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ARRESTED ON MURDER CHARGE

E. M'BAIN ACCUSED OF KILLING JEWELLER

The Prisoner Fainted When He Was Taken Into Custody In Terminal City.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Feb. 15.—E. M'Bain, of Vancouver, was arrested to-day on a charge of having murdered Jeweller Zimmerman at Penticton two weeks ago.

The arrest was made by T. O. Conkin, assistant of Mr. Walsh, of the Canadian detective bureau. M'Bain has been under surveillance for several days.

The prisoner fainted to-day when arrested.

Zimmerman was killed in his own home, his head being chopped to pieces with an axe.

WOMAN SUFFRAGISTS.

Demonstration at Entrance to House of Commons—Sixty Arrests.

London, Feb. 14.—The woman suffragists, whose leaders have sworn not to desist in their violent agitation until parliament has granted their demands, appear likely to give the authorities considerable trouble. They yesterday made a more determined and better organized demonstration than ever before, in the course of which more than sixty women were arrested. It was nearly midnight before all obtained bail.

From an early hour yesterday afternoon until 10 p.m., a large force of police had their hands full in defending the precincts of parliament from suffragette raids. Every entrance to the House of Commons was guarded by detachments of policemen, while other officers of the law were engaged in clearing the adjacent streets and fifty constables were kept in reserve for emergency.

As the House was about to adjourn, Claude George Ray, a member, called attention to the disturbance and protested against using the House of parliament as a fortress to be filled with police to protect the members against women. Home Secretary Gladstone replied to Mr. Ray, saying he had little knowledge of what was going on outside, but that the measures employed were for the general convenience of the members, and he was sure no unnecessary violence had been used.

Miss Annie Kenne, one of the leaders who has been imprisoned three times, declares that if woman suffrage is not granted during this session, she will march 1,000 women cotton mill operatives from the north, who will cut off the ministers on the floor of the House of Commons.

The Tribune and other papers complain that the police were needlessly brutal in dispersing the women suffragists yesterday. It is declared that more than 500 police were employed to restrain the women; that many innocent persons suffered by the charges of the mounted men, and that the suffragists in many cases were badly mauled. Among the women arrested is Mrs. Deshard, a sister of Gen. French; the uncaptured heroine of many previous demonstrations, and who led in the agitation yesterday.

Fifty-six woman suffragists, who were arrested within the precincts of parliament last evening, were arraigned in police court to-day, charged with disorderly conduct and resisting the police. Mrs. Deshard was sentenced to pay a fine of \$10 or twenty-one days' imprisonment. Some of the women, who previously had been imprisoned for engaging in suffragist demonstrations, also were fined \$10 with the option of a month's imprisonment. The rest of the prisoners were condemned to pay \$5 fine each or undergo two weeks in jail. They all elected to go to prison.

JOCKEY KILLED.

His Neck Broken By Being Thrown From a Horse.

(Associated Press.)

San Francisco, Feb. 15.—The first fatality of the racing season occurred at Emeryville yesterday, when Fred Ross, a crack jockey in the early eighties, was thrown from the horse he was in a runaway and broke his neck. Ross was 60 years of age.

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KENNEL CLUB SHOW

W. Rutherford's Smooth Fox Terrier Declared Best Dog on Exhibition in New York.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Feb. 15.—Warren-Rutherford's smooth fox terrier bitch was declared yesterday by the judges to be the best dog in the show of the Westminster Kennel Club at Madison Square Garden, in any breed, age or sex. It was a triumph for Mr. Rutherford, who bred the winner at his home in Allendale, N. J. The others defeated, were Squire of Titon, the unbeaten collie, for which Samuel Untermyer paid over \$5,000; Dolly Gray, the champion old English sheep dog, and Deodora Prince, the English setter.

The bull terriers made a brave showing in the ring, and while there were a number of promising new-comers, none approached Haymarket Blazer in the special class for the best bull terrier in the show.

The plaid daschund, Hurdy M. M. in rarity in the breed, won in the winners' class for dogs for Dr. Molshenbacker, of this city, while Leibl Yungla, Van Kunkels, an imported dog with a name as long as her body, won the blue in the same class for bitches.

