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The HOLIDAYS are over now, and notwithstanding the large business we did. we still have some odds and ends of the better class of useful goods remaining on hand. We have decided to have a—

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Daniels, F. N., Incubators and Plumbing
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Fisher & Sage, Real Estate
Farncis, B., Implements
Hamill, John, General Merchant
Hawkin's Bros., Butchers
Henry. M J, Nursery, Vancouver.
Lapworth, A. J., Painter
Moberly, G., Carpenter
McPherson & Holtby, Furniture and Undertaking
McDonald, J., Hardware
Murray, Geo., Meat Market
Okanagan Flour Mill, Flour, etc.
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For Sale.

I have a number of good canary birds for sale. Good singers $2.50 each.

MRS. W. HOLTBY.

LOCAL ELECTIONS

Schubert, Murray, Electric Light and Agricultural Hall Win.

Out of about 250 unalified to vote for reeve 206 were cast last Saturday. Of these 165 for August Schubert and 41 for W. S. Burnett. Mr. Schubert thus being returned by the overwhelming majority of 124.

In the Pleasant Valley ward 131 votes were cast for councillor, of which Geo. Murray received 80 and B. Francis 51.

192 property holders voted on the by-law authorizing the borrowing of $3000 for the erection of an agricultural hall, 150 being for and 42 against the proposition.

On the vote for franchise to the Armstrong Power and Light Co. 92 votes were cast against it and 101 for the granting of the franchise. thus passing the proposition by the small majority of 9.

Municipal Council Meeting.

The inagural meeting of the new council for the ensuing year was held Monday afternoon at which the newly elected councillors took the necessary declaration and began their duties as stewards of the public.

Several communications were dealt with including one from the Armstrong Electric Light and Power Co. requesting that the Council so amend their agreement as to leave the controlling of rates with the council.

A temporary loan of $30 for janitor work at the town school was granted pending the repayment by the government.

The electric light and agricultural hall by-laws were finally ratified, an agreement re rates with the electric light company to be formed later.

The appointments were made for the year as following:
licensing board, J. M. Wright, D. Graham; water commissioner, Geo. Murray; cemetery commissioner, W. T. Marshall; fence viewers. Geo. Parkinson, F. C. Wolfenden, E R. Burnett, Albert Evans.

The following bills were allowed:

J. Brooks, special constable $2.50
R. R. Burns, formaline, etc $3.50
F. Hassard, road work....$2.00
T. Hassard „ „....$2.00
Farr & McPherson, auditors, $20

Okanagan Booming.

Mr. J. R. Greenfield, Postoffice Inspector, returned on the Imperial Limited yesterday morning from an official trip to the Okanagan district. "It is simply astonishing the large number of people who are going in there to look at the country," he remarked to the News Advertiser. "The C. P. R's midwinter excursions are being run at a time when the Northwest farmer has time to spare, and most of those who take advantage of the low rates visit the Okanagan. I saw twenty persons get off the boat at Summerland the other day—and this is a very large number for this time of year."—News-Advertiser

Armstrong Determined.

Armstrong is determined to have a high school. The Superintendent of Education is opposing the scheme as far as an immediate establishment of such an institution is concerned, fearing that it would interfere unduly with the attendance at the Vernon High School.

Price Ellison, M. P. P., however, has promised to support the project and do all in his power to influence the Department of Education in the matter.—Vernon News.

THE BIG STORE

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Although we built quite an addition to our Store last fal we are still cramped and HAVE TO MAKE A SACRIFICE OF SOME LINES IN ORDER TO MAKE ROOM FOR OUR *Spring Stock* THAT HAS ALREADY ARRIVED, SO WE HAVE DECIDED TO HOLD AN

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Notices of church services and entertainments where no admission is charged inserted free. Other notices at usual rates. Cards of thanks $1.

The Advance is published in the interests of the town and district in which it exists and cordially solicits the patronage of the public.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

So much has already been said and writen about the glanders that the very mention of the disease produces a sensation which must be akin to that of nervous prostration. But however much we may have had to say in the matter, it is nothing to the feeling experienced now that the question had been brought home to us in all its horrors by the work of killing that has already begun in our immediate vicinity. The sight on Monday afternoon last of seeing seventeen beautiful animals, each looking and feeling in the very pink of condition, the whole stock and trade of the only livery in town, being led out to be shot and burned, was indeed a very pitiable sight and many women and children who happened to see the procession wept as they thought of the fate to which the noble beasts were being led. There is not an owner of a horse in the district who, in the light of the present drastic measures being taken by the government for the stamping out of the disease, does not realize the position of complete helplessness in which he will be placed if the work of killing goes on. Although it will be freely admitted the government has been very liberal in the valuation of horses that have been killed, the money received by the farmer is very inadequate to meet the great prices demanded by those having horses to ship from the western prairies or the Pacific coast and the Okanagan farmer thus confronted might well be said to be between the devil and the deep blue sea. What is even worse, the question has ceased to be one of dollars and cents and is a question of whether other horses can be had at any price. At an impromptu indignation meeting held on Monday last, at which a very large number of farmers were present it was clearly shown that unless the government took immediate steps to mitigate the loss resulting from the killing of horses the inevitable result would be the ruination of a majority of the ranchers of the district. Even with the most promising remedial legislation that might be suggested it will be several years before the bad effects of the horse killing will have passed away. We are not in sympathy with the fire-eating friends amongst us who favor retaliating drastic measures and burning members of the government, but we are in accord with any steps which might be taken to impress upon the government the urgency of taking some action in relieving the existing evil. We have no horses of our own, but if we might be permitted to offer a suggestion we would say let the government purchase good sound horses in the provinces where the disease has been stamped out and give them as substitutes for the horses being slaughtered in this province. That the government would be in a position to do so will not be doubted, as the expense to the government would not be a third of the expense it would put the individual buyer to. We have no doubt whatever that the government would be only too willing to stamp the glanders out of B. C., disinfect the province, put a brand new stock of horses in, and thus by a little extra expenditure at the time being save more in the end and it only requires that the ranchers go the right way about asking the necessary relief to secure same.

