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CHANGING COMBINE

The Natural Result of the Present Wrong System.

ONLY ONE REMEDY IS POSSIBLE

D. L. Clink Deals With the Railways
Smelter and Lignar Question in a Practical Manner—No Theory, But a Tried and Very Successful Remedy, Briefly Applied.
As an evidence of the growing sentiment in favor of public ownership of monopolies in this portion of the province, the EAGLE is pleased to add herewith a letter just received by it from D. L. Clink, the saw mill owner at Trout Lake City. The EAGLE feels encouraged when such men as Mr. Clink coincide with its views. Mr. Clink says:

"Let the provincial government, instead of as at present intended, building competing railroads and fighting such companies as the Canadian Pacific and Northern Pacific, harness the water power in every mining center throughout the province, where it is required, build smelters and concentrators and supply power for the working of machinery in the mines, and let the government control and operate these smelters and concentrators. This will so reduce the cost of taking out the ore, transporting and treating it that there would be no incentive for mine owners as to the length of hours or as to the amount of wages paid. At the same time the government will receive a handsome revenue from the speculation. Besides the output of the mines will be increased tenfold, and ten times as many men would be employed. In this way you will see that the government, the mine-owners and the miners will all be benefited and British Columbia will be one of the world's greatest mining centers."

"Take for example, this district, and what is true of it is true of many more. Ore has to be hauled by teams at least twenty miles before it reaches the steamboat. This costs not less than five dollars a ton. The freight from this point to its destination runs from ten dollars at least. Then there is the exorbitant smelter charges, whether it be milled in this country or elsewhere. If the Lardreau creek were connected into power it would be ample to run a smelter, concentrator and all the machinery necessary to work the mines within a radius of ten or fifteen miles. The ore could be brought by cable to this smelter at a probable cost of one dollar a ton. At present this cost is not less than fifteen dollars a ton. No further argument is needed to prove that this state of affairs would be profitable to the government and this district, and in building up private monopolies in this country and the United States."

Ontario is taking steps to remedy a similar condition in her mining regions and the government should take the same steps, etc. for the home treatment of her minerals."

When the farmers in Manitoba and the Northwest and some other parts of Canada were struggling hard to keep soul and body together the Dominion government came to their assistance by building creameries and manufacturing and marketing their butter. When the butter is sold a sufficient amount is deducted to cover all expenses, as well as a small per centage to apply on the first cost of the creameries. According to this arrangement the people receive from eight to ten cents on each pound that they produce. This the government will do in the near future be paid back every dollar it has expended and the creameries will become the property of the farmers concerned. In the meantime these farmers are growing wealthy. This, except that the government should retain control, is a parallel case to the way in which I suggest the B. C. government should treat the ore, and in this case is mentioned merely to show the feasibility of the idea."

I will mention one other means by which the government may give the country prosperity and lessen crime and drunkenness. Let us have control of the manufacturing and disposing of alcoholic liquors. Some of the States of the Union have adopted this system and have found it to work well. The State manufactures, bottles and sells the liquor. The government stands on each side of a guaranteed distillery that the liquor is adulterated. They employ a salaried official to dispense the liquor. The hours in which he

sells are restricted. Any one who is not a drinker or a minor can purchase any quantity he wishes, but the bottles cannot be opened on the premises. It has been proved that this system reduces the quantity of liquor consumed by three-fourths, and at the same time increases the revenue. The entire profit on one-quarter of the liquor is greater than the tax which is now levied on the same quantity of wine.

It is a well known fact that the property owners of this plan as it will throw a large number of men out of employment, one dispenser by the bottle being able to take the place of fifteen or twenty men who handle it by the glass. I do not believe this will cause any hardship. With the increased prosperity that the system will give saloon keepers will be able to devote their energies to other lines of business and they will be quite able to make a success of their new avocations. For I am of the opinion that for business ability the men who are engaged in this trade in British Columbia will compare favorably with any other class of business men. We are living in an age of monopolies and it is well known that the consequences of this. One class is rapidly growing more wealthy while the other becomes poorer and poorer. No amount of legislation can alter this and the only way to break the power of industries to be carried on as they once were. One redress only, therefore, is for all to combine, with the government as our executive.

UNDER PUBLIC OWNERSHIP.