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Edmonton, Feb. 14.—The minister of public works, on behalf of the government of Alberta, announced to-day that a telephone system, owned and operated by the government, covering the entire province, with rural exchanges wherever desired, will be installed at once.

Mild Weather.

Macleod's Alta., Feb. 14.—Everybody in Alberta rejoices in the magnificent weather which has prevailed for over eight days. At time of sending this dispatch football and baseball games are in progress on the town square. The fair sex, clad in light spring clothing, turned out in force to attend the opening of the skating rink, and 20 applied the visitors. The thermometer shows 50°, and the registers are above zero, the air is clear and balmy, and farmers are only getting the drying out of the fields to begin their spring work. Men are employed on the large public buildings in town, and the sounds made by the hammers and saws are heard in all directions.

Townsite Flooded.

Lethbridge, Alta., Feb. 14.—Some of the points west and southward report to be having trouble with water. Stringham is reported to be fearing a washout owing to the melting of the snow which accumulated in the irrigation canal. The townsite of Coalville is under water, and the lumber yard there is floating. At Raymond the circular dam bank has given way, and the end of the town was surrounded by water. The town council, donned rubber boots and assisted the company in draining the water off.

Beef Shortage.

Toronto, Feb. 14.—It will not be possible to get first-class beef here within a month, said a well-known restauranteur to-day. It appears the stormy weather in the West is causing the loss of thousands of cattle and has seriously retarded the supply of livestock and buyers have been forced to scour Ontario for supplies. The result is obviously hurting the higher class of hotels and restaurants, where there is a demand for choice cuts.

Valued at \$5,000,000.

Battleford, Alta., Feb. 14.—The will of the Dyment will be filed in a few days. The estate is valued at three millions. With the exception of a few charitable bequests, the property goes to the immediate family. To the widow, whom he married four years ago, he leaves \$10,000.

Church Destroyed.

St. Hyacinthe, Que., Feb. 14.—The parish church in the village of St. Anne, Richelieu county, was burned to the ground. Loss, \$15,000.

Forty-Nine-Years Service.

Windsor, Ont., Feb. 14.—Police Magistrate Hartlett has completed forty-nine years in the civil service. He started as city clerk 48 years ago.

Hours of Telephone Girls.

Toronto, Feb. 14.—Medical experts at the telephone commission testified that eight hours per day was too long a stretch, and even of a five-hours day operators should be relieved. Dr. Sheard thought five hours per day was long enough, and \$10 was reasonable salary.

OIL TANK EXPLODED.

Fifty-three Persons Engaged in Fighting Flames Were Injured.

Joseph P. Dudley died at Buffalo on Thursday. Mr. Dudley was a pioneer oilman in the Pennsylvania fields. The Empire Oil Company, of which he was the head, was merged with the Standard Oil Company in 1882, and from that time until 1904 Mr. Dudley represented the Standard in western New York. Mr. Dudley retired from active business in 1904.

THE KING HOLDS LEVEE

London, Feb. 14.—King Edward today held the first levee of the season at St. James' Palace. The attendance was exceptionally large.

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THE LABOR PROBLEM.

The Victoria Board of Trade is unanimous of the opinion that there is an embarrassing shortage of certain classes of labor in British Columbia and that the progress of industry is seriously handicapped thereby. On the other hand, the laboring man on the street is just as firmly of opinion that there is an adequate supply of labor to meet all demands provided the remuneration offered be in accordance with the cost of living within the province. Here we are confronted with an apparently irreconcilable conflict of opinion, and the question is, how is the truth, the kernel of the situation, going to be uncovered, and, if a remedy is desirable, in what way is it to be applied? A minority of the Board of Trade in favor of a relaxation of the tax upon Chinese as affording the readiest means of relief; a majority is just as firmly of the opinion that a revision to the old order would be a mistake even if it were practicable, which it does not appear to be.