The Municipal election last Saturday closed a campaign which, while seemingly ccompanied by no more than ordinary interest, proved withall to have been conducted with more vim than has been shown in Spallumcheen elections. The candidates for reeveship were both men against whose personal characters nothing whatever could be said, each being looked up to and respected not only in the ward but in the municipality as a whole. That Mr. Burnett considerably lessened his chances of election by the stand he took on the high school question goes without saying, and while he may have had logical reasons for advocating consolidated schools or nothing,-and every man is entitled to his own opinion--yet the earnestness with which the people desired facilities for higher education for the great number of waiting pupils spelled ruin to the cause of any candidate whose opinion was not in unison with their own. His attitude also on the agricultural hall by-law, although not clearly defined, was taken to be against rather than for, and as the object of the by-law was to advance the rural rather than the town district (and not contra wise as was erroneously supposed by some) the rural vote against Mr. Burnett was the result. On the other hand Mr. Schubert,s universal popularity, advanced ideas as to the requirements of the municipality, and above all, his recognized desire to create and maintain a friendly feeling between the town and rural population was the cause to a great extent of his pronounced victory.

The feeling of antipathy against the action of the government in slaughtering the horses of the district in the eradication of alleged chronic glanders is apparently at its highest and a few of more radical temperament would advocate extreme measures for the checking of the present course of the authorities. A public meeting has been called for tomorrow afternoon at which it is proposed by the anti-destruction element to adopt some measures that will bring about a halt in the killing of the horses. Whether any thing can be done at this meeting is doubtful—in fact it is probable that any action it can take will have no effect, since the same attemps have proved futile in Vancouver. The government veterinary department has every confidence in the reliability of the mallein test and is persistent in its determination to destroy all animals that fail to pass this diagnosis. Certain it is that the present method will have a serious effect on the country. If horses which are to all outward appearance in good health and are able to work for years are to be slaughtered while the farmers have no means of replacing them, or would not be safe in doing so, there will result a disastrous effect to the production of the district for the coming season and many people will be robbed of practically their only means of support. It is to be earnestly hoped that some better method may be established, if any such exists.

Three years ago a few citizens with perhaps more enterprise, and certainly with more confidence in the future of the municipality, than the ordinary citizen, formed themselves into an electric light and power company. After a thorough investigation of the power which can be developed from the water of Davis creek, steps were taken to record the water rights and procure a charter whereby the company might be enabled to carry their ideas to a practical conclusion. The franchise granted them last Saturday by the municipality was another very important step toward the completion of their arrangements. With an almost unlimited water power right, backed up by a franchise granting it rights and privileges the value of which is inestimable, the company is now in a position to place its stock on the market, together with a prospectus unsurpassed by that of very few chartered companies of the province. That the electric light part of the proposition will be a paying one is admitted by all. As to the question of telephones, telegraphs and tramways one has but to compare the possibilities of the Okanagan valley,and this part of it in particular, with other places where enterprises of this kind have proved so successful to realize just what the company have to offer intending purchasers of stock. No district in the Dominion—not excepting that through which the Niagara-Hamilton road runs—can compare with the Okanagan in its capabilitiy for affording business in an industry of this kind. We think, however, that the present directors of the company should as far as possible endeavor to confine the sale of stock to local investors and guard against letting the franchise and water right pass into the hands of a corporation whose sole consideration would be for their own interest regardless of the interest of the people of the municipality.

The condition of the municipal finances as shown by the report submitted to the annual meeting reflects creditably on the management of the municipal affairs for the past year and augers well for the continued prosperity of the municipality. When the amount of expenditure on the roads is taken into consideration, together with the other expenditures, the ratepayers way well feel that they are getting most satisfactory returns for the present comparatively low tax rate. An important item in connection with the municipal report is the Armstrong waterworks. This department shows a balance on hand of $1047, over and above the amount paid for interest and sinking fund. With the revenue steadily increasing through a growing demand for water service, conditions would appear to be favorable for putting in an enlarged main in the not distant future, in which case there will be even many more connections made with the system.

Communications.

The Slaughter of Horses.

We are now being subjected to the hardest blow ever given us, in fact quite enough to knock us out of business—the slaughter of our best and all good horses is still going on and from present indications when the government vets get through we shall have no good horses left in the valley. It seems to be the invariable rule that only the more worthless animals escape in the the present process of destruction. For instance, there were tested in Armstrong two horses, one of which has been going on three legs for the past six years and the other runnng at the nose for two years so that the owner was afraid to come in contact with it. These horses satisfactorily stood the fatal test. In a neighbor's barn eleven horses that were a credit to the enterprising man who owned them were condemned and shot. Yet this man took Dr. Tolmie to his barn to see one that he thought might carry the disease to the balance, and because of the many symptoms of glanders shown by this horse he was ordered to use every precaution lest it should give the disease to the remainder—still this animal and one or two others of comparatively little little value are left to adorn the stable.

