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Searching for Gold and Jewels of Late King John

The gentle humor of W. J. Gorman, the humorous gentleman who writes the "Grab Samples" column for The Northern Miner finds ample opportunity for expression in the story of the recent search for the gold and jewels of the late King John of England, "who was drowned," as one school-boy phrased "when he was cross about the Wash." Mr. Gorman writes as follows

"The depths of human credulity have never been sounded. In the British courts they have been trying a case which involves the search for the gold and jewels of King John in The Wash, where the recalcitrant king, fleeing the wrath of the incensed barons, is historically reputed to have lost the loot of demolished monasteries at a sea

"The story begins rather more than 700 years ago when King John's train, with his gold and other possessions. were overwhelmed in the sea. In 1906 public interest was greatly stimulated in the old tradition and three Englishmen formed a syndicate to explore the site and locate the treasure. A reputable engineer was engaged, at a salary of \$10,000 a year for a period of three years, to conduct the search. The backer was an American named Boone, who had apparently plenty of money and lots of imagination. The work proceeded in a leisurely way, rights were secured to a large tract of land in



the neighbourhood of the supposed disaster: But Mr. Boone became impaient and after a year or so fell under the influence of a gentleman named Galditz, who convinced the American that he had an instrument which could accurately locate buried treasure of this sort. Gladitz was evidently a firm believer in the powers of his instru- It is very timely for the Timmins ment, which consisted largely of a branch and should be read very careneedle through a cork. "Gladitz reported to Boone that he is from The Legionary and is as fol-

had located the whole track of the es- lows:cort which carried the treasure and to but in the middle of the column he desiring it, is quite another matter. had cited a big, heavy cart which prov- "It is on this question of service to cart in the column.

British associates withdrew from the scheme altogether and Mr. Boone was

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Writing in The Northern Miner last W. J. Gorman says:-

famous property, is trying again to ideals, cannot fail to succeed." make a big one out of a little one. This time his scene of action is Birch

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That's the expression one often to relief. The time has come how- congratulations." hears in reference to the Canadian ever, when with the thought of new Legion. In times past when their fea- quarters being erected in the near fu- Further Consideration ture of The Advance was in its prime ture that something should be done and working for a membership for to give the building an official and digthe local branch much was said on nifled appearance. Several suggestions this subject. The question was often have been heard. One was to the efraised "What does the Legion stand fect that the town of Timmins should for?" When told it was "to help those provide a Memorial front. Another who could not help themselves," the was the freedom of taxes and so forth. unique!" To prove the above statement | paragraph crops up. "Can the Legion peruse the Service Bureau statistics ging 1" The correspondent of this as presented to the Dominion Govern- column hopes it can-How about it ment in the spring of this year. These Mr. Mayor and Councillors? figures show that over 65 per cent of the cases dealt with were for veterans, not members of the Canadian Legion. Again it was said:—"It certainly is unique for an organization to assist those who are in no way connected with it." but the answer given by Legion officials was:-"It is the spirit of comradeship, of the overseas days." Friend or foe, if in need during those days always got a helping hand. Illustration of this point can be seen by glancing at the official war photos available in many varied forms at the present time. Another viewpoint of this unique organization which shows in no uncertain way why every returned soldier should be a member of the Canadian Legion is given herewith.

"In order to fully appreciate the posihave found about 680 points where the tion which the Canadian Legion occarts, sumpter horses and escort lay cupies as a representative body of exburied. He said that he had discover- Service men and women, working in ed that the whole treasure train was the interests of the entire veteran body nearly ten miles long. When it came in Canada and wherever Canadian exto exact details he was no piker, either. sailors and soldiers are to be found, it The little cork and needle could tell is necessary to understand the basic things very exactly. Gladitz claimed principles on which the Legion is operthat the number of men buried was ated. It is quite an easy thing for between 800 and many thousands and anyone to join some organization, par-I that the foot soldiers lay in ranks of ticularly where no fees are collected. ten one pace apart. The mounted men But to operate an organization which, were 50 yards apart. In the rear of day in and day out gives valuable and the column he had located 24 carts effective service to all returned men

fully by all interested. The clipping

ed, after scientific analysis, to be full the unemployed and disabled war vetof gold, together with a little silver eran that the Legion is outstanding. and was twice as heavy as any other The Legion headquarters staff is fully and adequately informed as to all the "According to Gladitz he strongly disabilities suffered by ex-Service men suspected that this cart contained the and women, and on all the problems king's personal regalia, which he pro- they are likely to meet. These proposed to hand over to the present king | blems cannot be solved by simply joinof England. He had located the officer ing any kind of organization. Conin charge of the escort now lying 50 sideration must be given as to what yards ahead of the regalia. That's that organization is endeavouring to do. What the Legion is trying to do "The 24 carts in the rear of the is not to enlist the support of the uncolumn were supposed to contain employed and disabled vecrans, who, shrines, crosses, cups, etc., looted from in so many cases, cannot even support the monasteries and in the van was a themselves. It aim is to secure the number of horsemen with saddlebags membership of every ex-Service man containing ready cash to pay the army who has established himself, to secure in order to prosecute the war with the his support for an organisation which barons. When dip-needling gets down is able to provide adequate assistance that fine there is little more to be said. for those who cannot help themselves. "The upshot of this hocus-pocus was The fees collected from such members that the reputable engineer and his provide the means to do this work.

