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Session Begins

Mr. Borden's Leadership Endorsed.–Opposition Refuses to Consider Resignation

On Wednesday evening Mr. Borden for the first time in his experience as a party leader found his advice refused and his policy rejected by the conservative members in caucus. It was the first meeting of the eleventh parliament, and Mr. Borden had called the members together to lay before them his resignation of the leadership with the recommendation that a second meeting be called to deal with it. He did not propose to attend that meeting.

AN ENTHUSIASTIC BEGINNING.

Without a moment's hesitation the caucus unanimously declared that it would do nothing of the kind. There was a spontaneous and universal announcement that the resignation would not be considered. Change of leadership was not to be thought of, and the members absolutely refused to deal with the matter at all. Had Mr. Borden returned to parliament at the head of a triumphant majority, the support of the party would not have been more enthusiastic and unanimous. Commendations of Mr. Borden, his policy and leadership in parliament and the country, was especially significant on the part of four new members from his own province, five from Manitoba and five from British Columbia, who all come to Ottawa having captured seats from the government. The chairman of the meeting was Mr. Barnard who defeated the minister of inland revenue and mines, and among the speakers who were greeted with enthusiasm was Mayor Crosby, Mr. Borden's colleague and associate in redeeming the city and county of Halifax.

THE GOVERNMENT DISCREDITED

While the conservatives have been defeated, they come to Ottawa with a stronger delegation and with a greater enthusiasm than in any time since 1896. They have a leader who has more influence in the country than any other minister. They have a platform for which the government have shown a much higher regard than their own. They are facing a government which has come out of the election with an insignificant majority of the popular vote, if indeed it has a majority at all. Outside of Quebec province a majority of the electors have condemned the administration. The administration has also condemned the administration. This administration has also been convicted by courts of its own appointment and also the first document laid before parliament was a report by a commission, confirming and strengthening a previous finding of another commission, both appointed by the government, and both convicting one of the great spending departments of incompetence, graft and lack of conscience. It is thus the session begins.

A BARREN PROGRAM

The speech from the throne is long and thin. In some 1,500 words the governor general states that a tercentenary celebration was held, an international treaty agreed upon, the transcontinental pushed forward, the Hudson Bay railway surveys begun, a delegate appointed to the Opium Convention at Shanghai, that Mr. Fisher went to Italy, that a grant has been made to the earthquake sufferers. Then the government laments that a financial depression has affected our trade and decreased the revenue, that immigration has fallen off and that a commission has been investigating the marine department. The legislation promised is a bill "aiming at the repression of the payment of secret commissions and gratuities," and also "measures relative to insurance, the civil service, immigration and naturalisation."

This is little enough. The insurance bill is the only difficult measure. Insurance legislation has been promised and postponed in two previous sessions, and it is safe to say that it will be postponed again. A measure may be introduced but it will not be pushed through. Meanwhile the people have paid $95,342 for the Shepley investigation, including $25,000 to Mr. Shepley himself, all for the pretended purpose of amending the insurance law.

HARD TIMES WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

The speech from the throne admits the financial deficit, and adds that "exceptional caution" in public expenditure has become necessary. But the speech also says that the situation is better than a short time ago. It was worse in October, and the reason for exceptional caution was then greater. Electors will recall the election promises of public works and public expenditure as samples of exceptional caution on the part of the ministers. Never was such profuse extravagance and reckless undertakings made by any government and its supporters. Ministers and their supporters on every platform were lavishly scattering promises of public grants. The subsidised press was loaded down with calls for tenders, and the impression produced was that the government had more money than it could use.

LENDERS ARE CAUTIOUS

This week Mr. Fielding is floating a

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Musical Treat

Celebration of Burn's Anniversary

The city band gave its second concert in the opera house last Monday evening. The larbe audience which was equal to the capacity of the theatre, testified to the increasing popularity of our band's organization. It was a musical treat and the crowd who assembled to listen was an appreciative one, the general attentiveness from the opening until the conclusion being a striking testimonial to the merits of the entertainment.

The opening number, a march by J. Jubb, was rendered with fine spirit. The "Old Plantation Songs" is ever an old favorite. The original music of old Scotland—the bagpipes—was certainly typical of Burns fatherland rendered by Mr. A. McCowan, while Mr. C. McCowan danced the "Highland Fling." The execution and precion with which the "Cock of the North," "Bonnie Dundee," and "The Silver Trumpets," were given are only tokens of the very careful instruction received at the hands of their conductor, Mr. F. E. Corrison, R.M.S.M.. Vocal solos were also rendered by Mrs. W. J. DeBeck, Miss Lou Leitch, Mr. Fred Reeves, Mr. J. Burns. Mrs. N. A. Wallinger, who gave several violio solos, was certainly well appreciated, evidenced by the repeated calls for her return.