Notwithstanding the assertions of the man whose capital is represented by the work his hands may do to do that there is a plentiful supply of labor to meet all demands provided the remuneration be in accordance with the standards of living prevailing in the province, there can be no question that in certain lines of industry there is a dearth of hands. The agriculturist can demonstrate that point to a nicely by the convincing proofs of experience. He can show that there is a point beyond which wages cannot go without consuming all the profits that can be extracted from his business. It is not necessary to set up any elaborate sheets in order to demonstrate that any condition that is detrimental to the advancement of agriculture must be bimical to the welfare of the community generally. That is a proposition that will be accepted without question. And that which applies to agriculture must apply, although possibly in a lesser degree, to every basic industry in British Columbia. Consequently, if there is a shortage of labor every legitimate means should be adopted in order to discover a suitable remedy. It will be maintained by some that this duty should devolve upon the Dominion government. At the same time it is not the position of the federal authorities, a position that has been maintained by all federal administrations, that primarily its business is to promote the immigration of agricultural classes only in order that the waste places of the country may be filled up and the fertile areas brought under cultivation leaving the natural law of supply and demand to solve the problem which is now engaging the attention of the Victoria and of other Boards of Trade of Canada. As we understand the matter, there is no discrimination against or in favor of any section of Canada in pursuance of this established policy.

During the debate at the meeting of the Board of Trade Mr. Peterson mentioned one fact that is worthy of serious consideration. He said it was unquestionably true that for brief periods in times past there had been plenty of labor available in British Columbia, but the curious feature of the situation was that it had been proved that it was impossible to hold such labor. It drifted away, doubtless to points where the demands for its services were more continuous. The question is, notwithstanding the insistency of the demand for labor at the present time, are these intermittent conditions going to be a permanent feature of the situation here? And if means shall be devised of inducing labor to come in, will we be able to hold that labor after we have acquired it?

These are the features of the situation which combine to make the question of labor supply in British Columbia somewhat perplexing, and, in proportion as they are perplexing, difficult of solution. It is apparent that while high rates of remuneration are considered of importance by the laboring classes, steadiness of continuity of employment are considered still more important. We understand that our provincial authorities have entered into an arrangement with the Canadian Pacific Railway Company under which immigrants will be granted a rate of transportation from Liverpool to the Pacific Coast of forty dollars. Such an arrangement ought to remove the greatest of the obstacles to immigration from the British Isles and contiguous countries to British Columbia. It ought also to remedy in a very short time the evil of which manufacturers and farmers in British Columbia complain. It should dispose finally of the demand for Chinese cheap labor, assuming that under reasonable economic conditions the employers of labor in this province prefer to employ white men in their business if such are available. The only matter to be determined is whether we can retain the white immigrants after they arrive here. The result of the experiment will be watched with intense interest by all whose chief desire is to do the best possible for British Columbia and to make it a desirable place of residence for our

own people rather than a labor preserve, even in a limited sense, for Mongolians.

THE WRONGED MRS. THAW.

The trial of Mr. Thaw of New York is dragging its slow length along, losing some of its theatrical features as it proceeds. Mrs. Harry Thaw of Pittsburgh and New York is the heroine of the play, and a very interesting and deeply wronged heroine she is according to her own story, very carefully rehearsed, no doubt. She appears in the witness box duly dressed as an apparently unsophisticated school girl, with her hair plaited and braided in two "tails" and dragging down her back after the manner of very young ladies who know little about the ways of this wicked world and the human beasts who so sorely beat them in cities large and small. In other places, as was the United States, we fear, Her dear, but degenerate husband is kept daily on the gridiron in hell-ticks to the narration of the tales referred to the late Mr. White, also of New York, to accomplish the undoing of this very innocent young woman where it is presumed, there was but little opportunity of learning the devon's ways of this wicked world. Moreover, "The grounds and the signs that are wrapt within the slender breast of Mr. Thaw as he listens to the tale of woe and infamy, are they not told daily in the press and are they not likely to have a tremendous effect upon the jury which is going to pronounce upon the validity of the process?"

