boards of Eastern British Columbia, Com-munications from the Snowshoe and Velevt mines bearing on the subject will be introduced at the Kaslo conven-tion by the delegates from Rossland.

SLOCAN MINES.

Prosperous Conditions at American Boy and Slocan Star.
Among the guests at the Phair yester-day was Thomas McGuigan, manager of the American Boy in the Slo-can. Mr. McGuigan stated that the ore shoot found at a depth of 500 feet in the American Boy is the largest and best body of silver-lead ore he has yet seen in the Slocan so far under ground. Nearer the surface, he says, he has seen larger ore shoots, but none that come up to it at the same vertical depth. The ore shoot is two and one-half feet in width and has been drifted on for a distance of 45 feet, and it looks as though it is going to widen out. The ore is of a high grade, too, carrying about 150 ounces in silver to the ton and from 75 to 80 per cent lead. The ledge in which the shoot was en-counter-ed in the American Boy is the same one that runs into the Last Chance and from which so much high grade ore has been extracted by the Last Chance management. It is not the same ledge, however, as the one in which a strike was made at a depth of 1,500 feet in the Last Chance. Mr. McGuigan has been on a visit to Spo-kane and is on his way back to the mine.

THE FOREMAN ARRESTED.

Held Responsible for a Premature Dynamite Blast.
GREENVILLE, Pa., Feb. 10.—Fore-man Charles Haggarty, of the Broad-head Construction company, is in jail here, charged with manslaughter. He is being held responsible for the death of one man and the injury of ten others in a blasting accident on the Bessemer and Lake Erie railroad cut-off last Saturday. The prisoner touch-ed off the fatal blast, but claims he gave the men in the pit the usual warning.

THE SLOCAN COUNTRY.

Work on the True Blue—Shipments from all the Mines.
The True Blue ore is being hauled in to town ready for shipment by Allan McKinnon. There are about 48 tons al-ready down the hill and it is expected that as much more can be brought down before the snow goes off, for which 1,000 new sacks were sent up to the mine this week. The ore is being shipped from here to the Hall Mines smelter at Nel-son, and will average about 15 per cent copper. Mr. M. A. Stephenson, foreman of the mine and one of the heaviest shareholders, was in town Monday on business, and says the vein on which they are now working will run between 18 and 20 per cent in copper with some gold and silver. Some of the assays go as high as 24 per cent copper. It is expected that enough ore can be shipped this winter to pay for development dur-ing the coming season that will put the mine in a position to ship steadily. The True Blue has every prospect of being one of the great mines of the district.

AT TRAIL SMELTER THE WEEK'S RECORD

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THE OTTAWA SHIPS.

New Mine in the Slocan Added to the List.
SLOCAN, Feb. 10.—A new shipper for the division has been added to the list in the Ottawa, which sent out seven tons. The only other shipment was from the Arlington, amounting to 60 tons, making 67 tons in all from this camp. The management has laid off the ore sorters at the mine and is passing all the ledge matter through the mill, which, if run to full capacity, will han-dle 50 tons per day. Ore from the mill is coming down freely, there being 15 tons now at the landing. It will go forward next week.

SUGAR COMBINE.

Coast Dealers Arrange to Put the Price Higher.
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 11.—The preliminaries of a combination of north-ern jobbers who will maintain the price of sugar were arranged at the Merchants' club yesterday. Prominent jobbing houses of Spokane, Seattle, Tacoma and Portland were represent-ed.

LOST IN THE WOODS.

Prospectors on Vancouver Island Suffer Hardships.
VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 11.—Four prospectors headed by a half-breed guide, arrived here last evening by the steamer Tees from Alent bay, at the north end of Vancouver Island, after having experienced a rough starvation ending the mountains. They left Quatsino 10 days ago, and for four days and five nights were lost. The guide mis-took the trail in the snow and the men traveled in a circle. They had but one day's provisions, and for the remain-ing time they were half starved while wading in snowdrifts. The Tees brought word that smallpox has again broken out among the Indians of the north.

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LARDEAU PRODUCTION.

Nettle L. and Silver Cup in Better Position to Ship.
A few days more work will complete the upraise on the Nettle L. This will give a depth from the surface of over 400 feet and about 250 feet clear of stoping ground, says the Trout Lake Silver Glance. Besides the lead from which Red Fox was taken, and which the ore was taken last year and which is likely to furnish a great portion of the 800 tons which it is intended shall be got out before sleighing breaks up, the men working on the upraise have been following on the footwall a streak of from 9 to 18 inches of fine ore. Answering a question put to him by J. J. Sullivan, Wm. Pool, the manager of the mine, said that he expected to send out before sleighing breaks up from 800 to 1,000 tons of ore. Continuing, he said that it was the intention of the company to keep on shipping ore all summer, this being rendered possible by the fact that a good wagon road was now constructed to the lower workings through which all the ore mined in the future will be delivered.

THE YMIR TUNNEL.

Expected Soon to Strike the Vein on 1000-Foot Tunnel.
YMIR, B. C., Feb. 6.—The long cross-cut tunnel being run on the 1000-foot level at the Ymir is reaching the vein and news of the strike may come at any time. The indications are that the vein will be found to be permanent and as strong and well defined as in any of the other workings, as the vein at the bot-tom of the shaft which is being run through the tunnel on the 1000-foot level, and in which a depth of 800 feet has been obtained, the ore body is reported to be even stronger and more compact than in the upper portion, while the values are well maintained.

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DESERTERS HANGED.

MANILA, Feb. 11.—Edmund A. Du-bose and Lewis Russell, who deserted from Company E Ninth cavalry, and stole arms belonging to the regiment and joined the insurgents in August last, for which they were tried and sentenced by the military commission, were hanged February 7 at Guinoba-tan, province of Albay, in the presence of 8000 people.

THE METAL MARKETS.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—Lead £11 11s 3d. NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Close. Bar silver 55, Mexican dollars 43 3-4. Cop-per dull. Lead firm, #412-1-2.

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EDDYISM IN GERMANY

Christian Science Crusade Exciting a Commotion.

Keen Political Agitation Over the Question of Tariff.

BERLIN, Feb. 8.—"Eddyism," as Christian Science is called here, is the sensation of the moment. The comic papers caricature it; weekly periodicals marshal polemics against it, and the daily press prints much descriptive matter regarding what is called "the latest American importation," saying it was only brought here after it had been "worn out" in the United States. Emperor William's conference with Dr. Faber, superintendent of churches in the Berlin jurisdiction, and Herr Von Windheim, the police president, as to what steps shall be taken, has alarmed the Christian Scientists, but nothing has yet been done against them except the withdrawal from certain public halls of the necessary permission to open for meetings. On Friday evening a meeting was prevented through a police notice pasted on the door. The managers of the Christian Science campaign are trying to secure a building owned by Americans, thinking that in that case the police are less likely to interfere. They enthusiastically welcome the public excitement, availing that it gives Christian science an impetus.

The newspapers say that Emperor William intends to take energetic measures against all forms of obscurantism practiced for money, and insist that the heavy fees charged for healing amount to swindling. The leaders of the Christian Science crusade are selling Mrs. Eddy's book for 20 marks. All sorts of quackery seems to thrive in Berlin. A recent census showed that 476 persons here were living by quackery.

The Agrarians yesterday evening cheered the earlier part of Chancellor Von Buelow's speech, but their enthusiasm was replaced by gloomy silence when he announced that the new tariff bill represents the government's utmost limit of assistance to agriculture. The chancellor, having tested public opinion through the news published in the North German Gazette on Feb. 1st, warning the tariff extremists against endangering the tariff bill by insisting on a further increase of duties, feels sure of his position with the country behind him in checking the landed interest's demands. The Agrarians are also particularly feeling the pressure of industrial and financial opinion. The government's firm stand has not convinced the moderates that they must accept the bill as it is or get nothing. It is understood that the chancellor intends to get the tariff bill out of the way as soon as possible, in order that the general elections of 1903 may be contested on other issues.

The returns of the bye-elections have disheartened the Conservatives. According to a statement emanating from Conservative sources, some of the Conservative members in the close districts have informed the party managers that they cannot make a fight against the "Brot-Wucher" if the reichstag is dissolved over the tariff bill. Prince Henry soon after returning from the United States will celebrate the quarter centenary of his service in the navy.

A special dispatch from Warsaw says Polish national feeling runs so high that nearly all the Polish nobles invited to the governor's splendid ball refused to attend because the invitations were in the Russian language. The Poles who did attend the ball had prominent escorts to protect them from the indignant public while going to and returning from the palace.

The government is prosecuting the Vorwaerts (organ of the Socialists) for receiving stolen goods in printing the recent memorandum of the secretary of the admiralty, Admiral Tirpitz, which was discussed in the reichstag this week. The Liberal papers condemn this action of the government as illegal and unconstitutional, citing that the reichstag, in creating the new criminal code, explicitly refused to make this publication of official documents a felony. Herr Hebel, the Socialist leader in the reichstag, yesterday morning said the Vorwaerts never paid a penny for any of its series of official documents published without the government's consent or knowledge, and added that the paper never knew from whom they came.

MANCHURIAN QUESTION.

Russian and Japanese Diplomats Talk to Secretary Hay.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, and Mr. Takahira, the Japanese minister, called separately upon Secretary Hay today to talk over the Manchurian situation.

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BOERS ARE OFFENDED

Dr. Leyds and His Clique Now Quarrel With the Dutch.

Other Delegates Reported as Favoring a Surrender.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from Utrecht indicates the probability of the removal of the Boer headquarters to Geneva on account of friction between Mr. Kruger and his associates and the Dutch government.

Dr. Leyds, representative in Europe of the Transvaal, is reported as declaring that the recent proposals looking to the establishment of peace in South Africa, made by the Dutch premier, J. Kuyper, were an unwarrantable interference in the affairs of the Transvaal. Some of the Boer delegates, it is said, are at variance with Dr. Leyds.

A dispatch to a news agency from Brussels says: "It is understood here that the delegates have decided to submit to the conditions laid down in Lord Kitchener's communication to the British government, and are preparing a communication to the British government asking permission to visit South Africa, and setting forth the object of the proposed visit. It is expected that the request will reach England next week."

MATIESFONTEIN, Cape Colony, Feb. 8.—Lourens Ermus, better known under the name of Commandant Marais, has been captured in the neighborhood of Langsburg. Marais was the leader of the Boers operating in the Zwartkops range in 1900.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—It is reported here from Paris that Prince Galatin was killed in a pistol duel with his brother-in-law, Count Tchernadoff, as Basle. The Cologne correspondent of the Daily Mail reports that the body of Prince Galatin has passed through Cologne on the way to St. Petersburg. A correspondent says this is the first intimation that the prince had been killed.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—King Edward tonight gave a dinner at Marlborough House to the members of the diplomatic corps and his cabinet. Forty-two guests, including United States Ambassador Choate, were present.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—There was a remarkable series of collisions on the Thames today. The collier Poplar while entering the Regent's Canal Basin was run down by the French steamer Cordilleras, from river Plate with a cargo of frozen meat. The Poplar swung off of frozen meat. The British steamer Morocco, having on board 24 passengers and a cargo for Mogador, Morocco. All three vessels sank. The crew and passengers were rescued by tugs, but the Poplar in attempting to beach herself, sank two river barges before going down herself.

field. As we gather from recent despatches, a change has now been made, and prisoners will not be released until it is brought to an end. The hope that the Boer leaders would listen to the representations of the Dutch government and lay down their arms, does not appear to be likely to be realized. The Dutch delegates in Europe appear to be divided in opinion on the question, but even if united in the view that further continuance of the war can only result in increasing the losses and calamities of their people, it is doubtful whether Messrs. Steyn and De Wet will be guided by their representations. It is to be feared, therefore, that the struggle must continue in its tedious course until these leaders are either captured or manage to escape from the country.

In other respects, however, substantial progress is being made in the pacification of the country, and the resumption of peaceful pursuits. Lord Milner recently made a speech in quite an optimistic vein at Johannesburg on the situation. Lord Kitchener's plan of campaign appears to have been quite successful in clearing some of the most important districts of the Boers and things are beginning to assume a normal condition. Perhaps, on the approaching anniversary of Majuba Day, the happy incidents which marked that day in 1856, may be followed in this present year of grace by the announcement that peace once more prevails in South Africa.—News-Advertiser.

CURRENT COMMENT

Western Development.

All the great railways seem to be preparing a policy of western development. It is said the Union Pacific as well as the Canadian Pacific will spend \$20,000,000 in anticipation of the expansion of the West. The Times has always held that private enterprise might be depended upon to meet the demands of commerce on the Pacific. There must be a limit set to the operations of governments. They cannot go beyond a certain point in taxing industries in order to bring others—possibly rival ones—into existence. Our government liberally subsidizes steamship lines engaged in the Oriental and Antipodean trade. It has sent agents to spy out these lands and make suggestions for the benefit of our business men and manufacturers. It has endeavored to arrange such treaties as will remove all possible obstacles to trade development. That seems to be as far as any government can go. It is in some respects farther than the United States has yet gone. It is through the aggressive private enterprise of our neighbors that they are getting a foothold in so many foreign fields. The merchants and manufacturers of Great Britain merely ask to be let alone by the government—that trade shall be made as free as possible—and yet they have not fared so badly in the fierce fight for a business position in the world. We take it to be the business of a government in a young country like Canada to devote the greater part of its available resources to the development of internal wealth. There is a fairly good market awaiting most of the possible products of the West after the problem of economic production has been solved.—Victoria Times.

Progress of the War.

The weekly returns sent by Lord Kitchener to the war office continue to show steady progress in the scattering of the different commandoes, and a diminution in the number of Boers in the field through deaths, captures or surrenders. Some statistics recently published in London seem to show that it was a mistaken policy to release prisoners on a pledge that they would not again take up arms. Practically the whole of the Boers in the field a year ago have been captured in the interval and the foreign recruits during that period have been comparatively few in number. It is apparent, therefore, that a large number of the men released by the British have again joined one or other of the commandoes in the

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CANADIAN PACIFIC. Tourist Sleeping Car Service. Effective January 1st, The Canadian Pacific railway will operate Tourist Sleeping Cars on following schedule:

Eastbound, leave Kootenay Landing every Friday for St. Paul, Toronto, Montreal, Boston, etc. Leave Dunmore Junction Monday and Thursday for St. Paul, Toronto and intermediate points. Westbound, leave Revelstoke Sunday, Wednesday and Friday for Vancouver, Seattle, etc. Full particulars from local agents.

J. S. CARTER, D. P. A., Nelson.

Up the dusty road from Denver town. To where the mines their treasures hide. The road is long, and many miles. The golden store and town divide. Along this road one summer day There toiled a tired man, Begrimed with dust, the weary way He cussed as some folks can. The stranger halted a passing team. That slowly dragged its load along. His hal raised up the teamster old. And checked his mule to a certain stop. "See, stranger, ken I walk behind your load. A spell on this yer road?"

"Wal, no, you can't walk, but git Up on this seat and ride, up here." "No, that ain't what I want. For it's in yer dust, that's like a smudge on my white, for I deserve it."

"Well, par, I ain't no hog, and I don't Owe this road afore or hind. So just git in the dust and walk. If that's the way yer feel inclined. Gee up, go long," the driver said. The creaking van moved on.

