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THE GAME LAWS

We reproduce below extracts from the "Game Act" which have an especial bearing on this locality:

TROUT PROTECTED.

Chap. 24, Sec. 8—No person shall use or employ any explosive, line or poison, net, seine, drag-net or any devise other than hook or line, nor use salmon roe as bait for the purpose of taking or capturing trout in any lake, pond, running or standing water, river or stream in this province, under a penalty not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars, to be recovered in a summary manner before any Justice of the Peace. But nothing in this section will be construed as applying to anyone using net, seine or drag-net in any lake fifty square miles or over.

NON-RESIDENTS MUST TAKE OUT LICENSES.

Sec. 14.—No person who is not domiciled in this province, or other than officers and men in Her Majesty's regular Army and Navy, or in the permanent corps of Canadian militia for the time being in actual service in this province, shall at any time hunt, kill or take any of the animals or game birds mentioned in this act, in this province, without being authorized thereto by license to that effect.

The cost of the license is fifty dollars and only covers the season it is taken out for and allows the sportsman to shoot or kill not more than ten deer, five caribou, three mountain sheep, five mountain goats, two bull wapiti or elk, and two bull moose.

For shooting during the close season or in excess of the number allowed by the Game Act, mountain sheep, wapiti (elk) or Caribou, fifty dollars for each animal.

The open season for Caribou is from September 1 to January 1, during which time the sportsman may shoot only five and cannot expose for sale before the 1st of October. For elk or wapiti the open season is the same, but not more than two can be taken, and the carcasses cannot be exposed for sale at any time. The open season for grouse is the same but none but blue grouse can be exposed for sale at any time.

The open season for ducks extends from the 1st of September to the 1st of March, but not more than two hundred and fifty can be taken by any one sportsman. Mountain goat can be led between the 1st of September and the 15th of December, but not more than five, nor can their carcasses be exposed for sale before the 1st of October.

It is unlawful to shoot the following at any time: Gull, Caribou cow or calf, deer, (fawn under 12 months), elk (wapiti) cow or calf (under two years), mountain sheep, ewe or lamb, quail of all kinds and moose cow or calf (under 12 months.

Sec. 27—No person shall at any time hunt deer with dogs.

Sec. 28—It shall be unlawful to kill deer at any time for their hides alone in any part of the province.

ASHCROFT-DAWSON LINE

The Victoria correspondent of the Vancouver News Advertiser under date of October 24th says:

Reliable parties who arrived today from the Omenica confirm the report that parties working on the Dawson Telegraph Line failed to connect, on account of an error in surveying, and that it will be impossible to complete the work before next summer."

Mr. J. B. Charleson returned yesterday from Quesnel, accompanied by Mr. Fletcher, chief of the C.P.R. telegraph office at Vancouver, and was shown the above despatch.

Mr. Charleson denies emphatically the truth of this statement and states that from reports he has from the working parties he expects there is only about ten miles to be completed to give through connection from Ashcroft to Dawson. It is possible connection may not be made this season because of the very heavy falls of snow, and as the report just mentioned received by Mr. Charleson states that the pack animals are dying at the rate of five or six a day, owing to exposure and want of food. If connection between the ends of the line is delayed till next spring runners will be employed carrying messages over the break during the winter.

This should settle the missing link rumor.

10-MILE CREEK

Someone greatly interested in Nicola mining claims at 10-Mile Creek writes the JOURNAL that a claim near the Big Aberdeen has been bonded to an English company for $8,000: $3,000 was paid down. The Big Aberdeen is the property of Mr. Broombead's company and they are expected to begin active development work next spring. They are now putting up necessary buildings for their men. Judging from our correspondent's figures the Aberdeen must be a cracker-jack. The 85 tons on the dump, he says, will go $168 in copper, 11 ounces in silver and $2.45 in gold. He further states his faith in what he calls the 10-mile camp, by saying "it will beat anything that has been found in B. C."

A claim 38 miles south east of Ashcroft has been sold by Charlie Brown for $3.00

MADE MONEY FAST.

The C. P. R. Agent at Moyie who was arrested the other day at Ashcroft for crookedness in the company's employ, had a good system of double dealing, according to details of the case for the prosecution at hand, but the company's secret department is so well organized that he was apprehended and is now awaiting trial.

F. M. Medhurst, who was stationed at Moyie in the East Kootenay country, and was on the Crow's Nest Pass line. His scheme it is alleged needed a confederate, and he is said to have found one in a young man named Lee, of Ashcroft. The scheme as the railway people describe it was a good one—while it lasted, but it did not last long.

This was the modus operandi: One man would ship a carload of goods to the other's station and then destroy the way bill, and the other would collect the money and put it in his pocket. The division would come later.

As is the case in most schemes of the sort, one point was forgotten. In this case that point was the fact that cars have also to be accounted for when they travel over the C. P. R. All these reports, whether of cars, freight, receipts and particularly of monies handled, go to the head office at Montreal, and when compared with each other the auditor's department noticed a discrepancy.

There was a leakage somewhere.

The next step was that the secret service department of the big company was put on the track, with the result stated, and last night when the train went through Ashcroft, Lee, the other end of the conspiracy, was taken aboard to go eastward to Moyie to stand his preliminary trial with Medhurst. The investigation by the secret service agents was a thorough one, and when it became certain to them that Lee and Medhurst were the guilty ones information was laid at once against them. Medhurst was easy to catch—Lee might escape as he was near the roads to the Cariboo country. But before a chance was given him to learn of what was to happen, every avenue of escape was watched, and Mr. Lee was arrested. The two men are now awaiting trial.—Province.

The above is very much in error. There is not nor has there been a man of the name of Lee at the C. P. R. station here, nor is there any freight traffic between here and Cranbrook. The only connection whatever Ashcroft has with this matter is that Medhurst was arrested here. Mansfield was arrested, admitted to bail and has probably had his trial before this. Medhurst was discharged from the company's service last summer for taking a too active part in politics and came to this section in July. He was employed as operator on the work of rebuilding the telegraph line between here and Quesnel, and was arrested here after leaving this employment.

ASHCROFT CURLING CLUB

An adjourned general meeting of the club was held on Wednesday evening and plans considered for the clubs organization the coming season.

D. Murphy, M. L. A., was unanimously re elected president. Mr. Murphy recognized the honor by promising to give a club medal to be competed for annually. D. W. Rowlands was elected secy-treas. With two such energetic and enthusiastic curlers as officers the success of the club is assured. Arrangements were made with Dr. Reynolds to take over the entire management of the curling rink and Messrs. Bremner, Roberts and Creelman were appointed a management committee. The club begins the season with 28 members. Among them are nearly all last season's curlers. Skips selected are Messrs. McCosh, Bremner, Roberts, Rowlands, Shaw and Creelman—all veterans, and masters of the in and out turns. The expenses of the club are heavy and in order to strengthen its financial position it is their intention to give a grand ball about Christmas week. The popularity of the individual members is a guarantee that it will be well patronized by the citizens of Ashcroft. Any masquarades gotten up by skaters this winter will be assisted by the curlers, thereby showing their willingness to promote the enjoyment of those not especially interested in curling.

It is a remarkably healthy condition of affairs in this rising town to find so many of its citizens taking such an interest in this delightful sport, and on behalf of the curlers we urge the wives and mothers not to be impatient when they miss their brooms, and insist on the culprits sweeping the house as punishment; nor be severe when their sons and husbands come home a little late. The happier way will be to see that the wood is in and the chores generally attended to so that the players can go direct from their business to the rink.

In one particular there is a striking resemblance between a certain homeward bound man and the story of "The Last of the Mohicans." They were both the last of their party. Any further comparison would be unfair to one of them.

MORE ABOUT DUNN, ALIAS BYRNE.

From the Everett, Wash., Independent we clip the following articles:

What a sad story is told in the arrest of W. L. Dunn, the young man who was brought back to Everett to answer a charge of getting money under false pretenses.

Apparently there was less reason for Dunn resorting to devious practices to obtain money than any young man to be met in a day's travel.

Very bright, a hard worker and well grounded in the newspaper profession, he could command a good salary in any city where newspapers are printed in the English language.

This young man had no bad habits, so far as anyone in Everett knew, and his tastes were comparatively inexpensive. He was in receipt of an income from his labors quite equal to that of seventy-five per cent. of the citizens of this town and his salary was paid with undeviating regularity. His prospects here were bright. He was well liked and the news of his delinquency shocked all who knew him.

That he should have obtained the paltry sum of three or four hundred dollars in a manner not only dishonest but in a manner which was inevitable of detection, argues a mind unbalanced or perverted to a degree.

While not without a certain feeling of sorrow for the fate of this misguided young man, the Independent is glad that he has been brought back here to answer for his crime. It was through his connection with this paper that he gained the confidence of the people, as he had gained ours, and we confess to have given every incentive to his capture by the officers of the law.