"The 'unwritten law' is not the 'piece' being put upon the boards with great skill and with a worldly-wise understanding of dramatic effect. It is true that Mr. Jerome's counsel for the stage is yet to be heard from. He will try with all his might to overcome the influence upon the minds of the twelve men of the school-girlish demeanor and makeup of Mrs. Thaw. He will strip her of juvenile heads of hair and lengthen her skirts to the proper proportions; he will inquire why her natural guardians did not release Mrs. Thaw from her dangerous surroundings knowing the toils in which Mr. White was obviously endeavoring to encompass her. But with all his ability and notwithstanding the logical soundness of his position, the task of the state or district attorney is evidently an impossible one. The prisoner Thaw, will be acquitted, and the world will probably hear a good deal more of his doings and the movements of his deeply wronged wife."

The proceedings of the New York court are very interesting and from any point of view very attractive, but the usually essential feature that the primary business of the court is to administer justice is absolutely lacking.

A correspondent of a British journal has been making an investigation of the political and industrial conditions on this continent and has returned home in a state of comparative bewilderment. He thus soliloquizes: From the mixture of the Anglo and the Saxon arose the race of Britons that for centuries has ruled the world. What will be the outcome of this mighty mixing of the West? Who can say? Into the United States alone there are cast, willy-nilly every twelve months one million people from the old world.

Last year in that number there were over 250,000 Italians and 270,000 Hungarians. The remainder were Russians, Germans, Scandinavians, British and Japanese, whilst up from the soil there continued to grow and flourish the never sterile negro. Think upon the problems that lie before our kin beyond the sea.

The Imperial government has decided to go ahead with its Home Rule Bill. And there is joy in the House of Lords.

Here is something that will distract public attention from the Education Bill. Possibly also there is

some serpentine guile in the decision of Premier Campbell-Bannerman to make home rule, a conjunctive issue with state control of education. If the lords reject home rule, as they are almost certain to do, then two burning

questions will become issues in the event of dissolution, and it is evident

a question whether the educational issue will not completely overshadow

the question of a grant of limited home rule for Ireland. It is evident that one of the fiercest political campaigns of modern times is pending in Great Britain.

While the average citizen will raise

no objection to a reasonable increase

in the salaries of civil employees, he

will probably want to know why it was

necessary to discuss a measure involving

an increase of twenty thousand

dollars a year in municipal expenditure

behind closed doors. Mayor Morley has

always led the people to believe that

under his administration there would

be no star chamber transactions every

thing that was to be done would be done

in open meeting, which all interested

would be invited to attend. Why are

the people who will supply the extra

twenty thousand dollars not privileged

to know the expenses which have been

incurred in granting the increases to salaries? Has the ratepayer

really no other interest in the business

than simply to pay up and look pleasant?

An OLD TIME CITIZEN.

The art of extracting bones for use as

white handles, etc., was first discovered in 1898.

in a place where writing materials are not available.

APPEAL FOR FAIR PLAY.

To the Editor: There appears to be in operation a studied plan of making periodical attacks and slurs upon the work of our Ottawa cabinet, representative. At regular intervals, interviews, news items or editorials appear in the Colonist from one source or another all of a dispraising and anti-Templeman character. The editor of the Colonist makes no secret concerning his connection with the Ottawa administration, and for which Hon. Mr. Templeman is primarily responsible.

It is about time the people of this constituency, who have the best interests of the city at heart, began to enquire what real justification there is for these methods, and how far they should be tolerated in this community, and whether those engaged in them are helping to promote the city's welfare.

Ever since Hon. Mr. Templeman was called to the cabinet, about a year ago, this scolding process has been kept constantly going on. But let us take some very recent examples. Only a few days ago, there appeared in the "Colonist" an interview with Mayor Morley on the Sonnenberg reserve question, which may have made disparaging reflections on the Ottawa authorities in connection with that matter. Now if ever there was an honest, sincere effort made to settle any question, that effort is being made by Mr. Templeman to settle the Sonnenberg reserve matter. He brought the deputy minister here a short time ago and had him clothed with the authority of a dispensation for the sole purpose of settling this question.

The deputy minister, after a month's negotiations with the Indians, succeeded in obtaining their consent to give up possession of the reserve for a stipulated sum of money and the producing of a new reserve, but the difficulties which the Dominion government are experiencing in getting the Indians to agree to any available location for a new reserve are too well known to require any explanation, and the uncompromising attitude, displayed by the Indian agent, the Indians themselves in his interview with the Colonists, were entirely unfounded and very much out of place.