The teamster heard the stranger talk. As if two tramped behind his van, Yet looking back could only spy A single, lonely man. Yet heard the teamster words like these. Come from the dust as from a cloud, For the weary traveller spoke his mind. His thoughts he uttered loud. And this the burden of his talk:

"Walk, now yer yer, fool, walk. Not the way yer went to Denver, Walk, — yer, yer walk. Went to the mines and made yer stake, 'Nuff to take yer back to the State. What yer were born, What in smoke's yer-corn?"

"Walk, walk — yer, yer walk. Dust in yer eyes, dust in yer nose, Dust down yer throat, and thick On yer clothes. Can't hardly talk. I know it, but walk — yer walk. 'Nuff to take yer back to the diggin's. What did yer do? What didn't yer do? Why, when yer were there yer gold dust flew."

Yer thought it fine to be opening mine, Now walk, you son-of-a-biscuit, walk, Chokes yer, this dust, well that ain't the wust.

When yer get back to whan the diggin's No pick, no shovel, no pan. Wal, yer're a healthy man, So walk, — yer, yer walk."

The fools don't all go from Denver town, Nor do they all from the mines come down. Most of us all have in our day, In some sort of shape, some kind of way Painted the town with the old stuff, Dipped in stocks, made some bluff, Got caught somehow, in something, And walked, yes, how we walked. Now don't try to yank every bun, Don't try to lave all the fun, Don't think the eastern wags will fall, Or that anything else is a certain haul, And don't think you know it all, For if you do You can bet your sweet life you'll walk.

(The incident referred to in the skit entitled "Walk," which is published by request, did not occur in Denver, but is an actual incident of forty years ago, and yet applicable.)—Nelson Economist.

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GOFF-RYAN

PRINCIPALS HAVE CLES FOR ROSS

THE SPOKANE M IN REGA FUT

One of the most nary features in proposal to bring boxing contest for of the world's mid concluded yesterday Ryan, the present his signature to the twenty-round me The agreement ca be brought off in of \$2000. Goff had articles, but it w yesterday that Ry meet the fast Sp numbers his friend by the scores.

The other essenti of the mill to This matter will the local sportsme have promised to contingent of Goff later, but consi has already been want to increas Two local sports to purchase the ringside for \$100 help matters out. Discussing the ring matters gen said in Spokane I never failed a to get a match I am being force weights or go out time will come so part of my vitality gone—in the lang "when I am all world no one w want my rest ut the energy and v want to take the pation.

"My mother i years, and she about my busine and always has boxing, and that Taking it all in desirable profess in it with whom associate, and the ure in the compa A man can be a prizefighter, sary qualification all.

"Another thing many fakirs in that plenty of the man to stay have been able consent, but the me working aga match I have fo I never failed a down. I have t the money my back of me, an gets so low that a match I will I will be but a through with the hope that will mure Ryan for a ship."

Goff is now the completion of Ryan wants Goff pounds at 3 p. m. Goff is fighting championship an attempt to weigh in at thought that R agreement.

The articles of sent to Goff an fighters to sign. best of it, and t winning is to g will agree to the weight limit match. The fr tracts from the "The fight is with five ounce ring; the pursu ing to the win unless Ryan sh will get sta berry rules to cept to break clinches; to w pounds at 3 p fight and not u side, the part \$200 to the ot satisfactory as attempt to hij cause."

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It is the intention of the proprietors
of the Rossland Miner to vastly improve
the paper in respect to its news ser-
vice in the very near future; and as
this will entail considerable additional
expense it will be necessary to endeavor
to secure revenue commensurate
with the outlay. To that end on and
after March 1st next the advertising
rates will be so adjusted as to make an
increase over present rates, and also,
the subscription price of the paper—
now 50 cents per month delivered to sub-
scribers in the city—will be raised to 75
cents. It is felt by the proprietors that
the patrons of the paper will display
no hesitancy in meeting the new ar-
rangements in respect to advertising
and subscription rates once it is demon-
strated that the Miner is to be vastly
improved in all its features as a news-
paper.

A special attempt will be made to
make the Miner what it ought to be—
the leading mining journal of the West.
And to that end correspondents will
be appointed in all the leading mining
camps so that the Miner may be in a
position to chronicle at first hand the
chief events of interest in the mining
world.

In this connection we may state also
that due attention will be paid to cover-
ing in a thoroughly comprehensive
fashion all local and general news of
an interesting character and—in short
—the Miner will be made an up-to-date
newspaper in every respect.

CABINET REPRESENTATION AT LAST.

It will be seen from an Ottawa dis-
patch which is published in this morn-
ing's issue of the Miner that the ex-
pected shuffle of portfolios has taken
place in the federal cabinet and that
as a result British Columbia has at last
obtained recognition. With the an-
nouncement that Hon. Senator Temple-
man has been taken into the cabinet
without portfolio is coupled the state-
ment that it is only a matter of a short
time before he will be placed in full
charge of one of the large departments.
Presumably he will be made Minister
of Marine and Fisheries, as it was official-
ly stated that the appointment of
Mr. Sutherland to that post was only
to be temporary.

British Columbia is to be heartily con-
gratulated on the news from Ottawa this
morning. In Senator Templeman we
will have a stout champion of our inter-
ests and an efficient advocate of mea-
sures to satisfy our needs and require-
ments. There are plainly better days in
store for British Columbia; and the im-
mediate future ought to show a measure
of development of our great natural re-
sources which will be highly satisfac-
tory.

CONDITIONS IN THE KOOTENAYS.

Those in a position to be best able to
form an accurate judgment upon the
matter say the outlook is rapidly bright-
ening for the Kootenays. As far as
Rossland is concerned we all know that
there is a much better feeling prevailing
among all classes of citizens than ob-
tained a few months ago. There is a
decided improvement in business since
the settlement of the late deplorable la-
bor troubles; and the belief is held on all
sides that an era of generally increas-
ing prosperity has been ushered in.
Commercial travellers report that busi-
ness men are placing good orders with
them, houses which were vacant for
months are filling up with occupants,
there is a good demand for business
premises—and, in short, things are on
the mend generally.

In other districts in Southern British
Columbia the feeling of pessimism which
prevailed some months ago, owing to the
disturbance to settled conditions caused
by the extraordinary decline in the
price of lead and copper, has given way
to abounding hope in the future. So,
looking at it all in all we have reason
to be thankful. The Kootenays will yet
—and that at no distant date—take their
proper place among the busy mining
districts of the world.

MR. TEMPLEMAN ENDORSED.

At a recent meeting of the Victoria
Board of Trade, at which were present
leading representatives of both the
great Federal parties, Hon. Senator
Templeman was unanimously endorsed
for the position of cabinet minister for
British Columbia, preferably to take the
portfolio of marine and fisheries.
It is confidently anticipated that
this will be done very shortly. Senator
Templeman ought to feel highly flattered
at the passing of the resolution, as the
occasions must be rare when political
opponents unite on such a matter. Col.
Poir, Conservative, the unopposed mem-
ber, spoke very nicely of Senator Tem-
pleman. The Colonist's report of the dis-
cussion of the resolution indicates how
high in the estimation of the general
public the honorable gentleman stands:

Mr. Hall, M. P., asked leave to
introduce a resolution, which being
granted, he moved as follows: That the
secretary be instructed to telegraph to
Sir Wilfrid Laurier, that in the event
of the portfolio of marine and fisheries
becoming vacant, the Victoria Board of
Trade earnestly recommend the ap-
pointment of Hon. Senator Templeman
to that position. (Applause.)

Speaking to his resolution, Mr. Hall
strongly advocated the claims of British
Columbia to representation in the
Dominion cabinet, and that it was only
fit and proper that if such appointment
were made a representative Victorian
should be chosen. Senator Templeman
had worthily represented the province
in the senate, and with his knowledge
of the requirements of fishermen of
British Columbia and the importance
of the fishing industry to the future well-
fare of the province would enable him
to administer the department in a busi-
ness-like way. (Applause.)

Lt.-Col. the Hon. E. G. Prior, had
great pleasure in seconding the resolu-
tion. He had always strongly advocated
cabinet representation for British Co-
lumbia and although Senator Templeman
and himself had always opposed each
other in politics, he knew no man in
the Liberal party who would do greater
credit to the office of minister of marine
and fisheries, and administer the de-
partment with more ability than Sena-
tor Templeman. (Applause.)

The resolution was then adopted un-
animously, and the meeting adjourned.

The Miner suggests that the various
boards of trade throughout the province
take similar action.

INTERESTING STATISTICS.

In the report of the justice depart-
ment for the last fiscal year the minis-
ter, draws attention to the operation of
the ticket-of-leave system in Canada.
The total number of these issued during
the year was 199, of which 126 were
granted to convicts in penitentiaries
and the remaining 73 to prisoners in
jails and other public prisons. This is
an increase of 54 over the previous year.
Of the number one was cancelled with
a full remission of sentence, to enable
the recipient to be taken out of Cana-
da for medical treatment, another be-
cause the prisoner refused to accept it,
and a third for breach of conditions.
There were seven forfeitures on account
of convictions for indictable offence,
four of which are properly chargeable
to 1899.

The exceedingly small proportion of
forfeitures, 2.01 per cent, justifies, in the
minister's opinion, the conclusion that
the policy is successful from a reform-
atory point of view, while the reports
from the penitentiary authorities that it
has proven a stimulus to good conduct
on the part of convicts and has had an
excellent effect upon discipline gener-
ally.

The average daily population of our
penitentiaries in Canada was 1,405 in
1901, against 1,430 for the year before.
Of these 547 are at Kingston, 463 at St.
Vincent de Paul, 204 in Dorchester, 106
in Manitoba, 104 in British Columbia.

The escape of a convict from St. Vin-
cent de Paul, the inspector says, was
due to careless supervision. The circum-
stances, he adds, indicate collusion with
some official whose identity is unknown.

Of our convict population, 147 are un-
der 20 years of age, 575 between 20 and
30, 348 between 30 and 40, 149 between
40 and 50, 74 between 50 and 60, and 43
over 60.

Fifty-four convicts are doing life
terms, 26 are serving terms of 20 years
and over.

The inspector says all cases should
be reported on when five years have
been covered, as he is convinced that
in many of them good reasons would
be found to justify the exercise of clemency.

One hundred and forty of our peni-
tentiary inmates are set down as ab-
stainers, 758 as temperate, and 484 as
intemperate.

Seven hundred and eighty-seven are
Roman Catholics, 232 Church of Eng-
land, 141 Methodists, 105 Presbyterians
and 61 Baptists.

AN ERROR CORRECTED.

It affords us much pleasure to print a
letter from Archdeacon Pentreath which
effectually disposes of an error in re-
spect to the last hours of "Father Pat"
which caused a great deal of comment.
Some persons have asked why the Miner
published a dispatch containing such
an erroneous statement. We answer that
we did so for the same reason for which
every newspaper in the world prints
erroneous news occasionally—because the
items are furnished them by wire by
Press Associations. The dispatch con-
cerning "Father Pat" was published in
all the daily papers of the province. It

is obviously impossible for an editor in
the hurry of getting out a news-
paper to continually attempt to verify
news sent from long distances. The let-
ter which Archdeacon Pentreath sends
us is as follows:

To the Editor—In your issue today ap-
pears a semi-official statement from the
Hotel Dieu hospital, Montreal to the
effect that the late Rev. H. Irwin, who
as your readers all know was a priest in
the Church of England, "a stout time
before his death embraced the Roman
Catholic faith."

Knowing the extraordinary credence
which is always given by the public
to such statements, I hope that in the
absence of more definite information you
will allow me to deny this rumor.

I am in possession of a letter written
to me by Mr. Irwin on the very eve
of his departure to England, as late as
December 12th, in which he says: "If
ever you have any hard work away up
north, and you want me, please let me
know," a statement which is as true to
his character as it is false to the above
rumor.

I may also add that at his own spe-
cial request the Rev. Canon Wood of
St. John's, Montreal, visited him before
his death in the hospital.

EDWYN S. W. PENTREATH,
Archdeacon of Columbia and Kooten-
ay.

JOE, THE JUGGLER.

Joe Martin, who has probably created
more disturbance and caused more in-
jury to Canada than any other man in
politics, has got in his fine work again.
This time he has succeeded in raising
a big row in the Liberal camp in British
Columbia and incidentally getting
himself lifted into a position of greater
prominence among a certain section of
the party. Joe Martin is an artist at the
business of party-wrecking. His system
is easily understandable, though it is
doubtful if a less wily politician would
be so successful. He first surrounds him-
self with all the discontents and dis-
appointed office-seekers in the party
he can learn of, gives them a smooth
talk on how foolish they are to stand
by him—and the rest is easy. Sly
meetings are held, every possible
supporter is brought into line and a
deliberate plan laid to break up or cap-
ture any convention held by the bona-
fide party. This is exactly what happen-
ed at the Vancouver convention. Every
man, woman and child in British Co-
lumbia knows that nine-tenths of the
Liberals in the province have no use for
Joe Martin. He probably knows it him-
self—but that does not matter. He is
content to raise Cain anyhow and any-
where. He is a political pugilist, and
must be always fighting, or is unhappy.
The worst feature about the man is that
he is tricky and untrustworthy. No man
who ever took part in the public life
of this province ever had a better
chance than did Joe Martin when he
first came to British Columbia. He re-
ceived the united support of the entire
Liberal party. They trusted him; they
admired his ability; they gave him
their confidence; they placed him in a
position to guide the destinies of the
country. And what did he do? To speak
somewhat plainly, he raised Hell—in
the sense that the word means turmoil,
disturbance and disaster. The people
were warned by the Conservatives and
by those who knew him best in the east
and Manitoba, but they would not heed
the advice and suffered the consequen-
ces. And now he is at his old game
again. Surely we are a tolerant people
to permit this living political pestilence
to occupy at any time such prominence
in the political eye as to be in a position,
with a handful of followers, to wreck
the aims of those who are supposedly
earnestly desirous of advancing the best
interests of the country!

THE VACANCY ON THE BENCH.

At the meeting of the Rossland Board
of Trade held last week a resolution
was unanimously passed urging the Do-
minion government to fill up the vacan-
cy on the supreme court bench of this
province caused by the death of Chief
Justice McCall. At the present time
Judge Drake is absent from the province
on leave, and is not expected back for
some months. There are only five judges
in all and at the present time only three
are available for the work of the whole
province. The consequences of this state
of affairs are serious and call for prompt
action on the part of the Dominion
government. Out of a long list of ap-
peals set down for hearing at the Janu-
ary sitting of the full court in Victo-
ria only two could be heard.

Three judges other than a judge ap-
pealed from must sit to constitute the
full court, and owing to the present
vacancy it is impossible to get the re-
quisite quorum to hear appeals. The
people of the Interior are very in-
terested in important public works that
are dependent upon the immediate hear-
ing of some appeals now pending, and
it is therefore to be hoped that the Do-
minion government will do their part
in filling up the vacancy at once.

Poor "Father Pat." His was a sad
fate, indeed. Does it not seem a pecu-
liar freak of fate that he himself at the
end should suffer from the same "stings
and arrows of outrageous fortune" in the
way of intense personal suffering
against which he devoted the best of
his life to defend others in the "Far
West?"

