

EXPLOSION AT MERRITT MINES

Seven Known to be Dead and Eight Others to be Missing in Disaster at Diamond Vale Collieries

MERRITT, B. C., March 7.—Seven bodies were taken from the Diamond Vale Collieries tonight, and with news brought to the surface by rescuers that eight other men are entombed, and in all probability dead.

The first intimation of trouble below was when just after a two bell signal haul up loaded cars was received, ex. Patterson was stooping to put a box on a truck at the mouth of the mine.

The smoke stack of the engine house was blown over, and the pulley driving the fan thrown 150 feet away. Water pipes leading into the mine were blown out. Half an hour passed before any attempt to rescue could be made.

For fifteen minutes the smoke of the explosion and coal dust obscured everything, and it was impossible to see anywhere. The smoke stack of the engine house was blown over, and the pulley driving the fan thrown 150 feet away.

Mr. W. Manson Will Be Choice of Conservatives For Coming Election

MANCHUS HAVE STILL AN ARMY

Evidences of Reactionary Feeling Against New Chinese Republic—Yuan Shi Kai Has Few Loyal Soldiers

PEKING, Marc 7.—The diplomatic representatives of the foreign powers held a conference today, and decided to continue the guards along the railway to Chin Wang Tso, in spite of the fact that the river is now open from Tien Tsin to the sea.

Consular representatives say that Chao Erh Huan, Viceroy of Manchuria, whose brother General Chao Erh Peng, was killed by Republicans in Sha Chuen province, does not favor a republic, and hoisted the five striped flag reluctantly.

SHANGHAI, March 7.—A banking syndicate, representing Great Britain, the United States, Germany and France, today paid over 1,000,000 taels, approximately \$700,000 to the provisional government of China.

PARIS, March 7.—Those motorists who have enjoyed the splendidly engineered and well kept "national roads" of France will be glad to hear that the minister of public works intends to add another to their number.

PARIS, March 7.—The body of a man who had been shot through the brain was found in the ditch at the foot of the Paris fortifications at the Bagnollet Gate the other morning.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 7.—An investigation of the American Woolen Co. organization, capitalization, labor conditions and status as a corporation, it was reported tonight would be offered to Congress by the house committee on rules as a result of the preliminary inquiry which closed today in Massachusetts.

FLEET UNITS ON PACIFIC

Earl Percy Says They are Necessary to Britain's Supremacy on the Sea

NEWCASTLE, Eng., March 7.—Speaking here yesterday, Earl Percy, former Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, discussed Japanese supremacy in the Pacific, saying that the position was delicate, for Japanese immigration had been restricted by the United States and other overseas dominions.

Home Rule, Minors FISCAL AUTONOMY

Silence of Leaders on Subject is Regarded as Ominous—Moonlighting in West of Ireland

DUBLIN, March 7.—It is said that Mr. Redmond and his colleagues will be hard put to persuade the followers that Home Rule means fiscal autonomy.

Many Casualties in U.S. Train Wreck

Passenger Coaches Go Over Embankment in Indiana Killing Five and Injuring Seventy-One Persons

Wrecking and relief trains rushed to the scene from the east and west. The injured were placed on a special train, and taken to Danville. Several of the injured may die. Nearly every passenger in the train was hurled over the cars. Two or three were killed and others were pinned down by seats or splintered timbers and mangled to death.

PARIS, March 7.—French officers are to be faced. This noble quality has been particularly in evidence of late, as so many officers have risked, and too many lost, their lives in the effort to perfect themselves in the art of aviation.

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THE SUNNY DRY BELT ITS ORCHARDISTS DON'T USE THE SMUDGE POT

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UNLINED COMPOUND is a reliable old English Home remedy for COUGHS, COLDS, Asthma, Bronchitis, & all Lung & Throat Troubles

Costumes, Millinery and Silk Waists For Spring Wear. A Style And a Price to Please All. Quality Combined With Modest Prices

Beautiful Silk Waists at \$5.75

We have handled hundreds of shipments that we considered to be values out of the ordinary, but this lot leads. In fact, it is head and shoulders above any value that we have ever offered.

There are so many different styles that it is out of the question to attempt a description of them all, but you will find all the newest and most dainty styles in the season's most popular shades to choose from.