Then in Wednesday's issue of the "Colonist" there is an article which has not improvement apparently emanating from some members of the Inner Harbor Association.

This article brings another slap at Mr. Templeman, and further complains about the work being hampered by the continual interference of the federal authorities.

The Mudlark has been kept in constant service to our harbor under the direction of the Dominion government engineer, Mr. Keefer, and it is presumed that he will naturally place the dredge in those portions of the harbor that are in most urgent need of attention, and one this account very seriously about continual interference of the federal authorities.

Such talk as this is not only very foolish, but misleading as well. Mr. Templeman was given a portfolio just about one year ago. Let us see what has been done in that time of a local nature in regard to the harbor. The dredge has been kept constantly at work, and in addition another force of men have been constantly at work cleaning and removing debris.

Again, a new steamer has been built for the quarantine service. A new lighthouse and fog alarm has been erected on Trial Island. A new and improved dredge is now being built for the harbor. Extensive aids to navigation and all necessary safeguards and appliances for the West Coast protection have been provided for in the estimates, and are in course of construction, and a new lighthouse has been made for the erection of an immigration building in this city.

The necessary appropriations are being made in the estimates for the establishment of an experimental farm station in this vicinity.

For the first time in the history of the province has British Columbia been given representation on the Supreme Court bench at Ottawa by the appointment of Mr. Justice Duff, of

Victoria. The fact is that the number and importance of the different matters concerning this city that Mr. Templeman has accomplished or has undertaken during the one year that he has held office ought to satisfy any fair minded man that he is working consistently and conscientiously and with good results to materially advance the best interests of this city, and it is about time those who are making loud professions of their anxiety to promote the welfare of Victoria were made to realize that in lending themselves to this miserable occupation of scolding and fault-finding, they are not the real friends of Victoria, and any newspaper which continually lends its columns to these methods is an enemy to the city's welfare.

It is well known that some of the things that Mr. Templeman is having done for this city have been secured in face of most bitter opposition in other cities. In other cities it is the rule for all classes to unite in strengthening the hands of their member in matters of local concern (and which do not relate to the general policy of a political party).

Surely it is time that these unseemly and unwarrantable tactics should cease. It seems to me in view of the record made by Mr. Templeman, already marking in the brief time he has held a port folio, it would be more commendable to show a little appreciation of his work on behalf of this city, and thus strengthen his hands for the accomplishment of other things that will benefit Victoria.

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Rev. W. Leslie Clay officiated at the funeral of Mrs. Sarah Louise Quine, which took place yesterday from her late residence, 1208 Government street. Many friends attended. There were many beautiful floral offerings. The pall-bearers were: W. E. Oliver, J. E. Jeffcott, J. A. Morrison, C. H. Arundell, E. Mugrave, J. Herrick McGregor.

A very pleasant evening was spent by the members of the entertainment of the Psychic Research Society at the K. of P. hall last night. A short memorial programme was presented. Among those assisting were: Mrs. McDonald, piano solo; Mrs. Heckman, recitation; and Mrs. Knight, vocal solo. The remainder of the evening was spent with cards and other games.

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G. Jennings Burnett, organist of St. John's church of this city, died yesterday at the age of 65. He had been a member of the church for 40 years.

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Charges Officers Who Held High
Commands With Disobedience—
Reasons for Failure.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 14.—General Kuropatkin's history of the Russo-Japanese war, which was confiscated by the Russian government, has at last become accessible, despite the most extreme precautions to prevent this telling official indictment from reaching the public. The work consists of three bulky volumes, respectively devoted to the crucial events of the war, the battle of Liao Yang, the battle of Sanmen-pesou and the battle of Mukden. The voluminous general orders, statistics reports and other documentary material have been collated by Col. Polkhevichoff, of the general staff. These, with the "conclusion" which have been formulated, constitute most

Annoying revelations of disorganization and incapacity, and even of disobedience of specific and urgent orders, on the part of certain general officers, associated with high commands in the field, notably General Kaulbars, against whom a formidable indictment is framed, saddle-gunning his shoulders practically the entire responsibility for the crushing defeat at Mukden.

