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FURNISHED front bay window rooms for housekeeping on ground floor, with private kitchen, at Elmore House, 104 Pandora street. Apply 97 Quadra street.

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MR. FREDK. J. NORTON, after an absence of 17 years, has returned and will take charge of the Elk Saloon, corner of Douglas and Pandora streets, where he will be pleased to meet all his old acquaintances. Opening night Wednesday, 12th, 7-5c.

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A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of shareholders of the Canadian Central Railway Company, Limited, will be held on Thursday, the 13th inst., at 3 p.m., at the office of Messrs. Rodwell & Irving, for the transaction of the following business, viz.: The election of officers and general business, and to consider an offer made by Messrs. Martin and Langley, on behalf of certain clients to purchase four hundred thousand, fully paid-up shares in the Company for \$400,000 in cash, to be devoted to the construction of the Railway and exploration of the district. Warburton Pike, Provincial Director. (Colonist copy)

NOTICE

St. Lawrence street from Simcoe street to Dallas road, and Simcoe street from St. Lawrence to Dallas road, are closed to traffic.

E. A. WILMOT, City Engineer.

A. O. U. W. HALL

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, MAY 11th and 12th, at 8 o'clock.

CHILDREN'S OPERETTA "LILY BELL"

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ADMISSION 50 cents; children half price; reserved seats 25 cents extra, to be procured only at Captain Warren's office, Tronconne avenue. Tickets at Messrs. Hibben or Walt's stores.

TENDERS.

Tenders will be received up to 3 o'clock p.m. of Thursday, 13th May, for dismantling and repairing masts and iron work of yards of the

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The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. Full particulars may be obtained on application to

R. P. RITHET & CO., Ltd.

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AGENTS

QUEBEC THROWS OFF THE YOKE

Electors Declare for British Liberty Instead of Clerical Intimidation and Oppression.

Monster Liberal Wave Sweeps the Province and Engulfs the Conservatives.

Eastern Opinions on the Event Great Jubilation in Liberal Circles.

Montreal, May 12.—The people of Quebec yesterday, rose in their might and forever cast off the yoke of tyranny and clerical dictation under which they have suffered for many years, the provincial elections having resulted in a tremendous victory for the Liberals.

Fine weather prevailed and a large vote was polled. The election on the whole was a very quiet one, although in this city several arrests were made for alleged fraudulent attempts to vote. In the last general elections the figures stood Conservatives 50 and Liberals 23, there being one more seat in the house now.

The Conservatives are stupefied. They counted on Flynn being sustained and did not dream of defeat.

Quebec, May 12.—Flynn has no explanation to offer as to the result in the province, except the old chestnut that corruption was practiced on a large scale, and the electors submitted to clerical dictation. He will say nothing of his intentions until official reports are in from all the constituencies, believing that some returns may be corrected. He can scarcely credit the reported defeat of Nantel in Terrebonne. Flynn represented Chateauguay for twenty years and was last elected by 702 of a majority.

Charles Marcell, a young journalist of Montreal, who made a great reputation as a speaker in the last Dominion campaign, had the courage to enter the lists against the premier, and the latest returns show he is elected by a majority of six.

Montreal, May 12.—Taking the campaign as a whole it was one of the dullist on record. There was no great issue and no excitement. The Liberal sweep is therefore all the more remarkable, and it cannot be attributed to the influence of the Ottawa government because there was general complaint among the Liberal candidates that their friends at Ottawa would do little or nothing for them. There is no doubt that one important factor was the conviction that Mercier, who, in spite of his falling, was the ablest French Canadian in public life in the province, had been unjustly dealt with. Statements to this effect at public meetings always made a deep impression, and the expression that they hoped his memory would be avenged was always received with enthusiastic applause. Two of his ministers, J. E. Robidoux and Joseph Sheyna, were re-elected by immense majorities. Another factor was the general desire for improvements in the system of education.

In Montreal it is almost a complete sweep, only one Conservative being elected, the Provincial Treasurer, Atwater, who defeated Cooke by a majority of 281. Cooke was elected at the last general election as a Conservative. In Terrebonne county, but the left party on account of a scandalous loss floated in Paris by the Tallion administration. His conversion to Liberalism was too recent, and if a straight Liberal had run in that division, Atwater would have been defeated. The indications are that members of the Flyn government have been elected with the exception of Besuben, commissioner of agriculture, who was badly beaten in Beauharnois.

Speculation is already rife as to who will compose the new administration in addition to Marchand. The names of Robidoux, attorney-general in the Mercer cabinet; Duffy, of Brime; G. W. Stupien; F. X. Lemieux, Robert Bickerton and Sheyna are mentioned.

It is expected that Robert Bickerton, Montreal, who defeated Hall by a small majority, will, if his election is assured, be offered the portfolio of provincial treasurer. The assembly at dissolution was composed of 46 Conservatives, 23 Liberals and 4 vacant. The new assembly will probably be composed of 54 Liberals and 23 Conservatives.

All the men who supported the Mercer regime are back in the house again and English-speaking electors helped to put them there. The counties of Montserrat and Compton have gone Liberal for the first time in their history, and Rouville and Montigny, Liberal strongholds, have returned supporters of the later regime.

Montreal, May 12.—The Minerve (Con.) says: "The electors have withdrawn their confidence from the Flynn government and given it to the Liberal party. This was the last province to remain Conservative in the whole of the Canadian confederation. Hon. Mr. Laurier, on whatever side he may now choose to cast his eyes, cannot find a single spot on the wall of British North America where the people are not in sympathy with him. Canada is that

entirely Liberalized. It is a complaint which is prevalent and which is at present extending its ravages throughout our entire social organization. The historical fact of June 23rd was repeated yesterday with still greater intensity.

The Liberals, as Hon. Mr. Tarte has said, are masters at Ottawa. They will be shortly masters at Quebec. A formidable majority supports them at Ottawa and Quebec. Nothing can stop them in future any more than it did yesterday and their will will be law. This will give experience has shown us to what it tends, what it can attack and what it can destroy.

"We must expect the worst." Full returns from Yamaska this morning give Mondou (Con.) 3 of a majority. Final returns from Gaspé give Flynn (Con.) elected there by 7 of a majority over the young journalist, Marcell.

That the premier was not defeated may be some consolation, but the narrow margin of seven votes will give little cause for rejoicing. The victory of Bickerton, Liberal, who entered St. Antoine division of Montreal at the last general election and transferred a conservative majority of 2201 into a Liberal majority of 23, is particularly gratifying to the party.

Toronto, May 12.—The Globe says: Marchand will take office free from responsibility for the acts which brought the province to its present condition. The task upon which he will enter is a heavy one. There are grave difficulties in the way of reform, and at the same time the expenditures are beyond the needs of an economical administration, the margin for retrenchment must be very large. The people have shown that they are more intent upon reforming their own educational system than restoring the old system in Manitoba. The Manitoba question was dragged into the contest and an attempt made to obtain a verdict which would mean the cession of the settlement affected by the government of the Dominion and Manitoba, an attempt which signally failed.

For the second time the electors of Quebec have shown in the clearest way that they propose to use their own judgment in political matters. The day of clerical domination in politics, if not at an end, is rapidly drawing to a close.

These conditions create new responsibility for her statesmen, educationalists, bishops and priests—for all whose duty it will be to watch and guide the currents of thought during a period of transition from the old order to the new.

The following are the returns so far received: Montserrat—Lislet (Con.), majority 12. Joliste—Dugas, Liberal, 4 majority. Quebec East—Sheyna, Liberal, 907 majority. St. Saver—Parent, Liberal, 1285 majority. Laprairie—Cherrier, Liberal, 100 majority. Charlevoix—Dauton, Conservative, 109 majority. Chicoutimi—Petit, Liberal, 800 ahead. Two Mountains—Champagne, Liberal, elected. Yamaska—Gladu, Liberal, 110 majority. Dorchester—Pelletier, Conservative, so far ahead. Vercheres—Blanchard, Liberal, elected. Rimouski—Tessier, Liberal, elected. Napierville—David, Liberal, 204 majority. Drummond—Watts, Liberal, majority 281. Sherbrooke—Panneton, 417 ahead. Terrebonne—Carrier, Liberal, 72 votes ahead. Huntingdon—Stephens, Liberal, 293 ahead. Iberville—Gosselin, Liberal, elected, 712; Poiré, Conservative, loses his deposit.