SHOULD WE NOT TRY PRAYER?

The occurrences at the recent fiasco
in Vancouver—termed a Liberal "con-
vention"—the elevation of Mr. Joseph
Martin to the position of "leader," and
the declaration in favor of party lines,
have directed the attention of the pro-
vince once again to a consideration of
the provincial political situation. We
are all agreed that our affairs are in
a fearful muddle—they have indeed
been in that shape for the past ten
years—and the outlook is far from en-
couraging. The legislature will meet in
a few days and then the fate of the
Dunsmuir government will be deter-
mined. Notwithstanding that it has un-
questionably lost the confidence of the
people and had at the termination of the
last session forfeited the confidence of
the House, we are by no means certain
that it will not be able to pull through
the approaching session. Had the House
met a month ago Premier Dunsmuir and
his government would have gone down
to speedy defeat. But Martin's triumph
—if it can be called such—at the Lib-
eral convention, puts a different com-
plexion upon the matter entirely. Mar-
tin will now be able to bring to the
premier's support a greater number of
votes than he would have been able to
do before, and thus the government may
pull through. Indeed, we are of the im-
pression that this has been Martin's
game all the way through. He has suc-
ceeded in splitting the Liberal party
in twain and climbed again into a po-
sition of prominence upon the "camp"
section of the Liberals who stayed and
supported him in the "convention."

This may be all very well for Mr.
Martin and Hon. James Dunsmuir, but
what about the people and the provin-
ce? For the past five years the repu-
tation of British Columbia has been so
unsavory that it stunk in the nostrils
of the outside world. Will its odor be
any the less objectionable now that
Martin is likely to once again stand
behind the premier and dictate his pol-
icy? What will the people of Eastern
Canada and England, where we look
for money to develop our resources,
think of us when they are told that Joe
Martin, the Great Disturber, is likely
once more to be "on top." Surely they
will say that we are incapable of arran-
ging that we shall be properly and
sensibly governed!

With the defeat of Joe Martin and
the installation in office of the Dun-
smuir government a sigh of relief went
up from everybody. It was believed that
a period of sanity was to be ushered
in—that we were assured of good, strong,
stable government for many years to
come. But it seems we only went from
bad to worse. Dunsmuir not only la-
mentably failed at the task set him, but
—ye gods! think of it!—did worse—
joined hands with the Curse of the
Country—Joe Martin! And this at a
time, mind you, when the people and
all who were interested in the success
of the province, in Eastern Canada and
England, were congratulating them-
selves that we had got rid of Joe Mar-
tin! Was there ever in the history of
government in Canada a greater fiasco
in politics?

Now, why do we tolerate such a
condition of affairs? What is the matter
with us, anyway? We calmly sit by and
see the development of the province
set back for years by the antics of a lot
of miserable, squabbling politicians. In
no province in Canada, outside of British
Columbia, would the electorate toler-
ate for a moment what we put up with
here. How long do you suppose the peo-
ple of Manitoba, or Ontario, or New
Brunswick, would allow a man like Joe
Martin to call in off the street a strange
peddler—without brains or a dollar—and
make him Finance Minister? Not
one moment. They would wreck the
parliament buildings, if such a step were
necessary, in order to effectually pro-
ceed against such an atrocious proceed-
ing. But what did we do when that
exact thing occurred—when the Nanaimo
peddler, Cory Rydes, was made Fi-
nance Minister by Joe Martin? We
laughed at it—that's all. And now it ap-
pears Joe is going to give us another
chance to laugh.

Columns have been written, gallons
of ink have been spilled, torrents of
words have flowed in the efforts to
provide a remedy for this disgraceful
condition of affairs—but to no avail.
Perhaps we should now try prayer.

THE PROHIBITION AGITATION.

Manitoba and Ontario are both wrest-
ling with the question of prohibition.
If the electors will take a lesson from
the experience of the past they will hesi-
tate before giving their sanction to a
prohibitory law. The Utopia Associa-
tion (Incorporated) is on trial in the
district court of Brown county, Kan.,
and must show cause why its charter
should not be revoked or in some other
way known only to the mysteries of the
law prove that it has a right to a
continued and continuous existence as
an artificial person. The Utopia Associa-
tion is only one of thousands of clubs
established in the Sunflower State for
the evasion of the prohibitory law. To
become a member a person must have a
thirst and two dollars. He deposits the
two dollars with the man in charge—
called in the vernacular "the man."
The fund thus derived is expended in

Missouri for liquor which is shipped
to the rooms of the association. When
the malt and alcoholic goods arrive the
member is privileged to call at the rooms
of the association and drink. If he calls
for a glass of beer he depletes the stock
of the association by that amount, so
he gives the man five cents for replen-
ishment. If he buys a pint of whiskey
he deposits 88 cents. This keeps his two
dollars' worth of liquor intact. If he
drinks two dollars' worth without con-
tributing anything to the supply fund
he forfeits his membership and must
pay two dollars to be reinstated. It is
said that the waiting list of the Brown
county association was a long one and
few forfeitures were recorded. The man
in charge is allowed a commission on
sales and thus makes a living. It is the
old, threadbare "club scheme" worked
from time immemorial for the evasion
of sumptuary laws. Some Brown coun-
ty man has been running a saloon and
that is the long and short of it. All over
Kansas saloon-keepers are doing busi-
ness as "associations" and now and
then there is a prosecution. The diffi-
culty in the way of securing a conviction
is that the evidence against one of
these associations would be almost iden-
tical with that which could be adduced
against some of the genuine clubs of
Topeka, Atchison, Leavenworth and
Kansas City (Kan.) The Brown county
case is only another illustration of the
fact that it is hard to make a prohibi-
tory law prohibitive.

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ST. VALENTINE'S DAY.

Friday next is St. Valentine's day. It
would pass almost unnoticed by most
of us were we not to see it recorded
upon the calendars and observe the
shocking daubs which are supposed to
do duty as "valentines" in the book-
sellers' windows. The graceful customs
of former years in the observance of
the day have, alas, given place to those
anything but graceful and generous.
The origin of the custom of celebrating
the day is uncertain. There are no fewer
than fifty-two St. Valentines spoken of
in religious history, between two of
whom is divided the honor of being re-
membered by the sentimental and the
broad humorist. Valentines, pres-
byter and martyr, was, according to
Roman legends, clubbed to death on the
Flaminian Way on the 14th of Febru-
ary, because he would not apostatize,
having during his previous imprisonment
performed several miraculous cures. His
namesake, also commemorated on the
14th of February, was also a miracle
worker, his speciality having been fits.
This may account for the antics of some
of his followers of the present day. He,
too, fell a martyr.

But within the memory of those now
not old, St. Valentine's day was made
the occasion of sending a remembrance
to favorite friends, and among the
young many an anonymous declaration
of love and girl love went through the
mail in the shape of pretty valentines.
The custom was pleasant and harmless,
and gave pleasure to many people of
both sexes—the senders as well as the
recipients of the tender messages. Un-
fortunately the custom has degenerated,
and while a few may send a valentine
to friend or sweetheart fraught with
a loving message, there are thousands
in the community who make use of the
day to inflict an anonymous and cowardly
stab upon some one whom they
have not the moral courage to openly
assault. Indeed, the festival has "ceas-

ed to possess its graceful, symbolic
meaning" and has become a nuisance.
First, the valentine retrograded from
the generous and friendly sentiments to
good-natured burlesques and from that
the descent was rapid to scurrilous and
ill-natured attacks and exaggerations of
personal character, which the senders
would not have the hardihood to make
except under the cover of anonymous
use of the mails. Some of the women's
clubs of the Eastern States have taken
up the good work of making war upon
the so-called comic valentines and if
possible to put a stop to the nuisance.
These so-called valentines give opportu-
nity and invite the meanest of human
impulses to give pain to a fellow crea-
ture. The hideous exaggerations are
made to fit nearly all conceivable de-
fects of humanity, and most of them,
instead of being "comic," are purposely
offensive and malignant, designed as
a means of anonymously taunting some
acquaintance with personal defects or
misfortunes. If these base opportuni-
ties were used by adults alone it would
be bad enough, but, sad to state, the
majority are purchased and sent to
some one by children, who are thus
given an opportunity to taunt some ac-
quaintance in safety, under the custom
of anonymous communications on that
day. The tendency to the minds of chil-
dren is bad, suggesting or awakening
cruel and uncharitable instincts—to hit
some unfortunate with a malicious cal-
lature whom it is supposed to fit. Per-
sons who would shrink at the thought
of writing an anonymous letter, take
advantage of these malicious valentines
to inflict their stabs and injuries. It
is to be hoped that the work taken up
by these women's clubs will become
general, until the nuisance is finally
suppressed. When there is no demand
for these manufactured daubs they will
not be manufactured and placed on the
market. If the evil cannot be suppressed
it would be beneficial if the day were
blotted out of the calendar.

Kitchener don't say much but "keeps
on sawing wood."

Premier Dunsmuir has accepted the
invitation to attend the coronation cer-
emonies.

The war between Spain and the Uni-
ted States is apparently to be re-opened
—but this time it will be a war of words.

It would appear that all hope for the
safety of the missing British sloop-of-
war Condor must now be abandoned.
She carried a crew of 140 men.

Mining experts agree that Vancouver
Island is on the verge of a boom which
will be quite as notable as that enjoyed
by the Kootenays in the "good old
days."

The energetic Carnival committee is
doing good work. Collections are being
successfully made, and the success of the
affair seems assured if the weather be
propitious.

The very successful concert of yester-
day evening at the opera house in aid
of St. George's church reflects
credit upon all who had the affair in
their charge and upon all who con-
tributed to the very enjoyable program.
Rossland may well feel proud of the
array of amateur talent it can pre-
sent when occasion requires.

The Ontario government has deter-
mined to make a grant of \$5,000 per
year for the purpose of establishing a
sample room in London, Eng., to pro-
mote the sale of Ontario goods. Here's
a tip to British Columbia to do the
same in respect to the establishment of
a mineral exhibit.

How quickly the scene of action
shifts in the great world-dramas!
No sooner are we through with Cuba,
the Philippines, China and South Af-
rica, than Ireland looms up on the
horizon as a danger point. The best-
informed statesmen in Great Britain
are of the opinion that John Bull will
have serious trouble to deal with in
the Emerald Isle before long. It will
be recalled that Lord Salisbury's refer-
ence to Irish affairs in his recent
speech was very pessimistic.

Regarding quartz mining in the
Yukon the Mining and Scientific Press
says: With increasing frequency re-
ports from Dawson, Yukon Territory,
discuss the development of a commer-
cial quartz mining industry in the
placer gold region of the Klondike.
The first quartz mill, it is declared,
started crushing in November last and
a second one a few weeks since. The
capacity of both, it is stated, is ex-
ceeded by the quartz offered for crush-
ing. The winter cold is not permitted
to interfere with operation. The hints
as to the charges for crushing indicate
an exceedingly high grade of ore being
mined. One mill is offering to crush
quartz for half of the gold recovered.
To pay Klondike mining costs and
transportation costs from the mines
to the mill from one-half only of the
gold in the ore and have anything left
implies very rich ore. This is an inci-
dent, however, of the beginning of de-
velopment of an industry novel to the
country. Once the miners are sure of
their mines, mills will multiply and
grow like the vegetation in the short
summer of that northern land.

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CHANGES IN THE CABINET

Hon. David Mills and His Successor in the Ministry.

Railway Projects in the East Successfully Financed.

OTTAWA, Feb. 10.—Hon. David Mills will take the oath as supreme court judge tomorrow, when Mr. Fitzpatrick takes over the justice department.

MONTREAL, Feb. 10.—Thomas Malcom left tonight for St. John, having made arrangements for financing the Quebec and New Brunswick and Restigouche and Western railways.

TORONTO, Feb. 10.—Wm. Whyte, assistant to President Shaughnessy, stated today that the C. P. R. would not put on a new steamer between Vancouver and Victoria for at least six months.

QUEBEC, Feb. 10.—Nominations for the city council took place today, 19 aldermen being elected by acclamation and 11 seats contested.

TORONTO, Feb. 10.—News has been received here that Canadian wheat is being sent into Germany from New York as American wheat.

It is reported that the provincial government has decided to submit the prohibition question to the electors in the shape of the Manitoba bill, a bare majority to be sufficient for its enactment and the vote to take place at the time of the general elections, early in June next.

The Georgian Bay Ship Railway company is making application to the legislature for an extension of its charter. It agrees that if ten per cent of the capital is not expended by 1910 the company's existence shall cease.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 10.—Nearly 100 rinks from outside points have entered for the Winnipeg curling bonspiel, opening here on Wednesday morning.

This is exclusive of the Winnipeg entries. Among the arrivals today were J. D. Flavelly's Lindsay rink and two rinks from Nelson, B. C. Dunbar's crack rink from St. Paul will arrive tomorrow.

The bishop's private chapel, St. Boniface, was the scene of a pretty yet quiet wedding at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The happy couple are Miss Conklin, daughter of the late E. G. Conklin, and E. J. Coyle, assistant manager agent of the C. P. R. for the Pacific coast, of Vancouver, both of whom are well known in this city.

Miss M. Andrew acted as bridesmaid, while the groom was supported by his brother, Thomas K. Coyle, Jr., of Trull, B. C. Dr. Conklin, brother of the bride, who was in the city for the event, gave his sister away. Mr. and Mrs. Coyle left on this afternoon's train for Toronto, thence they will go to St. Louis and as far south as New Orleans, returning home to Vancouver via San Francisco.

OTTAWA, Feb. 6.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier expects to leave for the coronation ceremonies about June 10th. It is expected that parliament will be over by the middle of May at latest.

Hon. David Mills has decided to accept the vacant seat in the supreme court in succession to Judge Gwynne. Mr. Fitzpatrick will likely succeed him and British Columbia thus get a portfolio.

The following new senators have been appointed: Dr. Robertson, P. E. I.; Hon. C. E. Church, until lately a member of the Nova Scotia government; Fred P. Thompson, of Fredericton, and Fred L. Blique, K. C. Montreal. James McMullen, ex-M. P., or Wm. Gibson, ex-M. P., will likely succeed Mr. Mills in the senate.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 6.—The "Bar V" ranch, formerly owned by the Northwest Cattle company, has been purchased by George Lane, of Calgary, and Messrs. Gordon, Ironsides and Fares. The deal involves in cattle, horses, land and improvements over \$200,000. The ranch is finely situated, and is one of the largest and most complete in Alberta.

Hugh Armstrong, Conservative, was elected by acclamation today for Portage la Prairie to fill the legislature vacancy caused by the death of William Garland.

QUEBEC, Feb. 6.—The principal event today in Quebec's week of sport was the carnival drive, which was an immense success, 40,000 people witnessing it. Many of the allegorical cars were very fine. The competitions, which will last throughout the week, continued.

Felix Gullotte, a well known hotel keeper, died suddenly yesterday morning. Today the police are investigating rumors that his death was caused by poisoning, and sensational developments are promised.

TAMWORTH, Ont., Feb. 6.—Fire today destroyed Ross' drug store and residence, Johnson's general store, Richardson's barber shop, York & Richardson's shoe shop, O'Brien's shoe shop and a double dwelling. Loss \$20,000. Insurance \$15,000.