Kuropatkin's reasons for the failure of the war are based chiefly on a comparison of the warlike spirit of the Japanese, their preparedness and valor, which he says had never been seen in any previous war, and their ability to maintain the numerical superiority necessary to assume the offensive, with the disadvantages of Russia owing to the inadequacy of the single track railroad from Europe, in feeding her fighting strength, with commanding officers disobeying orders in a hopeless state of

Confusion and Cross purposes, with a low state of morale and confidence among the troops, and continuous news from home of internal troubles and of insults and reproaches against the army. The general closed his survey of the causes of the defeat of the Russians with the pathetic statement that if Russia had been united and ready to make sacrifices necessary to safeguard her dignity and integrity, the valiant Russian army would have strive until the few was subdued.

The Mukden volume opens with a sketch of the early events of the war, showing that the Russian forces, divided counsels from the outset by the defection of Port Arthur, in February, 1904, Kurthoff presented two memoranda to the Emperor concerning the plan of operations. In the first he wrote: "During the earlier period of the campaign our chief task must be, not to permit our troops to be beaten in detail, but gradually strengthen them and prepare ourselves for an advance. We must begin it with sufficient forces, and not until we have all the necessities for an uninterrupted advance during a comparatively long time."

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CHAPTER III.—(Continued.)

"Ay, he's wise," replied the old lady shrewdly, "when a man laughs before letting his money go." "Ay, he's wise, you man."

"Of course, I think he's extreme," said Helen. "You would think to hear him there was no place but the West, and that every young minister must leave there and give up everything."

"There's few to go, I doubt," said the old lady in a musing tone, "and you are terrible-like places for those lads to live."

"Yes, but everyone can't go."

"No, no, that's just it. That's just it. Not many can go, and not many are fit to go. But those that can—"

"Indeed, indeed, and I saw it in his face last night, and clearer than ever to-day. He has heard the voice and left for him to obey—and for us."

"They were near Mrs. Macgregor's home, where the others stood waiting for them at the gate."

"May I come to see you?" said Helen hurriedly.

"Ay, come," said Mrs. Macgregor with a keen look at her, "you will be needed—I will be needing help."

The others they found eagerly discussing the sermon, but there was little criticism. The superintendent had won his volunteers. On Shook's face sat the serenity of a great decision, in his deep blue eyes the light of a great enterprise. As he said good-bye to Helen, she became aware that his usual hesitating nervous awkwardness had given place to quiet thoughtful dignity. A great resolve and a great sacrifice had lifted him far above things small and common.

CHAPTER V.

"Yea, and His Own Life Also."

When Helen entered her own room she had leisure to analyze the tumult of emotion filling her heart. Amazement, shame, anger, dismay, grief were surging across her soul.

"How can I think of leaving him? It is a shame!" she cried indignantly to herself. "But why this notion of shame? 'Nonsense,' she protested volubly to herself, 'it is that poor dear old lad I am thinking of.'

She remembered that sudden start of her heart at the old lady's broken words. "He will be going away, lassie, and her cheek flamed hot again. "It is all nonsense," she repeated angrily, and there being no one to contradict her, she said it again with even greater emphasis. But suddenly she sat down, and before long she found herself smiling at the memory of the old lady's proud cry, "Could not? Ay, he could!" And now she knew why her heart was so full of happy pride. It was for Shock. He was a man strong enough to face his duty and brave enough to face what no man could face. For the strength of death, well she knew what his mother was to him.

"He will go," she whispered to her looking glass, "and I'd go with him tomorrow. But—and her face flamed hot—"he must never know."

But he did come to know, to his own great amazement and overwhelming, trembling gladness.

Shock's determination to offer himself to the Far West awokened in his friends various emotions.

But Helen was of quite another mind. She shrank from intruding upon what she knew would be a sacred hour to mother and son, but when Mrs. Fairbanks expressed her determination to go Helen finally agreed to it.

