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LADIES NOT ALLOWED THE RELIEF OF SWEARING

A gentleman last week wrote to The Northern News complaining of the rudeness and ignorance (as he thought) of many Cobalt people in their dealings with house-to-house salesmen (or peddlers, as busy housewives call them).

Of course, there is another side to the question. The average woman has cooking, sweeping, dusting, washing, cleaning, mending, care of children, sewing, and a thousand and one other duties requiring close care and concentrated attention. While the careful wife is engrossed in some duty or engaged in the attention-demanding work of cooking, a sharp ring comes to the door bell or an imperative knock to the door with the sub-conscious thought that there must be a very important visitor, she discovers a gentleman who is determined to sell the Life of Hon. Mr. Raney in two volumes and a half, or a patent mouse-trap that may be used as an ornament for the piano on Sunday. While she is at the door the broom burns or the baby falls out of the crib, or the blacklead cakes on the stove. It is only the inherent tenderness of woman that prevents the murder of some salesmen under some circumstances. Dozens of useless calls during a busy day will try the patience of a saint. Is it to be wondered at that they do. If woman were more human and less saint-like they would literally "slam the door in the salesman's face," instead of doing it just metaphorically. A man has the relief of a good volley of profanity and abuse. Good manners deny such relief to the ladies. Surely, then, they should be entitled to at least the privilege of a short answer and a quick retreat to the pressing duties that are calling. There are people both housewives and house-to-house canvassers, whose patience and courtesy are without limit, but the average peddler is enough of a nuisance that if he has the temerity to say anything

First to Arrive.



The first families of British settlers for Canada under the Empire Settlement Scheme disembarked from the Cunard liner Antonia at Halifax last Saturday (March 21).

EIGHTEEN CASES AT LAST WEEK'S POLICE COURT.

Last Thursday was not a specially busy day at police court, yet there were eighteen cases in all on the docket. Some of the cases were remanded to this week, including:—A man charged with the theft of a roll of bills from a room where he was alleged to have visited during the time the occupant was asleep; two young men charged with disorderly conduct, arising from a fight or beating-up on the street. A man charged with attempting to evade his boarding-house bill was remanded till called upon, having in the meantime paid part of the bill and arranged to pay the rest.

reflecting on the good manners of the ladies the average man will be so peeved that more than the door will be slammed.

There were nine drunks, each and every one of them paying \$10.00 and costs. The four charges against A. O. Vallineourt in connection with deals made for trades in pianos and gramophones were withdrawn, Mr. Vallineourt paying the costs any paying the various amounts the four complainants said they were entitled to. The case under the Master and Servants Act was also settled by Mr. Vallineourt paying the wages and costs of the case.

As usual, The Haileyburian is offering a prize of a year's subscription for the correct, or nearest correct guess, as to when the ice will go out of Lake Temiskaming this year. The Haileyburian has the records from 1893 to 1924. The earliest the ice was out of Lake Temiskaming was on April 12th, in 1910, and the latest, May 21st, in 1923. It looks as if this year would set a new record.

WESTERN TEAMS WIN THIS YEAR'S HOCKEY TROPHIES.

In amateur hockey this is a "Western" year, both the Allan Cup and the Memorial Cup going West, like the young men of Horace Greeley's time. The Allan Cup goes as far west as Port Arthur and the other trophy travels through to Regina, Sask. In referring to these two trophies The North Bay Nugget last week says:—

"It's a western year in amateur hockey, all right. Port Arthur has the Allan Cup and the Regina Patriacias hold the Memorial trophy as the result of Wednesday night's games.

"In the senior affair at Winnipeg Varsity gave a much better account of themselves than in the first game and looked like winners right up to the last ten minutes. As the cup, this year, goes to the winner of the best two in three games, the students figured that they stood a chance. But the Ports then hit their stride, staged a whirlwind attack and walked off the ice with a 3-2 victory and the cup.

"The victory of Port Arthur is, to some extent, very satisfactory to N.O. H.A. fans. Port Arthur and Soo Greyhounds played a special series of home and home games this winter, and the series ended even-Stephen, each team winning two and the total goals being the same for each team. This would tend to indicate that the Greyhounds, at their best, are about the equal of the new cupholders.

"Regina Patriacias stood out over Aura Lee in Toronto and won by 5 to 2, taking the series by a total of 7 to 3. The game was rather rough at times and there was one free-for-all fight but whenever the Patriacias took the notion, they could outskate the O.H.A. champions and they gave Stark, in the Aura Lee net, a very busy evening."

There were 225 men registered at the Employment Bureau at North Bay last week, seeking employment, but jobs were found to be scarce to non-existent."