Handsome effects in black with pipings of black and white material, V-shaped yoke of all-over lace and high collars, and some with narrow panels of black and white material finished with pipings and covered buttons down the front.

Beautiful side effects and side frills are features that are in strong evidence this season, and the set-in sleeves are very popular.

All sizes are here, and your choice from this variety at, per garment, \$5.75.

SEE THE VIEW STREET WINDOWS

Nazareth Waists For Boy's and Girls'

THE SAME WEIGHT—THE YEAR ROUND
IN HOT WEATHER—WEAR NEXT THE SKIN
IN COOL—OVER THE UNDERVEST

Neck—Medium, neither too high nor too low—Just right. Armholes, right size.
Trimming at Armholes—Neck and skirt strong and neat—won't unravel; tape arrangement is such that the Nazareth waist fits perfectly whether buttoned on the front or back.
Supporting Tapes—Suspend weight of trousers or skirts directly or evenly from the shoulders. Fronts: Satens, strong and neat, button holes wear five times better than button holes on "self" front.
Result—More comfort, elastics wear longer and no more but-sible emergency, drawers and skirts stay up, a "V" cut on sides, so it don't "bind" at the hip.
The Pin Tube—Keeps the hose supporter straight and shifts the "pull" to the shoulders.
Result—More comfort, elastics wear longer and no more buttons pulled off. The trade mark is on every Nazareth waist. It is our guarantee and "make good." It is only put on waists that are right. If one goes wrong, we want to know it. Sizes 1 to 12 years 25¢
Nazareth Combination—Similar style of make in all attachments, sizes 2 years up to 12 75¢

Princess Slips and Night Gowns

Women's Night Gowns—Made of good nainsook, the kimona style. These garments have hand embroidered front, neck and sleeves and are finished with a narrow lace edging. Special value \$1.50
Women's Night Gowns—Made of an extra fine quality nainsook. They are in the slip-over style and have kimona sleeves. The fronts of these garments are hand embroidered. Special, per garment \$2.50
Women's Night Gowns—Made of a fine nainsook, in the slip-over style. The yokes and sleeves are daintily tucked and trimmed with fine linen lace. Special, per garment \$2.75
Princess Slips—Made of a good cotton and trimmed with lace. Per garment \$1.25
Princess Slips—Made of a good, strong cotton. The skirt has a flounce of embroidery and the neck and sleeves are trimmed with lace. Per garment 1.35
Princess Slips—Made of high-grade cambric. The corset covers have a pointed yoke of embroidery and the skirt is finished with a flounce of embroidery. Price per garment \$1.75
Princess Slips—Of fine nainsook. The skirts of these garments have a tucked flounce, finished with a frill of dainty Swiss embroidery. The neck and sleeves are finished with fine heading and an edging of embroidery. Price, per garment \$2.25

Men's Imported Pajamas for Spring and Summer Wear

A NEW SHIPMENT JUST ARRIVED

All-Wool Pajamas—These are the very best grade for Spring and Summer wear, are medium weight and may be had in four different sizes. They are made of all-wool and are striped. Per suit \$4.75
Silk and Wool Pajamas—These come in fancy dark and light stripes, and are made in four different sizes. We know of no better garments than these, and although the price appears to be high, you have only to glance at the garments to see that full value is represented. Per suit \$5.75
Pianolette Pajamas—These garments have military collars and are well made and finished. They come in a variety of fancy stripes and are excellent value at the price. Per suit \$2.50

Bleached and Unbleached Sheeting

White Bleached Sheeting—1 1/2 yards wide, suitable for single beds. This is a good value for the money. Per yard, 25¢
White Bleached Sheeting—1 1/4 yards wide. Per yard 35¢ and 30¢
White Bleached Sheeting—2 yards wide, and sold regularly at 35¢ a yard. On sale Monday at 30¢
Bleached Sheeting—A heavy quality. Per yard 50¢, 45¢, 40¢ and 35¢
Bleached Sheeting—2 1/2 yards wide per yard 50¢ and 2 1/4 yards at 50¢ and 45¢
Twilled Sheeting—2 yards wide and an extra good wearing quality. Per yard, 45¢ and 35¢
Unbleached Sheeting—2 yards wide at per yard 35¢, 30¢ and 25¢, and 2 1/4 yards wide at, per yard 35¢



Spring Millinery, The Newest and Most Dainty Styles. Prices That Are Within Reach of All

We have realized the necessity of creating exclusive effects and thereby avoiding the embarrassing situation of meeting one's double, without asking prices that are too high for the average woman.