W. L. Dunn, formerly connected with the Independent, and who, it will be remembered, left this city last July, after procuring something like $200 on spurious checks, has been captured and will be brought back to this city tonight.

After Dunn left here a reward of $50 was offered for him, and a lot of circulars bearing his description and photograph were sent out by the sheriff's office and they have borne fruit.

A few days ago Sheriff Zimmerman got a wire from Captain John Seymour, chief of detectives, of San Francisco, stating that Dunn was at Ashcroft, B. C., a town north of Vancouver on the C. P. R.

The sheriff wired up there to have Dunn arrested, and he started to Olympia to get extradition papers, but Dunn waived that formality and agreed to come without extradition.

Sheriff Zimmerman went to Ashcroft after the prisoner and will return with him tonight.

Facts are coming to light which prove that Dunn has been in trouble many times before. There is a story of a widow woman at Rio Vista, California, who he beat out of a large sum of money. The Tacoma Ledger printed a story that he was in trouble in that city for passing a spurious check and it is said that he betrayed the confidence of the management of the Spokane Call and the Cheney Sentinel.

If all the stories told about Dunn are true he must be very hardened for one of his years, and has not been brought up with a round turn any too soon.

MINT FOR CANADA

Montreal, Oct. 22.—Hon. W. S. Fielding, Canadian Minister of Finance, in a campaign speech this evening announced that the Canadian government had obtained the consent of the Imperial government for the establishment of a branch of the royal mint in Canada. This mint would coin all the Canadian gold required, the balance of the Yukon and British Columbia product being made up into British sovereigns.

Vancouver and Victoria have already commenced an agitation as to which city shall have the honor of calling the mint theirs. There should not be much doubt about where it ought to be placed if the convenience of gold producers is to be considered.

HIS FRIENDS HELPED HIM.

A hatter setting up in his business decided upon this inscription for his shop:

"John Thompson, hatter, makes and sells hats for ready money," with the sign of a hat.

A friend suggested that "hatter" was superfluous; another said that it was better not to mention "ready money" for it was sometimes prudent to give credit; while a third insisted that the purchaser of a hat cared not a fragment of nap who made it.

The inscription was abridged in obedience to these criticisms, and read—"John Thompson sells hats."

"Sells!" exclaimed a fourth friend, "Why, who would expect him to give them away?" Upon which the last two words were expunged, and all that remains now of the original device is: "John Thompson."

GOLD DREDGING.

Mr. C. Robinson, who is the managing engineer of the Bucyrus Gold Dredging manufacturers, of Milwaukee, Wis. was in town this week on his return from Quesnel, where he has been examining dredging properties with a view of putting on a plant to be built by his company. The Bucyrus Company are the builders of the famous Grasshopper Creek Dredges now operating so successfully on that Creek in Montana, and in various other parts of the western states.

While non-commital about the particular properties he has visited, Mr. Robinson speaks in a favorable manner of the dredging outlook for Cariboo. He visited Cariboo once before some two years ago and very likely but for unfavorable legislation passed about that time would have before this time been interested in B. C.

He states that the work so far done by dredging men so called, has not been done in such a manner as to cause dredging to go ahead, the work being crude and much money wasted in the kind of machinery put in. He expects to see immense sums of money recovered from the rivers of Cariboo when dredging is taken up by men of experience and with sufficient capital to put in proper machinery.

Mr. Robinson left for the east on Wednesday.

CLINTON RACE ASSOCIATION

J. E. Smith, secretary of the Clinton Race Association, reports a balance from this season's races of $85.34, after paying all indebtedness. Subscriptions and other receipts amounted to $550.05 to which was added a balance from last year of $75.70. $435.00 was paid in purses and miscellaneous expenses took $105.11.

This is a very good showing and reflects credit upon the Mangement. Mr. Smith says:

"The Committee, wishing to encourage the breeding of thoroughbred horses in the districts of Cariboo, Lillooet and Yale, decided to offer a special purse for foals of 1899, bred in either of the three districts mentioned above. The Committee also decided if this race is appreciated and patronized by breeders of thoroughbred race horses this purse will be one of the main features of the Clinton annual races, and will be kept up. For further particulars see ad. in the JOURNAL, headed Clinton races 1901, or information can be obtained from the secretary, at Clinton. Those who may decide to enter for this purse can rest assured of being well treated and every courtesy shown them also that the track rules will be impartially carried out and strictly acted upon, so that the race will be on the dead square."

43RD MINING AND MILLING COMPANY.

Col. Wright, manager of the 43rd Mining and Milling Co., and Mr. Davidson, accountant and assistant secretary, come down on yesterday's stage from Quesnel. They will remain in Ashcroft for a few days before going to Ottawa, where the head office of the company is located.

Col. Wright reports that he has had a satisfactory season and is well pleased with the results of his work and the prospects for next year.

The cleanup was satisfactory and during the last few days the output was $12.00 to the man per day. A good deal of the gold is coarse and several nuggets of over an ounce were taken out. As the JOURNAL is about going to press it is impossible to give a full report of the season's work in this issue. We shall do so next week when Col. Wright will correct a few false reports that were circulated in some of the coast papers early in the summer in reference to his water ditches and the Stuart Lake Wagon Road.

In Loomis, Okonagon County, Wash. when the town was lively, in 1893 Dutch Henry and "Dad" were among the sports. As the season advanced and money became more scarce, Dutch Henry was carrying the sporting money of the town, some $600 or $800. "Dad" opened a ten dollar flier one evening and Henry went up against it for the sack. "Dad" at once took the stage and left for Vernon, B. C. He had a good time for a week and then sent down for money to get back home on, which was sent. Old Henry, in the meantime, was watching and waiting. After "Dad" arrived someone remarked to Henry, "did you know 'Dad' is back." "Yes," said he, "just hisself." A lot of the Ashcroft boys, who have been up to the Lac La Hache races returned this week.

There will be offices established and maintained by the government at the following places; Hat Creek, Clinton, 83-M. H., 108-M. H. 134-M. H, 150-M. H., Soda Creek, Andrews and Quesnel. The same officers will in all cases be retained in the offices where they now are. Mr. Charleson also stated that there would be a new building put up yet this season for the accommodation of the telegraph work done.

MRS. MARSHALL DEAD.

Mrs. Eliza Marshall, mother of J. E. Smith, hotel keeper, of Clinton, died on Wednesday the 24th inst. The funeral took place yesterday, the Rev. Father Michell, O. M. I. officiating.

The pall bearers were, Judge Cornwall, Wm. Walker, R. Carson, E. Bell, Wm. Saul and F. Soues, all old residents, and friends of the diseased. Mrs. Marshall was 73 years of age and had resided in Clinton since 1867 and in the province sicce 1861, thus becoming one of the early pioneers. She was born in Ireland.

J. B. Bryson's Dwelling on Brink st., which is just about completed, is one of the most modern dwellings in Ashcroft. It is a story and a half, nicely ornamented on the outside, with a large bay window on the front and has a stone foundation, the cellar being lined with stone. The hall is large and lighted by a fancy colored window. Both the parlor and sitting rooms are of convenient size and in the latter is a fire grate with brass fixtures and mantel of curley maple. The bedrooms, bathroom and roomy kitchen all combine to make it a desirable dwelling. It will be occupied by D. Murphy on his return from his bridal trip.

The Anderson Lake Mining and Milling Co. held a meeting at the company's office in Ashcroft and matters of importance were arranged. Another meeting will be held the 8th of November. The mine was reported as working successfully, and it is likely that arrangements may be made yet this season to put in ten more stamps. There is a very large body of low grade ore in the mine. It will pay well for working on a large scale and by adding the ten stamps for which the mill is built and power provided, it is calculated the expense of milling would be reduced about $1.50 per ton, in which case the mine would pay handsome dividends.

R. T. Ward came down from Horsefly and has spent the week in Ashcroft. On Thursday his men came down, the mine having closed down for the season except some work that will be carried on during the winter season. The output for the season, Mr. Ward states, has been about $20,000 and the property is, he states, in shape to do much better next season.

A Famous London Tavern.

The Mermaid was the name of a famous London tavern frequented by noted literary men and actors during the reign of Queen Elizabeth. All the wit and talent of the time assembled there for convivial enjoyment. Authors have made it the scene of great mind combats between such men as Shakespeare, Ben Jonson, Beaumont, Fletcher, Selden, Carew, Donne and others of reverential memory. It was the gathering place of the celebrated Mermaid club, the origin of which is ascribed to Sir Walter Raleigh. The Mermaid tavern was located in Bread street and was handily reached from three thoroughfares, so that it has been often referred to in various ways. The Mermaid in Bread street, the Mermaid in Friday street and the Mermaid in Cheap street were, however, all one and the same. It was the nearest to Bread street. The Mermaid was destroyed in the great London fire. There were other Mermaid taverns, one in Cheapside and another in Cornhill, but they had no such associations as clung to that of Bread street.