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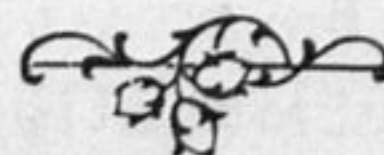
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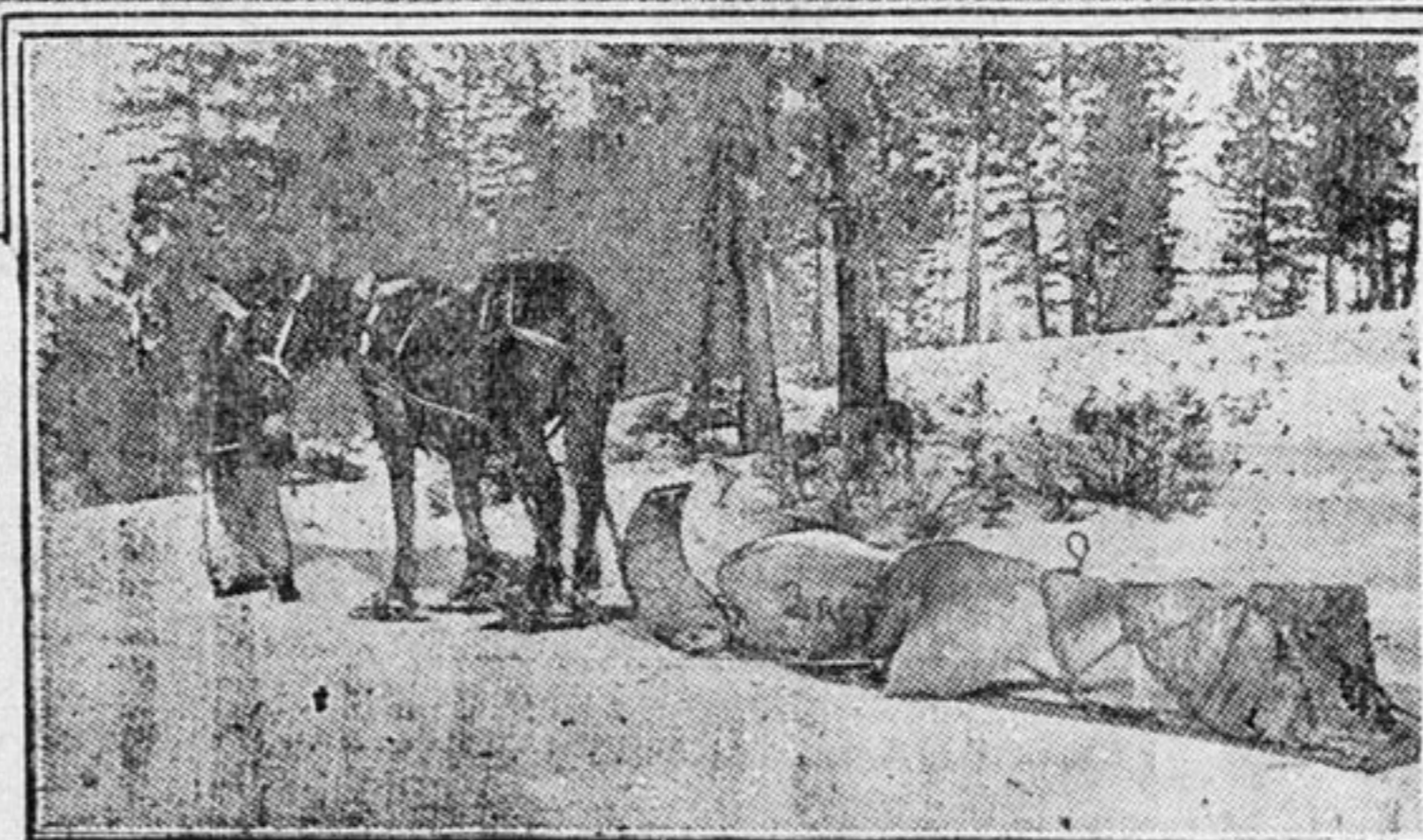
DOBBIN ON SNOWSHOES IN ROCKIES



IT looks funny and it sounds even funnier, but after all why not? It is bad enough to carry 140 pounds on two feet in deep snow. Figure for yourself what it would be like to quintuple the poundage even though it is distributed over double the human allowance of footage.

This genial idea was put into practice by Walter J. Nixon member of the Council of the Trail Riders of the Canadian Rockies and it was found to work out quite well. In the particular instance shown in the cuts, the task was to break the trail through deep snows to the Phoenix mine in British Columbia and this onerous task would have been impossible without some such device as the one depicted.

The idea of the Trail Riders Order came into being one rainy day last summer on a bed of white heather under a tent in the Canadian Rockies about 7,000 feet above sea level. There were present or nearby about 28 saddle or pack horses and 14 trail riders who had ridden or fished along the Kootenay from the Crossing to the river's unmapped source in Warfield Basin and had landed on the plateau beside Tumbling Glacier at the head of the Wolverine Pass. It was there and then decided to form the Order and buttons were awarded to those who had travelled distances on the trail from 2,500 miles down to as low as fifty miles. Among the



Taking heavy load to Phoenix Mines. Inset, Horse on snowshoes. Right Top, Country that Trail Riders Traverse.

2,500 mile button holders is Mr. Nixon.

The first Pow-Wow of the Order was held last summer in the Yoho Valley and with the co-operation of the Canadian Pacific Railway accommodation at the Bungalow Camp at Takakkaw Falls was supplemented with twenty Indian tipis and a large circular tent decorated as a Sun Dance Lodge. It was expected that 150 people would be present, but actually no fewer than 207 were counted at the inauguration. It was at this function that the bronze plaque of Tom Wilson, one of the outstanding old-time guides of the Canadian Rockies, was unveiled.

The next Pow-Wow will be held at the Bungalow Camp

after a three day (45 mile) cross-country ride from Marble Canyon on the Banff-Windermere Road. The trail to be used calls at the Vermilion Paint Pots, climbs up Tumbling Creek to the Wolverine Plateau where it connects with a new trail over the High Alps east of Helmit and Goodair, and after dropping down to Goodair Creek rises again alongside McArthur Pass to Lake O'Hara and so to Wapta. This route traverses some of the most spectacular scenery in the world.

Membership in the Order of the Trail Riders of the Canadian Rockies has increased greatly in the first year of its formation. At the August Pow-Wow there should be nearer a thousand than the 200 odd participants in the function last year.