OTTAWA, Feb. 11.—Judge Tascher, who was appointed some time ago to investigate the charge made by Canadian newspaper publishers that the Canadian manufacturers of news print had organized a combine, has submitted a report which bears out the assertions made. In consequence the government has under the provision of the tariff act giving it power to reduce duties when a combine is known to exist, reduced the duty on news paper from 25 per cent ad valorem to 15 per cent.

TORONTO, Feb. 11.—The Evening Telegram's London cable says: "In the house of commons today Lord Stanley said the question of subsidizing horse breeders and owners in the colonies so that in the event of war the mother country might have a call on them was under consideration of the government."

TORONTO, Feb. 11.—The Canadian Pacific railway today renewed its offer to the Ontario government to build a branch line from Dinorwic to Lake Minnetakie and Lac Seul provided the government build dams to raise the level of the lakes. If the government accepts the line will open up a large pulp and mining territory.

TORONTO, Feb. 11.—The War Eagle Consolidated Mining and Development Company, Limited, which has hitherto done business under a British Columbia charter, has been licensed to transact business and hold meetings in Toronto. The Centre Star Mining company was also granted a similar license.

COUNCIL PAY SHEET

INDEMNITIES TO MAYOR AND ALDERMEN AGAIN UNDER DISCUSSION.

VARIOUS OTHER MATTERS OF BUSINESS TAKEN UP BY THE COUNCIL.

The city council has now under consideration possible amendments to the by-law governing the salary of the mayor and the indemnities for aldermen. Just what form this amendment will take it is difficult to predict, and it is quite possible that eventually the original idea may be carried through as outlined at last meeting.

The suggestion was made at last night's meeting, however, that the aldermen should be paid on the basis of the number of meetings attended during the year.

In the course of the discussion the case of Alderman Rolt, who left the city for England a couple of months prior to the expiration of his term of office, was brought up, and it was stated that the general impression was that the alderman in question had continued to draw his indemnity after he had left Canada. Of course this was promptly denied, the fact being that prior to his departure from the city Alderman Rolt had notified the mayor of his intention, and his indemnity ceased immediately.

An equitable solution to the problem is difficult to reach if a certain sum was set for each attendance on council, as seems the only feasible scheme, extra press of business giving rise to special meetings might run the amount payable to each alderman to double the proportions intended, or an alderman by attending such special meetings might pile up such a record of meetings attended as would enable him to remain away for the balance of the year without losing any of the indemnity or salary, if no allowance was made for special meetings an alderman might remain away from such sessions where his attendance is specially urgent. Again, no such plan could compel the attendance of aldermen at committee meetings, where the real business of the council is transacted. These and other serious objections were mentioned last night as indicating the impracticability of governing the matter.

Several matters of new business were brought up in connection with the communications presented to the council. The superintendent of education for the province notified the council that the principal grant for the city schools for the first quarter of the year would be paid on April 1st promptly. The city solicitor wrote that the department of lands and works had at last gazetted the Northport, Red Mountain and Trail wagon roads, thus placing them under the control of the city authorities within the corporate limits. Mayor Clute remarked that the attainment of this end was the fruition of a year or more of hard work, and the city was to be congratulated on the final outcome. The secretary of the city band renewed his request for permission to use the fire hall library as a practice room for the organization, guaranteeing the consent of the chief of the brigade, and offering in consideration of the privilege that the band should give open air concerts during the summer and play on three days during the summer to be named by the council. The matter was referred to the fire, water and light committee, which has the fire hall under its particular care.

The Canadian Gold Fields Syndicate (Sunset No. 2 mine), wrote that by reason of carelessness on the part of water-takers paying rates to the city the company's water pipe installed, although maintained at their expense, although paying the usual rates on water, had been frozen up, and that the city water department had declined to thaw out the line. In view of the circumstances the company believed the city should do something to clear the line, and made application to this effect. The fire, water and light committee will also deal with the question.

The by-law authorizing the city to borrow \$16,965 at 6 per cent in anticipation of the current year's revenues was passed a third time, and a resolution was carried approving of the steps already taken by the mayor and finance committee in negotiating with the city's bankers.

The committee reports recommended the passage of accounts as follows: Board of works \$36.53, finance \$200, health and relief \$492.

The members of the council in attendance were: His Worship Mayor Clute and Aldermen Armstrong, Dunlop, Daniel, Mackenzie and Embleton.

GRANT FOR CARNIVAL

THE CITY COUNCIL DECIDES TO GIVE THE \$150 BONUS ASKED FOR.

ALD. EMBLETON GIVES A SOLITARY VOTE AGAINST THE PROPOSAL.

The Winter Carnival received a donation of \$150 from the city council last night almost without opposition. Some objection was urged by Alderman Embleton on the score of economy, but the other members of the aldermanic board could not see the proposition in this light and the grant went through. The finance committee recommended the appropriation, the report to this effect bearing the signature of Alderman Armstrong as acting chairman.

Alderman Embleton rose with an amendment, setting forth his reason for striking out the appropriation on the ground of economy. Objection was promptly taken by Alderman Daniel, who went on record as strongly in favor of the section of the bill that last year the board of works went to an expense of approximately \$150 at carnival time to clean the snow that had accumulated in piles before places of business on Columbia avenue, but that this year he proposed to save the snow-shovelling appropriation by inducing the merchants to attend to the matter themselves, and from the conventions he had already had with business men that he satisfied all would be agreeable to the suggestion. In this way the corporation would not be out a cent by making the grant. Furthermore he was willing in the cases of vacant lots fronting on Columbia avenue to get out with a snowshovel in company with Alderman Mackenzie, chairman of the board of works, and clean off the piles of snow. This would give the city money and merely be good exercise for the participants. (Laughter.)

Alderman Embleton insisted on his amendment, but could not secure a second. His last objection was that the carnival only put money into the pockets of the hotel men, and he would vote no money that had this effect.

Alderman Daniel took a hand in the discussion again by calling attention to the fact that the section of the community referred to, the hotel men, annually contributed a very large sum of money (\$17,000) to the city treasury, and that if the corporation could assist this element to pay its taxes by expending \$150 which could be recouped in the manner he had previously suggested the outlay was well within reason. Moreover the Winter Carnival was Rossland's one annual celebration, and there was danger that some other city, Nelson, for instance, would start out on its own hook with a carnival, besides which the city could not afford to permit the idea to get abroad that circumstances had reached the stage where the Golden City could no longer afford the demonstration that had brought it to the attention of the country in past years.

This closed the discussion and the feeling of the council on the subject was amply evidenced by the fact that the grant was carried with Alderman Embleton's voice only in dissent. With the sums already acknowledged in the Miner, which have since been substantially supplemented, the carnival fund now amounts to over \$800.

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"Do you think the convention has done much towards the realization of Mr. Martin's ambition?" "I do not; I think that he is as far from the premiership today as he ever was; in fact, I think he has added to his already large number of enemies by his arbitrary action and that he has even lessened whatever small chance he had of becoming the chief executive of the province?"

FROM KENDALL—
Glaus Jeldness, formerly of Rossland and now of Spokane, is in the city on a business trip. He has spent the last couple of months at Kendall, Montana, the new camp that promises to enjoy an era of prosperity this year. The propositions there in the mining line are gold properties carrying large bodies of low grade ore that can be treated by cyaniding on a most profitable basis. The town takes its name from the Kendall mine, which is owned by the American steel trust and Finch & Campbell. In this property, which is equipped with a large cyanide mill, the ore is broken down into chutes and taken to the mill without being rehandled. The entire cost of mining and milling is figured at \$1.25 per ton, and as the ore averages close to \$8 the profit is large. Mr. Jeldness believes that a number of mines will be opened up in the course of a year or two.

CURLERS' BONSPIEL

PROGRAM PREPARED FOR THE COMPETITIONS TO BE HELD AT SANDON.

GOOD TROPHIES TO BE WON AND KEEN CONTESTS IN PROSPECT.

The programs for the curling bonspiel at Sandon have been issued and the bill of fare prepared for the devotees of stane and besom is attractive. The first event on the list is the Mackintosh cup for all comers, with four gentlemen's travelling cases presented by the Sandon curling club to the members of the winning rink. As the bonspiel commences on Monday evening, before most of the visitors are likely to arrive, the first competition will probably be started among the home rinks, visitors to compete on their arrival.

Next on the list of competitions is that for the New York Life grand challenge trophy, with gold medals for the winning rink, presented by the western manager of the company, and silk umbrellas for the runners-up presented by the Hunter-Kendrick company of Sandon.

A handsome trophy presented to the Kootenay Curling association by W. T. Oliver, formerly of Rossland, is third on the list. It has attached to it solid gold cuff links for the winners presented by W. L. Grimmett, Sandon, president of the association, and a set of souvenirs for the runners-up presented by Mr. Oliver.

Then comes the Hudson's Bay company trophy, open to one rink from each club. The company also presents souvenirs to the members of the winning rink.

The fifth event is the contest for the Tuckett trophy, open to one rink from each club. It is accompanied by medals for the members of the winning rink presented by the Tuckett people also.

Competition No. 6 is a special number, presented by the association with a handsome gold chain and locket valued at \$60, which is accompanied by four souvenirs from the Sandon club. As no qualification is named in the program, the event is presumed to be open to all comers.

The Burns consolation trophy comes next, open to all rinks that do not win prizes in the Grand Challenge, Harris or Oliver competitions. The trophy carries with it souvenirs presented by P. Burns & Co. for the winners, with silk umbrellas presented by the association for the runners-up. The eighth and last competition is the grand points contest for the Spring cup, open to all curlers entered at the bonspiel. The first prize in addition to holding the trophy for a year is a \$10 gold four-point pen, the second a set of silver-mounted briar pipes valued at \$6, and the third a curling coat valued at \$4.

According to present arrangements all games will consist of 12 ends, governed by Kootenay Curling association rules. Play is to commence each day at 9 and 12 o'clock and at 6 o'clock and 9 p. m. The opening games are to commence at 8 o'clock on Monday evening.

MASONS FOREGATHER—
The regular meeting of Rossland Preceptory No. 35, Knights Templar, A. F. & A. M., opened here last evening and the event was made the occasion of a gathering of the brethren of Rossland, Nelson and Trail. The city by the lake was represented by Sir Knights James Lawrence, Captain Gifford, Hamilton Byers, George McFarland, John A. Turner, E. J. Mammel-Treaver and W. Frank Teetzel, while Trail contributed William K. Esling to the quota. A session of the Preceptory took place last evening. In addition to the regular business the conferring of degrees will be gone on with. The presiding officers are those elected recently as follows: Presiding Preceptor, Sir Knight G. A. Mitchell; Constable, Sir Knight Lee Coombs; Marshal, Sir Knight William Harp; Sub-Marshal, Sir Knight William K. Esling; Chaplain, Sir Knight James Lawrence; Registrar, Sir Knight Keith Leakey; Treasurer, Sir Knight John Sillwell Clute, Jr.

IT DELIGHTED MANY

THE ENTERTAINMENT BY THE AMATEURS WAS ENTIRELY SUCCESSFUL.

AN EXCELLENT PERFORMANCE AND A CROWDED AUDIENCE LAST NIGHT.

Bright, catchy music, artistically arranged groups and snatches from "Florodora," with pleasing elocutionary numbers interspersed, contributed to a program at the opera house last night that has seldom if ever been equalled in Rossland. The entertainment was under the auspices of St. George's church, and was a success in every respect. The promoters of the concert have earned a genuine vote of thanks for the happy combination of music, song, tableaux and literature that was just of sufficient length to engross the attention of the audience without in the slightest measure becoming wearisome. Every seat in the house was occupied, including half a dozen extemporized boxes.

The chair was occupied by Hon. T. Mayne Daly, who announced the numbers on the program in a happy manner, after thanking the audience for their liberal patronage.

The piece de resistance of the program was undoubtedly the "Pretty Maiden" sextette from "Florodora," the bright and tuneful opera which attained such remarkable popularity in New York and elsewhere in the east. "Tell Me Pretty Maiden" is the most charming number in the list of catchy selections with which "Florodora" abounds, and Rosslanders were given a very fair reproduction of it last evening. The participants were Mesdames Hughes and Ritchie, Misses Bennett, Denison and Johns; Messrs. Long, Walker, Dickson, Mackintosh and Ellis. The ladies were becomingly attired in white, with large picture hats and black ribbons relieving the otherwise unadorned dresses. The gentlemen wore silk hats, frock coats, white waistcoats and white gloves. The ensemble was striking and materially contributed to the hit which the song made at last night's entertainment. While the song itself is clever, much of its effect is dependent on the stage "business," and this was especially well handled by the ladies and gentlemen mentioned. Mrs. Harold Kingsmill played the accompaniment for the number. A splendid tribute of applause was accorded the selection, and a repetition was generously granted.

The tableaux were artistic and the costuming admirable. The series of living pictures included "Orpheus and Eurydice," "Gossip," "Summer," and "The Vestal Virgin," the participants being Mrs. McKenzie, Misses Beckwith, Gove, Segers, Brown, Lawrence and Campbell, and Mr. Dickson. This selection of the program was decidedly pleasing, and the fact was attested by the warm applause.

Vocal selections were contributed by Mrs. Albert Klockmann, Miss Johns and Mr. Robert A. Dimple Campbell. Mrs. Severance's performance was a delightful surprise to the audience, this being her debut in the Golden City. She recited "The Pipes O' Lucknow" and a poem by Wordsworth. Both gave opportunity to display dramatic power, and Mrs. Severance demonstrated the possession of this rare quality in no small degree. The rendition of the first number elicited a recall that would not be denied, and the manner in which the second number was received spoke louder than words of the impression created. Mrs. Hughes was to have sung an unfortunate affection of the throat compelled her to substitute a story, which she related in a manner that brought down the house. The selection was merely a little yarn of three frogs, but it was told delightfully, and the comedy of the story was presented in a most laughable manner. An encore was insisted upon. Miss Dimple Campbell recited in a naive and pretty manner the immortal story in verse of the first occasion on which "King Casey" fanned out, doing full justice to the really clever lines in which the tale is dramatically told. For an encore she gave an amusing little dialogue, which took well.

Following the entertainment the floor of the opera house was cleared for dancing, and such of the audience as desired were cordially invited to remain for the social hop that took place. The accepted the invitation and this feature was by no means the least enjoyable of the evening's entertainment. Refreshments were served on the stage by the ladies of St. George's church. Graham's orchestra furnished the music for the dancing most acceptably.

BORN—
On Sunday to the wife of John S. Ingram, chief of police, a son.

No substitute for "The D. & L." Men-thol Plaster, although some unscrupulous dealers may say there is. Recommended by doctors, by hospitals, by the clergy, by everybody, for stiffness, phlegm, etc. Made by Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

CITY NEWS

TO REST— The funeral of the late Walter Beckman took place yesterday from Beatty's undertaking establishment to the union cemetery. The obsequies were conducted by Rev. A. M. Sanford, pastor of the Methodist church.

QUARANTINE RAISED— A despatch from Fernie says: The quarantine on this town, which has been in effect since January 13th, was raised last night, and there is no further restriction on travel or from here. The smallpox is now practically stamped out.