The Happy Condition of Telegraphers in Great Britain.

No strikes. Harmonious uninterupted operation. Large increase of wages, and progressive improvement of conditions of labor. Superior efficiency of well-treated and contented workers.
Persistent policy of postal telegraph department from first to last to raise wages, shorten hours and add to the privileges of labor.
Since 1870, when the government took the telegraphs, wages have risen from 39 per cent. to over 72 per cent. The postal telegraph department has raised \$100,000 each since 1881, and hours have been shortened one-seventh; the present hours being eight in the day time, or seven at night, for six days in the week.
Employees free to organize. Each union is secure. Merit finds promotion. Long service is rewarded with increased pay. And liberal provision is made for pensions in case of sickness, disability and old age.

RESOURCES LYING DORMANT.

Help the "Eagle" to Help Yourself and the Camp.

The great and pressing need of this camp is the introduction of capital for the exploration and development of the mineral resources known to exist within its limits. As soon as a certain stage of development has been reached, and the ground has been returned a fair proportion of the money put into it, there will be sufficient floating capital in the district itself to continue the development to the fullest degree. But at the present moment there is not that capital in the camp, and the great thing to be done is to attract it from outside circles. An influx of capital here, would mean money in the pocket of every merchant, every miner, and every laboring man. There would be no more property working. As soon as the demand for labor would be in like proportion. The district needs advertising. Help the EAGLE to make known the Lardreau's resources by immediately assisting it. The rest will then come.

SH'LL BE A HUMMER.

The improve ents now going on in town are very gratifying, both to residents and newcomers. Lots are being cleared, stumps galore being blown to atoms, slashing in every direction, witnesses all going to bow to the townsmen and rid of the serious danger of lust fires. Several residences are being planned, and with the saw mill supplying lumber and at least three business blocks going up. The town will be a busy spot this season. Road building, mining, freighting, assessment and other townsmen go to make up a good pay roll. And the pay roll town is the town to do business in—that's why we are in Ferguson.

DISTRICT NOTES

This Season's Str Begins Earlier Than Last Year.

LARDEAU'S BRIGHT PROSPECTS

Development Work is Active, But Lack of Railway Transportation is Keenly Felt—Construction to Commence Next Month if President Shaughnessy's Word Goes.
Every mining man who comes to the Lardreau loses no time in making an investment. The reason for this is that the rapid development of the mining resources in the vicinity is proving that the camp is all right.

The Lardreau with only 310 ft. of depth in its biggest mine is a surprise to experienced mining men. Wait till the 1,000, 2,000, or 3,000 level is reached. The Lardreau will then attract world-wide attention.

No machinery, no transportation, no capital, no nothing, but mountains of silver ore. That's the Lardreau's condition. Come and help to develop its resources. The Lardreau is destined to be a world-beater as a producer of white metal. No ground floor proposition after this year.

Ferguson is the centre of a great mineral country. Draw a circle around Ferguson with a radius of 10 miles and you take in some of the richest mineral belts in the province. It is the natural centre, by right of location, for all the country round about.

The cost of sucking and sorting Lardreau's ore alone would almost pay for smelting charges in Rossland or the Boundary. The freight charges cut up a great deal of the profit. Give us railroads and smelters and the silver output in this camp will be a revelation to the world.

Development work is going ahead rapidly over the Trout Lake and Lardreau district, and while the conditions will prevent anything in the way of large ore shipments, except in the vicinity of the Nettie L. and Silver Cup mines, there will be more than sufficient work done on a large number of properties to put them in shape to ship as soon as transportation facilities offer.

There is no townsite in West Kootenay more beautifully or centrally located in a mining camp than Ferguson. And the people here are permanent residents, intending to stay by the camp through thick and thin until their hopes are realized. Therefore, the permanent improvements which are being made are sure to impress the stranger with the stability of the mining town of the Lardreau.

A REAL WARM OFFICE.

Just as the EAGLE's last issue was off the press, and its brand new job plant installed only two hours, last Wednesday, and the EAGLE staff had retired for the night, we were aroused hastily by the cry "the EAGLE office is on fire." We will stop right here. The fire was soon extinguished by willing workers and things go on much as usual, except that the publisher is only now coming back to his natural color. Defective stove pipes, no insurance and no means of protection all went to make us feel happy. This is the fourth fire in town in three weeks. It's coming too close for comfort, so the EAGLE would suggest that immediate action be taken by all concerned to procure some means of fire protection.