The owner was told that those condemned might have lived fifteen years. Now this is a serious matter when they come to a farming community. What are the farmers going to put in their crops with? I see nothing for it if the government persists in killing our horses but ruination to the district.

There has never been a horse die with glanders in this section and there seems no way of proving how many years the alleged disease has been here. To my humble mind we never would have known anything about it had the authorities turned their attention to some nobler pursuit. The owners are not afraid of catching glanders and I think some steps should be taken to stop this slaughter of our horses.

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B. FRANCIS, Auctioneer.

The Song of Shawondasee

Adapted from H. W. Longfellow by a Shortfellow.

Respectfully Dedicated to the Newly-Elected Municipal Reeve.

Should you ask me whence this legend
Of a land of rain and sunshine
Of a land of hills and valleys,
Land of forests and of prairies,
Peaceful lakes and mountain riv'lets,
Land of plenty and of pleasure,
Massive grainfields and of orchards,
Of good roads and trusty bridges,
Of strong men and pretty maidens,
Men famed for their careful farming,
Famed for wisdom in their councils,
Famed for keeping down the taxes,
Spending wisely hard earned money,
Entrusted to them by their people,
I should answer, I should tell you
That the song is not a legend—
That it is a truthful story,
Of a certain rural district,
In the Okanagan Valley—
Land of the great big red apple,
Land of prunes and pears and peahes—
Of a district large and wealthy,
Rich in fruits and other products,
Rich in land and other specie,
In Otter Lakes and Pleasant Valleys,
Salmon River and mighty Deep Creeks,
With town of Armstrong for its centre,
Where the people do their trading,
Where the council hold their pow-wows,
Where the big chiefs are elected.
In this distrct that I sing of,
Spalumcheen, the banner district,
Banner distribt of the Valley,
Lives the chieftain of this story,
Lived this chieftain from his childhood,
Shawondasee, the warm south wind.

* * *

In the first years of the sixties,
Shah-Shah, years long since departed,
Came the parents of this chieftain,
Parents of this Shawondasee,
From the country of the Mohawks,
From the land of Brants and Hurons,
Through the land of Cree and Blackfoot
Through the land of Sioux and Sarce,
O'er the Manitoba Prairies,
O'er the Rocky Mountain ranges,
O'er the summer snow capped Selkirks,
Down the madly rushing waters
Of the Fsaser and the Thompson
Came the papoose with his parents,
Came this papoose Shawondasee
From the land towards the sunrise,
To the land towards the sunset,
From the land of the Algonquins
To the land of the Nic-ko-las,
To the land of the Okanagans—
To the Okanagan Valley,
To the Spallumcheen, the banner distict
Here was cradled Shawondasee—
Known at that time as Augustus—
Cradled in a cot of birchbark,
Peeled from birchwood in the forest,
Cradled same as Hiawatha.
Here from childhood unto boyhood,
Grew the strapping youth Augustus,
Grew the chieftain Shawondasee.
Here the youthful Shawodadsee,
Learned the customs of the people,
How they made their homes to dwell in,
Built their cabins out of pinetrees,
Covered them with shakes of cedar,
How they cleared the fields from out the forest,
Fenced them round with rails of cedar,
Planted wheat and oats in season,
Reaped the golden grain in autumn,
Reaped the hay from off the meadow,
Stored it safely for the winter
Learned to get their food from nature,
Make the rivers, lakes and forests,
Contribute to the well-stocked larders,
Hunted in the woods for roebuck,
Staked the larders well with mowich,
With the rabbit, the wabasso,
With the back bear, mishe mokwa,
Used their firs to stock their wardrobe,
Trapped the otter, fox and beaver,
Used their furs for making headgear.
Used their fat for making candles;
Shot the great wild goose, the wawa,
Shot the grouse, the muskodasa,
Shot the heron, the shu-shu-gah,
In the muskoday, the meadow,
Shot the chetowaik, the plover,
Shot the sheshebwug, the duckling,
Used the feathers for their pillows.
Thus was taught the young Augustus—
Taught the use of things surrounding.

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As unto the bow the cord is,
So unto the man is the woman,
Though she bends him, she obeys him,
Useless each without the other—
So thought youthful Shawondasee,
Shawondasee, the warm south wind.
Pining for the love of woman
All the same as Hiawatha.
Through the homes of the Nic-ko-las,
Through the cabin of the stranger,
O'er the the trails to the Grand Prairie,
Up the waters of the Deep Creek,
Down the shores of Otter Laklet,
Went the pining youth Augustus,
Went in search of comely maiden,
Who' would share a cabin with him,
Came into the Pleasant Valley,
Pleasant vale of Okanagan,
Where like pining Hiawatha,
Shawondsee found a maiden,
Found her living with her father,
Near the edge of Pleasant Valley,
Near the Knobby Hill of Ful-ton,
Found her walking through the meadow
Through the muskoday, the meadow,
Where the robin, the Opechee,
Where the blue bird, the Owaisa,
Sing their songs and do their wooing,
Woo their mates and feed their nestlings.
In the vale of birds and flowers,
Walked this youth with comely maiden,
Walked the youthful Shawondasee,
With the comely Minnehaha—
Shawondasee, the warm southwind,
Minnehaha, laughing water—
Like the robin, the the Opechee,
Like the bluebird, the Owaissa,
Built their cabin in the meadow,
In the muskoday, the meadow,
In the meadow reared their children,
Taught them in the art of ranching,
How to ride and drive the mustang,
When and how to milk the cattle,
How from milk to make good butter,
Sent them to the country schoolhouse,
To the nearest village church,
There to get an education
In the higher realms of learning.