Song of the Sawmills and Saws

Does a sawmill furnish energy for sawing more lumber on the sawmill night shift than on the day shift? The first impulse would be to answer in the negative. Scores of old mill men, some of whom have worked in Digby county for many years make reply in an emphatic yes. Not only do the mill operators declare that water will accomplish a greater amount of work at night than in the day time, but they cite records of actual performances, giving names of mills and dates where tests have been made.

In sawing deals and other standard lumber from Spruce of average size, the exact variation in performance between night and day depends slightly upon weather conditions, more being sawed in dark and drizzly weather, than when it is fair, but on an average a modern band saw that will turn out 18,000 feet in ten hours of daylight can saw 20,000 feet or more in ten hours of darkness. Not only has this assertion been proved many times in mills that were run by water power, but it has been demonstrated through elimination from the fact that mills using steam power never present so large a variation. The millmen will declare that the saws make a widely different sound when dashing through spruce knots at night than they do by day, so that if one visit a strange mill, he could distinguish whether it was night or day by the songs of the saws. By daylight nothing but classical music comes from the most reckless of small saws. As soon as the restraint of daylight has passed the reckless saws forget their dignity and begin to sing and hum ragtime and coon songs chewing up lumber and manufacturing deals at a great rate.

Millowners and foremen of experience who have listened to the debate for years, agree with the hands, and some of them add the explanation that the water is heavier by night than by day, though nobody seems to have taken pains to weigh the water at the two periods for the purpose of comparing results.—Weymont Gazette.

Records of Deaths

The number of deaths, births and marriages recorded in South East Kootenay during the last year are:

Deaths 231
Births 257
marriages 257

The large proportion of deaths was largely owing to the Fernie fire disaster and the prevalence of typhoid fever.

Double Victory

Glasgow, Jan. 28—The Canadian curlers defeated Glasgow province today by a score of 219 to 152.

Glasgow, Jan. 28—The Canadian curlers at Crossmyloff today won the first out of three international test matches against Scotland with a score of 112 to 70. The trophy in this competition has been donated by Lord Strathcona.

Earl Grey's Successor

London, Jan. 28—It is believed that the promotion of Hon. John Sinclair secretary for Scotland, to the peerage, is not unconnected with the probability that he will be appointed successor to Earl Grey as governor general of Canada

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At The House

Speech From Throne Debate Continued

Victoria, Jan. 27—The debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne was continued this afternoon by A. E. Phillips, Islands, anf W. R. Ross, Fernie, for the government, H. C. Brewster, Alberni, and John Jardine, Esquimalt for the opposition, and John McInoes, Grand Forks, for the socialists. Nothing of importance transpired.

Mr. Phillips warmly defended the government's land policy in reference to Buchley and Nechaco valleys intimating that the time was not yet ripe for the introduction of settlers, who should wait until the country was opened up and markets were provided. In reference to the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, Mr. McPhillips contended that in view of the heavy financial burdens of the province and the inadequate aid given by the federal government at Ottawa, the provincial goverment was not called upon to contribute financial assistance, although he had the assurance of the premier that all provincial officials would co-operate heartily with the Dominion officials in securing first class exhibits of B. C. products.

W. R. Ross confined his remarks to a review of the conditions arising out of the Fernie fire. He eloquently expressed the great appreciation of the people of Fernie for the generous assistance that was afforded them from all over the world at the time of the disaster, and especially alluded to the generous action of the citizens of Cranbrook in housing refugees.

Mr. McInnes referred to premier McBride's statement at Rossland that the Conservative party differed from the liberal party in that the former was the friend of working men, and expressed the hope that at the present session the government would introduce legislation giving effect to this claim. He particularly asked for legislation that would make provision for workingmen disabled in the course of their employment in mines, on railways, or in lumber camps, demanding it as a matter of justice and not of charity.

Mr. Brewster and Mr. Jardine dealt mainly with conditions in their respective constituencies, voicing the chronic complaint of the opposition that the lands of the province were being alienated to speculators to the disadvantage of bona fide settlers and that the moneys expended on public works were improperly and extravagantly expended.