WANT A DEAD SURE THING.

President Hill is said to have promised to build the Lardreau-Duncan railway into this mining district if he could be assured of ore freights enough to warrant the expenditure. Mineors must learn that to sell their property or to secure railways they must have something more than prospects and a hole in the ground. No doubt there is plenty of ore in this district to warrant the building of several railways, but the railway men naturally want to see the ore piles before they make a beginning.

RAILWAYS WANTED

The Delay is Causing Unbusiness in the Camp.

SUBSTANTIAL TONNAGE AWAITS

More Development Going On Than Was Expected Before the Advent of a Railway—Laboring Under Many Difficulties—in Spite of All Difficulties The Lardreau Advances.

Another strike in the Nettie L. While the Nettie L. mine was so wet, from surface water that the miners quit work, four or five were put to work in the 200 ft drift near the surface. Just as they are entering into the Ajax, an adjoining property, also owned by the Great Western Mines Co., a fine lead of coarse galena is being discovered. The old shaft sunk from the surface in early days just missed this big ledge by a few feet and only goes to prove that prospecting must also be executed under ground to some extent. This adds to the body in the Nettie L. will employ still a few more men this summer. Work will again be resumed in the lower tunnel in a few days and a full force will push the 100 ft tunnel to the upper workings. The Nettie L. management work on the mine there is room for. As soon as a wagon road can be built up to the property machinery will be installed as far as possible. The Nettie L. will be "Lardreau's banner mine" if Manager Ford keeps on pushing work, shipping ore even in the summer and obtaining greater depth. And the pay roll must grow with it.

The Klondike Group.

This big group consisting of twelve full claims, the Klondike, Yukon, Eagle, Silver Star, Empire, Cariboo, Olympia, Concord, Baltimore, George Dewey, Washington and Kalkaska, owned by L. M. Johnson of Trail, Geo. Caruthers, Comalpix; Geo. Young, Cambourne and J. Murry of this place, is located on Murray creek, a tributary to Armstrong lake, opposite Palmer's ranch on the Trout Lake wagon road. Most of the work so far has been prosecuted on the Klondike. A 15 ft. shaft on the lead has been sunk, and a few ft. roadway driven, to which 60 ft. more will be added this season. There is a good surface showing. In the shaft they have six inches of clean ore, returns from the Trail smelter giving 12 to 15 oz. silver, 4 in gold and 50 per cent lead to the tin. On the George Dewey a 40 ft. tunnel on a 3 ft. lead has been driven, with good results. Mr. Young will do some work on the Cariboo this season. The group is about being bought for a good figure to a New York syndicate, more particulars of which will be made known in a few weeks. Needless to say will be a working bond, with a cash down payment.

Rob Roy.

George Hayes and Alec. Bigger were down from the Rob Roy last week for supplies. They followed the trail all the way down, so that the snow is well high gone. Pack horses will go up to Circle City any time now. Things in the Rob Roy are becoming interesting. The No. 2 ledge is now being tapped, and the quartz and other indications demonstrate that an ore body is close at hand. As soon as the ledge is crossed drifting in under the showing above will commence. A test shipment will likely be made as soon as possible. The property will be hailed with pleasure by the Scottish-Canadian Co. shareholders, who reside chiefly in Ontario. It will also mean the further expenditure of money in developing other properties. Nothing succeeds like success. A. E. Welch, the company's manager, will arrive here in a few days from London, Ont., to arrange for the season's work.

25 Feet More Tunnel on the Endora.

J. Smith and P. Nicholson left on Sunday for the Endora, one of a group of claims owned by the Lardreau-Duncan Co-operative Co., on the northern slope of the little west fork, just over the divide from Circle City, below the Old Gold property. They have a 25 ft. contract to add to the 100 ft. tunnel driven by Messrs. McMahon and Brown last winter. This local development other properties, will cross the lead, and expose at least 12 inches of high-grade sorting galena ore, which also gives good values in copper at the surface. The vein is a contact between lime and slate. A small shipment

ment will be made this season, and from now on development work will continue and the ore piled on the dump, awaiting transportation or treatment near home.