* * *

Thus the childhood, thus the boyhood
Of the young chief Shawondasee,
Spent in pleasure, spent in learning,
Spent in wooing and in working,
Found him strong and wise in manhood,
Found him chosen by his people,
Chosen by them for their chieftain,
Chosen chiefly for his wisdom,
For his wise and honest actions,
For good judgement in the councils,
For his strict impartial rulings,
For his peaceful patient labor
Of drawing all men close together,
All the people of his district,
Of the town and rural districts.
Thus was wise old Shawondasee,
Honored much by all his people.

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As all good is fought by badness,
As all light is fought by darkness,
So success is fought by envy,
Thus it was with Shawondasee,
The wise chieftain of the people.

* * *

From the Manitoba prairies,
From the land of snow and blizzard,
From the home of Sioux and Blackfoot,
Like the fierce Kabibonokka
Issuing from his lodge of snowdrifts,
Came Iagoo, the great boaster,
He the marvelous storyteller,
He the agent and the talker,
He the mighty wagon-seller,
Came Iagoo the great boaster,
To the land of rain and sunshine,
To the Okanagan Valley,
To the Valley's banner district,
To the home of Shawondasee,
The wise chieftain of the people;
Came and lived among the people,
Sold them wagons, plows and harrows,
Told them how to plant mondamin,
Corn, the friend of man, maudmin;
Told them how in the great west land
On the Manitoba prairies,
He and Hiawatha planted
Many bushels of mondamin,
Told them Hiawatha's story,
How he came to get the patent
On the corn and on the planter,
How the patent was disposed of
To the Massey-Harris company.
Thus he boasted of his greatness,
To this simple minded people,
Boasted of his mighty knowledge,
Of his wisdom in the councils,
In the councils of his people.
Gitchie Manito, the mighty,
Had sent him to be their chieftain.
He, Iagoo, the great boaster,
Would slay this Shawondasee,
Be to them a mighty chieftain,
Give them wagons for to ride in
Through the palisades of pinetrees,
Build them roads of sand and sawdust,
Roads on which to do their hauling.
Thus he turned their hearts toward him,
From Shawondasee turned thom.

* * *

Then the chieftain Shawondasee
Made him ready for the encounter,
Took his war club, puggawaugun,
Cried aloud and spake in this wise:
"Hark Ye men of Okanagan,
You who from me have departed,
I will thresh this boastful talker,
Thrash him till his legs wont hold him—
This Iagoo, the great talker!"
Then he took his trusty war club,
Wiped the earth with his opponent,
Turned disdainfully upon him,
Spake disdainfully in this wise:
"Iagoo, you are a cowaad!
And no brave as you pretended!
In street corners you go bragging,
Do your talking in the warerooms,
In the warerooms of the village,
You disgrace our tribe by talking,
Like a wretched shaugodaya,
Like a cowardly old woman!
Big words do not smite like war cluds,
Boastful breath is not a bow string,
Taunts are not as sharp as arrows,
Deeds are better far than words are,
Actions mightier than boastings!
Hasten back O Shaugodaya,
Hasten back among your wagons!"
"Hi-aw-ha!" replied the people,
"Way-a-way!" replied the chorus,
"We are tired of old Iagoo,
Tired of old Iagoo's stories,
Honor be to Shawondasee,
Cried the young men and the old men.
With a shout exclaimed the people,
"Honor be to Shawondasee!
Call him no more Shawondasee!
Call him big chief Gus from Gumbo!
And hereafter and forever
Shall he hold supreme dominion,
Over all the municipality,
Over all its wards and districts!
Call him no more Shawondasee,
Call him Gus from Gumbo Meadow!"

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Thus the hearts of all the people
Were once more with Shawondasee,
With their wise and honest chieftain,
Shawondasee, the warm southwind,
Till a great and learned councillor,
Set himself up as a leader
From his wigwam on the hill side.
High above the Salmon River,
Hailed the people through the Valley,
Through the Salmon River Valley,
Told them of his mighty wisdom,
Told them of his college learning,
What he knew about a high school,
Of a graded school for children,
How a people should be governed,
Governed by the district rulers,
How the children could be learned,
So that they could be great scholars;
How that this could be accomplished,
Without spending hard-earned dollars.
How that he would build the trunkroads
With their many branching side roads,
How that this could be effected
Without paying any taxes.
How that he, the mighty west wind,
Mudjekeewis, the great west wind,
Could perform these mighty wonders
By the use of his great windbag,
How the Gitchie Manito, the mighty,
Had selected him for chieftain—
Gitchie Manito, the mighty,
From his hill on Otter lakelet,
Gitchie Manito, the father
Of this simple minded people,
Father of all the winds of heaven,
And on earth all that is windy,
Even the great and mighty whirlwind.
Gitchie Manito had granted
All this power, to Mudjekweeis,
Mudjekeewis, the great west wind,
Bestowed all his heaven born virtues.
Thus was turned this simple people
Once again from Shawondasee,
Shawondasee, the mild southwind,
Who had heard his people murmur,
Murmuring for a stronger chieftain
Who would blow away all taxes
And remove from them their burdens.