John Oliver, Delta, moved the adjournment of the debate.

Hon. R. G. Tatlow, provincial treasurer, introduced a bill to amend the horticultural board act which was read a first time. The main provisions of the bill are as follows: There is hereby created a provincial board of horticulture, to consist of three ex-officio members, namely, the minister of agriculture, the deputy minister of agriculture (who shall act as secretary of the board, the chief inspector of fruit pests (who shall act for the province at large,) and four members who shall be appointed by the lieutenant governor in council, one from each of the horticultural districts, which are hereby created to wit:

1 The first district shall comprise the provincial electoral districts and portions of provincial electoral districts embraced in Vancouver Island and the adjacent islands.

2 The second district shall comprise the portion of the provincial electoral district of Comox, situate on the Chilliwack, Lillooet, Skeena and Cariboo and the city of Vancouver.

tricts of Richmond, Dewdney, Delta, mainland, the provincial electoral districts Kamloops, Yale, Similkameen and

3 The third district shall comprise the provincial electoral districts of Okanagan and the city of Nelson.

4 The fourth district shall comprise the provincial electoral districts of Revelstoke, Columbia, Kaslo, Slocan, Greenwood, Grand Forks, Ymir, Fernie, and Cranbrook and the city of New Westminster.

Sloan and Templeman arrive

AT VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, Jan. 28—Hon. William Templeman and William Sloan arrived in the city from Ottawa on the delayed Pacific express yesterday and are registered at the Vancouver hotel. They will immediately organise for the election in Comox-Atlin at which Mr. Templeman will be the candidate. Mr. Sloan formerly represented this constituency in the Dominion house, but following Mr. Templeman's defeat in Victoria resigned and the latter will be the liberal candidate in the forthcoming by-election.

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RING OF VICTORY

Enthusiastic Convention of Provincial Conservatives

Victoria, Jan. 25—About 250 delegates were present at the convention of the Provincial Conservative Association here. The feature of the session yesterday was an address by Premier McBride.

Mr. McBride, who was greeted with acclamations, referred to the strength of the party in the province as revealed by the recent signal victories in the Dominion elections. This convention had been postponed on account of that contest from November last. Now the delegates could make up for lost time.

Mr. William McKay, Vancouver, secretary, read the report of the executive. The value of the association had been demonstrated by its work last autumn. Nanaimo and Comox-Atlin were the only constituencies were weak and so these had fallen to the enemy. The report recommended the formation of associations in these ridings in the near future.

At night a smoker was held. The addresses were interspersed with a musical programf On the platform were Premier McBride, Hon. W. J. Bowser, the attorney general, and C. D. Woodworth, president of the association.

Premier McBride, in opening, acknowledged their enthusiastic reception, He complimented them on the excellent choice they had made in their new officers and paid a tribute to president-elect Woodworth. Credit was due in a large measure to the provincial conservative association for winning five out of the seven seat in the province in the Dominion elections. The party had no seat before. Whether Hon. Mr. Templeman would be opposed or not in Comox-Atlin he could not say, for it would be left to the conservatives of the district to decide. Hon. Mr. Bowser was accorded a rousing reception. He remarked that in the Dominion campaign he had gone east with Mr. R. L. Borden the conservative leader and had laid some of the grievances of the west before the people of the east. Though the general result was disappointing, the public conscience was aroused. "If you had traveled with Mr. Borden as I have," said Hon. Mr. Bowser, "and heard the honest ring of his voice, you would conclude that he was not a politician but a statesman." In regatd to Comox-Atlin he believed that if the conservatives could get the right man for a winter campaign, they would win. Referring to some assertions of the liberal party, Hon. Mr. Bowser said that judging from the recent results on election day and the returns from Kootenay and Yale-Cariboo, that party would be practically swept out of existence in the next provincial elections.

Mr. Woodworth was proud of this gathering of stalwart conservatives. Their enthusiasm was indicative of the enthusiasm obtained in every hamlet, village and community in the province. The lead of British Columbia and Manitoba was bound to be followed by the whole west, which was destined to become conservative and progressive. By the next general election this province would have 14 or 15 members instead of 7, and would thus have a representation equal to Nova Scotia and the other older provinces.

Mr. McPhillips, M.P.P., for Islands, also delivered a stirring address and the gathering adjourned with the customary cheers.

Local Items

Malaga Grapes, 20 cents per pound at the Palm.