Montreal—St. Mary's division—Lacombe, Liberal, 914 majority. St. Lawrence division—Atwater, Conservative, 281 majority. St. James—Gouin, Liberal, 779 majority. St. Louis—Bagnon, Liberal, 615 majority. St. Antoine—Bickerton, Liberal, 23 majority. St. Ann's—Guerin, Liberal, 77. Hochelaga county—Deceaire, Liberal, 1600. Jacques Cartier—Charette, Liberal, 12 majority. Deux Montagnes—Champagne, Liberal, 800. Cantigny—Robidoux, Liberal, majority 800. Lotbinière—Le Liberte, Liberal, elected. Argenteuil—Weir, Liberal, elected. Portneuf—Tessier, Liberal, over 200 majority. Nicolet—Ball, Conservative, 250 majority. Terrebonne—Nantel, Conservative, 200 majority. Yverville—Complete returns show Leclerc, Liberal, elected by 337 majority. Ottawa County—Major, Liberal, 405 majority. Thetford—Dechesne, Liberal, has about 260 majority.

In Terrebonne the corrected returns show Nantel (Con.) elected by 291 majority. In Two Mountains all the returns are in. The vote stands: Champagne (Lib.) 344, and Beauchamp (Con.) 345. Revised returns from Bagot give McDonald, (Con.) the election by 50 majority. Lesperance—Gosselin, Liberal, 23 majority. Conservatives 22.

POWERS STRIVE TO EFFECT PEACE

Ambassadors at Constantinople Demand That Turkey Shall Issue an Armistice.

Turks Continuing to Advance on Athens—Greek Irregulars Raiding into Thessaly.

Horrible Tales of Turkish Atrocities Are Reported from Many Points.

Athens, May 11.—The Athens correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says: "M. Hall, the premier, showed me today a dispatch and reports from Colonel Manos and various civil authorities in Epirus, showing that fourteen villages have been burned by the Turks after all the women and children had been massacred, except a few who hid in the fastnesses of Mount Scialos. Not a stone of the villages of Kamarina has been left standing. Men fought like lions in defence of the women, who sought refuge in the woods and caves of Mount Scialos."

A dispatch to the Daily News from Lania dated Sunday says that 80,000 Thessalians are being driven after the successive flights from Larissa and Pharsalos. The most pitiful scenes are to be witnessed on every hand. Thousands of women and children are lying exposed to the continuous heavy rains. Fires are nightly occurrences, and villages are burnt wherever the Turks are to be seen.

Arta, May 11.—It is reported that the Turks have severed the arms and legs of all the Greeks found in a village of the plains of Louros and left the mutilated bodies by the roadside to terrorize the population.

Trieste, May 12.—Edhem Pasha, Turkish commander-in-chief, has established his headquarters on the hill opposite Pharsalos. Greek irregulars are raiding parts of Thessaly and irregular Greek bands have attempted to cut the Turkish line of communication with Elis.

Important fighting is expected here unless an armistice is immediately agreed upon in Constantinople.

Constantinople, May 11.—(Delayed in transmission)—The ambassadors met this morning for an exchange of views on the subject of mediation. In the meanwhile the Turks are advancing towards Greece. Edhem Pasha's original orders being to march on Athens.

Ungleness prevails here on the subject of peace negotiations. It is feared that the reported conditions will render an agreement difficult and cause further complications. It is expected that Russia may propose concessions to Macedonia. The director of the Deutsche Bank of Berlin is expected here shortly with proposals to re-organize the Turkish finances, conclude a loan and secure railway concessions.

Athens, May 12.—Advises received today from the island of Skiathos, off the coast of the Volo peninsula, say the Greek gulf boat Venus and the Greek torpedo boat No. 14 captured yesterday off the island of Tenedos, off the west coast of Asia Minor, a Turkish steamer having on board 100 Turkish soldiers. Six officers, 300 Martini rifles, several thousand cartridges, six quick firing guns, various military stores and 2500 cash. The Greek warships took the prize to the island of Skiathos.

Constantinople, May 12.—The ambassadors held another meeting this morning after which they presented to the Turkish government a note pressing an armistice pending the negotiations for peace between Turkey and Greece now in progress. The admirals in command of the foreign fleets in Cretan waters have been notified of the mediation of the powers between Turkey and Greece and instructed to permit the departure of the Greek troops from Crete.

METHODISTS INDIGNANT.

Toronto Church Circles Stirred Over Charges Against Pastors.

Toronto, May 12.—Methodist ministers are indignant over the letters received from members of denominations outside the city, stating that reports were current that Toronto Methodist pastors are not strictly respectful of discipline in the admission of members to church fellowship; that card players, those who indulged in dancing, and wine drinkers were admitted to communion; persons engaged in liquor traffic were admitted, and that the ministers, knowing the illegality of such proceedings, winked at them for sake of accessions to the church roll. They deny the truth of the report.

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AT H. SALMON'S.

HE SAW THE BATTLE

Stephen Crane, who witnessed struggle at Velestino, Describes the Scene.

Strange Order for the Greeks to Retreat Came When They Had Achieved Victory.

New York, May 11.—The Journal publishes a cablegram from Stephen Crane who saw the battle of Velestino, where General Skoulovis hurled back Edhem Pasha. Mr. Crane says: Velestino has proved that the Greek soldiers, when well led, can cope successfully with the Turks, even though outnumbered. This battle has shown them to be great fighters, long lighted and slayers. To be sure, the army retreated from Velestino, but it was no fault of the army. The Commander bit his fingers and cursed when the order came to retreat. He was perfectly confident of success. For three days he had been holding the Turks back and inflicting upon them heavy losses.

Then came the order to fall back, due to reverse or something in other places. Gen. Smoienki knew, of course, his retreat would be at the sacrifice of Velestino, and he begged. But orders must be obeyed, hence the occupation of the Turks first of Velestino and later of Volo. In the middle of the afternoon of victory came the orders to fall back. Why?

I only arrived at noon of the second day. The roll of musketry was tremendous. From a distance it was like hearing a cloth, nearer it sounded like rain on a roof, and close up it was just a long crash after crash. It was a beautiful sound—beautiful as I had ever dreamed. It was more impressive than the roar of Niagara and finer than a thunder storm or an avalanche—because it had the wonder of human tragedy in it. It was the most beautiful sound of my experience, barring no symphony. The crash of it was ideal.

The slaughter of the Turks was enormous. The fire of the Greeks was so fierce that the Turkish soldiers, while charging, shielded their eyes with their hands. Eight charges the Turkish soldiers made on Saturday, and they were repulsed each time. The desperate Turkish cavalry even attacked their enemy on a steep, rocky hill. The infantry squadrons were practically annihilated. The shattered fragments slid slowly back, leaving the plain black with wounded and dead men and horses.

From a distance it was like a game. There was no blood, no expression of horror to be seen. All the assaults of the Turks resulted disastrously to them. The Greek troops fought with the steadiness of salaried bookkeepers—never tired, never complained. It was a magnificent exhibition, and the Greeks fought all the time with the artillery fire on them even in a musketry fight. The Turks were in greater numbers. They fought according to the precepts of their religion. But the Greeks were never daunted, and whipped them well. Sometimes it was fighting among gaunt hills, sometimes fighting on green hills, but always the Greeks held their position. When night came shells burst in fury, lighting the darkness. By the reflection I saw the wounded taken to Volo. There they were mostly silent.