"Oh, let's all go, mother," said Betty. "I do not think they will want you,

fair or unfair, to persuade him that his work lay where it had been begun, in the city wards. He was the more urged to this course that he had shrewdly guessed Helen's secret, so secretly guarded. But, on hearing Mrs. Fairbanks' exclamation, he at once plunged into a warm defence of his friend's course.

"The finest thing I ever heard of," he declared. "No one knows what these two are to each other, and yet there they are, both of them, arriving at the opinion that Shock's word lies in the truth."

"But to leave his mother alone!" exclaimed Mrs. Fairbanks indignantly.

"She is not to be alone," said Brown, making there and then a sudden resolve. "By the greatest of luck for me I am turned out of my quarters, and she is to take me in, and while I can't fill Shock's place, still, I am somebody," added Brown, fervently hoping the old lady would not refuse him shelter.

"I am not sure that a man is ever called to leave his mother to the care of strangers," said Lloyd, who, after long indecision and much consultation with various friends, had determined that his particular gifts and training fitted him for Park church.

"Oh, blant at all!" said Brown to Helen. "I can't stand that sort of thing."

"I am your parson," said Mrs. Fairbanks, looking thoughtfully at Brown through her glasses.

"I was about to say," replied Brown, in the sweetest of tones, "that if these two who are most interested, and who are extremely sane and reasonable persons, have come to an agreement upon a question, I'd hark on that decision as being about the thing." At which Helen gave him a quick squeeze.

"Well, mother," said Betty. "I think he's fine, and I never admired him so much as now. You knew he may never see her again, and she has the whole of his heart."

"Not quite, I guess," said Brown in a low tone to Helen, who, blushing vividly, replied in like tone. "You seem to be remarkably well informed."

"I know," said Brown confidently. "But he is a mind of blind stupidity! If some one would dig him up, explore him—blast him, in short! Confound him!"

But when the superintendent learned of all that Shock's decision involved, he made no point to insert among his faultless engagements a visit to the Macgregor cottage.

"It was a great idea, I assure you," said Brown, who was describing it afterwards to the young ladies.

"Those two old Spartans, all fire and granite outside, all molten lava within, stood looking at each other a minute or two without the quiver of an eyelid and then the old chief buried out:

"You are to be congratulated upon your son, Mrs. Macgregor!"

"Ay," said she in a matter of fact tone, "he will be doing his duty, I warrant."

"And, believe me, your mutual sacrifice has not been unnoticed."

"It is not great beside His own," but it is all we could. "It is our life."

The old chap bowed like a prince and then his voice burst like a buzz saw as he answered; "I remember I did say, 'No, lad,' his mother replied quietly, "I will not be deceiving myself, nor you. And yet it may be the Lord's will that I may be keeping it too."

"Yes, mother," replied Shock brokenly, while he held her tight. "But it's only for two years, and then I will be home again and laid his face close to her cheek.

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LABOR PROBLEM IN PROVINCE

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D. R. Kerr thought that if Chinamen were to be admitted they should be restricted put upon them in the way of limiting them to certain lines, such as clearing land and domestic service. The poll tax might be lifted under these restrictions. Some way ought to be found to overcome the difficulties which might arise. The appointment of a committee would be a wise thing when the whole subject might be gone into and ways and means found to induce labor to come into the province.

Anton Henderson said that he had been struck by the fact that there were not the same complaints in Washington state with respect to labor as existed in British Columbia, although Chinese were shut out and Japanese restricted more or less. There seemed to be a lot of northern Europeans, including Danes, Scandinavians, etc., in Washington. Some thing might be done to attract these people to the province. British immigrants could not be got. The Scandinavian people were well adapted for farm laborers, also for fishing, lumbering etc. If a systematic effort were made to get these northern Europeans to come here. He thought it undesirable to open the door to Chinese again. It might afford some help for a time, but it was not a lasting benefit. All efforts should be directed towards getting white labor. He thought labor could be got from northern Europe.

T. Davis said that it cost Washington and California hundreds of thousands of dollars to get the settlers. Mr. Henderson advised. If British Columbia was prepared to spend such sums it would be all right. What was now being done was cheap labor to do the plotting.