Tolstoi's Sense of Honor.

At one music party at Count Tolstoi's a lady's singing displeased the count's boys, and they adjourned to another room and made a noise. Their father lost patience and went after them, and a characteristic admonition ensued.

"Are you making a noise on purpose?" he asked.

After some hesitation came an answer in the affirmative, "Y-y-yes."

"Does not her singing please you?"

"Well, no. Why does she howl?" declared one of the boys, with vexation.

"So you wish to protest against her singing?" asked Lyeff Nikolaevitch in a serious tone.

"Yes."

"Then go out and say so or stand in the middle of the room and tell every one present. That would be rude, but upright and honest. But you have got together and are squealing like grasshoppers in a corner. I will not endure such protests."—Newcastle (England) Chronicle.

Would Draw a Crowd.

A singer named Gordon once complained to Handel of the style of his accompaniments, which attracted the attention from the singer, saying that if he did not accompany him better he would jump upon the harpsichord and destroy it.

"Very well," said Handel. "Tell me ven you will do dat, and I vill advertise it. More people vill come to see you jump dan to hear you sing."

Sarcastic.

Myer—Have you noticed what a lot of new houses are being put up all over the city?

Gyer—Yes, and I've been wondering why they don't put up a few old ones just for a change

In Turkey amber is supposed to be a specific against the evil effects of nicotine, and as the people are great lovers of tobacco they freely indulge in the use of it, but take care to safeguard themselves by having amber mouthpieces to their pipes.

In Portugal married women retain their maiden names.

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GOLD IN UNUSUAL FORMATIONS

"Gold is where you find it," is daily becoming more true. A few years ago it was considered the height of folly to look for gold in a lime formation. To-day some of our largest producers of the yellow metal are in lime. "Unusual formations" are just now receiving a much closer inspection than the old granite, old slate, etc., of years ago.

On this subject an interesting paper was read before the society of engineers from which we make the following extractions:

"Recent discoveries of new gold districts in limestones, granite, sandstone, porphyry awaken prospectors to the fact that almost any rock may be gold bearing, and that gold ores may be found in almost any geological formation.

"The professional prospector limiting his observations to a set of rocks with which he is familiar may pass over, and fail to recognize the very thing he is after, on which some less intelligent individual may blindly stumble.

"Many of the important districts have been discovered by accident and by unskilled or inexperienced prospectors. Gold mining in the Ragged Top district of the Black Hills was started by finding silicious gold ore in the limestone.

After years of prospecting for silver-lead ore, boulders of silicious gold ore, averaging $100 per ton in car load lots, lay on the surface in quantity. Miners by the score had travelled across the ground for 20 years, but it remained for a discouraged prospector, catching at a straw, to have a sample of these boulders assayed and to discover their high value.

"Accidental discoveries occur in every mining camp. A farmer sinking a well, a woman berry picking, a boy hunting rabbits, a picnic or fishing party, the upturned root of a tree blown over by the wind, and other accidental circumstances and agencies have led to the discovery of mines. In the aggregate, however, the largest proportion of mines have been discovered by professional, intelligent prospectors.

"*As there are so many unpromising* looking rocks that may carry gold, instead of merely crushing and panning for free gold as formerly, now the prospector carries his portable assay furnace with him, and assays everything that he comes across that is at all suggestive of ore possibilities. Such work is adding much to our knowledge of the distribution of gold. During my examinations in 1897 of the carboniferous, limestone plateau country encircling the central area of the Black Hills, of South Dakota, I found that only in the northern portion of the plateau had mineral deposits of note been found, and it had been generally assumed that the mineralization of that portion had been confined to that area. I found, however, a general mineralization extending in zones or belts throughout the region, especially where more or less silification of the beds had taken place. In these I found gold from $1 to $5 per ton. Unaltered sandstones and limestones, as a rule, showed nothing, or but a trace. As a result of 'assaying everything' for gold, the chemists of Cambria Coal company, which operates a coal seam at the base of the cretaceous, west of the limestone plateau, find their coal to yield from $1 to $5 per ton. *Such coal might yield a metallurgical fuel for smelting gold or silver.*

"Gold frequently occurs in substances forming rich ores without showing a visible trace of its presence, as for instance, in the sylvanite tellurgy of Cripple Creek. There are occurrances *however, in which, though probably* present, not even the telluride minerals can be seen or seperated, for example, the silicious ores of the Ragged Top district containing neither precipated free gold, nor any heavy mineral carrying gold: no one has yet shown the form in which gold exists in ores of this class.

"Similar ores have been found in the Gunnison region, Colorado, ranging in appearance from an amorphous hornstone flint; with concohoidal fracture, through varieties of jasper, opal and chalcedony. Sometimes they are hard, at others, porus and varying in color from gray to yellow, red and purple; at times they are white or pearly, or of waxy lustre, and of a wine color. Ore of this character from Ragged Top district often assays $10 to $200 per ton, but fails to yield concentrates carrying more than $10 per ton in gold and shows not a trace of free gold.

"The presence of tellurium has been assumed in these but not proved, and it appears probable that here is a class of deposits in which gold exists in some unknown conditions, combined with a silicious gangue, or matrix. We do not know all the possible forms in which the precious metals may exist.

"That new districts are not found more frequently is due to the miner restricting his research to those formations and to that character of ore with which he is familiar, and may therefore, for a lifetime, walk daily over high grade ore in plain sight which in appearance so differs from his notions of what constitutes an ore, that he regards it as a barren rock."—Mining World.

ANCIENT KLONDIKE COINS.

One of the latest and hapiest efforts of the incorrigible Yankee journalist is a story of the discovery of ancient coins on the Big Skookum gulch, which the Dawson Daily News says points to the fact of a prehistoric race in the Klondike. *We will let our contemporary* tell the story in its own way:—

"While Harry Nicodet was mining with two companions at the head of the gulch, he found, 14 feet beneath the surface of the frozen earth, a remarkable coin. The miners were digging the last 5 feet, which was through an ancient glacial mass of ice. Directly beneath the paleocrystic mass, and lying on a fold of the bedrock, Mr. Nicodet found a coin that is a puzzle to the archeologist and numismatic experts of this section, though there are men skilled in reading the Egyptian hieroglyphics and other ancient writings. It is about the size of a copper cent, though not more than half as thick, and is apparently brass, or some combination of copper and zinc. Both sides are covered with strange characters resembling hieroglyphics to the untrained eye, and the edge is milled as artistically as the dollar of 'the outside.' A peculiar thing about the coin is that it does not appear to be worn at all, the edges of the hieroglyphics being as sharp and clear cut as a new $20 gold piece. It was made with a die like modern coins.

"The circumstances of its finding are vouched for by Nicodet and his two fellow workmen, and the fact that no coin like this has ever been seen before is a circumstance tending to confirm their story. If their statement is accepted as true, it means that prior to the glacial epoch, before this country was frozen up, the coin was washed with the gravel and sand of Big Skookum, and finally found a resting place where it was discovered many aeons of time afterward, for from the time of the ice age this country has remained locked in a frozen state, the underlying muck gravel, and broken bedrock never having melted or become free.

"It also pre-supposes that the pre-*glacial inhabitants of this country were* tolerably well advanced in the arts and sciences; that they understood the art of smelting, refining and combining metals; that they were sufficiently civilized to understand the construction of dies and the manufacture of coins; that they possessed a written language *intelligible and understood by them;* and that they passed the stage of barter and realized the need of possess-a circulating medium."

Fish and dog stories after this are quite tame reading.

TWO FAUCETS AT ONCE.

The Kaslo girl who, while visiting a farmer relative at Vernon last week, asked which cow gave the buttermilk is about equal in dairying knowledge as the cultured lady who asked a country friend if it was any easier to churn lard than butter. You have doubtless heard of the Nelson girl who expressed so much sympathy for the farmer because of his cold job of harvesting his winter wheat. She has to take a back seat, however, for the Rossland damsel who expressed a desire to see a field of tobacco just as it was plugging out. These all remind us of the Vancouver Miss who certainly is entitled to the whole bakery. While visiting in New Denver recently she was asked if she ever saw anybody milk a cow, and replied: "Oh, yes, indeed, I have. It just tickles me to death to see uncle jerk two of the cow's faucets at the same time."

THE WOMAN THAT'S GOOD.

Ho, gentleman; lift your glasses up
Each gallant, each swain and each lover,
A kiss to the heads that brim in the cup,
A laugh for the foam spilt over:
For the soul is a lift and the heart beats high,
All care has unloosed its tether:
"Now drink," said the sage, "for tomorrow we die
So, let 's have a toast together.
Swing the goblet aloft; to the lips let it fall,
Then bend you the knee to address her;
And drink, gentle sirs, to the queen of all
To the woman that 's good—God bless her!

