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IS THIS
HONEST?

The Evening Empire, which seems determined to pursue a policy of attempting in every way possible to damage the good reputation of this city, has for a long time past been casting frequent and quite unjustifiable slurs on the quality of the city's water supply. Its latest imputation is that the Shawatlans water is likely to become polluted by the presence therein of dead salmon.

While many things, otherwise unpleasant, must be accepted as the inevitable accompaniments of controversies concerning national or municipal politics, there comes a point where a line must be drawn. Opposition may be tolerated but never treason. And any man who seeks persistently to undermine the good reputation of his city should be branded by his fellow citizens as a traitor.

In few more serious ways can a city be more seriously damaged than by having the report circulated that its water is likely to prove a source of danger to the public health. Good water is a vital necessity, which every person of any intelligence will insist upon having. To say, then, that a city has bad water is to give it the worst of advertisements.

To circulate a report of this nature without having any adequate foundation for it is to perform an action of the basest sort, worthy only of "yellow" journalism of the most depraved type. Yet this is what the Evening Empire has done. It implied that the discolora-

tion of the former water supply was a sign that it was a probable bearer of disease germs, although even the filter agents, from whom, presumably, The Evening Empire first took the idea of starting its campaign against the city water, would not venture to assert that the water contained anything really injurious, and they readily admitted that the discoloration was only due to the presence of suspended vegetable matter, which could not be supposed for any good reason to be a source of harm.

Concerning the present scare as to the contamination of Shawatlans water by dead salmon, it is absolutely unnecessary to worry, as the following statement of the city engineer will show:

"I am absolutely convinced that there is no danger from the effects of the dead salmon. Yesterday I was in conversation on the subject with Mr. Williams, chief of the fisheries department for this district, and he was quite satisfied that there would be no evil effects caused by the dead salmon and further would have no compunction about drinking the water himself."

If Sir Richard McBride didn't intend to guarantee Prince Rupert's debentures why would he be sending Hon. W. R. Ross here?

The News will give a hand-some prize for the best description of any object falling "as flat as an inflated balloon."

Why didn't the city appoint ex-Ald. Montgomery as its "physical agent?"



ON A VISIT TO HER CONDEMNED HUSBAND.

Mrs. Becker, wife of the condemned New York police captain, on her way to Sing Sing prison to visit her husband. The man with her is the brother of Captain Becker.

WELSH FEELS CERTAIN AS TO
RESULT OF HIS COMING BATTLE

HE IS ALREADY MAKING PLANS BASED ON ASSUMPTION THAT
HE WILL DEFEAT RITCHIE—SAYS WHO HE WILL
FIGHT NEXT

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 19—So sure is Freddie Welsh that he will repeat his former victory over world's champion Willie Ritchie when the pair meet in this city for their twenty round championship battle on Labor Day afternoon that he is already going ahead with his plans for future matches based on a decision over the San Francisco champion.

"I want the general public to know that if I win this title I am going to defend it every time a worthy opponent comes into view," declared Welsh. "First of all Packy McFarland can have his chance. I have already boxed him 55 rounds, being the only lightweight that has ever dared tackle McFarland. I can easily make 133 ringside, the American scale of weight, but if McFarland can do 135 at 6 o'clock, he can have the first chance at the title. Then on every holiday I am ready to defend the title before the club offering the highest price, and allow the general public to select my opponent."

"I well realize that there has been no really popular lightweight champion since the days of Battling Nelson. I want to be as popular as Bat was, and the only way to gain that popularity is to keep boxing and defending the title."

Harry Pollok, manager of Welsh, is just as certain that his charge will be the next champion and along this line is mapping out the campaign. Immediately after the battle, in the event of Welsh winning Pollok and Welsh will start for England and Wales, taking a moving film of the bout with them. They will exhibit in the British Isles, and then return to New York, where Pollok has practically accepted an offer for

a Thanksgiving Day match with McFarland, provided the latter shows any inclination to make 135 lbs. at 6 o'clock. Welsh's next bout will be Christmas Day, on the coast, and every holiday until he either retires or is defeated will see the Briton in the ring against the best of his opponents.

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Be Commenced During this
Summer

The Rocher de Boule mine is to be re-opened during the present summer and the big campaign of development which has been under advisement for some time commenced. During the past week Engineer Williams, a mining expert and assistant general manager for the Pittsmead Mine & Smelting Co., Butte, and Phil Gillis and Dr. Seivers, two of the largest stock holders in the company, have been at the mine making preparations for work to commence.

It is understood that a compressor plant will be put in this fall to be run by gasoline power and that the 1400 ft. crosscut tunnel, which was started a year ago and driven 200 feet, will be continued the entire distance. This will cut the upper vein on which the big copper showings are, at a depth of a thousand feet.

—Omineca Herald.

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REVOLVER DUEL

Editor Shot Attorney Over Small
Question

Quincy, Cal., August 20—F. G. Hall, editor and proprietor of the Plumas "National Bulletin," one of the oldest papers in Northern California, shot and killed J. A. Boyle, attorney, on Saturday night in a revolver duel. Boyle was shot through the heart and Hall was wounded in the leg. Hall's wound is thought not to be serious. The fight over the county high school between Quincy and Greenville is said to have been the direct cause of the affray.

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