H. B. Thomson thought that information should be set forth in proper shape and circulated in Europe through the agent-general's office and in other ways explaining just what the conditions were. These immigrants wanted contracts in many cases, but as the law now existed, this could not be enforced. He thought information was necessary to be circulated in Britain on the subject.

C. H. Lucius said he had made inquiries on the subject of labor. He had found that some of the immigrants from Central Europe, like the Poles, proved quite satisfactory. The Scandinavians were hard to surpass as immigrants. He did not believe it would be advisable to bring many of what were known as the "unemployed" from Europe. "Unemployed" produced "unemployed" too often. European labor should be sought before Orientals.

T. W. Paterson said he would like to hear a solution offered for the question what would be done on the coast of British Columbia with labor in the winter months. He was thinking of the Chinese who were brought over to work in the gold fields. If it were not for the labor extraction down into the Northwest, there would not be one hundred of whom payed for 100 bushels now produced. If some way of employing these men in the winter could be found, the labor question would be solved.

J. A. Sayward thought Mr. Paterson was wrong. There was work which could be done in the winter here, such as clearing land. He had given em-

ployment to Hindus on this work this winter.

G. A. Kirk thought one difficulty in the way of getting labor was that there was no immigrant rate offered by the railway companies for those desiring to come to British Columbia. This should be righted. There were reduced rates in other parts of the Dominion and British Columbia should have similar advantage.

W. Walker agreed with Mr. Paterson with respect to the fact that there was not the field for unskilled labor in the winter months. The result was that men who had eventually drifted to the United States here there was a larger field for work in year round. It was, after fuller discussion, decided to appoint a committee to go into the question. The committee was named as follows: H. Edilen, J. W. Ambrey, T. W. Paterson, A. Henderson and J. W. Pendray.

Some discussion followed as to whether something should not be done by the board pending the report of the committee in the matter of seeking immigrants from the transportation companies in line with the suggestion of Mr. Kerr, and in urging the Dominion government to take steps to overcome the trouble felt in British Columbia.

Vice-President Pauline thought that the provincial government should be approached, and urged to have the agent-general in London devote attention to getting labor. He thought this was just as important as soliciting capital for the province. In the past he did not think much had been done along the line of seeking labor.

R. L. Drury wished to know what had been done in the matter of the Salvation Army Immigration scheme by the provincial government. As he understood from the Salvation Army commissioner, there was labor ready to come as soon as it was desired. What had been done in this matter.

Finally on the motion of H. Bullen and H. R. Thompson, the following resolution was proposed:

"That the scarcity of skilled and unskilled labor is sorely felt throughout British Columbia, and in interfering with the desire of the Dominion government to recruit, it is resolved that the Dominion government be respectfully requested to immediately take such action as may, in their opinion, be deemed advisable to meet the situation."

J. A. Sayward followed with an amendment to add to the resolution, "and to reduce the per capita tax on Chinese to \$100."

Some little discussion followed, and before the vote was proposed to be taken it was found that there was not a quorum present.

The meeting, therefore, adjourned without submitting the resolutions.

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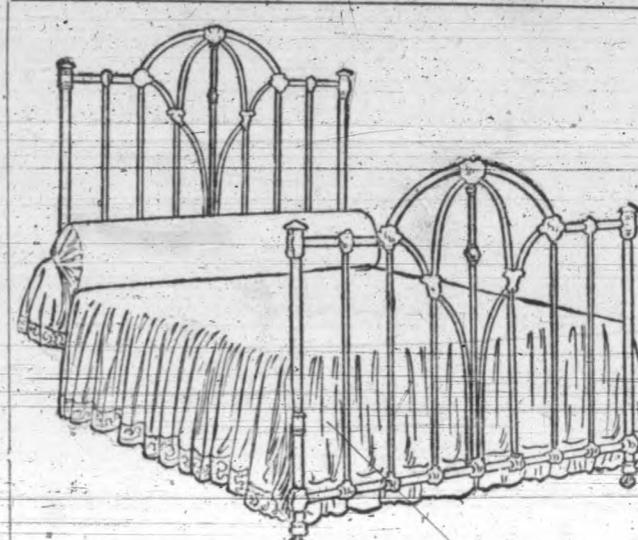
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