Ah; Bohemia's honey was sweet to the sips,
And the song and the dance were alluring
(The mischievous maid with the mutinous lips
Had a charm that was very enduring)
But out from the music and sweetmeats and lace
Of that world of the tawdrily clever
There floats the rare spell of that pure little face
That has chased away folly forever:
And I pledge my last toast ere I go to my rest
Oh, fortunate earth to possess her
To the dear tender heart in the little white breast
Of the woman that 's good—God bless her.

Give your readers a taste of a sentimental modern toast. The "tawdrily clever," to our shame, have a charm for many. It is good to be reminded that purity has been, is, and always will be, a virtue whitout a peer.

H. V. E.

Few people are aware of the great efforts which the Canadian Pacific Railway has recently made to ensure the comfort of tourists and sportsmen visiting the chief points of interest on their system. Their hotels in the Rockies are models of comfort, and not only have they gone to great expense in making roads and trails from them to the chief points of interest, but guides are also kept on hand for the convenience of visitors. The latest enterprise of the C. P. R. is one which should commend itself to the travelling public. They have built a large houseboat at Nelson for use on Kootenay Lake. There are four state rooms, dining room, kitchen, etc., and the boat can be hired by parties at a rent of $5 a day, and will be towed to any point on the lake at a small towing charge. Those who know the beauty of these great lakes will appreciate the opportunity thus placed before visitors and sportsmen.

ANOTHER ALASKAN GOLD FIELD.

Another gold saturated beach is reported to have been found in Alaska. It is at the foot of the Malaspina Glacier, about 160 miles north of Cape Spencer. Captain Ben Rupert, of Juneau, tells of its discovery.

"I was at Juneau City July 4, the sports were at their height, when a big *war canoe, carrying about 40 men* and as many women, rounded Auk Point, just below the city. In an instant a cry went up from whites and Siwashes alike, 'Yakutats!' 'Yakutats!' My partner and myself were 'chee-chookos' or new comers, and naturally were at a loss to explain the excitement caused by the arrival of one canoe load of Indians. We were not long at fault, however for on the canoe being beached it was seen to be loaded with bundles of the finest furs. But most interesting to us was the fact that every man, woman and child carried a slender beaded buckskin sack, the contents of which was gold dust, the amount varying from one to twenty ounces. The dust was of a grade that in all my prospecting I had never before seen, being almost as fine as flour and of a ruddy copperish hue.

"The sight of the gold dust had set both my partner and myself half wild and we determined to accompany the Indians home, or failing in that, to follow in another canoe. Much to our chargrin, the Yakutats refused point blank to allow us to return home with them, and we were assured by the white traders that even if we should succeed in reaching their village we would be murdered before we could leave our canoes.

"However, I never gave up the idea of reaching that bed of gold dust in some manner, and it was not until four years later that fortune brought the opportunity in my way.

"I was then employed as Siwash foreman at the Treadwell mine and had the hiring of all the Indians, of whom we were working over 300. One day coming down the train from the mine to the office, I was met by a young Indian holding a mite of a squaw by the hand, who asked for work. I asked him where he came from and what was his name. Well, my heart fairly jumped when he answered that his name was Yakutat Bob and he was from Yakutat. Here was my chance to learn of the gold dust, and I improved it. 'Bob' was set to work, and through kindness and many little favors I finally gained his confidence and learned his story. It was the old one of love and parental opposition and elopement. Bob's father was the Yakutat chief and wanted him to marry a woman old enough to be his mother. He refused, and, taking a canoe, escaped with his little 'klootchman.'

"After much persuasion we finally prevailed on Bob to accompany a small party of whites back to Yakutat, working most of his parental affections and the hope of his reconciliation with his father, who was well along in years

"Two days later we made Yakutat, and it was doubtful to say which was the happier, Bob or his father, for the *old chief had mourned his son as dead.*

"When it was explained that we were instrumental in causing Bob's return nothing was too good for us, and after a day's rest we were taken to the other side of the bay from the village, where the enormous glacier rears its precipitous front. It had commenced to *thaw, and with our pans we tried the* black, muddy sand coming from beneath it. The stuff was fairly alive with gold, but so fine we could not save it. Then we were piloted to the beach, and Bob started to dig. Sinking a shaft as deep as he could throw the sand out of, there was displayed a sight—o, phenomenon, it might more properly be called—that I do not believe exists anywhere else on earth. Measuring about a foot in thickness the shaft showed alternate layers of white ocean sand and black glacier deposit, each layer being as clearly defined and clean cut as though laid by the hand of man.

"Finding we could do nothing with the pan and rocker in saving the gold, the canoe was loaded with a lot of the sand in sacks and we returned to Juneau, much to the astonishment of our pessimistic friends, who had never expected to see us again. The sand assayed $210 to the ton."—Exchange.

Sandon, which has always been a notoriously wide-open town, has begun to realize that that portion of her population who live, thrive, and have their being on gambling can be dispensed with. The crooks and gamblers have *been ordered to clear out, and they* must obey the mandate. As the Paystreak puts it "It's all off now. Chips that pass in the night are valuable only as souvenirs, and the agitation for the free and unlimited coinage of poker checks is only a matter of ancient history. The dealers, boosters, chairwarmers, pluggers, sappers, professional rubber-necks, markers, rimmers, crimpers, short card men, Montana sleeve artists and other members of the sporting fraternity will have to turn their backs on the classic shades of the Silver City, and with heavy hearts and tear-stained eyes hit the long array of ties to the land of exile. The great moral wave has struck them—in Sandon."

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HER MEMORY

IT WHISPERED FOR YEARS.

From where he sat Professor Helfen could see beautiful, ever undulating stretches of green meadows, dotted with the darker green of the trees, and in the far distance the everlasting hills, majestically grand in the soft purple beauty of their vast rolling outline.

"Come back to Erin, mavourneen, mavourneen!" Joyously sweet and clear, nearer and nearer, came the voice. The professor sat motionless, listening with bated breath, lest he lose a syllable of that sweet old song, sung in that sweet young voice. As the voice ceased he looked out. Coming toward the house, balancing in either hand a foaming pail of milk, was a *young girl. Even ere the song was* finished a harsh, tired voice called sharply: "Come, Beth; don't yell so. You'll wake baby, and I've been an hour getting her to sleep. Hurry and set the table."

The professor grunted scornfully "H'm! Yelling, is it? The voice of an angel! Music; I escape it not even here. I'll wait and listen."

The world was two months older. Into the best parlor shone the afternoon sunshine, playing gleefully on walls that seemed to shrink from the unaccustomed glare. In one of the prim straight backed chairs, at the front windows, sat Professor Helfen, while opposite at the other window sat a weary, sad faced woman, tearing idly at the red woolen curtain tassel that had never before been treated so roughly.

"My good woman, think! She has a fortune in her voice. She has a voice in a thousand—a gem. But it is in the rough. It needs polishing, years of it, and it must be polished gently. Then it will shine—oh, doch!"

Over in the corner a slim, dark eyed girl hung on these words. Oh, to see this world, to have the dreams she had dreamed come true! She found herself listening again.

"Yes, yes, she can go, but bring her back, bring her back. I've seven, but I can't spare her forever." Then somehow Beth found herself in her mother's arms, who for once in her life of habitual self control had given way. And so the ultimatum went forth. Beth was to go.

Out in the garden twilight was falling. The beautiful tender sky colors were slowly fading into the dusk of night. The very air, full of the scent of the hay, was a caress. The very peace of it seemed a mockery to Paul as he stood before her. How could everything be so serenely beautiful while he was tasting the bitterness of life? He could not put it into any fine phrases, this desolateness of his. He felt only that if this love should be taken out of his life the whole worth of his life was gone.

"You say you'll remember, Beth, but you won't—you won't. I know it as if years had already passed."

Only a boy in years, yet a man's pain had aged the stern young face. The pain in his voice touched the girl looking up at him.

"I'll work hard, Beth. By fall I'm going to the city with Lawyer Boote. I heard the professor tell you you couldn't love; art had no room for love. Beth, don't let him teach you to forget me. When he gives you such lessons as that, let what I say now so fill your mind that there will be room for nothing else. I love you, Beth, and some day you will be my wife. Perhaps if you hadn't been going away I should never have had the courage to tell you, at least for years. But I'm glad you know."

"Listen, Paul. I shall never forget. You know my nature too well to believe your own words. Forget you, with whom I have grown up, who have been the best part of my life? Ah, Paul, you know better. This is the hardest part of it Paul—to leave you. It seems but a dream yet that I am really going—going to see the world that has seemed to exist only in books. But the years will soon pass, Paul. We are both young, and no lesson he may try to teach me can blot out the teaching of 18 years of life and with such a teacher. You believe me, Paul?"

And Paul, looking in the soft depth of her soul's eyes, was content.