In the gray early morning the musketry fire began again. It rattled from hill to hill, batteries awoke and the whole play was resumed. The Turkish guns were superior to those of the Greeks, who had mostly mountain guns. I watched for some time the blue-gray Greek infantry marching in the plain across a small plain. While I watched the Turks changed their attack upon the Greek right on the plain to the Greek left on the rocky hill. Then the fighting came, and it obscured the view. The Greeks lay in trenches, snugly flattened against the dirt, firing carefully, while the Turks loomed close upon them. Every ridge was fringed with smoke. I saw soldiers in their trenches drink from their canteens, twist their cartridge belts to put their empty links behind them, turn around to say something to a comrade. They then went at it again. I noticed one lieutenant standing up in the rear of a trench holding a cigarette, his lips wide apart in that careless attitude a shot went through his neck. His servant came from the trench and knelt weeping over the body. The men had to drag him in by the legs.

The reserve coming up passed a wayside shrine. The men paused to cross themselves and pray. A shell struck the shrine and demolished it. The men in the rear of the column were obliged to pray to the spot where the shrine had been.

News came from the left that the Turks had tried to turn the flank and failed. The Turks formed on the right and moved slowly across the plain and the battery opened on them. I saw troops moving to the rear to prevent a possible flank attack in the direction of Volo. The fighting on the plain to the right began. Masses of Turkish troops, like shadows, slowly moved forward toward the Greek trenches. Indicated by gray lines of smoke. Shots began. I took the trenches on the hill, and to take the battery on the rear. I heard the Greeks on the plain would hurry up and drive the Turks from their position. They did it gallantly in a short, ferocious infantry fight. The bill of woods where the light occurred opened on fire. There was a great rattling and banging. The Turkish troops were scattered. There was general rejoicing all along the Greek lines. The officers walked proudly, and the men in the trenches grinned. Then, all of a sudden, at this time, late in the afternoon, after another successful day, came the order to retreat. The troops had apparently received the news of the fighting. Yet the center column, left near Karadjah and at Pharsala, had again retired. No one could explain it. "We were not aware of the situation they faced, but it seemed an extraordinary order. They say Skoulovis wept. I went down to see the retreat. A curious thing was that the Turks seemed to understand the order as quickly as we did. They moved up batteries with startling rapidity for the Turks. The retreat was not disorderly, but wrathful and sullen. A regiment of Ephesos, the killed men, 2000 strong, came down to cover the re-

WAR NEARLY OVER

Greece Accepts the Conditions Imposed by the Powers in Peace Negotiations.

The Expenses of the War Are Estimated at Twenty-Five Million Dollars.

Athens, May 11.—The collective note of the powers on the subject of mediation, has been presented to the Greek minister of foreign affairs, M. Skoulovis, by the Russian minister, M. Onou. It is understood that the Greek government has accepted the conditions imposed, and confided its interests to the care of the powers.

Active measures, it is further stated, were taken by Constantinople, today, to stop the further advance of Turkish troops. The diplomatic parley has been brought to a definite conclusion. Greece has formally agreed to the preliminaries of peace as agreed upon by the powers, and the heads of the different locations have received positive assurances investing them with authority to treat with Turkey.

London, May 11.—In the house of commons today the first lord of the treasury and leader of the government, Mr. A. J. Balfour, announced that information had been received this morning from all representatives of the powers at Athens saying that mediation between Greece and Turkey had been offered and accepted by the Greek government.

Constantinople, May 11.—The expenses of the war with Greece are estimated at \$25,000,000, which Greece will pay as an indemnity in annual installments, guaranteed by Thessalian revenues.

Athens, May 11.—Greece having accepted the mediation of the ambassadors, the powers at Constantinople have been instructed to approach the Turkish government with a view of ascertaining upon what condition Turkey will agree to declare peace.

The note of the powers was presented at 4:30 a.m. by M. Onou to M. Skoulovis, who waited up until that hour. The following is the text of the document:

"The representatives of France, Italy, Great Britain, Germany and Austria charge M. Onou, the representative of Russia, a dozen of the diplomatic corps, to declare in the name of the respective governments that the powers are ready to offer mediation with the view of obtaining an armistice and smoothing the difficulties existing between Greece and Turkey on condition that the Hellenic government proceed to withdraw its troops from Crete and to adhere formally to the autonomy of Crete and accept unreservedly the proposals which the powers give in the interests of peace."

The reply of the Greek government is as follows: "The royal government, in taking the note and declaration of the Russian representatives acting in the name of the ministers of the powers, declare that they will proceed to recall the royal troops from Crete and to adhere formally to autonomy for Crete, and continue the interest of Crete to the hands of the powers."

The grizzly, discolored, and uncounted beard can be made to appear inviting by Buckingham's Dye, which colors an even brown or black; may be applied at home.

MR. WIMAN'S SENTIMENTS. His Views on the Question of Better Relations with Canada.

Detroit, May 10.—Erasmus Wiman, of New York, responded to the topic, "Better Relations with Canada," at the chamber of commerce dinner to-night. Among other things he said: "In full view of both sides of the border lines, four thousand miles long, is a depression unequalled in universality, severity and duration, for the governments on both sides are intensely engaged in building higher than ever the tariff wall. They are thus destroying about the only chance there is of a revival of commerce, or an outlet for products and manufactures."

"Cutting the continent commercially in two, this tariff is like a barbed wire fence, over which one brother cannot trade with another without paying tribute beyond the cost of production for both. British North America, comprising the greater half of the continent, now alone offers room for expansion. There are no new territories within the Union into which the surplus population can expand. Employment of immigration and the opportunity for development of natural resources to a degree far in excess of that hitherto realized is now possible only in the northern half of the continent. Because another political system prevails in that section, it is impossible to commercial expansion by that direction."

"That the people of Canada are favorable to the closest relationship to this country is evinced by the fact that its new government has already shown itself ready to meet overtures by which the countries can practically be united. Annexation is unnecessary, undesirable and impossible. Canada is to-day more loyal to Great Britain than ever before. That the basis for a commercial bargain with Canada can be easily discerned by a commission of commercial men seems entirely possible, and as a feature in the career of either government would be so popular as that which would create a commission with this object in view."

Cared Weak Back for 25 Cts. For two years I was doled, pilled, and plastered for weak back, scalding urine and constipation, without benefit. One box of Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills relieved, three boxes cured. R. J. Smith, Toronto. One pill a dose, price 25 cents.

HERE IS A KICK. To the Editor: I have been reading your excellent paper for a long time, and in the main I find it a very satisfactory newspaper, but here is one feature that aggravates me beyond measure and makes me swear (sometimes) that I will stop the sheet. The thing that I complain of is those reading notices, which begin with an interesting, heavy, most popular route between St. Paul and Chicago are the best dining car service in the world, is via the Wisconsin Central lines. The statement is truthful enough, and I suppose that J. C. Pond, G.P.A., Milwaukee, Wis., or Geo. S. Batty, general agent, 240 Stark street, Portland, Ore., find this a good way to meet and inform the travelling public of the advantages of travelling over their lines. Yours, truly,

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The reply of the Greek government is as follows: "The royal government, in taking the note and declaration of the Russian representatives acting in the name of the ministers of the powers, declare that they will proceed to recall the royal troops from Crete and to adhere formally to autonomy for Crete, and continue the interest of Crete to the hands of the powers."

The grizzly, discolored, and uncounted beard can be made to appear inviting by Buckingham's Dye, which colors an even brown or black; may be applied at home.

MR. WIMAN'S SENTIMENTS. His Views on the Question of Better Relations with Canada.

Detroit, May 10.—Erasmus Wiman, of New York, responded to the topic, "Better Relations with Canada," at the chamber of commerce dinner to-night. Among other things he said: "In full view of both sides of the border lines, four thousand miles long, is a depression unequalled in universality, severity and duration, for the governments on both sides are intensely engaged in building higher than ever the tariff wall. They are thus destroying about the only chance there is of a revival of commerce, or an outlet for products and manufactures."