The Kootenay Presbytery will meet in Knox Church on Tuesday evening, Feb. 9th.

A sleighing party consisting of members of the Baptist Sunday School will visit Palmer's ranch on Tuesday evening next.

At a regular monthly meeting, it was resolved that in the future all donations made to the Brigade shall be placed in the bank as a trust fund to be used in case of accident to any member. The $20 donated by Dr. Green will be used for this purpose, and all funds obtained from the annual dance.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church sleighed over to No. 2 East Kootenay camp on Tuesday evening. They were well received by the boys who gave all a kind welcome. Refreshments were served and recitations and songs made the evening very short and enjoyable.

Mayor and Mrs. Fink were the genial hosts Wednesday evening. Quite a few friends were present and enjoyed a very pleasant time at 500. The higher and the lower score made by the ladies and gentlemen were rewarded by nice and valuable prizes.

The annual meeting of the Cranbrook-Fernie Farmers' Institute will be held at the Government office, at Cranbrook, on Saturday, the 30th day of January, 1909, at 8 p.m., to receive the report of last year's working, to elect officers for the ensuing year, and to transact any other business which may be transacted at an annual meeting of Farmers' Institutes.

Nelson-Moyie

A Close and Exciting Game Promised For Monday Night

The match between Nelson and Moyie hockey teams at the rink on Monday next is likely to prove an exceptionally good one. It is understood that the East Kootenians are bringing a strong team and that Nelson will have to show up their full strenbth in order to keep up their present high reputation. A number of rooters are coming over with the Moyie puck chasers who will have on their lineup: Sherman, Clothier, Kamm and Donohue who are well known in Nelson as expert hockey players.—Nelson News.

Lumbermens Meeting

The annual meeting of the Mountain Lumber Manufacturer's association will be held here today and a large number of members are already in the city. An advance guard consisting of a committee on grading and market conditions arrived Wednesday night and consisted of E. S Sanders, Columbia River Lumber Co Golden; F. E. Sinclair, Bowman Lumber Co., Revelstoke; H. G. Hopkins, Arrow Lakes Lumber Co., Arrowhead F. C. Dunois, Elk River Lumber Co., Fernie; A. K. Leitch, East Kootenay Lumber Co., Cranbrook, and W. Poole, Yale-Columbia Lumber Co., of Nelson. The above committee with the secretary of the association, W. A. Anstie, were in conference yesterday afternoon with R. S. Larmour, general freight agent of the C.P.R and a discussion took place regarding matters affecting lumber traffic

Among the other members who have already reached town are: P Lund, president Wardner, Otto Lachmand, vice president, Arrowhead; A F. Dudgeon, Cranbrook; C. F. Lindmark and F. W. Hess, Revelstoke; J A. McGee, Chase; Ottis Staples, Wycliffe; George A. Leitch, Simon Taylor, J. A. Findlay, J. W. Robinson and D. B. Dulmage, Cranbrook; C. D McNab, and H. H. Ross, Wardner; O. L. Bointon, Fernie; A. F. Krapfell, Elko; C. O. Rodgers, Creston G F. Robinson, Summit; W. Winlaw and P. D. Roe, Vancouver.

After the annual meeting today the lumbermen will be entertained to a banquet by the members of the board of trade at the Hume hotel. At this banquet which will commence at 10 p. m. city time, there will be about 70 persons divided nearly equally between the board of trade and its guests. The president of the board of trade will be in the chair. Irwin's orchestra will be present and Messrs Smith, Lupton and Holloway will sing.

Powers of the west at Ottawa

One of the most important questions that the new parliament of Canada will have to deal with before its term of office expires will be a redistribution of the parliamentary representation of the growing importance of western Canada by according it a larger representation in the cabinet than at present.

UNIT OF MEASUREMENT.

In the last redistribution of federal seats the unit of measurement was about 23,000. Quebec, by the B.N.A. act is entitled to 65 seats, and the population of Quebec, divided by 65 gives the unit of measurement throughout the dominion. It is estimated that the unit after the census of 1911 will be about 25,000. The western people have high hopes of a very much increased representation in the next parliament. There estimate is from 60 to 75 seats, with at least 60 seats west of the great lakes. The power of the west will be felt more and more, and it would not be a matter of surprise if the next time Sir Wilfrid Laurier appeals to the country he will have in his cabinet a representative from each of the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia.

EAST MUST GIVE WAY.