The two weeks of the opera had begun. A long line of carriages was drawn up before C—— hall, waiting to deposit their burdens—stately broughams smacking of solid respectability, smart landaus with gayly caparisoned horses, while along the streets leading to the hall groups of fortune's less favored subjects moved quickly, meeting at last in front of the hall, where they joined the large, well groomed crowd pushing slowly up the steps to sit in judgment and perhaps ultimately to pay tribute to the new prima donna, Mlle. Armstrong, a daughter of their own land.

In the dressing room before a mirror stood a girl, still in the flush of youth, looking with unseeing eyes at the pale, proud face framed in masses of heavy black hair, in which diamonds gleamed like tears of fire.

"I suppose they'll all be there in the very front, a row of awestruck faces." She smiled as she thought of the six staring faces that had gazed strangely at her on her return home. "Would I have been like them, I wonder, with no taste of the glorious dishes with which the world tickles one's palate? Would I, too, have been content with their and my lot? Perhaps. Poor mother! She hardly dared touch me till I took her bodily in my arms. How horrified she was when I told her I had been on the stage! How she stammered when she asked me if I wore that sort of tight trousers that looked 'as if they growed on!'"

She laughed heartily a second.

"And then I went to the old orchard, Paul. It was just such a night as that one—the night you told me not to forget. I'm afraid the forgetfulness is yours, after all, Paul. Foolish, unworthy of answering though they may have been, those letters came right from my heart. Pshaw! That laughter made my eyes dim for a moment. But you tired of them after a year. I'm afraid the professor was disappointed in me for awhile. But I had my art, and art leaves no room for love. That's the lesson you told me not to learn. Yet for seven long years, day after day, it has been a part of my daily food. Yet 18 years is almost thrice seven, Paul, and habit is strong. I wonder where you are."

In breathless darkened silence the vast audience waited for the opening aria, to be sung by this unknown singer, whose fame, rumor had whispered, would become worldwide. Then into the living silence came a voice so daintily sweet and soft it seemed born of the air. Slowly it rose higher and stronger, like a bird that gathers strength in its upward flight, till, when it seemed almost too heavenly sweet for an earthly voice, into the sight of the breathless audience came the singer. A moment of absolute, dumb silence, then the very roof sent back its echo to swell the triumphant ovation. But as the singer bowed right and left her eyes fell and lingered on the tear stained, happy face of the woman in the front seat.

Only a man in the proscenium box *sat motionless in all the excitement.* So this was Bertha, this beautiful woman who moved these thousands at her pleasure. This was the Bertha who had stood in the old church, the sunlight powdering the dusky hair with gold as it streamed in the chancel window while she sang "Come Unto Me." Her voice was glorious now. But coming down through the silence of eight years the voice of his memory sounded infinitely sweeter. With the dream of a sunlight shining like opals through the trees, sparkling like jewels in the dusky hair, with the pure scent of God's own air and the unutterable peace of nature, the glare of light, the glimmer of real opals and jewels, the hot perfumed air, the ceaseless rustle of silks, seemed a sickening substitute.

They were all here to see her. All had an equal right to look at and listen to her—her who by rights should be his alone. Well, she had learned her lesson well. Rising like a mocking whisper above the din of sound he could hear the voice, "I shall never forget, Paul."

At the end of the third act, an act of triumph for the little unknown country girl, a note was handed her. She tore it nervously open. "You looked long at me more than once tonight. I knew then memory was whispering to you. Was it faithful, I wonder? Did it tell you all? Did it tell you where and when we last met? Did it repeat the words that were spoken then?" There was no signature.

It seemed ages to Paul before the boy returned with an answer. He opened it slowly, yet with quick fingers. "Memory has been whispering eight long years, Paul. Can I then forget? Ah, 'tis you who forgot; all my foolish little letters unanswered. You were cruel, Paul. Didn't you hear me tell you my heartache in that last song? I was singing to you—not my fierce Italian lover. I'm alone after the opera in my dressing room." Like a flash he saw all; heard the professor's voice saying, "You can't love, child; art has no room for love." And the seven long years of silence grew shorter.

Paul knocked at the door the stage hand pointed out to him. He had evidently been expected.

"Who?" said a voice inside, answering his knock. "I—Paul!" And the door slowly opened.—Chicago News.

Some Useful Measures.

An experienced cook tells me that these are the measures indicated in the books: Two cups mean one pint; one cup of butter is half a pound; butter size of an egg is two ounces; one cup of granulated sugar is half a pound; two tablespoonfuls (liquid) are equal to one fluid ounce; two wineglassfuls are one gill; one teaspoonful of salt is a level teaspoonful; one teaspoonful of sugar is a rounded teaspoonful; four teaspoonfuls (liquid) are equal to one tablespoonful; one heaping tablespoonful of butter is one ounce; two heaping tablespoonfuls of flour are one ounce; two and one-half cupfuls of pulverized sugar are one pound.—*New York Press.*

Scurvy.

Science has come to the conclusion that scurvy is caused by the impoverished condition of the blood, and that, in turn, is caused by poor food, and especially by tainted meat. It used to be considered that scurvy was caused by the want of fresh vegetables or lime juice, but it is known now that the eating of salted or improperly preserved meat or tainted meat in any form can produce scurvy even when lime juice or vegetables are being taken at the same time.

THE SONNET'S VOICE.

[A metrical lesson by the seashore.]

You silvery billows breaking on the beach
Fall back in foam beneath the star shine clear,
The while my rhymes are murmuring in your ear
A restless lore like that the billows teach,
For on these sonnet waves my soul would reach
From its own depths and rest within you, dear,
As, through the billowy voices yearning here,
Great nature strives to find a human speech.

A sonnet is a wave of melody;
From heaving waters of the impassioned soul
A billow of tidal music one and whole
Flows in the "octave;" then, returning free,
Its ebbing surges in the "sextet" roll
Back to the deeps of life's tumultuous sea,
—Theodore Watts.

One Old Horse Guards Another.

Two beautiful chestnut horses, Jack and Sam, were among my early friends. They were seen built, high stepping trotters of a speed which might have distinguished them on the track, but they led a happier life, being favorite carriage horses in a region of beautiful country roads or sometimes, under the saddle, threading lovely forest paths.

Rarely used in single harness, they had been as rarely separated, and when in their old age Sam became blind it was a touching thing to see Jack's constant watchfulness over him. Their pasturage was in fields broken by rocky ledges and where more than one steep ravine suddenly descended from the smooth sward. Jack never left his friend. Constantly beside him, if Sam went too near a perilous edge, the stream, a rock or fence, he would go between him and the danger, pushing him aside or, if that could not be done, he would take him by the mane and gently lead him to a place of safety. No allurements in lumps of sugar, apples or the salt basket ever drew Jack from his dependent friend.—Our Animal Friends.

No Private Interview.

"Could I have a few minutes' private conversation with you?" he asked as he stood at the open door of a lawyer's office in the Loan and Trust building the other afternoon.

"Can't you speak right out from where you are?" asked the lawyer in reply after looking the man over.

"I'd rather make a private matter of it."

"What is the nature of your business?"

"Confidential—strictly private and confidential, sir."

"Well, I have no time to grant you a private interview. If you have anything to say, you can let her go right here. Now, what is it?"

"I—I wanted the loan of a quarter, sir," stammered the man.

"Oh, you did! And you wanted a private interview to ask me that?"

"Yes, sir. I knew that it would hurt both our feelings if I were refused in public—yours because you couldn't afford to loan me the money and mine because I couldn't get it. Can you grant my request, sir?"

"No, sir."

"And does it hurt your feelings?"

"Not a bit. You are mistaken on that point."

"And my feelings are the only ones hurt?"

"Yours alone."

"Just so," said the man as he bowed and backed out. "I beg your pardon. I was mistaken. You have the money and no feelings, and I have the feelings and no money. Impassible chasm; no use in trying to bridge. Good day!"—Washington Post.

The Poodle and the Lions.

"I notice that Automobile Montgomery says that horses often make a dive for the corn he paints," remarked one art league student to another.

"Well, there might be some truth in it," said the second. "I saw a little incident at the art institute the other day that made me think of Mr. Montgomery's proud boast. You know those big lions on the sides of the steps, the work of Kemeys, are pretty lifelike. I was standing looking at them when a little white poodle came down the steps in the wake of a woman with stylish clothes on. The poodle had a gold collar around his neck and was altogether one of the tiniest, dandified specimens of a dog that you could find. He walked up to one of the lions, settled back on his hind legs, and looked at the big stone beast. Then he sniffed and glanced around inquiringly. All at once he made up his mind. He made a fierce rush for the lion, barking as viciously and as loud as a dog six inches long could bark. He positively swelled up and appeared about to explode with wrath.

"There you are. If Kenneys' lions so excited a poodle dog, it may be that horses will eat Montgomery's corn pictures."

The Truthful Manager.

Business manager of great London newspaper to clerk:

"George, take down an advertisement as I dictate it, and then send it up. Ready? All right—'Wanted, a man for a pleasant indoor position. Short hours, light work, no experience necessary, place permanent; salary, £1,000 a year. Answer in own handwriting. Millionaire, Great Daily office.'"