"Cutting the continent commercially in two, this tariff is like a barbed wire fence, over which one brother cannot trade with another without paying tribute beyond the cost of production for both. British North America, comprising the greater half of the continent, now alone offers room for expansion. There are no new territories within the Union into which the surplus population can expand. Employment of immigration and the opportunity for development of natural resources to a degree far in excess of that hitherto realized is now possible only in the northern half of the continent. Because another political system prevails in that section, it is impossible to commercial expansion by that direction."

"That the people of Canada are favorable to the closest relationship to this country is evinced by the fact that its new government has already shown itself ready to meet overtures by which the countries can practically be united. Annexation is unnecessary, undesirable and impossible. Canada is to-day more loyal to Great Britain than ever before. That the basis for a commercial bargain with Canada can be easily discerned by a commission of commercial men seems entirely possible, and as a feature in the career of either government would be so popular as that which would create a commission with this object in view."

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HERE IS A KICK. To the Editor: I have been reading your excellent paper for a long time, and in the main I find it a very satisfactory newspaper, but here is one feature that aggravates me beyond measure and makes me swear (sometimes) that I will stop the sheet. The thing that I complain of is those reading notices, which begin with an interesting, heavy, most popular route between St. Paul and Chicago are the best dining car service in the world, is via the Wisconsin Central lines. The statement is truthful enough, and I suppose that J. C. Pond, G.P.A., Milwaukee, Wis., or Geo. S. Batty, general agent, 240 Stark street, Portland, Ore., find this a good way to meet and inform the travelling public of the advantages of travelling over their lines. Yours, truly,

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Table of market prices for various goods including Laks of the Woods, Snowflake, XXX, Lion, Premier, Three Star, Strong-Baker's, Silesia, Leitich's Hungarian, Ogilvie's Hungarian, Wheat, Barley, Middlings, Bran, Ground feed, Corn, Corn, cracked, Oatmeal, Rolled oats, Potatoes, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Hay, Straw, Onions, Lemons, Apples, Oranges, Fish, Smoked blotters, Eggs, Butter, Cheese, Bacon, Mutton, Pork, Chickens, etc.

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CONSIGNEES' NOTICE. BRITISH SHIP "BRITISH YEOMAN." Capt. E. W. Nickels. (FROM LIVERPOOL)

This vessel will discharge cargo at our Outer Wharf on Monday, May 10th, and following days. Consignees are requested to present bills of lading at the office of the undersigned, pay freight, and receive orders for their goods. All goods remaining on the wharf after 5 o'clock each day, and while on the wharf, will be at the risk of the consignees thereof respectively, and may be stored at their expense. R. P. RITHEB & CO., Ltd., Agents.

NOTICE. I hereby give notice that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for a transfer of the license of the Mirror Saloon, now held by me, to W. T. Marshall and W. S. Weddie. JAMES WILLIAMS. Victoria, B. C., May 5th, 1897.

NOTICE. I hereby give notice that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for a transfer of the license of the Grove Saloon, Equiptment road, now held by me, to James S. Rollin. ELIZABETH PAYNE. Victoria, B. C., May 7th, 1897.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for a transfer of the license of the Clarence Saloon, now held by me, to Mr. R. E. Eric. WALKER & McDONALD. Victoria, B. C., 10th May, 1897.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post 1 1/2 miles from the head of Loughborough Inlet, situated on Fraser Bay; thence west 40 chains; thence north 30 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence south to shore line; thence following shore line in a southerly direction to point of commencement, and containing 230 acres, more or less. M. KING. April 12th, 1897.

NOTICE. Johnson Street, between Government and Store Streets, is closed to public traffic. E. A. WILMOT, City Engineer.

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The Daily Times.

QUEBEC'S VOICE.

Though the Conservative defeat in Quebec was somewhat less crushing than that in Nova Scotia, it was still so...

THE ALIEN LABOR BILL.

The News-Advertiser joins the Colonist in combatting the idea both supposed to be abroad, that the Lieutenant-Governor's assent was withheld from the Alien Labor Bill on the advice of his ministers...

Nelson Tribune: Despite the pledges of Premier Turner's government, the men working in the precious metal mines of Kootenay will again be called upon to pay the unjust tax of five dollars per annum...

SIR HENRI OBJECTED.

To the Editor: In the interests of the people of this city and province, will you publish the following correspondence and editorial comment taken from the columns of the Montreal Daily Witness of the 5th inst. Yours truly, ALEX. WILSON.

Victoria, May 12. The following significant and instructive correspondence has been forwarded to the Witness for publication by Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere.

Office of the Secretary-Treasurer, Victoria, B. C., April 22nd, 1897. Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere, Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir Henri:—The above company has just been organized with a capital stock of \$5,000,000, primarily for the purpose of acquiring and disposing of, with profit, mineral properties in British Columbia.

Two million dollar shares of treasury stock will soon be offered for sale, as well as properties acquired in the principal cities of the Dominion and the United States and in London, England.

The stock will be issued fully paid-up and non-assessable, and will be offered to the public at 10 cents per share, for the first block issued.

Among the special features of the company are the following:

- 1. Dividends, when declared, will be paid upon the shares actually sold, thus affording to investors the same security as profits under the present capitalization.
2. It is a fundamental principle incorporated in the by-law of the company, that the company shall not go into debt. By this provision all liability to the shareholders is eliminated.
3. All certificates of shares of stock other than treasury stock are placed in the bank and remain in its custody until 750,000 shares of treasury stock are sold.

Properties are to be acquired only after the most careful examination, and upon the unqualified recommendation of the mining expert of the company. These features, and others, which might be mentioned, are all framed with the view of securing to every shareholder a minimum of risk with a maximum of profit.

A number of shares have been set aside by the directors for the purpose of securing the individual interest of persons of standing in the principal cities of this country in the active operations of the company.

REPLY.

Ottawa, April 29, 1897. W. J. Dowler, Secretary B. P. Gold Property Company, Victoria.

If I had the remotest idea of taking any shares in your company the offer you make me by yours of 22nd inst. would be sufficient to prevent me.

H. G. JOLY DE LOTBINIERE.

Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere has in the spirit of high chivalry which always guides him, taken boldly by the horns one of the great evils of the day by forwarding for publication one of those letters which men of prominence receive offering them a consideration for the use of their names as guarantees for some speculative enterprise.

It is well known that those who buy small shares in speculative enterprises do so in dependence on the honor-able names they see in connection with them. It is therefore inexcusable for persons whose names are so valued to give them as warrant without sharing the risk. The guarantee in such cases is spurious, and when given for a pecuniary consideration is corrupt.

Although fully appreciating the enormous value of the precious metals in British Columbia, we have from the beginning of the mining boom earnestly warned our readers against investing in what they did not understand.

The man who has money to invest should get the advice of an independent engineer in whom he has absolute confidence. He who cannot do this should regard the visions of wealth dashed before his eyes by persons anxious to give their wealth to him as illusions. Of course, there are always the names on the prospectuses to fall back upon, but these names are not always to be trusted.

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ROSSLAND.

Rossland, May 11.—A special from Nelson states that Robert McCoy was killed yesterday by a falling tree while working on the old government trail...

A special from Grand Forks says people there are very indignant about reports being circulated on the outside to the effect that the townsite is flooded. There is no truth in it, the statement, which is believed to have emanated from a rival townsite.

Hon. T. Mayne Daly, in a speech tonight, presented Jim Hemsworth, the hero who saved the lives of two men working in the shaft of the Young America mine in February last, with the medal of the Royal Humane Society of Canada. The presentation took place in the International hall in the presence of several hundred people.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Rev. A. Donatelli, O. M. I., has been appointed as conductor to assist the Rev. Dr. Durie, Bishop of New Westminster, in the administration of the diocese.