Another Strike in the Cup.

Supt D. G. McNeill of the Silver Cup, came down on Sunday and for the first time in over five months intends to take the Cup's outing, but also making it a business trip. Mr. McNeill reports still another good strike in No. 9, the lower level, having crossed the Free Coinage lead. The samples are much the same as the Cup ore and goes to add increased value to the company's property. The superintendent says they feel the need of railway transportation very much, and hopes to see the C. P. R. commence construction at the earliest possible moment. A few more men will be put to work upon Mr. McNeill's return.

Work to Commence on the Empire.

Messrs. H. and G. Leckie-Ewing of Rossland, holding interests in the Empire group, came in on Wednesday evening last. They purchased a lot on Friday and are now clearing it and erecting a house. Messrs. G. Leckie-Ewing will arrive here in a week or two. As soon as possible they will hire men and start work on the Empire group, a good supply of provisions already being at the mine. Ferguson's mill is increasing daily. With a railway there would be more shipping mines in the Lardreau than there is in the Siocan.

100 Ft. More Tunnel on the Monitor.

Tenders are now being called for the driving of 100 feet more tunnel on the Monitor, a property some five miles up the north fork of the Lardreau from Ferguson, by the managing director A. E. Welch, London, Ont. The company purpose pushing development on this property and ascertaining what they have ore showings. This 100 feet will give them about 150 feet of tunnel work. Local manager Westfall expects Mr. Welch in the camp about the first of June.

The Revenge Group.

L. Wiener and A. Evans left on Sunday for their property on Fish creek, to do an assessment work and cut a trail. The boys can ship ore right from the start.

DAILY MAIL SERVICE NEEDED.

There is Still Much Room For Improvement.

The mail now reaches Ferguson on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, coming straight through from Arrowhead on the days mentioned, and then halting the community 24 hours nearer the outside world by mail. After the Imperial Limited time table goes into effect on June 1st on the main line, mail will reach Revelstoke at a 2:30 and here at 1 p. m. a bit improvement on the old service. On account of so many people being out in the hills the petition to Postmaster Malook has been abandoned, but the necessity for a daily service is none the less prominent. A daily service, like a railway, would increase the postal department's revenue, and at the same time cause many mine managers to move here with their families. Schools, offices and other modern necessities would soon follow, and Ferguson would take front rank as a B. C. mining town. What can you do for us Mr. Hestock?

FOOTBALL PRACTICE.

On Sunday afternoon a few of the Trout Lake football enthusiasts came up to the mining center to practice with the Ferguson artists, for the purpose of selecting a team to go to Silverton on the 24th of May. If following team were chosen and a lively game ensue.

SCHURMS.

F. Holten, captain, J. Cummings, A. C. Cummins, H. Nelles, Fred. Desjardins, O. Woods, Frank Lebow, R. P. Pettipiece, C. S. Mack, Mary Pettipiece, PICK-UPS.

Fred. Bailey, captain, J. Ludo, J. J. Langstaff, A. Peel, J. Ferguson, S. Langstaff, D. Dunbar, W. Shannon, S. Shannon, J. Desjardins.
The pick-ups were 200 yds to a fair indication of the evenly matched sides. A. J. Gordon acted as referee to the entire satisfaction of all. The Lardreau team will win 'em all on the Queen's birthday.

RAILWAY WANTED

The C. P. R. is at Fault in Delaying Construction.

DEVELOPMENT IS RETARDED

Manager Didsheim Says Transportation Facilities Must Precede Tonnage—Thousands of Tons of Ore Awaiting Railway Access To Places of Treatment.

Manager I. Didsheim of the Silver Cup, arrived in the camp on Saturday evening and in company with D. G. Eaton proceeded to the banner mine on Sunday, returning in the evening. Mr. Didsheim seemed pleased with recent developments in the Cup, the new strikes being of an especially gratifying nature. Having spotted the EAGLE man the manager took him to task for his recent criticism of the company's London board management. This being the first time the EAGLE ever succeeded in extracting any information from Mr. Didsheim, we were more than pleased with the result. Mr. Didsheim says it is not the fault of their London board that the Silver Cup is not worked to its full capacity. It is the C. P. R. which is to blame. As soon as this gigantic monopoly sees its way clear to build a feeder into this camp his company will employ at least 200 men. On every ton of ore they ship they lose at least \$5 in extra transportation charges. Mr. Didsheim thinks it is the bounden duty of the railway company, who have more capital than they, to construct branches into such promising camps as this one. The transportation must come before anyone can expect to see machinery installed or any regular shipments made. The Silver Cup has thousands of tons of various grades of ore in sight, but until a railway taps the district there it will remain. The transportation must precede the tonnage in this case. Mr. Didsheim and Supt. McNeill left for Revelstoke on Monday morning.