Clerk—I have it down, sir, and will send it to the printers at once.

Business Manager (a week later)—George, how many answers were received in reply to that advertisement?

Clerk—Eighteen thousand.

Business Manager (an hour later)—Good morning, sir. What can we do for you, sir?

Seedy Individual—What do you charge for an advertisement for situation wanted?

Business Manager—Our charges are high, 2 shillings a line, but you must remember the vast number of people we reach. Why, sir, in reply to one single advertisement inserted last week there were received 18,000 answers!—London Tit-Bits.

The Highest Court.

"No," said the judge firmly, "I will not consent to your marriage with my daughter."

"Sir," returned the young lawyer haughtily, "I shall not take this decision as final."

"You won't?"

"No, sir, I will not. I shall appeal to the court of last resort."

"Oh, very well," replied the judge. "Submit your case to her mother if you want to."

How Needles Are Made.

Needles are all made by machinery. The piece of mechanism by which the needle is manufactured takes the rough steel wire, cuts it into proper lengths, files the point, flattens the head, pierces the eye, then sharpens the tiny instrument and gives it that polish familiar to the purchaser. There is also a machine by which needles are counted and placed in the papers in which they are sold, these being afterward folded by the same contrivance.

That Family Skeleton.

Mrs. Whistler—Tell me, Mary, why it is that you always cry so when papa sends you to bed in the dark when you are naughty? There's no such things as ghosts, and the dark doesn't hurt you, does it?

Little Mary—No, mamma, but I'm afraid of that skeleton Mrs. Jones says we got in our closet.—Baltimore American.

Solitary Angels.

Mamma—It's very naughty to tell lies, Eva. People who do so don't go to heaven.

Eva—Did you ever tell a lie, mamma?

Mamma—No, dear, never.

Eva—Won't you be fearful lonely in heaven, mamma, with only George Washington?—Collier's Weekly.

Why He Barked.

A witness in an Irish court talked so loud that Charles Philips, who was counsel on the other side, said, "Fellow, why do you bark so furiously?"

"Because," said the man, looking hard at Phillips, "I think I see a thief!"

When a man tells you that he doesn't like the game of checkers, you can be perfectly sure that he doesn't know how to play it.—Somerville Journal

Every time a man sees the cloth from which his new coat is to be made it looks tighter.

Ashcroft Livery
SALE & FEED STABLES.
Buggies, Double and Single Drivers, and Saddle Horses.
Special trips made to Lillooet and Cariboo.
Wholesale and retail dealers in Hay and Grain.
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DEALERS IN——
Hardware, Iron, Steel, Nails, &c.
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LIQUORS and GROCERIES.
AGENTS COLUMBIA FLOURING MILLS.
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The Mutual Life Insurance Company
OF NEW YORK.
RICHARD A. M'CURDY PRESIDENT.
Present Assets exceeds $277,517,325.36; surplus over all liabilities, $37,728,191.59.
The company issues the most liberal contracts that are sold. The company pays out an average of $50,000 a day in death claims, endowments and annuities. The company is universal, doing business throughout the world and the Mutual Life is the largest, strongest and best company. Insure in it.
STANLEY HENDERSON, Manager for Mainland, VANCOUVER, B.C.
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LIMITED.
WHOLESALE HARDWARE, SHIP CHANDLERY AND MINERS SUPPLIES.
Hardware Dep't. 8, 10, 12 Cordova St. Ship C. Dep't. 8, 10 Water St.
Vancouver B. C.

JOHN McRAE
HOTEL & GENERAL STORE.
QUESNELLE FORK, B. C.
A full assortment of Drygoods, Boots and Shoes Liquors and Cigar, Hardware, Miners Supplies. Hay, Grain and Stabling. Prices right.

Turner, Beeton & Co.,
Wholesale Liquors and Dry Goods.
Victoria, Vancouver and Nelson, B. C., and H. C. Beeton & Co., London.

Beaver Lake House,
EAGLE & HAMILTON, Prop's.
On the Main Road from the 150-Mile House to Quesnelle Forks.
Good accommodations for travelers and good stabling, feed, etc., for teams.
A well stocked bar in connection
I deal largely in hay, grain, and farmproduce generally.

SMITH & BRYSON
General Blacksmiths, Horseshoeing,
Steel, Iron and Hardwood Lumber kept in stock, also wagons suitable for freighting and ranching.
Shop on Railway Avenue. - - ASHCROFT, B.C.

Pioneer Hotel
LILLOOET, B. C.
Fred H. Nelson, Prp.
Livery Stable in connection.
Conveyance to and from all boats.

EAST RIDING OF LILLOOET ELECTORAL DISTRICT.

Notice is hereby given that I shall, on Monday, the fifth day of November next, hold a Court of Revision for the purpose of hearing and determining any or all objections against the retention of any names on the register of voters for the above-named Electoral District. Such Court will be opened at the Court House, Clinton, at the hour of ten in the forenoon. (61 Vic., c. 67, sub-s. (f), s. 11.) F. SOUES. Collector.

Clinton, September 1st, 1900.

BRITISH COLUMBIA EXPRESS CO.
HEAD OFFICE · ASHCROFT, B.C.
Caiboo and Lillooet
STAGE TRAVEL.
Clinton and way points—Monday, Wednesday and Friday
All points in Cariboo—Monday and Friday.
Lillooet direct from Ashcroft—Monday and Friday.
Forks of Quesnelle, and way points, Monday.
Through and return tickets at reduced rates. Special rigs furnished.
Stages leaving Ashcroft Mondays and Fridays will connect with steamer Charlotte at Soda Creek.

NORTH B.C. NAVIGATION COMPANY, Ld
SODA CREEK. QUESNELLE.
The Steamer CHARLOTTE will make regular trips from Soda Creek to Quesnelle, connecting with all
STAGE LINES.
from Ashcroft and way points.
Freight left at Soda Creek for the steamer will be stored free of charge, also freight by steamer for points beyond Quesnelle will be forwarded free of charge for such forwarding. Fare each way, $4.50; freight per ton $10.
Quesnelle, B.C JAMES REID Manager.

Occidental Hotel,
QUESNELLE, - B. C.
New management. Hotel headquarters for B. X. stages. Headquarters for mining men, well furnished rooms. Table supplied with everything in season. Most complete bar in Cariboo.
Stables in connection, Hay and Oats in quantity.
F. HOFERCAMP & A. JOHNSON, - - Proprietors.

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CLINTON, B.C.
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BOARD AND LODGING BY THE DAY, WEEK OR MONTH
Best Wines, Spirits and Cigars. Good stabling. Headquarters for the Cariboo Lillooet and Dog Creek lines of stages. Hunting and fishing in the vicinity.

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
Attention and satisfaction guaranteed to customers.
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Blacksmith, Wheelwright and Wagon Builder
HORSE SHOEING A SPECIALTY.
Iron, Steel and Timber kept in stock, and a stock of Eastern made Carriages, Buggies and Road Carts kept on hand at reduced prices, and also made to order. Manufacturer of "The Lehman Tire Setter" which all Blacksmiths should use. All work warranted, and prices lower than ever. An assortment of Coffins and Caskets always on hand.
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Importers and Wholesale Dealers in
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This well known house has been reopened by its new proprieto and has been thoroughly renovated and fitted up.
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Incorporated 1836.
PAID-UP CAPITAL - - - - $4,866,666
RESERVE FUND - - - - 1,460,000
Branches in all the principal towns of Canada from Dawson to Sydney, Cape Breton.
Drafts granted on all points in Canada and the United States and on Great Britain.
Gold dust purchased or sent for assay with prompt returns.
JAMES CRAN, Manager, ASHCROFT

THE ASHCROFT JOURNAL

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27th 1900.

LOCAL AND DISTRICT NEWS.

Senator R. H. Campbell has gone to San Francisco.

G. H. Peake is now freight clerk at the C.P.R. station.

J. Mitchel, of Clinton, is visiting in Ashcroft.

Arthur Haddock returned Thursday from the Lac La Hache races.

Miss Boyd, of Quesnel, was a passenger on Tuesday's down stage.

Mrs. Allnut and Mrs. Rogers, of Victoria, are visiting Mr. Allnut at Clinton.

M. D. Ross, Ferryman at Chimney Creek, was in Ashcroft yesterday.

A. Spriggs, of Winnipeg, is visiting his brother, F. H. Spriggs.

Rev. A. O. McRae, of Nanaimo, was a guest at the Grand Central Hotel this week.

The A. W. E. and I. Company are regularly adding to their stock of lumber.

H. P. Lewis and G. Courvette have put up a large stable in the rear of the skating rink.

The ladies of the English church are arranging for a sale and entertainment in December.

Loud and deep are the wails over the almost impassable condition of the Cariboo road.

C. E. Browne, as nursery agent, is a success. You get everything you order and in good condition.

The Presbyterian Manse is completed and Rev. R. Boyle and family will move in next week.