All our models are the newest on the market, and our showing of Fisk and Gage American Hats is particularly interesting.

These have just come to hand and are the first shipment this season. You will appreciate the values that we are offering, only after inspecting our stock.

Prices Moderate, Consistent With Our High Standard of Quality

Strictly Tailored Costumes of The Highest Order at \$35 and \$40

We guarantee a perfect fitting costume, strictly tailored, and equal to any that you could get from a fashionable custom tailor even at a much higher price.

This is a strong statement to make, but we are prepared to demonstrate the fact to you. We have a considerable number in stock, but if you can't find what you want, we will measure you and make the garments to your individual taste.

They are lined with the best Skinner satin, and the neat lines and mannish appearance that they have makes them very distinctive, and the unusually fine quality will recommend them to the most expectant woman in town. Let us show you our samples on Monday. They portray exactly what a strictly tailored costume should be.

Laundry and Kitchen Necessities Hardware Dept.

Spencer's Special Laundry Soap, 7 full size bars for 25¢
Sunlight Soap, well known for its sterling and reliable qualities, 11 bars for 50¢
Fels Naptha Soap, 10 bars for 65¢
Sta-On Stove Polish, in large tins, easy to apply and gives a good polish. Price per tin 10¢
Black Knight Stove Polish, put up in large tin; a very reliable paste that will please most busy women. Per tin 10¢
Veneil Furniture Polish, a thoroughly reliable article 20¢
Liquid Veneer, gives excellent results, the shine lasts and it is easily applied. Per bottle, \$1, 50¢ and 25¢
Klondyke Metal Polish puts a new face on old metal. Per tin, 15¢ and 25¢
Ralston's Floor Wax, in large tins, per tin 50¢

English Tapestry Carpets Reg. \$8.75 For \$5.90 Monday

English Tapestry Carpets—These come in floral, Oriental and conventional designs in many colors and shades. There are some very attractive patterns to choose from, in colors fawn, green and red. See them in the Broad Street windows. They measure 3x3 1/2 yards. Regular value \$8.75, on sale Monday at \$5.90
Cream Madras Muslin, in new and attractive designs. These muslins make up into long or short curtains equally well. There are about 200 yards to be sold and all of it has one edge tasseled. It is 45 inches wide and sells regularly at 35¢. Per yard on Monday 15¢

DAVID SPENCER, Limited

Silk Waists at \$4.75, But Worth Considerable More—Monday

Some of these models are now to be seen in the View Street windows. They are made of good silks and silkolines, in a great variety of styles and colors. Practically all sizes are here, and we consider that every garment is a rare bargain.

There are beautiful stencilled effects in delicate colors and finishes, with yokes and collars of net, neat navy blue silk models with white hair line stripes and finished with pipings of contrasting colors, and many others with side frills and other interesting features. Your choice at \$4.75.

Embroideries Greatly Reduced In Price Monday

10c AND 15c VALUES FOR 5¢
20c VALUES TO SELL AT 10¢
25c AND 35c LINES AT 20c AND 15¢
REGULAR 50c TO CLEAR AT 25c AND 35¢

Having made enormous purchases for the coming season, we are compelled to clean out the bulk of our stock to make room for the new goods. The prices should be an inducement to even the most thrifty woman, and one glance at the goods now being shown in the View Street windows will convince you that no better values are to be had.

There are Edgings and Insertions from 3 to 9 inches wide, and sold regularly at 10c and 15c, to be sold at 5c, widths from 4 to 10 inches wide at 10¢ a yard that are worth double, 25c values from 4 to 9 inches wide, in a variety of patterns, to sell at 15c, and a choice assortment of Corset Cover Embroideries that are worth 75c or more to clear at 50c.