"In brief, the Legion collects membership fees from the members who can pay, for the benefit of those who cannot pay. That is the highest type of comradely service. The members of Superintendent of Hollinger the Legion seek nothing for themselves, but seek to place their resources, at the disposal of those who are less fortunweek in his column of "Grab Samples" ate. Such an organization should make a strong appeal to those who "Bill" Cooper, who was first superin- understand the spirit of comradeship

tendent of Hollinger and set up the and service as it existed overseas. Such initial Tremaine stamp mill on that an organization motivated by such

An Opportunity Everyone gets it once in a while! Lake, near Casey Summit Gold Mines, Your turn will come some day! Just on the property owned by McIntyre watch and grab while the grabbing's Porcupine. "Bill" has a royalty ar- good! Some have missed that opporrangement and has set up a Tremaine tunity and have been downhearted as a which he runs with steam power. The result, while others are just waiting crew consists of six men and a boy and and waiting! Some have been given not only do they conduct mining and opportunity to visit the North and milling operations but run a saw mill especially this part of its vast counas well. The blacksmith runs the com- try. They have failed to do so and pressor, the engineer runs the hoist, have missed a whole lot. Last year the the mill and the sawing machine. Timmins branch of the Canadian Le-"Bill" himself just sort of fills in at gion gave the president of the Ontario any old job and the boy carries water. Provincial Command an opportunity to The saw mill is quite an arrangement. visit its members; in fact a special It consists of a Ford engine and a meeting was arranged. Jules Ferry did woodcutting machine, which Cooper not grasp the chance, nor even send a ingenuity has harnessed to a rip saw. substitute. He missed the opportunity The sawyer (save the mark) tools the of a real happy evening. No doubt log along with a cranking arrangement, the same courtsy will again be extendforcing it up against the saw. They ed to the same gentleman who has for do say that they get 4,000 feet a day the third year been elected to this high out of this contraption and lumber is office. Capt. Jules Ferry, of Sudbury, worth real money back 130 miles from must be a very popular man, but again only the delegates at the Prov. Convention, the headquarters staff at Toronto and his fellow comrades at Sudbury, have had an opportunity of meeting him in person. Here's hoping he, like a lot more, will not miss this opportunity of visiting the Timmins branch. Here's hoping also that those returned men who have had an opportunity to join the Legion, so that they can be among their old comrades will not again let the opportunity slip by. Without Begging

Can the Legion, get something for itself, without begging? If this is in reference to the Timmins branch, the answer is, "yes!" The branch has taken over small premises for a club room (until such time as its permasame in an up-to-date manner, placing same, and all this without asking or begging for a nickel. That is only one point. There is much more it has done which records prove. Since its inception eight years ago the branch in Timmins has never approached the town council for any financial favours.

evening for a few days visit with the groom's mother and Mr. Thorpe. They returned north on Monday and will reside in Timmins for the present. Mrs. Bird has been a nurse in the Timmins hospital, where she completed her course of training a couple of years ago and Mr. Bird is employed at the Dome Mines. Both are popular members of the younger set in the gold mining town and their many friends extend It has done masterly work in regard

Asked for "Extension"

The newspapers of the North Land seem to be unanimous in protest

ting down on the train service to that by the reports." point comes to pass, it will be a great dis-Country. One would think that some EXTEND CONGRATULATIONS plan should be made for increasing the traffic over the line, during the The Haileyburian last week says: - summer months at least, and that it dustry in all parts of Canada will trek 'The marriage of Miss Marguerite could be made worth while as a tourist to the West this fall, and converge up- golf, will supplement the more serious Proulx, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. attraction. There are many people in on Calgary. Proulx, old residents of Latchford, to Ontario, both in the North and the The Canadian Institute of Mining | The president of the institute this Mr. William Bird, son of Mrs. O. J. South, who have perhaps planned to will be guests of the Western branches year is Mr. S. G. Blaylock, Vice-Pre-Thorpe, of this town, and the late Mr. visit the T. & N. O. terminus when in the annual Western meeting held sident and General Manager of Con-Bird, was quietly solemnized in Tim- they could spare the time and the with the Paliser Hotel as headquarters | solidated Mining and Smelting Commins on Thursday last, August 2nd, money, but who have been compelled to on September 13th, 14th and 15th. The ceremony was performed by Rev. postpone the experience. There must | Summer excursion rates and arrange- men have completed arrangements for Father Theriault at the church house, be many hundreds of tourists who ments whereby the traveller may go by the convention. A warm welcome with Mrs. George MacDonnell and Mr. | would appreciate the trip if it was giv- | one railway system and return by the | awaits not only institute men but all Frank Thorpe as witnesses, and the en a boost in the right way, and it other if he so desires, will tempt many who are interested in the mining in-

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against the proposal to curtail or dis- hotel and the branch line could be | coast with the visit to Calgary. continue service on the T. & N. O. ex- made to pay its way for a season. It The guests will be driven through answer invariably was "Well, that's Then the question commencing this tension north of Cochrane. In an edis could be closed for the winter months framous Turner Valley and will visit

torial article last week The Hailey- and the train service cut down to a Banff National Park to attend the unis true in every sense one has only to get something for itself without beg- burian had the following comment to minimum. This is the way it appeals veiling of a beautiful memorial of the to the average person and it is to be late Donaldson Bogart Dowling, a geo-"If the reported action of the new hoped that the government will give logist whose memory is cherished by Ontario Government in closing the the matter further consideration before the Institute. James Bay Inn at Moosonee and cut- taking steps in the direction indicated

young couple came to Haileybury that seems reasonable to believe that the mining men to combine a trip to the dustry of Canada.

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