J. B. Bryson is spending a few days at the Grange, lately purchased by Mr. Smith and himself.

Several more cars have been loaded with "Ashcroft's Pride" this week. The shipment this season will be heavy.

Now is the time to prepare the gardens for next spring, as well as to hunt up the storm windows and doors.

Mr. J. Cran and Mrs. Cran were passengers to Lillooet on last Friday's stage and returned the folowing Tuesday.

W. G. McQuarrie returned on Monday from a brief holiday with his parents at New Westminster.

F. H. Spriggs, Ashcroft's jeweler, has added considerable to his stock lately and will continue to do so as the trade demands

Mrs. Croston will be greatly missed from the Presbyterian church and Sunday School, where she has been one of its best workers.

Rev. A. A. Dorreil attended the Synod at Vancouver last week. In consequence of his absence no services were held in St Alban's church Sunday.

James Haddock has worked successfully to market local fruits and is entitled to credit for his endeavors to sell the home grown fruit in preference to Californain.

The New water tank being built near the C. P. R. west of the station is a fine speciman of masonry. The foundation is about completed and the lumber is on the ground for the tank.

The date for the election in this district has not yet been set by the returning officer but it is understood that it will be a week or ten days later than elections are held in other parts of the Dominion.

D. W. Rowlands makes a pushing secretary-treasurer for the curling club. He thoroughly understands the "in turn" and the "out turn" propositons and tries both positions before he allows a possible member to escape.

F. W. Valleau, Gold Commissioner for Cassiar district, is reported to have said at the coast that a new strike has been made in the district. Mr. Valleau will not say where the new strike was made until he reports to the government.

At a meeting of the creditors of the Johnson estate on Thursday the trustees, Messrs. Bailey and Roberts were authorized to pay a dividend of 20 per cent. on $1838.19 verified accounts. A resolution was also passed authorizing the trustees to apply to the court for leave to sell the Cargile and Grand Central hotels.

T. Croston, who has been C. P. R. freight clerk here for the last two years, left on Thursday for Grand Forks where he will hold a similar position with the Company. Tom has been a capable and careful man in his duties here and his friends will be pleased to know of his promotion. Mrs Croston, and the children will not go for a few days. They are now the guests of Mrs. Thomas Sewell.

W. Fearn is making some additions to his house.

Judge Cornwall held county court here on Monday.

Wm. Manson is in town to meet another party of hunters who are coming up from Victoria.

Miss Pauline Tingley is reported as much improved in health since the family went down to Victoria.

Ranchers will be interested in the sale of produce and farm machinery at the Onward Ranch November 7th.

M. Dumond is kept busy these cool days selling stoves and fixtures of which he carries a good variety.

Rev's. Father Marchall and Michels, O. M. I., Kamloops, registered at the Ashcroft Hotel this week.

Tai Soong & Co. have received another large shipment of Chinese goods this week. They are direct importers.

Stewart Pritchard, assistant postmaster, handles his mails with despatch and gives the public good service.

C. P. R. Night Operator Clarke, like most C. P. R. officials, is polite and attentive to the wants of the traveling public.

James Malcolm, successor to Uren & Mitchell, blacksmiths at Clinton, will attend to all desiring the services of a good blacksmith.

Tom Dudley, who was on the JOURNAL staff last spring, has returned to Ashcroft after spending the summer in Cariboo.

J. B. Charleson, superintendent of the Ashcroft-Dawson telegraph line, says the government will build a telegraph office here.

The plank walk from the station to Ashcroft Hotel is the latest improvement made by the C.P.R. and certainly not the least.

S. G. Fladgate has just received a lot of American-made haems that will interest teamsters and others using heavy harness.

A number of checks are reported to have been stolen during the Lac La Hache races; one for $250 and three for smaller amounts.

Stewart & Crozier were busy the fore part of the week delivering nursery stock of which they are the delivery agents for the growers.

Tom Cauye handled the ribbons on a B. C. X. special that came in Wednesday with a number of men from the Ward mine at Horsefly.

John Cooney is having a barber shop built between Harvey, Bailey & Co.'s and F. H. Spriggs. The location is a good one

From returned visitors to the Lac La Hache races it is learned that the stolen checks were taken from Isaac Ogden. It is the opinion of some that Mr. Ogden lost them from his pocket.

George Earle, son of T. G. Earle, died lately at his father's home, Lytton, aged 29 years. He was buried Monday and Mr. Thomas Seward, in the absence of the clergyman, read the burial service.

Marcus Bailey is very enthusiastic about the beauties of Green Lake, where he lately spent a week or two shooting. It is easily reached from Wm. Boyd's at the 70-Mile House and Marcus says it is an ideal place to spend an outing.

Love does not die young in Woodstock, Ont., if to-day's despatches are correct. A dainty maid of some seventy odd summers had got damages to the extent of $1 for blighted affections. The gay Lothario was only a few years her senior.

F. M. Medhurst, formerly C. P. R. agent at Cranbrook, was arrested here last week on a charge of stealing from the Company. J. McMillan, police officer at Clinton made the arrest very early one morning, when it was supposed Medhurst was waiting the arrival of the passenger train. C. P. R. detective McKenzie took him to Cranbrook.

D. Murphy, M. L. A., will be a passenger on tonight's east bound passenger for Cornwall, Ont., where he will be united in marriage to Miss C. Cammeron, Cornwall, about the 15th of November. Mr. Murphy will have the best wishes of the people of this and Cariboo district, and, with his bride, will be gladly welcomed home again the latter part of November, at which time Mr. Murphy expects to return.

Peter Sutherland, of Minneapolis, who is operating extensively in mines near Barkerville, came down on Tuesday's stage and left the same night for home. Mr. Sutherland is more than satisfied with his season's work, having found the gravel he has already washed to be richer in gold than he anticipated. He has made arrangements for work to be done on some of their properties in the way of sinking shafts, and hopes for good results. He expects to return in March and will do a large amount of work next season.

The skating rink will be well fixed up soon for the season. The bottom of the rink will be covered over with clay and well packed and then leveled off. Any carnivals that my be held this winter will be given jointly by the curlers and skaters. A good winter's sports are anticipated. The competition between the different rinks for the cup given by the president, D. Murphy, will be keen, and the skill of the different skips in their fights will have much to do with the final distribution of the prizes.

A cow died in Seymour township some time ago, and on being cut open for examination of the internal organs it was found that her stomach contained as much binding twine as would fill a three quart pail, which may account for her death. The Palmerston Reporter.

That cow could'nt have had a strong constitution. The interior of some of the festive bovines about Ashcroft would probably double discount that one in variety and quantity of indigestible stuff, and yet they live and seem to enjoy life.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

See the dress goods we are offering at 35 cents and 40 cents per yard and you will buy them if you need any at the Ashcroft Trading Co's.

Blue Ribbon Tea has been exhibited at all the great fall fairs and has received the usual verdict from all lovers of a really good tea. F. W. Foster sells it at 50 cents a pound.

Are you in need of blankets? We can give you a bargain on 10 and 12 lbs. Grey blankets, we also have a big stock in 5, 7 and 8 lb. blankets, white and grey at The Ashcroft Trading Co's.

Do you want to enjoy a pleasant fishing and hunting trip in Cariboo? Think it over and if you do drop us a line. Our regular stages make two trips a week each way, but we can send you out on a special if you wish.
B. C. EXPRESS CO.

We have just been appointed agents for "Butterick Patterns," and can fill orders at New York prices. Ladies desiring the "Fashion Sheets" can have same mailed each month for one year by sending 12 cents for postage.
F. W. FOSTER.

Trout fishing and hunting.—Do you want to spend a few days hunting and fishing on lakes hitherto never visited by sportsmen? If you do, communicate with the undersigned who will at reasonable rates carry you to the place which is 20 miles travel on the Cariboo road and 12 miles by trail.
STEWART & CROZIER, Ashcroft, B. C.

W. B. Dwight has lately added to his stock a line of Gent's Furnishings, which he is selling cheap. A fine piece of jewelry given to every customer purchasing one dollar's worth or more of his goods, for the next thirty days. Call on Dwight.

TIMES ARE HARD AND MONEY SCARCE.
Go to Dwight'sand get a
CHEAP SUIT for working purposes, or he can save you money by Cleaning or Dyeing your old suit and give you two thirds more wear. Highest price paid for Ladies and Gent's CAST OFF CLOTHING.
W. B. DWIGHT
ASHCROFT B C.

FREIGHT SHIPMENTS.

Below will be found the date of departure, teamster and destination of freight shipped north by Ashcroft forwarding agents:

Oct.	19	G Couvrette, 150-M H	9500
"	19	H P Lewis, 150-M H	11,500
"	20	A Comstock, 70-M H	10,000
"	21	P Garrigau, Pavilion	1,200

PASSENGER LIST.