The appointment of one that gives great satisfaction here, he having been here for seven years. He is a native of Albany and was born in 1827 and came to America in early life. After a brilliant course at the University of Ottawa Father Donatelli became a member of the religious congregation of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. In 1885 he was ordained a priest. In 1880 he was appointed director of St. Louis College in this city. Father Donatelli is at present at Williams Lake, so that the time of his consecration has not yet been decided upon.

On Saturday the steamer Transfer instead of ending her journey at Chilliwack went up to the Harrison river and there to the English Bay water in the lake. The development of the water in the lake is an unheard-of report that things in general look very promising along the mining camps, but considerable more development work has got to be done in the mines before the district is proved to be a paying one.

No doubt this summer will see a great advance in the development of that district, and before the fall of the year it will be known to all whether Harrison is to be another Kootenay or else sink to a fourth or fifth rate mining camp. The prospects now are certainly very promising, and there is no earthly reason why the place should not fairly prosper.

NELSON.

(Nelson Miner.) A find of free gold in white quartz has been made on a new claim adjoining the Eureka on Eagle creek. It is owned by John Hill, who at present is ground-sighting the claim.

The newest town in Kootenay is Craigtown, formerly known as Craig's Camp. It is situated on the north fork of Salmon river, about six miles from the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway.

While two prospectors were passing over the Caradon claim, on Toad mountain, last Thursday, they stumbled over a boulder of solid galena weighing over 500 pounds. They rolled it into Gait Out Creek, where they intended to break up at their leisure, but a few hours later the flood carried it down the stream.

The Copper King mine, eight miles west of Nelson on the C. & K. railway, has a carload of ore ready for shipment to the Nelson smelter. Four men are working at present, and this force will probably be increased at the meeting of the company to be held at Rossland on the 12th of this month.

Recent assays give a result of \$71.34 in gold, silver and copper. There are three claims in this group, which are owned by the British American Gold Mining Company. The lead is a good, strong one, and a shaft is being sunk upon it.

Mr. R. E. Lemon, of this city, is highly elated over the recent strike made in the Sunset mine, of which he is one of the principal owners. The Sunset is an extension of the Wellington, and is only a short distance from the Whitewater mine. There is upon the property a shaft 65 feet in depth and a tunnel of 200 feet. They are now opening up a 15 foot ledge, of which about four feet carry galena and gray copper. Specimens from the galena show an assay of 125 ounces of silver, and in the spar the gray copper gave a return of 2,500 in silver to the ton. These samples were taken from the bottom of the shaft. The Sunset promises to be a very valuable property.

Nelson Tribune

The Montreal company operating the Fern mine has arranged to put a test-stamp mill upon the property. It is expected that the mill will be at the Fern, by the Honeyman foundry and machine shop is being pushed as rapidly as possible. There are two carloads of improved machinery on the way in, and the indications are that the shop will be in working order inside of thirty days.

Wednesday's train from Nelson to Quartz Creek carried nearly three thousand dollars' worth of Nelson merchandise to the residents of Quartz Creek. The activity all along the Nelson & Ft. Sheppard railway is having a noticeable effect upon Nelson's trade.

Ald. Fletcher and John Tolson made a flying trip to the new town of Quartz Creek this week and put \$5000 into Quartz Creek realty. The townsite has been surveyed into thirty foot lots, and is being sold for \$400 to \$500, with \$200 for inside lots. There are nearly 500 people living in and around the town.

Nelson is between the devil and the deep sea, once an effort is made to establish an industrial enterprise in the town. The Canadian Pacific owns all the water frontage west from Hall street, and when approached for sites invariably reply: "Leases will be given subject to two months' notice to vacate." It is needless to say that no leases are signed under such conditions. The water frontage east from Hall street is covered by a right of way claimed by the Canadian Pacific, but the lots abutting against the right of way are still the property of the crown. The Government refuses to sell, and if these parcels are ever squatted on by managers of industrial enterprises, no time is lost.

in giving office to vacate.

The result is that enterprising men are giving Nelson the go-by and establishing themselves in less favored towns.

The heavy shipments of matte from the Trail smelter brought the mineral exports for the port of Nelson up to the usual standard this week. There went forward from the Trail smelter during the week over 120 tons of matte, and in addition to this the mines of the district sent forward some 400 tons of matte.

The Hall mines smelter has not started in the exports of the district so far as extent for the past few weeks as the company has been holding its matte with a view to putting it through a further refining process. This week the roasters were started at the Hall mines smelter and it is expected that the reverberatory furnace will be started in a few days. Heretofore the matte exported by the Hall mines has averaged from 45 to 50 per cent. mineral assay, but the further refining process the percentage will be increased to from 95 to 96 per cent. The company expects to make considerable shipments of this blister copper during the last week of the present month. The exports for the week were \$409,868, and the total exports so far for 1897 are \$2,083,504.

A CORRECTION.

To the Editor: In your paper of April 10th, you state that Thomas Daykin had been rewarded by the United States Government for assistance in rescuing the crew of the schooner Paritan, receiving \$60 for said service.

This is not correct, my son received \$50 for taking the men to Victoria in his whalerboat. Had they waited for the steamer they would not have reached there for about a month, owing to bad weather. The remaining \$10 I received for provisions furnished the men.

PHILIP DAYKIN.

Carmann, May 8th, 1897.

THE ORPHAN BOY SWINDLE.

Stock brokers and others dealing in mining propositions report extra stagnation in the local market, a condition thought about it is alleged, entirely by the questionable manner in which the Orphan Boy Gold Mining Company business was handled by the original shareholders and the methods pursued to allow a valuable property to be manipulated as it was at the recent sheriff's sale.

Nothing short of a thorough ventilation of the whole affair will satisfy the shareholders or the public in general. Security is invested in the company, and should, and must, be the first consideration of the government, and those charged with the administration of the law. No matter who may be implicated a searching investigation must follow.—Vancouver World.

FINE HORSES.

The stables of Emperor William of Germany contain many valuable blooded horses, but there are two which he prefers above the others. Both are worthy the fancy of any man, other a king. One is dark in color, the other light, and both are splendid specimens of horseflesh.

Of the two, the emperor selects the dark horse more frequently. He is a bay charger of good size—a deep, rich bay with a dash of white about the fore foot, and still more of the same color above the hind foot.

The bay is a fine example of the ideal charger. His head and neck are particularly handsome. While full of spirit, he is docile and well-mannered. He is the possessor of high courage and shows his high breeding in every line and movement, while his carriage is so fine as to command attention of all who see him.

A striking feature of the bay is the intelligence he displays. What has been said of many animals, "they can do everything but talk," comes near being true about the emperor's favorite charger.

The gray charger is a finely-bred horse also, with a magnificent head and neck. His manners are good, and he is of excellent disposition.

Daisy—Oh, Dolly, I have had such a nasty, spiteful, anonymous letter! Dolly—Whom was it from? Daisy—I don't know; can't you guess? The wicked creature says I am a vain, silly, frivolous, chattering, over-dressed, empty-headed fit.

Dolly—I really can't imagine; but reflecting I think it must be some one who knows you quite well, dearest!

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NOTICE--Mortgagee's Sale Valuable Yates Street Property. Sealed tenders will be received up to June 7th next, inclusive for the purchase of the westerly half of Lot 15, Yates street, Victoria. This property, on which is erected a frame building suitable for business purposes, is well situated in the business portion of the city, and adjoins the grounds of the Bishop's Palace. It is offered for sale under the power of sale contained in a mortgage registered in the Land Registry office, Victoria, in charge book, vol. 7, fol. 673, as No. 25587. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Further particulars may be obtained on application to the undersigned. DUMBLETON & INNES, 39 1/2 Langley St., Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for the Mortgagee. Victoria, B. C., May 7th, 1897.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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-Glasgow beef ham, speiced, long roll. R. H. Jamieson, 33 Fort street.
-No. 3 Company, Fifth Regiment, will parade at the Drill Hall this evening and march to the hall.

completed a two months' sentence for petty larceny.
-Juvenile bicycles, boys' and girls', \$25 and \$30, at Weller Bros.

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More Opposition for the Pacific Coast Company on the Alaska Route.