NOT AFFECTED— The proposed shut-down by the West Kootenay Power & Light company at their Bonington Falls power house will not affect the output of the Le Roi mine. Manager MacKenzie is arranging to light the sorting shed by arc lamps and to work a night shift there, so that the ore will be kept moving without a break.

INTO BUSINESS— Neil McPhee and Donald McDonnell, late of the police force, have gone into the saloon business. Yesterday they completed the purchase of the Amosanda saloon, corner of Spokane street and First avenue, from Tom Finn, who has conducted the place successfully for several years. The ex-officers have sufficient friends in the Golden City to make their venture a success.

SHIPPING TODAY— The first installment of ore from the Velvet mine for the Hall smelter at Nelson will go out today. Two cars of sacked ore will be loaded on the Velvet spur, the shipment aggregating 50 tons. It is the intention of the company to ship a car of bulk ore per day while the sleighing lasts. The shipments will be over the Spokane Falls & Northern road via Northport.

THE MINSTREL SHOW— The Roseland Harmony club are out with the announcement of their minstrel entertainment, which takes place in the opera house on the 17th inst. The performance is to be given under the auspices of the No. 1 Company, Rocky Mountain Rangers, and the members of the club have been practicing assiduously for the last six weeks, a most entertaining and profitable evening is promised.

IN LUCK— Superintendent Hanson of the Bonanza mine notified the local management of the company yesterday that he had 35 tons of ore ready to ship, and forwarded samples of the ore for assay. The first sample represented a dump of ten tons and ran \$54. The second sample was from a fifteen ton dump and ran \$22. This ore will be shipped by Monday. The superintendent states that the mine is looking as well as it did on the occasion of his last report, a week or ten days since.

CELESTIALS CELEBRATE— The Chinese New Year celebration commenced in a mild form yesterday afternoon, when the popping of crackers in various parts of the city indicated that the festival was on the eve of opening. At midnight the jubilation started in earnest, and today it will be in full swing. This is the great day of the year with the Chinamen, and they will enjoy it along the line with which westerners are familiar. There seems to be some doubt as to how long the New Year car-nival lasts, and the only information a leading Celestial could give on the point last night was that his countrymen would celebrate until they were all "bloke."

MASONIC FAIR— At a meeting of the Roseland brethren of square and compass last evening it was decided to hold a Masonic fair in the course of the next six weeks in aid of the building and charitable funds. The event will be of extraordinary magnitude, probably lasting for an entire week. The evenings during the fair will be devoted to festivities, and the centre of the celebration will be the Masonic hall. The usual features of a bazaar character will be introduced on a large scale, together with novelties of an interesting description, in all of which the public will be invited to participate. Further details will be arranged and announced from time to time.

BIG RISE— The rise in Republic stock yesterday was one of the most remarkable instances of sharp advances in mining stocks that has been afforded in Roseland for the past year. On Wednesday the shares sold on the Roseland stock exchange at 4 1/2 cents. Yesterday morning the price on 'change had advanced to 7 1/2, a clear gain of three points. Last night local brokers were bidding 13 for the shares, and found comparatively few sellers at this figure. The majority of the shares held in Roseland were bought at a dollar or more, and holders are loath to part with their certificates at ruling quotations, even with the sharp advance of the past day or two. The rise is caused by the announcement that the bond issue of the company has been successful.

ANOTHER VICTIM— It has transpired that another man well known in Roseland was among the victims of the dynamite explosion in New York City which wrecked the Murray Hill hotel. This is Gordon Kennedy, brother of Ernest Kennedy. The latter only received word of the accident yesterday. It appears that Mr. Kennedy was passing the spot, presumably on his way to the New York Central depot, when the explosion occurred. He sustained a fracture of the skull and was removed to St. Vincent's hospital. A critical operation will be necessary, but the attending physician wires Ernest Kennedy saying he is confident of successful results. Gordon Kennedy is well known to many Roselanders, and those who

remember his sunny disposition will join in the hope that he will fully recover from the accident.

RED MOUNTAIN OFFICIALS— F. S. Forest, general superintendent, and H. A. Jackson, general freight and passenger agent of the Spokane Falls & Northern railroad, were in the city over night. They travelled in Mr. Forest's handsome private car.

KOOTENAY BRIDGE— Work is now under way on the preliminary steps toward replacing the present wooden bridge between Robson and Nelson at Kootenay Crossing with a steel structure, which will be completed next summer. The material for the piers is being taken out of a granite quarry one mile east of the bridge on the company's property.

SHIPPED OFF— J. W. Spring yesterday boxed for shipment to Sandon the Grand Challenge, Tucket and Consolation curling trophies belonging to the Kootenay Curling association. These cups were held by Roseland rinks last year, and by the terms of the donors are to be put up for competition again this year.

WHERE IS HE? Chief of Police Ingram has received a communication from Samuel W. Short, Southgate Road, London, asking for information as to the whereabouts of Louis Sebastian Short, a young man who came out to Canada last spring and whose family has lost track of him for several months.

SKULL FRACTURED— Matthew Martinson was the victim of a serious accident at the Le Roi mine yesterday. A slip of rock fractured his skull in two places and inflicted other injuries of a minor nature. Physicians Kenning and Coulthard were called in attendance. Martinson was taken to the Sisters' hospital, and it is believed he will recover.

PREPARING— The Canadian Pacific is arranging to have a number of the ore dumps that were taken from Roseland to the Phoenix run last summer returned to this section for the purpose of handling the ore from the Centre Star and War Eagle mines, which are expected to start shipments next week. The first lot of the ore dumps will be here on Monday.

KASLO CONVENTION— On account of the inconvenient train connections at Kaslo it has been decided that the opening session of the Associated Boards of Trade of Southern British Columbia will not be held until 8 o'clock p. m., instead of 10 a. m., as announced previously. Delegates from Roseland will leave for Kaslo on Wednesday morning, arriving at their destination shortly before the hour of meeting. Boundary delegates will leave on Tuesday, remaining over night at Nelson.

A SHUT-DOWN— The proposed three days' shut-down of the Bonington Falls power house will entail the partial closing down of the Le Roi No. 2 and Roseland Great Western properties during the period of the repairs at Bonington. Fortunately the suspension will not be complete, as the steam plants at the Josie, No. 1 and Nickel Plate plants are sufficient to keep the development crews at work continuously. No ore will be broken or shipped during the three days specified.

C. P. R. OFFICIALS— William Downie, general superintendent of the Kootenay-Boundary division of the Canadian Pacific, was in the city yesterday, accompanied by W. O. Miller, of Vancouver, superintendent of car service. Mr. Downie's mission was in connection with the routine business of the company in this section of the division. It is possible that the Canadian Pacific will lease the store now occupied by Levy & Co., tobaccoists, to be utilized as general city offices instead of the adjoining premises already under lease to the railroad company.

RELIEF DUTIES— Alderman Armstrong, chairman of the health and relief committee of the city council, is devoting considerable time just now to the investigation of applications for relief from the city funds, but fortunately in the direction of getting to other points, where the applicants have friends or work to go to. Yesterday a man beyond middle age applied for help, and it was found that he had been treated at the Trail hospital for an accident, but that he left the institution before his injury was healed. He will be taken care of until able to earn his living.

CONTINENTAL SHIPS— Albert Klockmann, manager of the Continental mine at Port Hill, Idaho, is spending a day or two in the city. He brought with him from the mine the pleasing intelligence that shipments have been started from the mine on the contract with the Everett Wash., smelter. A car of clean ore was dispatched several days ago. The 30 tons are of excellent grade and are expected to average \$55 per ton. Another carload is about ready to send out, and further shipments are to follow in rapid succession.

As the series of curling matches progresses the interest increases, and last night the match between the rinks composed of J. Morrish, J. Anderson, A. B. Mackenzie and H. Smith, skip, and Judge Nelson, J. Robinson, Almyr McMillan and Wm. McQueen, skip, was one of the most interesting and keenly contested of the season. Each side played with the most enthusiasm, and throughout the score was nearly equal. At the tenth end it evened up, the eleven was a tie, Smith's last stone lay shot, and the crowd of curling enthusiasts who had gathered round watched with keen interest a magnificent shot by McQueen which scored a brilliant game with a score of 11 to 9 in favor of McQueen's rink. The winning rink will play a match with A. H. McNeill's rink this evening, and with such respectable players there is sure to be a very fine game.

THE NEEDED ARMORY FOR POSTAL REFORM

THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT ABLE TO SOLVE THE SITE PROBLEM. ASSOCIATED BOARDS OF TRADE TO BE ASKED TO EXERT PRESSURE.

The militia armory question is by no means a dead issue in Roseland, and no stone is to be left unturned to secure the erection of the structure promised by the Dominion government during the approaching spring. The only problem to solve in connection with the proposition is that of securing a site for the building. This must come from one of four sources, the militia men themselves, the citizens, the corporation or the provincial government. The militia men's resources are slight, and every cent they command will be required to fit up the building for occupation after its completion. The citizens have so many demands on their liberality that to saddle such a charge upon the public would be an injustice, while the corporation is placed in the unfortunate position of being barely able to liquidate fixed expenditures for the next year or so. It is apparent therefore that the provincial government is the only source from which assistance may be expected. It is difficult to understand why the government should not deal with Roseland in the same way that they handled a similar matter at Nelson. In the city by the lake the lands and works department handed over two splendid lots, centrally located, to the militia company, and thus equipped the company had no difficulty in securing the necessary appropriation from the Federal government, with the result that the building will be erected within the next few months. In fairness to the government it should be mentioned that the lands and works department owned one-quarter of the lots in the Nelson townsite, and had, therefore, certain reserves that are not available in Roseland, where the townsite was staked prior to the amendments to the Land Act. It is a fact, however, that one of the best drill sites in the city is owned by the province—the lots at the rear of the court house now occupied by the old record office.

The last civic deputation to the coast laid the facts before the minister of lands and works and urged that the site in question should be granted for the purpose desired, and the attention of the minister being directed to the fact that a building such as the Federal government proposed to erect would decidedly improve the appearance of Government Square, and that it would not interfere in the slightest degree with the court house, as the intervening space would be ample to offset any argument that might be advanced. The importance of having the militia property accommodated was gone into in detail, although this feature scarcely required elaboration.

The minister declined to make over the land as asked. The ground he took in this connection was that the land might be required for building purposes by other government buildings being required in Roseland, so slim as to be nebulous, and the only objection to the proposition advanced by the Victoria authorities is weak. At the moment the deputation was unaware that in granting a site to the Nelson militia company the government had made a precedent that should in all fairness be extended to Roseland.

The matter will probably be taken up by the Board of Trade and a resolution on the subject passed along to the Associated Boards of Trade. As the question involves a section of ground owned by the province it is felt that the Associated Boards might very properly take a hand in the discussion.

WITH FIVE BULLETS.

A Railway Shop Superintendent Killed in Florida.

FERDINAND, Fla., Feb. 8.—Edward Burton, superintendent of the Seaboard Air Line railway shops here, was shot and killed today by D. M. Silvester, a machinist, who had until a few minutes previous to the tragedy been an employee. Burton, it seems, had placed a non-union man at work in the shops yesterday, at which Silvester and one or two other union men objected.

Silvester, leading in the matter, complained to Burton in person late yesterday afternoon, and a wordy dispute ensued. When time was called this morning, Silvester again began a dispute with the superintendent, and the latter discharged him on the spot and ordered him from the shop. A short interchange of angry words followed, and Silvester, pulling his pistol, fired five times at the superintendent, all of the shots taking effect. Burton fell back, groaning and expired suddenly without speaking. Silvester surrendered to the sheriff. Burton was 40 years old. Silvester is a young man of hitherto good reputation.

KILLED BY A CAR.

A Wealthy Smelter Owner's Death in Newark, N. J.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Daniel W. Baker, Jr., head of the Baker Smelting company of Newark, N. J., was instantly killed in that city by a trolley car this afternoon. Mr. Baker in trying to avoid one car slipped and fell in front of another. He was 45 years old, and reputed to be quite wealthy.

HOCKEY IN THE EAST.

MONTREAL, Feb. 8.—Hockey matches here tonight resulted as follows: 7 to 1 in favor of Montreal against Quebec, and 3 to 2 in favor of Victoria of Montreal against Ottawa.

FOR POSTAL REFORM

MR. GALLIHER ASKS FOR PETITIONS TO SUPPORT HIM AT OTTAWA.

During recent years a number of changes have been made in connection with the mail service throughout the interior of the province. Despite these the service is still unsatisfactory and inadequate, particularly in view of the fact that the Kootenays are a heavy contributor to the revenues of the post-office department. The latest idea to improve the service is to establish a mail car on the run between Nelson and Midway. The mail between these important terminals is now handled in a slipshod manner, the department having the petition here and see that it is circulated among business men generally for signature. With these petitions to back up his case it is thought that Mr. Gallihier will have comparatively little difficulty in securing the desired improvements, particularly as he will have the full endorsement of the provincial inspector, who has given the problem considerable attention.

EXPENSIVE COLONIES.

BERLIN, Feb. 8.—Herr Richter, the radical leader in the recent analysis of the most recent government report concerning the colonies, finds that there are only 372 Germans in all the colonies, including officials, officers, missionaries, women and children. He proves from the budget of 1902 that every colonist costs the empire \$6000 a year. While the total colonial trade has increased during the last five years from 11,000,000 marks to 15,000,000 marks, the colonial appropriations during the same length of time have increased from slightly more than 7,000,000 to 19,000,000 marks. The increase in exports to the colonies is chiefly due to the works, military supplies, etc.

SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

Mr. Carroll Appointed to Succeed Mr. Fitzpatrick.

OTTAWA, Feb. 8.—H. G. Carroll, M. P. for Kamouraska, is appointed solicitor-general, in succession to Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick, who has been made minister of justice.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE INTRODUCTION OF IMITATIONS AND COUNTERFEITS THE SALES OF Paine's Celery Compound

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If you value life and health, do not hesitate to refuse the "Something Just As Good" and vile imitations when dealers present them to you. See that you get the kind with the name PAIN'S on wrapper and bottle.

THE BOARD OF TRADE

DISCUSSION OF QUESTIONS TO BE BROUGHT UP AT KASLO CONVENTION.

The discussion of matters to be brought before the Associated Boards of Trade of Eastern British Columbia, engrossed the attention of the Roseland Board of Trade for several hours last night. All the resolutions submitted up to the present time were gone into and instructions drawn up for the delegates in such matters as the local board desires to take part in. The local organization will be represented at the sittings of the Associated Boards by J. B. Johnston, who is ex-officio a delegate and vice-president of the Associated Boards, J. S. C. Fraser and A. S. Goodwin, with Lorne A. Campbell, C. S. Wallis and Mayor Clute as alternates, the intention being to have a full representation. The Roseland board will offer a resolution to the convention recommending the legislature to amend the Shops Regulation Act so as to permit municipalities to compel stores to close on legal holidays by law.

By resolution the secretary was instructed to wire the minister of justice that the board by unanimous resolution urged the immediate appointment of a chief justice in succession to the late Mr. McCall, on the ground that the absence of Mr. Justice Drake in England left but three supreme court judges in the province, and that much important public business was thereby impeded. In event of action not having been taken in this direction prior to the convention of the Associated Boards, the delegates were instructed to bring up the matter there.