ADDITIONAL SURVEYING.

The Townsite Assuming an Air of Business and Activity.

P. Cummins, P. L. S., is busy with two assistants, surveying and creating lots, avenues and streets the northern portion of the Ferguson townsite. He is now working on Queen avenue, one block north of Walker avenue. The next avenue north will be known as "Eagle avenue," which alone is sufficient to sell many lots in that portion of the townsite. The pretty creek coming down Vickers street and disappearing in the ground near Walker avenue, coming out again several hundred feet below and emptying into the Lardreau at the fork, is also locally known as "Eagle creek." Several lots have already been sold on Queen avenue centering around Vickers street for residential purposes. R. Howson, A. W. Foots and P. Burns & Co. have secured the corner lots on Vickers street and Walker avenue, upon which business houses will be erected this summer. W. N. Brayton will also construct a store building, with offices to let on the second floor, on the remaining corner. This, with a sidewalk from end to end on Walker street, will be a fine business centre. The town, like all western embryos, is growing west, like the proverbial young man.

A GODSEND TO THE CAMP.

The road between Trout Lake and Ferguson is now receiving attention. Engineer Lionel H. Buck came in on Friday and soon Allan Chisholm was in charge of the gang of men at work from this end. The western end of Victoria avenue is being thoroughly repaired and connected with the trunk road. The government are not doing it by halves, but very wisely making a permanent job of it, thus saving many useless dollars and giving entire satisfaction to freighters and the community generally. The road is being drained, well graded and will now have a good bottom to it. In fact the Ferguson and Trout Lake road to the Landing will soon be one of the best mountain thoroughfares in the district.

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A MESSAGE TO "GARCIA."

A Sermon for the Times—Why so Many Men Are Failures.

In the Philistine Magazine for March, 1899, appeared an article, "A Message to Garcia," by Elbert Hubbard, which has since been widely copied, and has now been issued in pamphlet form in an edition of 100,000 copies. This article, which we reproduce below in its entirety, is well worth reading.

In all this Cuban business there is one man stands out on the horizon of my memory like Mars at Perihelion. When war broke out between Spain and the United States, it was very necessary to communicate quickly with the leader of the insurgents. Garcia was somewhere in the mountain fastnesses of Cuba in an open boat where no mail or telegraph message could reach him. The President must secure his co-operation, and quickly.

What to do? Some one said to the President, "There's a fellow by the name of Rowan who will find Garcia for you, if anybody can."

Rowan was sent for and given a letter to be delivered to Garcia. How the fellow by the name of Rowan took the letter, sealed it up in an oil-skin pouch, strapped it over his heart, in four days landed by night off the coast of Cuba from an open boat where no mail or telegraph message could reach him. The President must secure his co-operation, and quickly.

The point I wish to make is this: McKinley gave Rowan a letter to be delivered to Garcia. Rowan took the letter and did not ask, "Where is he at?" By the Eternal! there is a man whose form should be cast in deathless bronze and the statue placed in every college of the land. It is not book-learning young men need, nor the power of the pen, and that, but a stiffening of the vertebrae, which will cause them to be loyal to a trust, to act promptly, concentrate their energies to do the thing—"Carry a message to Garcia."

General Garcia is dead now, but there are other Garcias.

No man, who has endeavored to carry out an enterprise where many hands were needed, but he has been worth appalled at times by the inability of the average man—the inability or unwillingness to concentrate on a thing and do it. Slipshod assistance, foolish inattention, dowdy indifference, and half-hearted work are the rule, and no man succeeds, unless by hook or crook, or threat, he forces or bribes other men to assist him; or mayhap, God in His goodness performs a miracle and sends him an Angel of Light for an assistant. You, reader, put this matter to a test: You are sitting now in your office—six clerks are within call. Summon any one and make this request: "Please look in my desk for a letter and make a brief memorandum for me concerning the life of Correggio."