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Notice of Removal.
After May 30, 1897, the Victoria Assay Office will be incorporated with the Victoria Metallurgical Works, and the plant will be removed from its present office in Broad street, to 45 Fort street.

At the meeting of dog fanciers held last evening at Mr. E. E. Wootton's office it was decided to form a kennel club, the first show under the auspices of which will be held during the jubilee celebration in June. A committee was appointed to draft by-laws to be submitted at a second meeting to be held next Tuesday evening. Officers will also be elected on Tuesday evening. There are now many good dogs in Victoria, and the Mainlanders are also taking an interest in bench shows, so that there should be no lack of entries in every class.

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The C.P.N. company's steamer Maude left this morning for Clayoquot to render assistance to the steamer Tees should it be necessary to have the help of a steamer in getting her afloat. The Tees is still lying on the beach at Clayoquot Sound, but an effort is to be made in four or five days to get her afloat.

Seattle, Wn., May 11.-C. H. Hamilton, secretary and assistant manager of the Northern American Trading and Transportation Company, arrived here to-day and immediately opened an office for the company. The steamer Portland, formerly Haytian Republic, has been chartered and will leave for St. Michaels June 10, with a full cargo and passenger list. Before the Portland leaves, the schooner Fred E. Sander will sail north for the same company, part of the cargo being material for the Yukon river boat, which Moran Brothers are building for the company. The Sander will leave May 23. At present they are operating two steamers on the Yukon, the P. B. Weare and the John J. Healey. All of the trans-continental roads entering Seattle are being tunneled through freight on this new line.

The Seattle schooner Annie M. Nixon will not longer look to the wind alone for sailing, however, as she is now having machinery placed in her at Ballard, which will convert her into a fast sailing steam schooner. The Nixon, which during the recent falling off, has been engaged in the halibut fishing business, is now the property of the Quadra Packing Co.

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5-It had, December 31, 1896... 4,701,657 more policy assets
6-It had, December 31, 1896... 3,500,150 more to policy-holders
7-In 1896 it paid... 3,500,150 more to policy-holders
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9-Since 1896... 178,948,106 more to policy-holders
10-Largest company began business, it has paid... 178,948,106 more to policy-holders
11-Has paid... \$178,948,106 for death claims;
12-Has paid... 258,909,451 53 to living members;
13-And has accumulated in... 222,481,606 61 from unused income.

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(From "The Independent Forester," April, 1897.)

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM I.O.F. ANNUAL STATEMENTS.

A Most Successful Year—Large Increase in Membership—A Handsome Addition to the Surplus—The I.O.F. Secures More New Members than all the Canadian Old Line Insurance Companies Put Together.

TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Brothers: I beg to submit the annual statements of the business done by the Independent Order of Foresters for the year 1896. You will find, on examination of the accompanying schedules, abundant reason for congratulating on the work accomplished during this year of unusual commercial depression and consequent hard times, not only in Canada but in the United States.

We have also special cause for congratulation in having, during the past year, received the re-organization of the I.O.F. by the Supreme Court, which conferred the powers of the order considerably, and greatly improved its position as an insuring corporation. In this connection I desire to place on record my appreciation of the invaluable services rendered to us by our special counsel, Bro. W. H. Hamer, to whose knowledge of insurance law and practice we are indebted for a number of the most valuable features in the present I.O.F. system. You will remember that in 1895, when owing to want of time for consideration in the senate, we determined to withdraw the bill we then had before parliament, how it was quickly heralded throughout Canada and Great Britain by certain old line journals that parliament had refused to pass the I.O.F. bill. I have not seen a single announcement in any of these journals of the fact that parliament at its next session in 1896 unanimously passed the bill giving to us not only the enlarged powers asked for in 1895, viz. the authority to issue policies for \$4,000 and \$5,000, but giving to us as well other valuable features embodied in the bill of 1894, which were not in the bill before parliament in 1895.

The bill of 1896 was assented to on the 2nd of April by His Excellency the Governor-General, who had previously honored the order by accepting membership therein, and on the 1st of May we received the license of the insurance department of Canada. Between that date and the 1st of January, 1897, we received 20,428 applications for new members, of whom 18,427 were accepted, and the surplus in the treasury increased from \$1,686,572.06 to \$2,015,484.38. In 1895, without counting the reinstated members or revived policies, we initiated 4,194 new members than were received into all the Canadian old line insurance companies. In 1896, notwithstanding the hard times and the fact that it was the presidential year in the United States, and in Canada the general elections for the Dominion of Canada were held, we received 24,124 new members, which is a little in advance of the numbers received in 1895, while a number of the sister societies went backward in this respect. The following detailed statement will give you a comprehensive view of the work accomplished by the order during the year just closed. Fully three-fourths of the organizing work done by the Supreme Court has been done within the United States, and a considerable portion of the magnificent results shown in the statement may be credited to such work. It is the purpose of the Supreme Chief Ranges, with your sanction, to give more attention during the coming year to the organizing work in Great Britain and Ireland, where the field is even more promising than in the United States, owing to the fact that the I.O.F. is the only Fraternal Beneficial Society licensed to do business in the United Kingdom.

THE STATISTICS.
STATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP ON 31st DECEMBER, 1896.

	Number.	Insurance.
Canada	20,428	\$1,686,572.06
United States	18,427	\$2,015,484.38
Great Britain and Ireland	3,018	\$3,080,000
Total	42,873	\$6,782,056.44

INITIATIONS DURING 1896.		
	Number.	Insurance.
Canada	7,120	\$7,756,500
United States	16,445	\$2,083,000
Great Britain and Ireland	550	\$18,500
Total	24,115	\$9,858,000

ASSESSMENTS RECEIVED IN 1896.		
	Number.	Insurance.
Canada	892,497	\$1,044,150.27
United States	563,108	\$3,267.08
Great Britain and Ireland	45,155	\$52.28
Total	1,500,760	\$1,311,469.63

BENEFITS PAID IN 1896.		
	Number.	Insurance.
Canada	44,025	\$8,805.00
United States	281,250	\$2,542.28
Great Britain and Ireland	11,217	\$1.44
Total	336,492	\$11,348.72

SURPLUS ACCUMULATION DURING 1896.		
	Number.	Insurance.
Canada	1,132,252	\$18,000.83
United States	273,792	\$4,001.50
Great Britain and Ireland	31,600	\$28.23
Total	1,437,644	\$22,030.56

It will be seen from the above statements that after deducting 5 per cent. for management expenses the addition to the surplus in the Mortuary Department is 2 per cent. of the balance of the same from assessments in Canada, 51 per cent. in the United States, and 73 per cent. in Great Britain and Ireland. The Sick and Funeral Benefit Department the additions were 18 per cent. in Canada, and 13 per cent. in the United States, and 86 per cent. in Great Britain and Ireland. Notwithstanding that we have been in business in Canada for 20 years, we are still each year carrying a con-