The following is the list of passengers arriving and departing by Ashcroft stage lines:

B. C. EXPRESS CO.

ARRIVALS.

L Cayer	from	Clinton
W J Chick		150-Mile House
R J Ward		"
C Gallagher		"
T D Deasy		"
J B Henry		"
P Rebagliatti		"
J Smith		111-Mile House
J McPherson		"
E Corning		"
E Billinghurst		"
C N Black		Quesnel
W H Badger		Barkerville
P Sutherland		"
Hip Pat		"
R T Grasshan		Quesnel
Mr Loveridge		"
Miss Boyd		Cottonwood
J McMillan		Clinton
W Atwood		"
Mr and Mrs Cran		Lillooet
G E Howard		"
Hugh Murray		"
A W Robinson		150-Mile House
H Cargyle		115-Mile House
J Cummings		"
Mr J G Davison		108-Mile House
Col Wright		"
Mrs Campbell		150-Mile House
Miss Campbell		"
Miss Leonard		"
At Wye		Soda Creek
At Hoag		"

DEPARTURES.

Rev Marshall	to	Lillooet
Mr Ramsey		"
G Stewart		Marleys
J Mitchell		Clinton
Rev Michels		"
Rev McRae		"
Mrs Rogers		"
Mrs Allnut		"
Mr Laycock		150-Mile House
H C Hammond		"
Mrs Shepperd		Quesnel
Miss Alice Stott		"
J B Bryson		Martleys

We have opened up this week one-quarter of a Ton.....
War Numbers
FRESH CANDY
35 Copies Graphic, London News, Black & White, Navy & Army. Reg. 15c, 20c, and 25c. To clear at 10c.
J. H. CLEMENTS, Druggist and Stationer, Ashcroft

We are well stocked with Winter Clothing
Men's and Boys Overcoats
Men's and Boys Reefers
Men's and Boys Suits
Men' and Boys Odd Pants
Men's and Boys Underwear
Men's and Boys Sweaters
Men's and Boys Shirts
Hats & Caps, Ties, Suspenders, Handkercheifs, Mufflers, Gloves, Mitts, Sox, etc
MACKINAW SUITS AT COST.
Our special lines of FLEECE LINED UNDERWEAR at $1 25, $1 75 and $3 00 per Suit are excellent value.
THE ASHCROFT TRADING CO.

Stoves! Stoves!
A large consignment just arrived. Call and inspect my line of "Hot Blast" Heaters, the latest thing on the market; a great fuel saver.
Mark Dumond.

Take Notice ! !
That I have lately received an up-to-date assortment of
Silverwear
Watches
Clocks
AND Jewelery
Special attention to repairing
F. H. Spriggs ASHCROFT

HORSE BLANKETS $2.00 to $4.00
ROBES $10.00 to $15.00
SLEIGH BELLS $1.25 to $3.00
STOCK SADDLES $15.00 to $30.00
S. G. Fladgate
Ashcroft B. C.

NOTICE.

CARIBOO DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that all placer mining claims legally held in the Cariboo District may be laid over from the 1st November, 1900, to the 1st June, 1901, subject to the provisions of the "Placer Mining Act."
JNO. BOWRON,
Gold Commissioner.
Barkerville, B. C. September 24th, 1900. 25-4

"PROVINCIAL ELECTIONS ACT."

Electoral District or Riding of Cariboo.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Court of Revision will be held at the Government Office, Barkerville, on Monday the 5th day of November next, at 11 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of hearing and determining any and all objections against the retention of any names on the Register of Voters for the Cariboo District.
JNO. BOWRON
Collector of Votes.
Barkerville, B. C., September 4th, 1900 21-5

NOTICE.

All accounts owing me must be settled on or before January 1st, 1900, either by cash or promissory note. 10 per cent. interest will be charged on all accounts remaining unsettled after the above date.
WM. LYNE,
Prop. Ashcroft Hotel.
Ashcroft, Oct. 27th, 1900

CLINTON RACES 1901

To encourage the breeding of thoroughbred race horses the committee have decided to give a $100 purse and entrance money of $50 each added, to be divided into first, second and third money for 2 year olds, under the following conditions:

The Clinton Derby, ⅝ mile dash—All nominations with $10 nomination fee enclosed, to be sent Secretary Clinton Jockey Club, on or before January 1st, 1901, with name and description of horse, also names of sire and dam, and breeder and owners name. $20 to be paid Secretary on or before 15th July, 1901, and $20 to be paid before 10 p. m. night before race. For foal of 1899, bred in the districts of Yale, Lillooet and Cariboo. Weights: fillies, 97 lbs, colts, 100 lbs. To be run at the October meeting 1901.

Cash must be sent with the nomination papers or entry will not be entertained.
SEC'Y CLINTON JOCKEY CLUB.
Clinton, October 12, 1900.

At the Onward Ranch, on November 7th and 8th, I will offer for sale the following goods and chattles:—dry-goods, clothing, hats and caps, boots shoes, crockery, drugs, hardware and groceries, saddle and work horses and colts. 1 binder, second hand Massey Harris; 1 seperator and horse power; 1 seeder; 1 set Common Sense bob sleighs; 1 disk harrow; 1 3-inch wagon; 1 cutter; 1 two seated sleigh; 1 set bob sleighs; 1 fanning mill; 2 milch cows; full set blacksmith tools; 1 two horse hay rake. I will also offer 150,000 lbs of oats and 50 tons of timothy hay.
GEO. A. VEITH, Trustee estate of Eagle & Paxton.

NOTICE.

YALE DISTRICT. WEST RIDING.

Notice is hereby given that I shall, on Monday, the 5th day of November next, at 11 a. m., in the Court House at Ashcroft, B. C., hold a Court of Revision for the purpose of hearing and determining the objections to the retention of any names on the Register of Voters for the West Riding of Yale Electoral District.
JOSEPH WM. BURR,
Collector of Votes.
Ashcroft, B. C., 4th September, 1900. 25-4.

NOTICE

In the matter of the estate of Gus Emil Johnson, late of Ashcroft, B. C., Hotel Keeper. Notice of insolvency.

Notice is hereby given that W. B. V. Bailey and H. L. Roberts, the Executors of the last will and testament of Gus Emil Johnson, late of Ashcroft, British Columbia, have this day filed a declaration under the provisions of the "Trustees and Executors Act" that the estate of the said Gus Emil Johnson is insolvent and will be administered by them under the provisions of the "Creditors Trust Deeds Act." All creditors of the said estate claiming to rank against it and who have not already furnished verified accounts of their claims to the said Executors are required to do so on or before the 25th day of October, 1900, at the address below mentioned, by furnishings particulars of their said claims, verified by affidavit or declaration, and such vouchers as the nature of the case admits of stating what security, if any, held for such claims.

After the said 25th day of October, A. D., 1900, the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate, having regard only to such claims as shall then have been rendered them, properly verified. All persons endebted to the said estate are required to pay the amounts thereof forthwith to the Executors.

A meeting of the creditors for the giving of directions with reference to the disposal of the estate and for the consideration of other matters will be held at the office of the undrsigned at Ashcroft, B. C., on Thursday, the 25th day of October at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon.
DENIS MURPHY
Solicitor for the Executors, W. B. V. Bailey and H. L. Roberts.

Dated at Ashcroft this 12th day of October, A. D., 1900 24-5in

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We are prepared to supply
Rough.
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Dimension
Lumber
For the present we quote
Rough lumber....$13
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LILLOOET DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that all placer mining claims legally held in the District of Lillooet, may be laid over from the 15th day of November, 1900, to the 1st day of May, 1901, subject to the provisions of the "Placer Mining Act, 1891," and amendments.
F. SOUES
Gold Commissioner.
Clinton Oct, 6, 1900. 25-4

Notice
Teamsters and others
Having leased the Ashcroft Hotel stables I am prepared to furnish hay for horses at 30c per night or hay per ton delivered at $12.00.
O. H. EVANS
Ashcroft.

COURT OF REVISION

A Court of Revision and appeal under the "Assessment Act, 1888," and Amendments will be held at the Court House, Clinton, on the 8th day of November, 1900, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon.
F. SOUES,
Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal.
Clinton, 8th October, 1900. 25-4

NOTICE.

In the Estate of Gus Emil Johnson, deceased.

Sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned will be received up to Saturday, the 1st day of December, 1900 for the purchase of an undivided one-half interest in the Clondyke Mineral Claim, situate on Cadwalader Creek, Lillooet District. Further particulars will be furnished on demand. Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. 26-4
DENIS MURPHY,
Ashcroft, B. C.
Solicitor for the Executors.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I shall, on behalf of the Soda Creek band of Indians, apply to the Commissioner of the Cariboo district for permission to record three hundred inches of water from Deep Creek, which crosses the Cariboo wagon road near the 164-Mile post, for domestic and agricultural purposes.
E. BELL,
Indian Agent.
Clinton, October 23rd, 1900. 26-4