Among the resolutions to be brought before the associated boards the two which appeared to interest the Roseland board more than others were those relating to the two per cent. tax on mineral output and the desirability of removing the stampage tax from lumber cut on the property of mining companies for use within that company's mining works.

In regard to the two per cent. tax, the opinion was unanimous that by reason of its unpopularity and the cry that had been raised against it by foreign investors, the tax wrought the country a great hardship quite irrespective of its other demerits. In addition the old matter of the unfairness of the present system of levying the tax came up and was gone into at some length. Richard Marsh offered the suggestion that a re-arrangement of the system of levying the tax that would provide for its application in producing profits, with a consequent partial removal of the burden from properties in the development or prospect stage, would equalize matters. Mr. Marsh is to put this suggestion in writing for the consideration of the associated boards.

PROFESSORS DISMISSED.

A Change in the Imperial University at Peking.

PEKIN, Feb. 8.—The Chinese government today dismissed all the European professors from the Imperial University. The president, Mr. Martin, has been offered a subordinate position. The term "university" has been largely a misnomer. The Chinese directors say that elementary schools are more needed.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

Notice.

Duke mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On the west slope of Sophie mountain. Take notice that I, Kenneth L. Burnet, agent for the Allan G. White estate, F. M. C. No. B. 58907, and Nicholas Reuter, Free Miner's Certificate No. B. 42584, intend, sixty days from the date hereof to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this Twenty-second day of January, A. D. 1902. KENNETH L. BURNET.

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Parrott and Gambaetta mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On the south slope of Lake mountain. Take notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for Charles E. Bennett, free miner's certificate No. B. 42935, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above mineral claims.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

Notice.

Gigantic mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Dominion mountain. Take notice that I, Kenneth L. Burnet, agent for Charles Dundee, Esq., Free Miner's Certificate No. B. 56963, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim.

NOTICE

Is hereby given that the Company intend to apply to the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council to change the name of the "St. Louis Mines, Limited," to the name of "Consolidated Green Mountain St. Louis Mines, Limited."

NOTICE

To Edna Landsberg and E. G. Parner, or any person or persons to whom they may have assigned their interests in the Violet mineral claim, situate on the north side of the Dewdney trail, on the west side of the Northport wagon road, in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay and located the 29th day of July, A. D. 1894, and recorded at Roseland, B. C., on the 10th day of August, A. D. 1895.

NOTICE

You and each of you are hereby notified that I have expended in assessment work for the year ending August 10th, A. D. 1901, on the said Violet mineral claim the sum of \$102.50, in accordance with the provisions of the Mineral Act, and if within ninety days from the first publication of this notice you fail to contribute your share of the above expenditure, together with all costs of advertising, your interests in said claim will become the property of the subscriber under Section 4 of the Mineral Act, Amendment Act, 1900.

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Dated at Ymir, B. C., this 13th day of November, 1901. SPENCER SANDERSON.

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T. Mayne Daly, Q. C. O. R. Hamilton. W. de V. le Maistre. Daly, Hamilton & le Maistre. Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries. Solicitors for the Bank of Montreal. ROSSLAND, B. C.

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WHITE PASS RAILWAY

The Company Loses the First Round in Legal Fight.

Joseph Martin's Tactics at the Liberal Convention.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 6.—In the supreme court today before Hon. Mr. Justice Martin, Mr. Cassidy, K. C., counsel for the White Pass and Yukon railway, moved for an order dismissing the actions brought as test cases by claimants who seek to recover enormous sums of money from the railway, company on the grounds that freight charges were extortionate and exacted in the absence of legal authority.

Mr. Cassidy in an able and exhaustive argument, occupying seven hours, forcibly represented the railway's side of the case. Mr. Higgins in reply cited the provisions of the railway act passed by the claimants, and also several cases decided by the house of lords, in England, and by the Supreme Court of Canada establishing the right of action claimed. In giving his decision, Mr. Justice Martin said that so far as related to the question of the American territory and to the argument brought forward against the powers of the Canadian parliament to regulate rates, his lordship confined himself to an expression of opinion that these were questions of great importance and that he could not accede to the contention of the railway company that they are so far settled as to bind him to take judicial notice of them for the purpose of dismissing these actions, and that he entertained some doubts as to the power of the railway company to "approve and reprobate" that is to obtain a charter and secure the benefit of the act and to disavow the obligation imposed thereby. He therefore dismissed the railroad company's motions with costs, and the actions will go on for trial.

The Chinese reform association of this city sent the following telegram to Peking today, at a cost of \$85: "Chinese Minister Foreign Affairs, British Ambassador, Peking.—Please convey our congratulations to our beloved Emperor Kwang Sun. May reform follow his restoration, we pray. (Signed) Chinese Reform Association, Lee Folk Gay, president."

Transformation in Montana Diamond Fields.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Feb. 6.—There are no diamond fields in northern Montana, but the gems recently discovered are sapphires—large, unusually hard sapphires—of remarkable brilliancy and found in profusion. The fields are not on Blood creek, as at first reported, but on Sand creek, 60 miles further north, in the heart of the bad lands country in northern Fergus county, and about 10 miles from the Missouri river. To reach there from here one has to stage to Lewistown, 100 miles, and then ride horseback as far again through a wild, unpopulated country. At this season of the year the trip is extremely dangerous, a sudden blizzard being liable to bring the trip and traveller to a sudden termination at any time. The correspondent learned that Deyo, the original discoverer, had located 14 claims along each side of the creek. Heavy snow had covered the ground to a considerable depth, and this fact, with the severe cold, prevented further prospecting. Deyo's party had succeeded in gathering a large quantity of the gems before snow put a stop to their work.

The stones are of varying size, some being as large as the end of one's thumb; they are extremely hard and most brilliant. How extensive the fields are is yet to be determined. All the gems so far have been picked up upon the surface. These hills are of considerable size and are made by immense ants. Some of the insects are nearly a half inch in length. The belief is expressed that if sufficient water can be secured so that the fields may be worked like placer diggings immense financial results will follow. Of course, until the weather moderates, nothing toward developing the fields can be accomplished, and this probably means a delay of months.

Nearly all of those who joined in the rush at the time of the news of the reported diamond discovery have returned to civilization. In the spring it is said there will be a considerable influx of prospectors into that section and the extent of the fields will be determined. Those who have seen the gems from the new fields pronounce them superior to the sapphires from Yogo district, also in Fergus county, which latter fields have been working with rich results for many years.

FROM A LOST VESSEL. PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Feb. 7.—Wreckage from the missing steamer Matteawan, found by Indians south of Cape Flattery, was brought from New Bay on the steamer Alice Gertrude, and consisted of a medicine chest, life preservers, life buoy and a bucket. The same Matteawan was on all except the medicine chest.

FOR IMPERIAL TRADE

PREFERENTIAL IDEA TO BE PUSHED BY AUSTRALASIAN MINISTERS. NOT MUCH HOPE FOR RECIPROCITY CITY FROM MOTHER COUNTRY.

MONTREAL, Feb. 6.—The Star's London cable says: The Australasian ministers clearly mean business at the coronation conference regarding trade. Wise, attorney-general of New South Wales, suggests an Australian rebate of the customs duties on all goods, British and foreign, imported in British bottoms. The idea of including foreign goods in the preference is to avoid contravention of the most favored nation clause. Barton, the Federal premier of Australia, approves the suggestion, and Seddon, premier of New Zealand, is willing to give a customs rebate on British and not on foreign goods imported to New Zealand in British bottoms.

It is thought that these early colonial advances are made in the hope of strengthening that section of the British cabinet which would welcome some measure of British reciprocity with these colonies as part of the forthcoming British budget. In budget matters, however, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach has hitherto been supreme, and he has always flouted the preferential idea. Though the Canadian government is not known in the best informed circles here to be taking any fresh step in regard to the fast mail service, the subject was much discussed at last night's dinner of the Canadian Club. The impression seemed to prevail that nothing adequate or effective can be done until the C. P. R. is invited by the Canadian government to undertake the project with an increase of the subsidy beyond the \$750,000 already enacted by the Canadian parliament. No doubt is felt that the British government would assent to co-operate in any increased subsidy if the C. P. R. were directly concerned. Sydney has gained many influential friends lately as the terminal port. Its adoption in the place of the present route would be a great benefit to the four steamers. It is suggested that the Intercolonial railway would possibly be transferred to the C. P. R. as part of the deal.

NELSON REGATTA. Preparations to Make the Event a Notable One.

NELSON, Feb. 7.—Already preparations are under way here for the regatta of the North Pacific Association of Amateur Oarsmen, which is to be held here in July. It will probably be the most important event of the sort which will take place here for years, as the other towns which contain branches of the association will have their turns in rotation. This year Portland generously gave way to Nelson, with the understanding that its turn would come in 1905, when the Oregon metropolis is to hold a big fair. The clubs which will probably be represented here are Vancouver, Victoria and Portland, and they will send three senior fours and three junior fours, besides doubles and singles. Low rates of transportation for those attending the races are being arranged with the railway companies, and it is anticipated that a large number will visit Nelson on this occasion from surrounding towns and the coast cities as well as from Spokane.

BREVET PROMOTIONS. The President Took His Own Name Out of the List.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The president has approved, with one notable exception, all the recommendations made by the army brevet board, of which Gen. McArthur was president, for the bestowal of brevet rank on all the officers of the army who rendered especially meritorious services during the war with Spain and in the subsequent campaigns in the Philippines and China. The exception noted is the case of Theodore Roosevelt, who was awarded the brevets of colonel and brigadier general for distinguished services at San Juan, Santiago. Under the law these brevets require the confirmation of the senate, and the nominations have been made out for transmission to that body next week, but as already stated the list will not contain the name of the president. It is stated that the medal of honor and certificates of merit recommended by the board for individual gallantry, which also have been approved by the president, will be announced at the war department next week. These awards do not require the sanction of the senate.

THE LIBERALS BREAK UP

Joe Martin Gets in His Fine Work at the Convention.

The Minority Members Rebel and Leave in Disgust.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 7.—When the Liberal convention assembled yesterday afternoon Senator Templeman reported that the executive had decided to pass upon the credentials of delegates not disputed, and these could consider disputed matters. F. Burnett moved that a credentials committee be appointed consisting of one delegate from each district. This was carried. After sitting for five hours the majority of the committee reported in favor of excluding the members of the executive and the editors, while the minority favored admitting all named in the call of the provincial executive.

Senator Templeman said he would not sit in the convention by right of the position he held, or by the aid of courtesy. He wanted to be there as a working Liberal or not at all. Messrs. Bodwell and Davis both strongly protested against refusing admission to the executive and the editors. J. Oliver, Delta, made a strong appeal for unity. The elected delegates and Liberal members voted on the question of admitting the executive and editors and the vote went against their admission. Messrs. Templeman, Davis, Bodwell and the Victoria delegation, except Messrs. Wilson and Hall, E. C. Smith, M. P. P., and several island and interior delegations left the meeting, refusing to take further part in the deliberations. The remaining delegates appointed George Maxwell, M. P., president. The stormy scenes of yesterday were repeated in a modified form in today's convention.

It is apparent that there had been an organized effort of the Martin forces to capture the convention. The McInnes-Boyce delegation from Nanaimo was seated and the others refused. All throughout no opportunity was left to strengthen the Martin forces. In the vote which divided the convention Messrs. Martin, Maxwell and McInnes voted for the exclusion of the executive. The interior and many Vancouver island Liberals refused to be bound by or recognize the association as at present constituted. The delegates who remained in convention this morning unanimously decided in favor of party lines. The question of leadership has not yet been discussed.

RETIRED FROM SERVICE. Admirals Sampson and Cromwell Reach the Age Limit.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—This is the last day in active service of Rear Admirals William T. Sampson and Bartlett Cromwell, and tomorrow the names of both will be placed on the retired list on account of their having reached the age of 62 years. Rear Admiral Sampson is lying ill at his home in this city. Rear Admiral Cromwell is in command of the European station, and his flagship, the Chicago, is now in the Mediterranean. Captain Joseph E. Craig, commanding the Albany, the senior officer on the station, will assume temporary command on the station upon Admiral Cromwell's retirement, and will hold this command until the arrival on the scene early in April of Admiral Crowninshield and his staff. Rear Admiral Taylor, who is to succeed Rear Admiral Crowninshield at the bureau of navigation, has yet to be nominated to the senate and confirmed before he can take charge of the office.

THE CANAL QUESTION. Admiral Walker's Reasons for a Change of Opinion.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Admiral Walker concluded his testimony before the sub-committee on inter-oceanic canals today, and Col. Hapt, another member of the Isthmian canal commission, is to be heard on Monday next. The examination today was with reference to the reasons why the canal commission changed its recommendations from the Nicaragua to the Panama route. The reasons given by the witness for this change, summed up, are that the Panama route is much shorter and that it has fewer curves and that these curves, where they do exist, are not so sharp as the curves in the Nicaragua route. He also said he believed that with proper quarantine regulations the health conditions of the region along the Panama line could be much improved. He did not consider the present condition from a health point of view so bad.

20 Years of Vile Catarrh. Wonderful Testimony to the Curative Powers of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder.

Charles O. Brown, journalist, of Duluth, Minn., writes: "I have been a sufferer from throat and nasal catarrh for many years, during which time my head has been stopped up and my condition truly miserable. Within 15 minutes after using Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder I obtained relief. Three bottles have almost if not entirely cured me." 50 cents. 1—Sold by Goodeve Bros.

ANXIOUS FOR EGERIA

No Report Since She Left to Search for the Condor.

More Wreckage Picked Up Off the Island West Coast.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 7.—There is some anxiety here over the safety of H. M. S. Egeria, which sailed nearly a fortnight ago in search of the missing Condor. Yesterday the steamer Queen City, on the west coast of Vancouver island, found wreckage which appeared to have come from a warship, more probably from the Egeria than the Condor. The wreckage consisted more particularly of a studding sail boom, which is used very little on the coast. The Egeria, while in drydock, received rush orders to go out after the Condor, and was to cruise along the west coast of Vancouver island. Her continued absence may be explained by her having proceeded a long distance to sea.

Two Vancouver fishermen had an exciting experience with a school of whales two days ago up the coast at Milbank Sound. Their little schooner was anchored for the night, and one fisherman, named Todd, had no sooner come on deck the next morning than the boat was thrown violently around and Todd was knocked down into the hold. He scrambled up to find that a whale had smashed in the wood work at one end of the vessel with a blow from its tail. A large number of other whales were in the vicinity disporting themselves, and the fishermen were compelled to move on or run the risk of having their boat smashed into kindling wood.

CHIEFS OF POLICE. President's Circular Relating to Next Convention.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Major Richard Sylvester, chief of the Washington police force and president of the national association of chiefs of police of the United States and Canada, has addressed a circular letter to the members of the organization urging their attendance in person or by deputy at the next annual meeting in Louisville, Ky., May 7. Major Sylvester says the cities of the United States have well organized police forces, not so strong numerically as some of those of Europe, but so systematized as to meet the criminal conditions as they have prevailed in this country. Reduced railroad and hotel rates will prevail and a profitable meeting and pleasant entertainment are assured. Chiefs are urged to bring with them such information and statistics as will enable the association to be enlightened concerning anarchy or the criminal classes within their jurisdiction. The intention is to make the association international at the coming meeting.