the premium income which are being carried to surplus in the United States and the United Kingdom, at the present time, show the importance of extending the jurisdiction of the order and form a complete answer to those who, not long since, found fault with the policy adopted by the Executive Council in opening up new territory, especially in Great Britain and Ireland. You will find the financial statement to be no less satisfactory, showing as it does a considerable reduction in the matter of management expenses. In 1895 the Canadian old line companies spent in management expenses \$1,855,421, or a rate of \$93.37 to each new policy-holder secured, while our expenditures in the insurance department for 1896, were \$103,413.70, or \$8.08 to each new member secured. I have not yet the official figures of the management expenses of the old line companies for 1896, but there is no reason for presuming that they will be any less than they were in 1895. Our expenditures on this account in the insurance department for 1896, were \$103,413.70, or \$8.08 per new member secured, being a reduction of \$1.23 per new member in the figures of 1895. I may be pardoned for calling special attention to the good showing made in the Supplies Department. In many of the sister societies the furnishing of supplies is left to private individuals, and the profits arising therefrom go into private pockets. In the I.O.F., such profits all go into the Supreme and High Court treasuries and help to keep down the per capita tax of the membership to a minimum. In 1896 we were able, in addition to giving to High Courts 20 per cent. of the profits on all supplies sold within their respective jurisdictions, to carry to the Treasury of the Supreme Court a cash profit of \$14,719.70, besides improving the stock on hand by \$12,200.54, or a total profit to the Supreme Court of \$27,919.24, which is more than is required to pay all the salaries of the Executive Officers, and that, too, without increasing the cost of the supplies to the Subordinate Courts.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Mortuary Department.	
RECEIPTS.	
Balance, 31st Dec., 1895	\$1,480,405.05
Cash Mortuary Assessments	1,216,761.79
Cash from Interest and other sources	135,439.71
Total	\$2,832,606.55
EXPENDITURE.	
Death claims paid	\$ 976,359.46
Expectation of Life and Old Age Claims	4,148.30
Total and Permanent disability Claims	38,900.00
Furniture Account	2,404.91
Funeral Payments (insurance on mortgaged properties, etc.)	6,337.87
Management Expenses	163,254.20
Carried to Rest or Contingency Fund	28,922.64
Balance, 31st Dec., 1896	1,912,200.94
Total	\$2,832,606.55

Sick and Funeral Benefit Department.	
RECEIPTS.	
Balance, 31st Dec., 1895	\$ 78,877.81
Cash Sick and Funeral Assessments	137,678.03
Cash from Interest and other sources	9,616.52
Total	\$ 226,172.36
EXPENDITURE.	
Sick Claims paid	\$ 101,143.15
Funeral Claims paid	7,285.00
Sundry Payments	14.91
Management Expenses	16,500.40
Balance, 31st Dec., 1896	102,223.44
Total	\$ 226,172.36

Supplies Department.	
CASH ACCOUNTS—RECEIPTS.	
Cash received for supplies	\$ 68,805.50
Total	\$ 68,805.50
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Salaries	\$ 561.11
Wages to employees	2,679.78
Rent, light and heat	200.00
Postage, etc.	2,023.27
Office expenses, stationary, etc.	1,824.36
Supplies purchased	22,546.45
Official Organ	22,330.74
Balance	14,719.70
Total	\$ 68,805.50

MERCHANDISE ACCOUNT.	
ASSETS.	
Supplies on hand 31st Dec., 1896	\$ 23,311.64
Amounts due from Courts, etc., for supplies, 31st Dec., 1896	43,187.57
Total	\$ 66,499.21

LIABILITIES.	
ASSETS.	
Deposit with the Dominion Insurance Department of Canada	\$ 100,000.00
Deposit Great Britain and Ireland	97,333.20
Deposit United States	50,000.00
Loan to the provinces of New Brunswick	20,000.00
1st Mortgage on real estate	1,106,320.02
Temple property	293,000.00
Cash value of debentures	92,553.10
Deposit receipts	517.54
Cash on deposit in banks	185,470.57
Interest due and accrued	65,283.46
Capitalization tax due	10,433.42
Amount due for supplies	43,187.57
Saleable supplies on hand	23,311.64
Office furniture (after deducting 10 per cent.)	10,665.81
Sundry other assets	765.71
Total	\$2,113,821.27

LIABILITIES.	
ASSETS.	
Unpaid claims, mortuary	\$ 17,181.67
Unpaid claims, sick and funeral	1,017.97
Fundry account	1,182.23
Balance of assets over liabilities	2,094,439.40
Total	\$2,113,821.27

C. A. STONE, Accountant.

We hereby certify that we have examined the books and vouchers and the securities of the Supreme Court and find the same correct, and the statements and accounts, as herein above presented, are as found in said books.

B. W. GREER,
C. R. FITZGERALD,
Auditors.

The following summary will give you a general view of the work accomplished by the order during the present time:

SUMMARY OF BENEFITS PAID BY THE I.O.F.

Benefits paid in 1896	\$ 20,941.91
Benefits paid last five years	2,750,099.14
Benefits paid last ten years	3,438,142.70

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THE GROWTH OF THE MEMBERSHIP.	
Membership 1st July, 1881, date of reorganization	367
Membership 31st December, 1881	1,019
Increase, 6 months	652
Membership 31st December, 1886	5,804
Increase, 5 years	4,785
Membership 31st December, 1891	32,593
Increase, 5 years	26,789
Membership 31st December, 1896	102,828
Increase, 5 years	70,235

THE HIGH CHIEF RANGER OF IRELAND.

You are aware that the High Chief Ranger of Ireland, Bro. the Rev. W. J. McCaughan, of Belfast, has been called to the pastorate of St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, and that he has accepted the same and is, in fact, now on the ocean on his way to his new charge. In this connection I may say that I received, some time ago, from Past High Chief Ranger Bro. Dr. Williamson and High Secretary Bro. Dr. Gibson, in behalf of the High Standing Committee of Ireland, a most urgent appeal to co-operate with them in trying to keep Bro. McCaughan in Ireland. While entirely agreeing with the High Standing Committee as to the great loss which the order in Ireland would sustain in the loss of Bro. McCaughan's services as its honored and trusted leader, I did not feel it to be my duty to interfere in any way in the matter, especially as we had in Ireland some very able men in the order who were eligible to succeed our distinguished and zealous brother as the Chief Executive of Ireland, such as Bro. Dr. Williamson; Bro. John McCaughan, J.P.; Bro. Rev. Jas. Crogan and other able men whom I could mention.

I think, under the circumstances, we ought to give our brother in Ireland extra help at this time, and with that end in view I intend, with your approval, to place Bro. James Gilmore, D.R.C.R., who has proved himself a most successful deputy and organizer in this country, as an organizer in Ireland, and I have no doubt that his labors in that country will be successful as they have been in every place where he has worked in our great Dominion. Respectfully submitted,
In L. B. & C.

THE MEMBERS AND THEIR ASSURANCE.	
(At 31st December each year.)	
Year.	No. of Members.
1896	102,828
1895	78,878
1894	54,928
1893	30,978
1892	6,028
1891	1,019
1890	367

If we compare the new insurers secured by us in one year with those of all the Canadian old line insurance companies we will get some idea of the magnitude to which the operations of the I.O.F. have grown.

For instance, in 1896 we secured, without counting the reinstated members or "revived policies," 24,124 new insurers, carrying \$28,558,000 of assurance, while the Canadian old line companies altogether issued only 21,172 new policies, representing \$30,190,384 of new assurance. The following tabular statement will give you the information in detail:

NEW INSURERS SECURED IN 1896.	
Name of Company.	No. of New Policies.
Canada Life	2045
Confederation Life	1902
Dominion Life	509
Federal Life	1452
Great West	1125
London Life	300
Manufacturers Life	1505
North American Life	2532
Ontario Mutual	1693
Sun Life	6516
Temperance and General	1535
Total	21,172

The foregoing report was unanimously adopted by the Executive Council, and ordered to be printed.

JOHN A. M'GILLIVRAY, Supreme Secretary.
Toronto, 6th March, 1897.

Apply to
JAMES H. FALCONER, Organizer, Deputy Supreme Chief Ranges, Victoria, B. C.

The "Temple Building."
Up to the 1st of January, 1896, we had spent for the land and on the building in process of erection on the corner of Bay and Richmond streets as Headquarters of the Order the sum of \$203,000.00. The structure will probably be one of the best, if not the best, office building in Canada. I cannot speak too highly of the architect, Bro. G. W. Gouinlock, under whose supervision the "Temple Building" has been erected. It has been made so fire-proof as modern science could make it, and I might say there is not a foot of waste space in the whole building, and all the offices are most admirably lighted, which is a great advantage to an office building and one that is not always attained in such large structures.