Will the clerk quietly say, "Yes, sir, and go to the task?" On your life, he will not. He will look at you out of a fishy eye and ask one or more of the following questions: Who was he? Which encyclopedia?

Where is the encyclopedia? Was I hired for that? Don't you mean Bismarck? What's the matter with Charlie doing it?

Is he dead? Is there any hurry? Shan't I bring you the book and let you look it up yourself?

What do you want to know for? And I will say you ten to one that after you have answered the questions, and explained how to find the information, and why you want it, the clerk will go off and get one of the other clerks to help him in his task, and then come back and tell you there is no such man. Of course I may lose my bet, but according to the Law of Average, I will not.

Now, if you are wise you will not bother to explain to your "assistant" that Correggio is indexed under the C's, not in the K's, but you will smile sweetly and say, "Never mind, and go look it up yourself."

And this incapacity for independent action, this moral stupidity, this infirmity, of the will, this unwillingness to cheerfully catch hold and lift, are the things that put pure Socialism so far into the future. If men do not act for themselves, what will they do for

the benefit of their effort is for all? A first-mate with knotted club seems necessary; and the dread of getting "the bounce" Saturday night, holds many a worker to his place. Advertise for a stenographer, and nine out of ten who apply can neither spell or punctuate—and do not think it necessary to do so.

Can such a one write a letter to Garcia? "You see that book-keeper," said the foreman to me in a large factory. "Yes; what about him?"

"Well, he's a fine accountant, but if I send him up town on an errand, he might accomplish the errand all right, and on the other hand, might stop at four saloons on the way, and when he got to Main street, would forget what he had been sent for."

Can such a man be trusted to carry a message to Garcia? We have recently been hearing much mail in sympathy expressed for the "down-trodden denizen of the sweat-shop" and the "homeless wanderer searching for honest employment," and with all it often goes many hard words for the men in power.

Nothing is said about the employer who grows old before his time in a vain attempt to get frowny men to do what do intelligent work; and his long patient striving with "help" that does nothing but loaf when his back is turned. In every store and factory there is a constant weeding-out process going on. The employer is constantly sending away "help" that has shown their incapacity to further the interests of the business, and others are being taken on. No matter how good times are, this sorting continues, only if times are hard and work is scarce, the sorting is

done finer—but out and forever out, the prompt and unworried go. It is the survival of the fittest. Self-interest prompts every employer to keep the best—those who can carry a message to Garcia.

I know one man of really brilliant parts who has not the ability to manage a business of his own, and yet who is absolutely worthless to any one else, because he carries with him constantly the insane suspicion that his employer is opposing, or intending to oppress him. He cannot give orders; and he will not receive them. Should a message be given him to take to Garcia, his answer would probably be, "Take it yourself."

To-night this man walks the streets looking for work, the wind whistling through his thread-bare coat. No one who knows him dare employ him, for he is a regular firebrand of discontent. He is impervious to reason, and the only thing that can impress him is the toe of a thick-soled No. 9 boot.

Of course I know that one so morally deformed is no loss to be pitied than a physical cripple; but in our pitying, let us drop a tear, too, for the men who are striving to carry on a great enterprise, whose working hours are not limited by the whistle, and whose life is fast turning white through the struggle to hold in line dowdy indifference, slipshod imbecility, and the heartless ingratitude, which, but for their enterprise, would be both hungry and homeless.

Have I put the matter too strongly? Possibly I have; but when all the world has gone a slumming I wish to speak a word of sympathy for the man who succeeds—the man who, against great odds, has directed the efforts of others, and

having succeeded, finds there's nothing in it—nothing but bare board and clothes.

I have carried a dinner pail and worked for day's wages, and I have also been an employer of labor, and I know there is something to be said on both sides. There is no excellence, per se, in poverty; rags are no recommendation; and all employers are not rapacious and high-handed, any more than all poor men are virtuous.