ON THE CARPET. The Terrible Turk Thrown—Dan McLeod's Success.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 8.—Farmer Burns tonight, threw Nouradoulah, the "Terrible Turk," in 15 minutes. The Turk was to forfeit the purse if Burns should be able to stay with him 15 minutes. During the last few seconds Burns secured a half Nelson and rolled the Turk over his head, and he called. BUFFALO, Feb. 8.—Dan McLeod, of Hamilton, Ont., tonight defeated Harry Parker, known as the Little Demon, in a catch-as-catch-can match, best two out of three. McLeod won the first and second falls.

PERSONAL BAGGAGE LAW. New Yorkers Ask for Change in Inspection Methods.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—A committee representing the merchants and manufacturers board of trade of New York City called on President Roosevelt today and presented resolutions passed by that body regarding the personal baggage law. The resolution recites that the object of the law is to protect merchants dealing in imported commodities. They aver that unreasonable and obnoxious methods have been employed by the inspectors at the docks in executing this law, resulting in some instances to the great discomfort of tourists, and ask for the abatement of these practices.

CANADIAN FLOUR. MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 8.—The immense crop of wheat raised in Manitoba last year has caused a demoralization in the market and has had severe effects on the milling industry of the northwest.

Foreigners are able to buy certain bushels of Manitoba wheat at 3 cents a bushel cheaper than American wheat, with the result that it is being purchased and made into flour at prices which Minneapolis millers can not reach. To put an end to this competition the Minneapolis millers have considered the possibility of bringing Manitoba wheat to Minneapolis in bond, grinding it in local mills and reshipping it to Canada. Inquiries recently made of the revenue department develop the possibility of importing by paying a duty of 3 cents a bushel, which will be refunded when the manufactured product has been returned to Canada.

RAILWAYS AGAIN BLOCKED. CORBY, Pa., Feb. 8.—Another blizzard interrupted travel on all roads in northwestern Pennsylvania today. Over 12 inches of snow has fallen.

SEARCH FOR CONDOR WILL GO INTO THE CABINET

NO FURTHER WRECKAGE YET FOUND BY THE SEARCHING VESSELS. HARRY C. MACAULAY IS ELECTED THE FIRST MAYOR OF DAWSON.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 8.—The United States revenue cutter Grant was at Comox this morning, and after coaling there she sailed for Port Townsend at 7 a. m. The Grant left two weeks ago to cruise along the west coast of Vancouver island to search for wreckage of the missing Condor. She called at a number of rancheries, but, as far as could be learned from Comox she found no trace of wreckage other than the boat which was found at Ahouset on Jan. 6th. This boat is understood to have been transferred to the British cruiser Egeria, which has gone to search off shore.

A dispatch from Dawson to Mayor Hayward, of this city, announces that Harry C. Macaulay, formerly of Victoria, was elected the first mayor of Dawson City at the election held yesterday. He is a native of Lindsay, Ont., and was a member of the Victoria firm of Spratt & Macaulay before going to Dawson. His opponent in the contest was Charles Macdonald. The steamer Olympia, which arrived today from the Orient, brings news which will be received with interest by those anxious for the safety of the overdue sugar laden steamer Foinia, now 40 days out from Moji. The Olympia passed a large Dutch steamer with two masts, about 830 miles out from the Cape. The steamer was proceeding very slowly, and not making any more than three knots. Captain Truebridge thought she was in ballast. She signalled the letters J. P. Q. S., and asked to be reported. The letters given are not those of the Foinia. News was brought by the Olympia that in a gale on Jan. 29 12 Japanese fishing boats were upset. Eight corpses were subsequently washed ashore and the fate of the remaining fishermen, some 200 in number, is still unknown.

KILLED BY A BLAST. Result of Some Person Tampering With the Battery.

GREENVILLE, Pa., Feb. 8.—A fatal blasting accident occurred on the new cutoff of the Bessemer and Lake Erie railroad, near Osgood, two miles east of here, this evening. One man is missing, and probably dead, four are fatally injured and seven are suffering from fractured limbs and ribs and internal injury. Superintendent Thomas McConville, of Scranton, sustained a fractured skull and a double fracture of the left leg. All the other fractures happened to Italians. The scene of the accident was a 25-foot cut about 1,000 feet from the steel viaduct which is being constructed by the American Bridge company. The men had entered the cut with Supt. McConville and were preparing to make a blast. The charge had just been connected when some one tampered with the battery and set the blast off without warning. The men were buried beneath tons of earth and rock.

REPLY TO HERRERA. Foreign Consuls at Panama Define Their Position.

PANAMA, Feb. 8.—The foreign consuls here have agreed to send to the insurgent general Herrera the following answer to his note addressed to the American, French and British and German consuls: "His Excellency Acting Governor Aristides Arjona kindly delivered to certain persons of the consular body letters from you. We understand they are intended for all the consular corps, and, therefore, through the governor, we beg to reply that the proposal declaring Panama, Colon and the railroad line a neutral zone is something that we, representing foreign interests, would gladly hail as an accomplished fact. However, as we see it at present, and in view of existing laws, we recognize the difficulty, if not the impossibility, of its accomplishment. It could be done only by agreement between the contending parties to this unpleasant and unfortunate trouble. We are extremely anxious to do all in our power to lessen the mortality and useless waste of property, yet it must be ever and positively understood that we have been and will continue to remain neutral. "As regards the advising of their respective governments, each consul will exercise his individual judgment. In case the contending forces submit to us or to any member of our body any matter and ask advice for its determination, we shall be ready and willing for the same in view of the scope of our duties; but any and all initial measures must be taken by the two contending parties and first agreed upon by them. Any other course would subject us to the charge of meddling in local affairs, which is not our province, purpose or desire. "Foreigners and foreign property have a right to full and ample protection, and this we shall, under all circumstances, insist upon. The government having special treaty rights with us, we presume, see that they are not violated. "In the hope that there will be an early termination of civil strife, which has existed for over two years, I beg to subscribe myself, in behalf of the consular corps, very truly, "H. A. GUDGER, Dean Consular Corps." "H. A. GUDGER, Dean Consular Corps."

MANITOBA POLITICS. WINNIPEG, Feb. 7.—The budget debate was concluded in the legislature today after which the house adjourned until Monday week, Feb. 17, as some of the members are taking a hand in the Lisgar bye-election. It is reported that Premier Roblin will dissolve the Manitoba house and hold general elections in May, at the same time taking a vote on the liquor question. The rumor is denied in Conservative circles.

THE CARE OF LITTLE ONES. Some Sound Advice as to the Best Method of Treating Infant Digestion.

Nothing is more common to childhood than indigestion. Nothing is more dangerous to proper growth, more weakening to the constitution, or more likely to pave the way to dangerous disease. Among the symptoms by which indigestion in infants and young children may be readily recognized are loss of appetite, nausea, eructations, coated tongue, bad breath, hicough and disturbed sleep. Indigestion may be easily cured, and Mrs. F. K. Begbie, Lindsay, Ont., points out how this may best be done. She says: "When my baby was three months old she had indigestion very badly. She would vomit her food just as soon as she took it, no matter what I gave her. After feeding she seemed to suffer terribly and would scream with pain. She seemed always hungry, but her food did her no good and she kept thin and delicate. She was very sleepless and difficult also from constipation. We tried several medicines recommended for these troubles, but they did her no good. Finally I saw Baby's Own Tablets advertised and got a box. After giving them to her she began to improve in a short time, and in a week's time I considered her well. She could sleep well, the vomiting ceased, her bowels became regular and she began to gain in weight. She is now a fat, healthy baby, and I think the credit is due to Baby's Own Tablets and I would not now be without them in the house."

Baby's Own Tablets is the only medicine sold under an absolute guarantee that it contains neither opiates nor other harmful drugs. These tablets are a certain cure for all the minor ailments of childhood, such as sour stomach, indigestion, simple fever diarrhoea. They break up colds, prevent croup and allay the irritation accompanying the cutting of teeth. Price 25 cents a box at all druggists, or sent by mail post paid by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Brockville, Ont.

WILL GO INTO THE CABINET

Senator Templeman Likely Soon to Get a Portfolio.

Charges Made Against Men of the U. S. Cutter Grant.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 7.—A special dispatch from Ottawa to the Times this afternoon says: "Hon. David Mills will be appointed to the supreme court bench, though the order will not be approved till Monday, the governor-general being away. Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick will then be made minister of justice and Senator Templeman will be called to the cabinet temporarily without portfolio, but he will soon be at the head of a department. Some arrangements are necessary before he can obtain a portfolio." The special says Mr. Templeman is regarded as the favorite of Liberalism on the Pacific coast.

According to stories and affidavits forwarded to Victoria from villages on the west coast, allegations of unlawfully trading clothes, prints and other things for Indian curios and money, are being made against the men of the revenue cutter Grant, which went out to the coast some 15 days ago to search for the missing Condor. One affidavit from Uclulet alleges that on January 26th some of the Grant's crew entered an Indian hut on the reservation, when only an invalid, who did not understand what they wanted, was present, and took without paying a prized dancing headpiece. Other affidavits allege that two firemen sold two bottles of whiskey to Robert and Ernest, Uclulet Indians, on Jan. 26th. The keel of a new freight steamer, 165 feet long, 37 feet beam, being built for N. P. Shaw and others by the Victoria Machinery Depot, was laid today. The steamer, a twin screw vessel, will carry freight and cattle between Victoria and Skagway.

The steamer Mineola, which arrived from Los Angeles this morning, reports that the Austrian steamer Maria, en route from San Diego to Nanaimo, broke her shaft off Cape Blanco and was being towed back to San Francisco by a steam schooner, which, as the Maria is a fine large steamer, will no doubt secure much salvage.

GOLD ORE FOUND. New York State the Scene of the Latest Discovery.

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Feb. 6.—Gold has lately been discovered on the rocky farm of J. Lincoln Hopkins of Depew, N. Y. The matter has been kept secret awaiting the report of an expert assayer. The report just made places the ore at a value of \$75 per ton. Mr. Hopkins has commenced mining on a small scale, having taken out a ton and a half of the gold bearing quartz. The vein was found near the surface and runs into the side of a hill. Expert miners say the find is a valuable one. Preparations are being made for extensive mining operations in the spring.

JOE MARTIN AS LEADER

Farical Conclusion of the "Rump" Liberal Convention.

To Fight Provincial Politics on Party Lines.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 8.—The Liberal convention at Vancouver practically closed last night. The Martinites were successful in excluding the Liberal editors and the executive and deposed Senator Templeman as chairman.

The platform drawn up includes 12 planks, among them being: Government ownership of railways; redistribution of cash aid to railways; immediate construction of the Coast-Kootenay, Cariboo, Island, Alberta, Cassiar and Vernon-Midway railways; government scaling of logs; government to build smelters; the mining laws to be changed as little as possible; discouragement of Oriental immigration; compulsory arbitration; revision of the fiscal system; prevention of speculation in land; extension of roads.

Dr. Sinclair of Rossland was placed on the executive, though he is an anti-Martin man, and left the convention with Templeman.

The officers elected by the "rump" convention are the following: G. R. Maxwell, M. P. for Burrard, president; T. S. Baxter, secretary; William Sloan, Nanaimo, treasurer; Stuart Henderson, Yale-Cariboo, first vice-president; Richard Hall, Victoria, second vice-president; J. C. Brown, New Westminster, third vice-president; S. S. Taylor, Yale-Cariboo, fourth vice-president.

E. V. Bodwell said of the convention: "We left the meeting last evening purely as a protest against what we considered was unfair treatment to the members of the executive and to the editors of Liberal newspapers. The action taken by the new convention is not binding on any one, and we will take no notice of it whatever. That is all there is to say. No; there is no intention of holding another convention in opposition to the present one. We will treat it with the contempt it deserves."

FOUND IN THE SNOW

FURTHER PARTICULARS RELATING TO THE DEATH OF FATHER PAT.

THE CAUSE OF HIS WANDERING IN THE WOODS A COMPLETE MYSTERY.

Another Montreal dispatch has made its appearance relative to the death of "Father Pat" Irwin. The latest telegraphic news on the subject sheds some new light on the manner in which he met his death. The dispatch says: "It seems that there was considerable mystery about his death, and it was not generally known that he had died at Hotel Dieu hospital in this city. In fact, information only leaked out today through detectives having been employed on the case. Mr. Irwin, it seems, was found early in January lying on the snow in a bush at Sault Aux Roches near this city. He was in a pitiable condition when carried to a sleigh on which he was drawn to the Hotel Dieu hospital. Both legs and feet were frozen, and he was quite unconscious."

"On recovering somewhat he penned a letter to Rev. Edmund Wood, of Ft. John the Evangelist church, whom he had known years ago, and asked that gentleman to call on him. This was on January 10. Mr. Wood paid him a visit, and two days afterward he was surprised to learn of his death. A surgical operation was performed on one of his legs and blood poisoning followed, from which he died without saying a word as to how he came to the neighborhood in which he was found.

"It was thought well to have detectives sent out, and some of the best procurable were soon put in touch with what facts were known. They scoured the country in all directions, but nothing whatever could be learned except from the farmer who found the unfortunate man. No one saw him at any hotel or residence. In the city the same story was told. There is absolutely no person named Irwin who can be found that saw Mr. Irwin in or near Montreal just previous to his death. Friends in the West have written that he left to come East, intending to go home to England, and that it was while he was on his way to this city that he must have been lost. Whether or not he was walking into the city or whether he came here by train and walked out to his death, will probably never be known."

Rev. Canon Wood has written a letter to the press explicitly denying the statement that "Father Pat" embraced the Roman Catholic faith before he died.

THE SMELTERS AND COKE

Boundary Men Alleged to Have Secured a Reduction.

The First Cost and the Freight Charges Lowered.

NELSON, B. C., Feb. 11.—The Nelson Tribune today publishes the following special from its Grand Forks correspondent: It is reported here upon excellent authority that the chief business which recently took Messrs. Graves and Flummerfelt of the Granby smelter to Toronto and Montreal was the very important matter of securing a reduction in the cost of coke, and what is of even greater importance to the Boundary district is the assurance that the local smelters were successful in their mission and that in consequence of their visit the smelters of the Boundary will effect a saving of \$1.25 upon every ton of coke used.

As was outlined in the Tribune some weeks ago in an interview with Paul Johnson, of the Greenwood smelter, the high price of fuel was becoming a very serious consideration in the treatment of the low grade ores of the Boundary, and one which received a very decided emphasis when the copper market began to break. In this interview it was pointed out by Mr. Johnson that fuel in the smelting of Boundary ores constituted 65 per cent of the cost, and fuel charges were the main consideration, for the reason that any further economies in labor charges had been reduced to a point which admitted of no further reduction and the retaining of capable smelting men. In the course of his interview it will be remembered that Mr. Johnson said if a reduction of 10 per cent could be effected in the cost of fuel it would mean a saving of \$14.40 a year to the Greenwood smelter. For this reason it is pleasing to hear that the cost of coke in the cost of fuel, not of 10 per cent, as was hoped, but of 16 per cent.

