

SNOW IN MOUNTAINOUS REGIONS

BRITISH COLUMBIA'S DESTRUCTIVE AVALANCHES.

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Imagine if you can the very roughest bit of nature you have ever seen, writes C. K. Perry in the Victoria Colonist, or take a newspaper, crumple it into a ball and place it on a table supported by four legs...

Rocks are torn loose, broken to atoms or ground to powder, trees uprooted and broken to pieces, logs smashed to splinters. At last a great mass of snow, which moves faster than an express train; woe be to any living thing in its way.

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PLAID AT BOLD GAME

UNIQUE SWINDLE OF MANY HUMBLE CATHOLICS.

How a Gang of Italian Rascals Reaped a Harvest by Personating the Pope.

For months past the Vatican has been the victim of a widely ramifying conspiracy involving nothing less than the identity of the sovereign pontiff himself. A syndicate of Italian swindlers has been reaping a golden harvest from the credulity of the Catholic faithful of humble station in Italy, Sicily, France, Ireland and the United States.

The man now claiming to be Leo XIII is represented to be Giovanni Piombino, the son of a once famous Italian vaudeville actress. His accomplices are stated to hold him absolutely in their power by threats of exposure, and to be systematically plundering the Vatican with the assistance of the syndicate.

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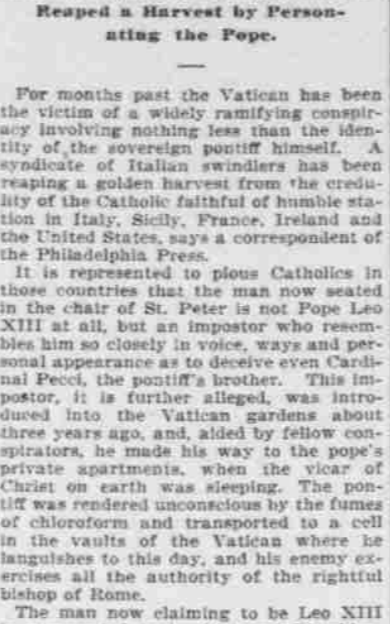
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