My heart goes out to the man who does his work when the "boss" is away, as well as when he is at home. And I know that man, when given a letter for Garcia, quietly takes the message, without asking any idiotic questions, and with no lurking intention of chucking it into the nearest sewer, or of doing aught else but deliver it, never gets "laid off," nor has to go on strike for higher wages. Civilization is one long anxious search for just such individuals. Anything such a man asks shall be granted; his kind is so rare that no employer can afford to let him go. He is wanted in every city, town and village—in every office, shop, store and factory.

The world cries out for such; he is needed and needed badly—the man who can carry a message to Garcia.

Evidently Mixed.

Newspapers sometimes mix their matter in the rush to get to press. Here is an item that recently appeared in an eastern daily:

"The church was finely decorated with holly and evergreen and the altar was hidden in a wealth of flowers. Out of the recesses rose rare

troupeau plans, and from the ceiling hung fifteen western veils, which at this time of year are scarce and correspondingly dear at \$6 to \$10 per lb. There was also an active demand for choice lamb, and farmers east of the Mississippi river can probably turn up with raising and take the bride, who wore a gown of white corded silk, a creation of Worth's, with pearl ornaments.

"Then came the maid of honor, the cousin of the bride, Miss Henrietta Blower of Chicago, wearing a dress of white tulle, with diamond ornaments, and she was followed by a small bunch of Montana sheep which bleated most piously as they were driven on board and shipped to the winter hotels in Bermuda. They will there be cut en traine and slightly decollete, and after the rest of the party had reached the rail the minister turned and said impressively:

"I cannot bid more than 65 cents for state veils, but catalogues from London quote refrigerated beef at a price that will enable me to pay \$4.90 for a car of choice Indiana beaves, and hearing this there was a rush for the young married couple, and the bride fell into the arms of her father, who is known to bear a striking resemblance to a Connecticut ox weighing 1,875 pounds. The market here took an upward turn and advanced 1/2 @ 2 cents, and the guests, who numbered about 200, were served with a sumptuous dinner at the house of the bride."

Needless to say the item created a sensation.

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New Denver Ledger
We cannot find any record of Adam and Eve's marriage. As they were the original parents of all the human race, according to our learned parsons, it would appear that something should be done in the matter in order to save the world's good name.

A preacher in Kansas tried for a week to show how Christ would run a daily paper. If there is any church that would like to see how an editor would run a gospel mill they can obtain further information by addressing the editor of the paper you are reading.

A man just from Japan died in Winnipeg the other day from small pox, and caused a small epidemic of that loathsome disease in that city. The bubonic plague was introduced into Manila by the Japs. If it gets into British Columbia we cannot object owing to Imperial reasons.

A despatch from Hull says that E. B. Eddy only had \$650,000 insurance on his plant that was destroyed by fire in that city. As Eddy made his fortune out of fire he must not be disappointed in losing some of it the same way. Besides, he ought to rub along on \$650,000 until something better turns up.

Beware of little things. A dirty chimney is not of much importance and does not cause much stir if it does not catch on fire. One caught a fire in Hull last week and caused a dozen people to lose their lives, and brought 15 million dollars worth of property to an ashly end. So beware of dirty chimneys. If one was to set New Denver on fire what a calamity it would be. We cannot afford such a fire, as a loss of 15 millions would ruin the Lucernes. Better clean your chimneys and take no chances.

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A clergyman was walking through the outskirts of his parish one evening when he saw one of his parishioners busy white-washing his cottage. Pleased at these somewhat novel signs of cleanliness, he called out, "Well, Jones I see you are making your home nice and smart."

With a nervous smile, Jones, who had recently taken the cottage, ascended from the ladder and slowly walked to the hedge which separated the garden from the road.

"That's not 'xactly the reason why I'm doing of this 'ere job," he whispered, "but the last two couples as lived in this 'ere cottage 'ad twins; so I s'ays to my missus, I'll tak an whitewash the place, so as there mayn't be no infection. Ye see, sir, as 'ow we got ten children already."—Cornhill Magazine.

It is always a risky thing to base a general conclusion on a particular instance. A man was bitten by a rattlesnake down south, drank a bottle of brandy and came through all right. Next day a man in Boston won a bet of \$5 by drinking a quart of whiskey in two minutes. He died. In one case the liquor saved a life and in the other destroyed one.

It is a theory of some metallurgists that solid metals evaporate from their surface, as camphor evaporates, while remaining solid, so that were one endowed with a finer sense of smell he could smell metal at a distance.

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