DON'T MISS THE WINDOW DISPLAY ON VIEW STREET

Spring Silks and Dress Goods

NEW SHIPMENTS ARRIVING DAILY
Fancy Stripe Silks—In light and dark patterns. Price per yard 50¢
Stripe Palette—In the newest patterns and colorings. Per yard 75¢
Shot Taffeta—In colors moss, reseau, brown, grey and navy. Per yard 75¢
Foulard Silk—In small spot designs with fancy borders. Here is a choice assortment of colors. Per yard, \$1.00
Shot Palette—In all the newest colorings. Per yard, \$1.50
Foulard Silks—In a variety of attractive designs. Colors navy, reseau, fawn, brown and peacock. Per yard, \$2.00 and \$1.75
Colored Panama—40in. wide. Colors brown, navy, cardinal, grey, reseau and moss. Per yard 50¢
Fancy Volles—In a choice assortment of light and dark patterns with fancy border designs. They are 30in. wide, and a fine value at, per yard 65¢
Wool Taffeta—In colors grey, steel, tan, fawn, brown, cardinal, wine, reseau, moss, marlin, navy, royal, cream and black. They are a splendid quality and 42in. wide. Per yard 75¢
Fancy Striped Suiting—In light and dark greys. They are 48in. wide, and sell at, per yard \$1.25
Striped Suiting—In light and dark greys, fawn, brown, green, also black and white. They are 52in. wide and a very serviceable quality. Per yard, \$1.50 and \$1.25

Goods You Require Everyday

PRICES THAT WILL PLEASE ALL
White Woolen Blankets—These are full size and may be had with pink or blue borders. They are a specially good value at, per pair on Monday \$3.75
White Super-Wool Blankets—With dainty pink and blue borders. They are full size and rare value at, per pair \$5.75
Heavy Wool Blankets—These are our special and weigh 8 lbs. We sell them regularly at \$7.50, but on Monday we will sell them at \$6.75
Grey Blankets—In single bed size at, per pair, \$3.00, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$5.75, \$5.00 and \$3.50
Fully Bleached Sheets—Suitable for three-quarter beds, at per pair, \$2.50 and \$1.50
Fully Bleached Sheets—Size 2 x 2 1/2 yards, and sold regularly at \$1.75, will be sold on Monday, per pair \$1.25
Bleached Sheets—An extra heavy quality. Size 2 x 2 1/2, at per pair, \$3.00 and \$2.50
Unstitched Sheets—Size 2x2 1/2 at per pair \$3.00 and \$2.50, size 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 at per pair \$3.25, and 2 1/4 x 2 1/4 at per pair \$2.50

Towels at Lower Prices Than Ever

ANOTHER SHIPMENT JUST IN FROM ENGLAND
Turkish Towels—Good size, brown with red border. Monday's special bargain, per pair 25¢
Huckaback Towels—An excellent wearing quality, at, per pair on Monday 25¢
White Turkish Towels—A large size and a splendid value, each, 25¢ and 15¢
Huckaback Towels—Plain and hemstitched. These are an extra large size and a good wearing quality. Each 25¢
Turkish Towels—White or colored. These are our special, and are an extra large size. Monday's special, each 25¢
Large Bath Towels—These are in Turkish or linen, and will be sold on Monday at, each, \$1.00, 75¢ and 50¢

Men's Outing and Working Shirts

MONDAY'S SPECIALS MEAN A SAVING TO YOU
Dark Blue Working Shirts—Made of a strong cambric. Have turn-down soft collar attached and are well finished. There are only 85 dozen in this lot, and they come in sizes from 14 1/2 to 17. Regular value \$1.00 per garment. Monday's special 85¢
White Outing Shirts—Made of a superior cambric with a self stripe. They have a soft turn-down collar attached and soft cuffs. Special value, per garment 75¢
Men's Outing Shirts—Made of good cambric or duck. These garments are fitted with soft turn-down reversible collars and soft cuffs. There are white with fancy stripes, pongee shades and white with self stripes to choose from. Remarkable value, per garment \$1.00
Print Neglige Shirts for Men—Have collar band, soft front and starched cuffs. All sizes are here and may be had in fancy light and dark stripes. Per garment Monday \$1.00