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Then the old chief Shawondasee
Called before him all his people,
Called them from the many districts,
To the council chamber called them
And in this wise did address them:
"O my councillors, O my people!
I have heard your mournful groaning,
Groaning under heavy taxes,
Heard you calling for a chieftain
Stronger chieftain who will lead you.
Who will ease your burdens for you.
Will Iagoo, the great boaster,
Who still talks of his great prowess,
Will he come and touch my war club,
Touch my war club, Puggawagun?"
"Kago! Kago! do not touch it"
Cried his true friends to Iagoo.
"Akaween! betcher life I will not!"
Promptly answered old Iagoo;
Will the Mama, the red-headed,
Red-headed wise old butcher,
Touch my war club, Puggawaugun,
War club of great Shawondasee?"
"Ka-go! Ka-go! do not touch it."
Cried the true friends of old Mama.
"Akaween! no indeed I will not!"
Quickly answered the old councillor.
"Will this blower, Mudjekeewis,
Mudjekeewis, the great west wind,
Dare to touch your chieftain's warclub,
Touch Shawondasee's Puggawagun?"
Then the mighty Mudjekeewis,
Mudjekeewis, the great west wind,
Said, "Maun! Oh Maun! is this is a challenge
To a great and wise magician?
I will fight this Shawondasee
For the goodwill of the people!"
Then the old chiefain Snawondasee
Took the west wind, Mudjekeewis,
Bounced him up and down on Knob Hill,
Ducked him in the Otter lakelet,
Dragged him up the Pleasant Valley,
Threw him on his head in Deep Creek.
Then returning to the Valley,
To the chambers of the council'
Shawondasee the old chieftain,
Received the homage of his people.

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Thus the power of Shawondasee
Was forever now established.

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Perhaps this song of Shawondasee
Will to some be quite familiar,
How his wisdom and his greatness,
How his pleasures and his sorrows,
How his enemies and his true friends
Are but the same as many others.

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The Okanagan Creamery

Annual Shareholders' Meeting. Prospects Favorable for Current Year.

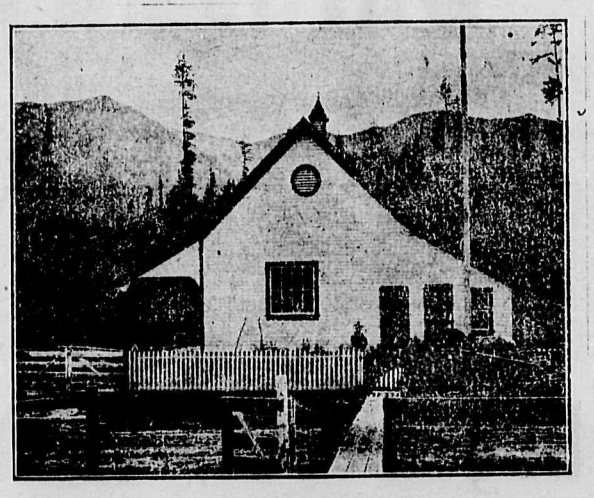
The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Okanagan Creamery association was held last Saturday afternoon in the office of the Okanagan Flour Mills and notwithstanding the contra attraction of the municipal election a good attendance was present. The usual reports were presented and adopted, showing the institution to be in a more prosperous and encouraging condition than at any previous time of its existence. While the output for the past year has not been as large as it should have been yet it showed a substantial increase over that of of the previous year. The product of the creamery had found a liberal demand and at times the company had been unable to supply all customers. No complaints had been received against the quality of the butter with the exception of one churning which was tainted with turnip flavor, which was accounted for by the condition of cream delivered by some of the patrons. Buttermaker Christian suggested certain improvements in the cold storage system which in his opinion would enable him to hold the butter for the higher market in a more satisfactory condition. It was voted to have the suggested improvements made in the plant.

Discussion of matters looking to the interests of the creamery were freely indulged in by a number of the shareholders, including Geo. Heggie, A. L. Fortune, Donald Graham, Chairman Parkinson, W. P. Horsely and others. The sentiment expressed by all was for more unanimity among the people of the district in a determination to make the creamery the success it should be. Under conditions in the past the output has been too small to enable a surplus to be realized over the expense of operation. This could be overcome by an increase in patronage. Present indications, however, are favorable for a realization of these conditions. Many new patrons are in sight for the coming year, while the present patrons are largely increasing the number of cows.

An expression of the highest degree of satisfaction with the present buttermaker came from the shareholders present, and Buttermaker Christian was complimented for the excellent showing he had enabled the creamery to make during the past nine months in a financial way, while the quality of the butter turned out had met with no complaints.

The election of directors resulted in the choice of Geo. Heggie, Mel McNair, August Schubert, M. Levar, W. P. Horsely. With a directorate of such representative and enthusiastic shareholders the creamery should make an even better showing during the ensuing year.

The following is an extract from the auditor's and secretary's statement for the past year:



Total amount of butter manufactured, pounds	23,936.
Total number of inches cream bought	23,014.
Increase over receipts of previous year, (8 per cent) pounds	1,822.
Cost of gathering cream	$ 576.50.
Paid patrons of creamery	4529.02.
Butter milk sold	43.50.
Salaries paid to employes	910.00.
Average price of butter sold during the year	.27.
Average price per inch paid for cream	.21.
Total cost of manufacturing 23,939 pounds of butter	2054.22.

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Local and General

Items of General Interest.

Weather more like April than January.

Enderby Orangemen are giving a regalia ball on February 2.

Mrs. T. Hill, of Kelowna, is a guest of Mrs. J. and Miss L. J. Crozier.

F. B. Whiting left Saturday for a few days visit to Victoria and Vancouver.

Wedding bells are expected to be ringing in our midst again in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Stewart returned on Tuesday to their home in Vancouver, after spending some weeks here.