You will be gratified to learn that already \$17,000 of space has been rented, and the tenants are waiting to take possession the moment the building is finished, and that \$7,000 more space may be said to be practically rented, though the leases or agreements for leases have not been actually signed, and I should not be surprised to find nearly every room taken by the time the building is completed next June. I am not without hopes that the 8th story, which is to be occupied by the Headquarters staff, will be finished and ready for its occupants before the 1st of May next. I regard the "Temple Building" as one of the best investments of the order, and one that will yield the Supreme Court a hand-

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MR. TARTE'S VIEWS

Minister of Public Works is Interviewed About the Quebec Election.

The Ottawa Citizen Declares That Canada is Certainly Tired of Conservative Rule

Ottawa, May 12.—Hon. Mr. Tarte, being interviewed about the Liberal victory in Quebec yesterday, is jubilant over Marchand's success. "Those," said the minister of public works, "who claimed that the vote in Quebec on the 23rd of June last was a snatch verdict must now be thoroughly satisfied that the feeling in that province is Liberal. Conservatives of the Cartier school have forever dissociated themselves from the present Conservative party. It is plainly evident that the electors in the province of Quebec are determined to have political freedom, and to enjoy all the rights of British subjects. Those who fail to see this must be blind to the verdict of the 23rd of June last and again emphasized by the vote of the people yesterday."

The Citizen (Opposition) to-day says: "The sweeping Liberal victory in Quebec is a further indication that the country has got tired of Conservative rule, and is determined to hand over the control of affairs to their opponents for a time at least."

Prof. Macoun left for the Pribyloff Islands this afternoon by way of San Francisco.

Hon. Dr. Borden will not likely take his seat in the house this session. A cablegram from Vancouver to England mentioning the Duke of Fock's name in connection with the proposed British Chartered Yukon Company, has made "wags on the green" in London, the Duke having been asked about the scheme, and some papers are reproaching his connection with the company as likely to give it an undue advantage over others.

The officers of the Jubilee Regiment have been decided upon. Colonel Aylmer, adjutant-general, will command. There is no British Columbia appointment on the executive.

Mr. Davies gives notice of a bill to permit the removal of the San Pedro without the government being held liable to the owners.

JAPAN AND HAWAII

Japanese Commissioner Arrives at Honolulu on Board a Cruiser.

San Francisco, May 12.—The steamer Australia from Honolulu to-day brings word of May 5th that the Japanese cruiser Nanaiwa arrived from Yokohama, having on board Japanese Commissioner Akiyama, who is to investigate the cases of rejection of Japanese immigrants. The commissioner states that his mission at Honolulu is entirely of a friendly nature. It is concluded on investigation that the Hawaiian government has erred in the matter, a claim for damages will be made in behalf of Japan. The commissioner denies that Japan is looking for war, and states that everything will be conducted in a diplomatic way.

A market for American labor will surely be opened here in the near future, and will be fostered and supported by the Hawaiian government. Planters have bound themselves to employ Americans in preference to either European or Asiatic labor. As far as the contracts of Asiatics now employed on the home and their places filled by Americans.

TO ANOTHER POST

Archbishop Langevin Has Been Transferred to St. Albert.

Montreal, May 11.—Les Nouvelles gives currency to the report of important ecclesiastical changes as a result of the visit of Mr. Merry Del Val. The views of Premier Greenwood and Archbishop Langevin on the subject question are so irreconcilably divergent, that, according to the report, it has been decided to transfer the latter. It is proposed to allow Mr. Grandin, bishop of St. Albert, who is old and infirm, to retire and to erect an archbishopric at St. Albert and transfer Mr. Langevin there, and finally to make Mr. Bourard, bishop of Valleyfield archbishop of St. Boniface.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE

THE TERS

THE CHESTER CUP. London, May 12.—Mr. Lehandy's chestnut horse, "Count Schomberg," five years old, won the race for the Chester Cup at the Chester meeting today.

LACROSSE

GETTING IN SHAPE. The active members of the senior lacrosse club, and the juniors too, have started regular practice and will have a strong team to meet Vancouver on the 24th. Several of the older players will be on the team instilling confidence in the cubs.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Y.M.C.A. Rowing Club have decided to secure a four-oared racing boat and the members will canvass for subscriptions and new members. At their evening meeting the managing committee of the J.B.A.A. elected the following new members: G. F. Akew, E. H. Austin, H. F. Shaw, W. Laing and V. B. Gourley. The Y.M.C.A. basket ball team is open for challenges. Mrs. Joseph Myers, of Seattle, is spending a few days in this city as a guest of her brother, Mr. P. A. Phillips, of Blanchard street.

A GOOD PERFORMANCE

Columbia Opera Company Present "Said Pasha" Tonight.

The audience which greeted the Columbia Opera Company last evening was not as large as the company deserved, but as the company are establishing a reputation for themselves, full houses should be in order during the rest of the week. "Said Pasha" was presented in a thoroughly creditable manner, and as the full force of the company was engaged, the performance was even better than on the first night. Ethel Betch as Serena, and Kunkle and Henderson, the comedians, won fresh laurels. Kunkle's topical songs were repeatedly encored, and he and his partner introduced some fresh "gags." Charles E. Huntington was a good Said Pasha, and Harry Davis had a much better opportunity to display his tenor voice as "Tennino." There was no lack of the necessary drama and fervor in Eugene Rogers' Rajah, and he did not overdo the part, as some have a tendency to do. Agnes Millard made a very pretty Ahil, and her singing was far above the average. The operas are all well staged, the costumes are handsome and the chorus is well trained. This evening "Olivette" is the bill. There should be a crowded house.

LAW INTELLIGENCE

The full court is sitting again today. In Clark vs. Elliott the plaintiff's appeal was allowed with costs. Some years ago an order was made by Sir Henry Crease restraining the defendants, the Elliotts, from in any way interfering with the waters of Pavilion creek near Clifton, as it had already been decided by the supreme court of Canada in Marty et al vs. Clark that the Elliotts had no right to any of the waters of that creek. About a year ago Mr. Justice Drake made an order suspending for one month the operation of the injunction order made by Mr. Justice Crease, and from this order suspending the operation of the injunction order the plaintiff Clark appealed on the ground that the former order was simply carrying out the judgment of the supreme court of Canada. Gordon Hunter for plaintiff (appellant) and H. D. Helmecken, Q.C. for defendants (respondents). In Painchaud et al vs. Landsberg, the plaintiff's appeal was dismissed with costs. At the trial of the action in the supreme court before the chief justice judgment was given in favor of the plaintiff, but only county court costs were allowed and the plaintiff now appeals from so much of the judgment as allows only county court costs. Appeal dismissed with costs. F. B. Gregory for appellant and S. Perry Mills for defendant. Madden vs. the Nelson & Fort Sheperd Railway Co. is now being heard. At the trial in the county court Judge Porin gave the plaintiff judgment for the price of some horses killed on the line of the railway near Nelson. The judgment went on the ground that the defendants had not complied with the provisions of the Cattle Protection Act, 1891, which enacts that Dominion railways shall have fences along the line of their road otherwise they shall be liable for animals killed on their tracks by their cars. The Nelson & Fort Sheperd, although originally a provincial road, has now become a Dominion line. The defendants appeal on the ground that the act is ultra vires and unconstitutional. L. P. Duff for defendants (appellants) and Gordon Hunter for plaintiff (respondent).

DEFIANT IN TONE

The Transvaal Government's Reply to Hon Joseph Chamberlain.

London, May 12.—A dispatch from Capetown says that the reply of the Transvaal government to a strong note, said to amount to an ultimatum, from the secretary of state for the colonies, Hon Joseph Chamberlain, insisting upon the observance of the London agreement, is defiant in tone and demands arbitration.

THE WESTFIELD

The Westfield, Ind. News prints the following in regard to an old resident of that place: "Frank McAvoy, for many years in the employ of the L.N.A. & C. Ry. here, says: 'I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for ten years or longer—never without it to my family. I consider it the best remedy of the kind manufactured. I take pleasure in recommending it.' It is a specific for all bowel disorders. For sale by all druggists. Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver."

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