From a trustworthy source your correspondent is informed that while in the east Messrs. Graves and Flummerfelt laid the seriousness of the present cost of fuel before the management of the C. P. R. company and the Crow's Nest Coal company. The smelter men were more than ready to meet the company's offer of a sweeping reduction in the transportation rate starting them in the face they were in the end forced to yield, and an understanding was arrived at that the charge to smelters for coke should be reduced from \$4.75 f. o. b. to \$4. The railway company then more than met the smelter men's offer of a corresponding reduction of \$1.25, thus making instead of \$7.75.

NOT YET—It was decided yesterday by the Centre Star and War Eagle companies that no ore would be shipped for the present. The comparatively low price of copper probably had some effect on the decision thus arrived at.

LOW RATES—The Great Northern and Spokane Falls & Northern railroads will make a special rate during March and April from Chicago, St. Paul and Missouri points. The rate is to encourage home-seekers to visit the western states and the Kootenays, the reduction applying to all Kootenay points.

ANOTHER PAY DAY—Yesterday was pay day at the No. 1, Josie, Nickel Plate and Kootenay mines. Because of the necessity of closing down the compressor plant while the electric current at Bonnington Falls is shut off, the companies took advantage of the respite from ordinary work to make out and distribute the wages earned in January. The amount thus disbursed was something between \$15,000 and \$16,000.

CITY'S BUSINESS—The printed statements of the city's finances for 1901 are now issued and ready for distribution to ratepayers, who may procure copies of the pamphlet on application to the city hall officials. The statement is lengthy, embracing the financial statement, water works report and the report of the fire department. The report will probably be adopted as printed and incorporated in the minutes of the city council for the year.

MINSTREL SHOW—The members of the Harmony club are meeting with encouraging success in the advance sale of tickets for the entertainment, the number already disposed of indicating a bumper house on Monday evening. Local critics who have had an opportunity of judging pronounce the chorus work to be the best of its kind ever produced in this city. The club rehearses on Thursday and Friday nights and Sunday afternoon at the opera house.

A BAD WEEK FOR BOERS

Lord Kitchener Reports Many Killed and Captured.

De Wet Again Narrowly Escapes from a British Trap.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—A report received today from Lord Kitchener at Pretoria shows last week to have been the liveliest week, with the heaviest losses on both sides, for several months past. Lord Kitchener gives the Boer casualties at a total of 69 killed, 17 wounded, 57 surrendered and 574 taken prisoners. The British captured 480 rifles, one pom-pom and the usual grist of munitions and live stock.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—From Wolvehoek Lord Kitchener telegraphed a long description of the combined movement of numerous British columns with the object of surrounding General De Wet. Lord Kitchener says the advance began the night of Feb. 4, the whole force moving from various directions and forming a continuous line of mounted men from Frankfort as far south as Fannys Home, thence to Kaffirkop. The line then advanced to the west and the following night the British entrenched with their outposts 50 yards apart. They held the line from Holhouse line to Dornkloof, on the Kroonstadt-Lindley blockhouse line, while the columns were also working in advance of the blockhouse lines to prevent De Wet crossing. The advance was continued Feb. 6 and De Wet himself, with some men and a number of cattle, made for the Kroonstadt-Lindley blockhouse line, and at 1 o'clock in the morning, when it was very dark, by rushing his cattle at the trench, broke his way through the line, mixed up with the cattle and losing three men killed, escaped.

Many attempts were made to get through the line on the night of Feb. 7, reports Lord Kitchener, the outline of outposts being attacked at various points throughout the night. Few escaped and dead Boers were picked up in the morning near Heilbron. Lord Kitchener's great plan, which he has elaborated for a month, failed by the escape of De Wet, but was successful since Lord Kitchener arrived in South Africa. Altogether 23 columns were employed in an immense irregular parallelogram, formed by the line of blockhouses, and the railroads between Wolvehoek, Frankfort-Lindley and Kroonstadt. It is estimated that De Wet's forces amounted, roughly speaking, to 2,000 men.

Lord Kitchener personally superintended the final preparations for the expedition, and the great move was made in a frontier of 40 miles, the advance extending 60 miles, the object of driving the Boers against the railroad line, and were repeatedly in action, shelling the Boers to prevent their crossing the railroad. De Wet succeeded in slipping through the line to the southward. The whereabouts of Mr. Steyn is unknown, though one report says he is with De Wet.

It did not get exact details of the Boer casualties," continues Lord Kitchener, "but as far as I have ascertained consist of 280 in killed, wounded and prisoners, as well as about 700 horses and many cattle. Our casualties were only 10."

SUCCESSFUL—The Glencross benefit ball at Miners' Union hall last night was well attended and netted a neat sum for the worthy object in view. A large number of the guests partook of supper at the Kootenay cafe during the intermission.

GRATEFUL—The ladies of St. George's church, who were instrumental in organizing Monday night's successful entertainment, desire the Miner to convey their sincere thanks to those who assisted in any way toward the concert.

LEAVING ROSSLAND—Many Rosslanders will learn with regret that Herr Albert Klotz is permanently, to take up his residence in Spokane. Mr. Klotz's extensive business interests south of the Forty-ninth parallel compel this move, whereby Rossland loses a good citizen and scores of residents a warm friend. Mr. Klotz will probably leave for Spokane early next week.

THE INTERNATIONAL—A change has been effected in the management of the International hotel and music hall whereby David W. Morgan, takes the position of managing director and assumes full charge of the institution. The hotel is to be operated on modern lines throughout, and the music hall will be re-opened at once. Mr. Morgan is now in Spokane arranging for attractions for the theatre, which will probably re-open on Monday.

SUB FOR TAXES—The city council has resolved to compel the payment of taxes overdue from last year, and a resolution to this effect was unanimously carried last night. The amount outstanding is approximately \$12,000, and a scrutiny of the negligent taxpayers has convinced the council that if pressure is brought to bear much of the amount can be secured at once. To this end the city solicitor is authorized to collect the taxes forthwith and to enter suits in the name of the corporation wherever he finds such steps advisable.

V., V. & E. ROAD IS BLOCKED

Plan to Build Smelter and Phoenix Branches Abandoned.

Opposition of C. P. R. and Government Has Its Effect.

GRAND FORKS, B. C., Feb. 8.—A rather sensational announcement was made today by J. H. Kennedy, chief engineer of the V., V. & E. railway, the Canadian link in J. J. Hill's western railway enterprises. Mr. Kennedy is authority for the statement that the company has abandoned all idea of building the proposed spur to the Granby smelter and the line to Phoenix, at least for the present. Asked for the reasons for this decision Mr. Kennedy declined to answer.

A special meeting of the Grand Forks Board of Trade will be held Tuesday evening for the purpose of considering the railway situation. It will be recalled that the application of the V., V. & E. for leave to build the spur was opposed by the C. P. R. before the railway committee of the privy council at Ottawa, the committee having postponed its decision from time to time. The efforts of the V., V. & E. to secure a right-of-way between Grand Forks and Phoenix, where the big mines are located, have been equally unsuccessful, owing to the opposition from the C. P. R. and the refusal of the provincial government to entertain the said application of the V., V. & E. railway.

Owing to a break in the water flume, the Granby smelter only treated 2,611 tons of ore during the week, ending today. Total tonnage treated to date, 208,610.

IT WILL BE GRAND FORKS. The Old Name to Be Used Instead of the Suggested "Miner."

GRAND FORKS, B. C., Feb. 6.—The last obstacle to the harmonious amalgamation of the cities of Grand Forks and Columbia has been removed. It was originally proposed that the name of the united cities should be Miner, but as the name of an agitation was started here with the object of retaining the name Grand Forks. The city council of Columbia at a meeting last night adopted a resolution endorsing that proposition.

KETTLE RIVER COAL THE COMPANY TO PROSPECT ITS PROPERTY WITH A DIAMOND DRILL. FIRST SHIPMENTS OF ORE BY GRAND FORKS AND PUBLIC RAILWAY.

GRAND FORKS, B. C., Feb. 10.—Prospecting with a diamond drill will be commenced this spring on the coal lands of the British Columbia Coal company, situated on the north fork of Kettle river, 60 miles north of this city. It is the intention to bore at different points through the coal strata to a depth of 500 feet. The company which was recently incorporated, owns a tract of 15,000 acres, several stringers, three-foot vein and a six-foot vein of bituminous coal have been exposed. An analysis at the Granby smelter showed samples of the coal to contain an average of 73 per cent fixed carbon, equal, it is said, to the product of the Crow's Nest.

THE MEMORIAL—The "Father Pat" memorial fund is growing rapidly, and its success is now assured. A feature of the subscriptions is the gratifying manner in which persons resident many miles from Rossland have interested themselves to the extent of forwarding remittances. The list of outside subscribers is, of course, lengthy, but among the names may be mentioned the following: Butte, Montana, F. A. G. Heine, D. J. Fitzgerald, R. A. Carnochan; Toronto, George H. Suckling, A. Suckling, Henry Suckling; Spokane, George T. Crane, F. C. Long, Max C. Kanter, John J. Davis, Thomas B. Garrison.

A LIGHT SUBJECT—No electric current was sent to Rossland from Bonnington Falls yesterday between the hours of 7 a. m. and 5 p. m. owing to the repairs under way to the West Kootenay Power & Light company's plant. Promptly at 5 o'clock the current was turned on again, so that electricity was not seriously inconvenienced. At the Le Roi No. 2 mines and the Nickel Plate operations were partially suspended, the work being confined to development. In the Le Roi part of the two new engines, made by Cooke of Paterson, N. J., have gone into commission on the Republic and Grand Forks railway. They each weigh 215,000 pounds and have a hauling capacity equivalent to 1,100 tons dead weight. Mayor Holland has gone to Victoria on railway business. John McCallum, an aged Cariboo miner, who now resides at Rock creek, is visiting here. His trip from Midway was the first ride on a railway that he has enjoyed in 40 years. The Grand Forks Driving and Athletic association has been asked to join the North Pacific racing association. In accordance with the contract recently entered into, the Van Anda smelter, Texas Island, has shipped its first carload of matte to the converter of the Granby smelter.

POLITICS AT THE CAPITAL

Report That the Governor Requires a Complete Ministry.

Search for the Warship Condor Still Has No Result.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 10.—It was currently reported here today that Governor Joly has informed Premier Joly that he cannot open the legislature with any of the seats unfilled, or with an incomplete ministry. This morning R. L. Drury, one of the defeated government candidates at the last Dominion election, was waited on by one of the ministers and pressed to take the provincial secretaryship. He declined for the third time. Important developments are looked for at any moment.

Captain Davis, who acted as pilot on the U. S. cutter Grant on her trip along the west coast of Vancouver Island in search of the missing sloop-of-war Condor, says that Captain Simpson of H. M. S. Egeria, to whom Captain Dozier of the Grant handed over the ship's boat picked up by Indians on the coast, immediately identified the other wreckage was found on the coast. To get the boat from the Indians Captain Dozier had to give them his dress sword. The Egeria continued the search out to sea, and Captain Simpson also intended to make a search of the Cape Scott islands, off the northern end of Vancouver island, which have not been visited in several years. The Egeria is now expected at Esquimalt at any time.

At a meeting of the Pacific Exploration company, which recently sent an expedition to Cocos island to search for buried treasure, the president stated that a letter had been received from Admiral Palliser, formerly in command of the British Pacific squadron, stating that if the present expedition was a failure he would divulge the hiding place of the treasure if he was given one-fourth of what was found. Admiral Palliser visited the island a couple of years ago with his flagship and made a search for the treasure. It was said at the meeting tonight that on that occasion the admiral located the treasure. He decided to leave it where it was until he had retired from the navy, when he intended to recover it.

TELEGRAPH MEN—J. Wilson, general superintendent of Canadian Pacific telegraphs in this province, and Harry McIntyre, district superintendent, arrived in the city last night. Mr. Wilson is on his annual visit to the various districts within his bailiwick and will be accompanied by Mr. McIntyre in his trip through the Kootenays.

NEW OFFICER—Alexander Stewart was taken on the police force yesterday as a police officer on probation. Stewart is from Cape Breton, but has been in Rossland and the west for several years. He is six feet in height, weighs 215 pounds and is something of an athlete. He will take the tour of duty commencing at midnight.

BONSPIEL AT SANDON—A despatch from the bonspiel secretary at Sandon announces that play will commence on the evening of the 17th, next Monday, after the arrival of the train, and will finish on the following Friday night. Local slips are requested to meet at the rink this evening at 8 o'clock to arrange their rinks, as notice must be sent to Sandon immediately.

SALES—Rambler, 500, 85c; Centre Star, 1000, 45c; Lone Pine, 5000, 71-2c; 2000, 75-8c; Mountain Lion, 1000, 32-3-4c; Morning Glory, 5000, 31-2c. Total 14,500.

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THE STOCK MARKET

A HEAVY WEEK'S TRADING IN SHARES ON THE LOCAL EXCHANGE.

PRICES IN THE MAIN FIRM, BUT WITH SOME FEW EXCEPTIONS.

The past week's business in stocks was the heaviest for a long time, the total of the sales reaching 104,000 shares. It is also to be noted that the market has widened to a great extent, many stocks showing activity after a long period of quietude. The demand has widened to a proportionate extent, many outsiders taking an interest who have not dealt in stocks for a year or so. The most notable feature of the week was the excitement in Republic camp stocks, which is no doubt largely due to the near approach of railway communication between Republic and the smelters. Republic mine shares took the greatest jump, going from 4 1/2 to 13 1/2 in the course of two days. Since then it has settled back to a lower point, being quoted yesterday at 9 1/2 asked and 7 bid. Mountain Lion, Morning Glory, Lone Pine and Black Tail have had less marked advances, but have all shown strength, the first named selling up to 32 3/4 on the last day.

Among the previously active stocks Rambler-Cariboo has best held its place, for after a short period of reaction it closed the week at 85, or near the highest price reached. Centre Star, after showing a considerable degree of strength, fell off rapidly on the last day, apparently because of the announcement that shipments are not to be resumed immediately. The price on the last day was 43 closing at 43 asked and 40 bid. War Eagle dropped in company, 12 1/2 and 9 1/2 being the closing quotations. Cariboo McKinney at the beginning of the week went to 33 in the sales, but since that time has declined a few points.

Scattering transactions have been recorded in Iron Mask, Sullivan and American Boy, but without any marked movement being indicated. The sales for the week were as follows: Thursday 9,500; Friday 11,500; Saturday 29,500; Monday 24,500; Tuesday 23,500; Wednesday 14,500. Total 104,000.

Table with columns: Name, Asked, Bid. Includes American Boy, Athabasca, B. C. Cold Fields, Black Tail, Canadian G. F., Cariboo McKinney, Centre Star, Crow's Nest Pass Coal, Deer Trail No. 2, Giant, Golden Cross M. Ltd., Granite Consolidated, Homestake (as. paid), Iron Mask, L. X. L., Lone Pine, Monte Christo, Montreal G. F., Morning Glory, Morrison, Mountain Lion, Noble Five, North Star (E. K.), Payne, Peoria Mines, Princess Maud, Quilp, Rambler-Cariboo, Rossland Bonanza G., M. & M. Co., St. Elmo Con., Sullivan, Tom Thumb, Virginia, War Eagle Con., Waterloo, White Bear, Winnipeg, Wonderful.

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THE WEEK'S REFERRED WAGES

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