R. E. Wheeler and Basil Gardom were among the Enberby contingent down to the Oddfellow's ball Friday night.

E. C. Simmons and Basil Gardom, provincial constables, were in town Friday looking up some matters in connection with the death of Johnny Nicola.

A. E. Maundrell and wife arrived from Revelstoke Monday, and are this week taking up their residence on his recent purchase, the Pickford place.

Mrs. E. R. Woods and daughter, Miss Gertrude, of Grande Prairie, spent a few days the last of the week visiting friends here and took in the Oddfellows' ball.

J A. Jamieson, of Lacombe, Alta., came in on Fridays train for a short time to be spent in looking over conditions, with a view of settlement here.

A few comparative cold days the latter end of the week was followed this week by a period of very mild weather, and we are again enjoying typical Okanagan temperatures.

We print six pages this week. This is what we hope to do regularly when—when the ADVANCE has the whole newspaper support of the town. We will then give the people of Armstrong the best local paper in the Okanagan.

Geo. Bowness returned Friday from Morningside, Alta.. where he has spent the past three months looking after business interests. He has now disposed of his interests there, however, and will henceforth apply his energies to this section, where he is now deeply interested.

B. Francis Monday morning with a crew of men, began the construction of a new business block on his property. The dimensions of the new building are 20 x 50 feet and will be used as a jewelry store. Thus does the town continue to grow and prosper even during the quiet winter months.

Johnny Nicola, or Johnny Cabbage, as more familiarly known, a well-known Indian of the district, died suddenly at the home of Isaac Harris near Larkin last Thursday evening two hours after having been in town. The Indians had been drinking freely and in a little scuffle that ensued Harris is said to have struck the deceased a couple of heavy blows over the heart, shortly after which his death occurred. An inquest was held Saturday, the verdict being death from heart failure.

Miss Ida Cambie and Miss Tatlow, of Vancouver, sister and niece of H. B Cambie, of the Bank of Montreal, are registered at the Okanagan, as guests of Mr.Cambie. The young ladies are delighted with the snow and the opportunity for sleigh riding. Needless to say Harry's driving horse is working full time—but then it is already pretty well accustomed to that sort of thing. The worst feature for the ladies is that the animal always wants to go in one direction, thus preventing the visiting ladies from seeing the whole of the surrounding country.

W. J. Risk, of McMaster & Son. spent Sunday here.

All dancers are reminded of the ladies guild ball next Wednesday evening.

George Smith returned on Friday from his visit to the old home at Renfrew, Ont.

The town band has revived after a lapse of a few months' rest. It is expected the band will be better than ever.

T. C. Gray, John Hamil, C. T. Daykin and B. Francis were a quartet of merchants who visited Vernon on business Tuesday.

The Armstrong hockey team expects to go to Enderby to show the "boys" of that town how to play the game soon—providing the ice does not get too soft.

The balmy weather of the past few days has been very like that of spring. Our sleighing is threatened unless another fall of snow comes soon.

A surprise dancing party was held at the home of Harry Harding, east of town Tuesday night, ot which a large number of young people of the district enjoyed a very pleasantly-spent evening.

Joe Cass is fulfilling a contract of something over forty head of dressed hogs for Pat Burns at Revelstoke. Among those brought in the past week was one which dressed 447 pounds, the largest hog to our knowledge shipped from here this season.

H. P. Lee, the Vernon real estate man, was here Wednesday. A little excitement was occasioned during his stay here by his horse getting away, taking with it a log to which it was hitched. The animal was captured before any damage was done.

At the request of a delegation of farmers, who waited on the council Monday, Reeve Schubert has called a public meeting for tomorrow afternoon for the purpose of considering means of inducing the government to discontinue the present crusade against horses. The meeting will be held in the lower portion of the I. O. F. hall, at 2:00 o'clock.

W. T. Jackson, travelling agent of the Vancouver Province, spent several days in town, spending Sunday here and taking in the municipal elections Saturday. Mr. Jackson expressed himself as surprised at the large gathering of farmers and the unusual interest taken by them in municipal affairs. He also expressed himself as charmed with the climate and other inducements this particular part of the valley offered intending landseekers. If Mr. Jackson is taken up wtth our district now he should see it in summer.

Jasper N. Hughes, who recently disposed of his ranch and cattle in the Fraser valley, has completed all arrangements for building on and stocking the well-know Norris ranch near town, which he purchased last week. Mr. Hughes was born and raised in Wales, but has up to a year or so ago been engaged in the tea raising industry in India. During his brief sojourns here he has already formed a large acquaintance of friends. Being of the canny going Welsh kind, he took his own time in driving throughout the country and seeing for himself the different qualities of the soil and choosing that which was best adapted for the purpose for which he desired it—that of dairying and fruit raising. That he exercised good judgement in choosing the land adjoining Davis creek will be freely admitted, and as Mr. Hughes is a practical, rather than a theoretical farmer, we may expect to see the old ranch loom up as it always has done, as one of the best dairy ranches in the district.

W. Warren, of Treherne, Man., is a guest of his relatives here.

Our weather conninues typical of the Okanagan; cool and bright.

Logging is temporarily stopped on account of the breaking up of the roads.

Walter Robinson, of Enderby, was here yesterday taking orders for tree pruning.

A. E. Armitage has been confined to his room the past week by a severe case of grip.

Dr. J. G. M Sloan and A. B. Agar, of Owen Sound, Ont., have been among the prospective settlers in tow of our real estate agents the past week.

The report reached town the first of the week that small pox was prevalent at the head of the lake. Upon investigation the report was learned to be without foundation.

James E. Stephens, Gault Bros.' popular traveller, was among the commercials in town this week. Jimmie says he has no girl here, but likes to spend Sunday in Armstrong whenever he can do so.

Two young men of the district report having encountered a cougar one night the past week—they avow too that they were not gazing down the neck of a bottle and could not have been mistaken.

F. E. Hand, D. H. C. R., of the Independent Foresters, was here on an official visit Wednesday night. A good attendance of the members of the local court were out and enjoyed an interesting address by Mr. Hand.

Sixteen Horses Shot and Burned.

Veterinary Inspector Jermain, working under Inspector Tolmie in the present crusade against glanders, arrived here last Friday and proceeded at once to an inspection of Murray's livery and feed barn. Out of fourteen horses owned by Mr. Murray eleven were condemned on the first test, while the remaining three were placed in quarantine, to be retested at the end of a couple of weeks. On Monday afternoon the eleven horses from Mr. Murray's barn, together with five brought down from Enderby, were led out to his farm and there shot and cremated. The horses destroyed included the best animals in the barn, to all outward appearances in good health and feeling good, and naturally there was a feeling of deep sadness at the sight of their being led out for slaughter. Before allowing them to be killed the "boys" of the barn lined up the faithful animals and secured a good photograph of them. Inspector Jermain is now working at Enderby, where he is finding a large number of infested animals, and will return here in two weeks to test the balance of the horses of the neighborhood.

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The Oddfellws' Annual Ball.

The fourth annual ball of Coronation Lodge No. 48, I. O. O. F., last Friday night proved one of the most successful functions from a social point of view yet held in town

The attendance was not so large as on some previous ocassions, yet what was lacking in numbers was made up by the added enjoyment rendered possible to those present by the hall not being overcrowded. About ninty couples participated in the dance and the spacious dancing floor was the scene of revelry from the opening dance at 9:00 o clock till the twenty eight dances on the well arranged program had been gone through with. The hall was exceptionally well lighted by means of gasoline lamps and appropriately decorated and with the many and varied beautiful costumes of the ladies as they swiftly glided the floor the scene was one much to be admired. An important feature in adding to the enjoyment especially of the strangers was the manner in which the reception committee attended to their duties in seeing that all who desired to engage in the dance were enabled to do so, while those not so inclined were made to spend the time pleasantly in friendly chat and social intercourse.

The music furnished by the orchestra was freely admitted to be the best ever provided in the town and even pronounced by some to be the best given in the valley. The supper, catered to by Mrs. Shary, met with the satisfaction of all, and none were stinted in their supply of the good things provided for the occasion. Geo. Wyatt as prompter and manager of the hall did his part in keeping the dance going, and it is significent to say that nothing but the best behavior prevailed. The desire of the members of the lodge was to make the affair one of pleasure to all present without regard to the financial results of the event, and in this respect they may surely feel that their efforts were crowned with success.

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Estray.

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D. MATHESON.

Name Wanted.

If the party who wrote for quotations and information on nursery stock from Hull Car, under date of January 16th, and mail the letter at Armstrong, will kindly send his name we will be pleased to answer it.

M. J. HENRY.

Notice to Boys.

The boys who disturbed the Epworth League meeting on Wednesday evening of this week are hereby notified that the law imposes a severe penalty for such an offence, Although some of the boys are known no notice will be taken of this, provided no further disturbance occurs. The disturbance referred to occured outside of the church.

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Churches

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Divine Service will be held every Sunday as follows: Armstrong, 11 a.m.; Knob Hill, 3 p.m.; Enderby, 7.30 p.m.; Sunday School at 2.30 p.m.—Rev. A. N. Miller, Pastor.

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Election Aftermath

A Few Random Observations on the Late Municipal Campaign.

The election of councillors, from the fact that those in the rural wards were returned by acclamation, may have seemed to be unattended by enthusiasim. Such, however, was not the case, as in each ward was great interest shown, and although no poll was required the choice of representative in he repective wards was made only after the merits of each were considered to the fullest and the names of the best men submitted for election. If, however, any lack of interest was observable in the selection of representatives from the rural wards, it was more than compensated for in the heated conflict waged between ex-Councillors Murray and Francis to carry the town ward. Each had served in the council previously and consequently an opportunity had been given the people to judge the merits of each. Mr. Murray it would appear had made thebetter impression from the result on polling day. It would be unfair to Mr. Francis however, to say that the vote was a true indication of the personal popularity of the candidates, for unfortunately the town "Jonah" had espoused his candidacy for reasons actuated purely by spite towards the other candidate. "He who lies down with dogs gets up with fleas" and while Mr. Francis avows that the flea uninvited simply lit on his ear and roosted there, the fact remains that the people were influenced by the impression and voted accordingly. We can only regret the existence of possibilities of this kind, as no matter how much personal ill-feeling may exist between a man and his fellow man he has no right to introduce the same into the affairs of a community of people who neither know nor yet care about their personal squabbles.

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The election by acclamation of the same water commissioners as in 1905 was no doubt due in a great measure to the eagerness with which the above mentioned "Jonah" wished to see the commissioners opposed.

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Messrs Armstrong, Burns and Armitage were elected fire wardens unopposed. That the people were wise in chcosing these three merchants whose all is wrapped up in their buildings and stores, and who from a yersonal standpoint are directly interested in protecting the property of the town will be acknowledged by every elector.

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Not the least amusing of the election happenings was the universal surprise expressed at the result of the vote on the electric light by-law, and that too by men who had voted for the same. Our townsman, Geo. Wallace, who was one of the number, explains the whole thing by telling the story of a Jewish Rabbi and his congregation. An agreement was arranged by the members of the synagogue whereby each was to bring a bottle of the best wine and empty it through the bunghole of a cask arranged to to receive the precious liquor. When each had gone his way and the expectant Rabbi had opened the barrel his expectant gaze was turned to one of surprise, for the the barrel was full of the purest of water, each donator having evidently thought that one bottleful of water would make no perceptible difference in the taste of the wine.

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All's well that ends well, and Hartwell will do well if he looks well after the interest of his ward in the proceedings that will soon be taken to end the controversy of the Bennett creek ditch. In which case a certain dry goods clerk will exclaim "well! well!"

The expression on the face of some of the ratepayers at the close of the poll reminded us of the "There's a week's wages gone" look we have often seen on the face of the man who thought he knew just which shell the pea was under.

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"Dad" Leduc may possibly think he has been relegated to the camp of the "hasbeens" but we hope he may attend the annuel nominations for many years to come. Wisdom that comes of long experience is a virtue highly to be prized, and if the influx of aspiring orators necessarily limits the time for speaking at public meeting it is not to be assumed that the time cannot be given in listening to the opinions of those whose long residence in the neighborhood has well fitted them to judge what the requirements of the neighborhood demand

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The attitude taken by the people on the electric light franchise by-law would indicate that they are not yet prepared to accept the advanced ideas that must inevitably follow in the wake of settlement and growing population of a community. A few years ago the sight of a vehicle being propelled along the bush roads by other than horse or ox power would have created a feeling little short of consternation and even at this date it is difficult to persuade the average rancher that the time has arrived when he may step into a palace electric car, pile his potatoes on the back platform, push the basket of eggs under the seat, hang the chickens over the bell rope, light his pipe and in a few minutes be landed, together with his baggage in the centre of his market town. Mr. Leduc's argument at the nomination, the points of which were well taken, clearly indicated that the granting of the franchise was not considered by the ruralites as affecting their immediate interests but rather the interests of those to whom they would bequeath the rights and privileges now held by themselves. The by-law carried by the narrow majority of nine, and when it is considered that the people of the town, who are unanimous in wanting electric light, would naturally vote for the by-law it is evident the ruralites took the view already stated.

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As was expected, the agricultural hall by-law was carried by a very large majority, and the much talked of hall (or as some were pleased to term it, skating rink) is an assured addition to the real estate of the municipality. The building will be welcomed by the people of the town as much as by those in the country, for who is there in the town who does not realize that the interest of the ranchers are identical with those of his own? It is hoped that no time will be lost in carrying the plans to completion and that the agricultural association will at once take steps to secure a show for the coming fall that will not only be in keeping with the new hall but will prove a standing advertisement of the riches of the Okanagan valley, and of this part of it in particular.

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Reeve Schubert will soon have filled the position so long that he will consider himself a permanent fixture in thecouncil chambers.

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Strange what a unanimity of feeling there is in the suburb of Eastview.

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Taking the elections all around the municipality is to be congratulated upon its newly elected officials. Let us express the hope that the propitious start for 1906 is but the beginniny of a new era of good government and prosperity for Spallumcheen.

It is now in order for Councillor Murray to enlighten us as to what he was going to do with the Swanson hill—if the snow hadn't come so soon.

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If Councillor Hallam will try to put all the gravel on the old trunk road between Hawkins' and Young's ranches he will turn Gray in the attempt.

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Does anybody ever stop to think how precious is the vote of a woman? Of course she causes you to loose a little more time than you care to loose waiting for her to just throw on another skirt before being driven to the polls, but then, bless her dear sweet soul, does'nt she more than make up for that by putting an extra cross after your name and informing you with her own rosebud lips that she voted twice for you because you are so nice!

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It is needless to say that the people of the town will now get electric light. The tramway will materialize later.

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Should the councillors see fit in the distribution of gravel, etc. to act on the spoils system the back road will be the Main road to Vernon.

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So great was the surprise of the the Okanagan or Leduc ward people when the electric by-law carried that they were prepared to accept anything as possible. Several that we know of stopped on the way home every now and again as if to let the tramcar pass, only to find it a case of nervous shock occasioned by an over application of electricity.

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President Roosevelt's and even fighting Joe Martin's letters are said to have had their influence on the old country elections. Perhaps that letter sent by the Marquis of Eastview to the council may have had something to do with the elections in Spallumcheen.

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Had Murray fallen in the fight, the fire wardens would have been the next victims. All the old clothes, tin pans, or even chemicals, they could have thrown on the water king would have had no avail.

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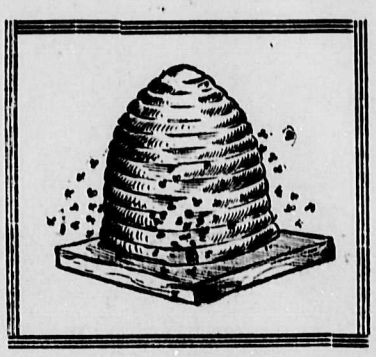

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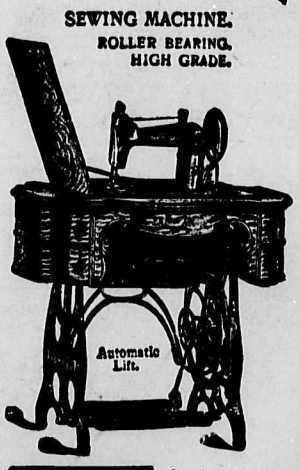

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Pears "	1.75
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