This would, of course, mean the taking away of two portfolios from the east. Ontario men now hold five portfolios in the Laurier cabinet with the prospects of another (the portfolio of labor) in the near future. Quebec has the premiership, three portfolios and the solicitor-generalship. Vacancies will not be created to make further representation for the west, but added representation will take place in the effusion of time. This will the opportunities for Ontario and Quebec members of the house be lessened, unless, as has been suggested, a portfolio be created for the department of mines and the maritime representation in the cabinet reduced to two.

Railway Commission

DISTRICTS ARE REORGANISED DR. MILLS FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Ottawa, Jan. 27—The reorganisation of the railway commission is announced by which the Dominion is divided into districts.

Manitoba and Saskatchewan and that part of Ontario west of Port Arthur will be in charge of Commissioner Lean with W. Blyth of Winnipeg as inspector.

Dr. Mills will look after British Columbia and Alberta with M. J. McCaul as inspector.

THE SOIL

Agricultural Department

It has been said that the wastefulness of pioneers is in keeping with the prodigality of nature; and that the pioneer farmer has the right to use up natural resources if he thereby improves himself and the prospects af his family. Take an illustration from the consumption of coal. During millions of years it was prepared and stored in the earth—we suppose for human use. And we have been using it with lavish liberality, boasting of the millions of tons we mine every year. Now we learn from good authorities that in 75 years the coal measures of the United States will probably be exhausted, except those at lower levels, more difficult of access and more costly to obtain.

No doubt coal was the means whereby man gained large and lasting ability to smell and mould metals whereby he acquired a working control of electricity. With the difficult materials now plastic under his new skill, and more of natures forces obedient to his new intelligence, he has harnessed the water powers and generates heat, light and power transmissible from them. That he could never have done, so far as we can see, except for the use of coal without stint during all these experimental years. There is some excuse, if you please, for the extravagant use of one great resource, when that has led to the mastery for service over another source still more valuable.

But when people exhaust the soil what do they do? They make themselves more careless and less competent; they leave themselves less power and more poverty. On the other hand, when the farmers preserve and increase the fertility of the soil they become increasingly efficient and capable. These two go together. The fertility of our soil must be maintained, or restored, in order that there shall be continuously improving conditions for the rural population. Already, in our brief term of occupation, the virgin soil has been so badly abused that the average crop of wheat on this continent gives a little less than one half the number of bushels per acre obtained on the farms of old England, and a good deal less than half the yield of old Scotland. That is what occupation of this great heritage of ours by wasteful methods has done for much of our soil. J. W. Robertson.

BACTERIA

Nobody can claim to be independent of the actions of bacteria. The farmers require the agency of bacteria in order to grow his crops, and he must understand the methods of protecting his crops from harmful bacteria, if he desires to be successful in the struggle against nature.

The dairyman needs bacteria for producing the right fermentation in the making of his butter and cheese. He must not only protect his products from injurious bacteria, but must understand how to favor the development of beneficial organisms. Hence it is necessary for both the farmer and dairyman to know something about conditions necessary for bacterial growth.

The farmer and the dairyman are not the only parties interested, every housekeeper comes continually into contact with bacteria, to her detriment and the waste of her money.

The four main conditions which we shall discuss subsequently and in detail, are:

1. Proper temperature for growth.
2 Adequate and proper food.
3 Moisture.
4. Oxygen requirements.

PROPER TEMPERATURE FOR GROWTH.

Concerning temperature, we all know that low temperatures are not suitable for the development of bacteria. At freezing point the bacteria are almost inactive. We see a general application of this fact in the use of cold storage. Butter is shipped to the old country from Canada and New Zealand, and arrives in London not only unspoilt, but in such a condition that it competes successfully with Danish and Dutch butter. Without cold storage plants on the steamships the transportation of this butter would be impossible We must be careful, however, not to count too much on our cold storage facilities. Some people think that cold storage stops bacterial growth completely. This is an error; in cold storage bacteria grow slowly, but they grow nevertheless, and the danger is especially great because we cannot detect the changes which may occur.

SLOW GROWTH WHEN PAID

We remember such a case, which, happened some time ago in Europe. Some dairymen froze their milk in summer, when it was very cheap and began to sell this milk again in winter when the milk price was very high. People however using this milk became ill, and this illness appeared to be caused by frozen milk. During the six months' storage the bacteria had grown sufficiently to make the milk unsuitable for food

NEED OF FAVORABLE TEMPERATURE.

There is considerable difference in

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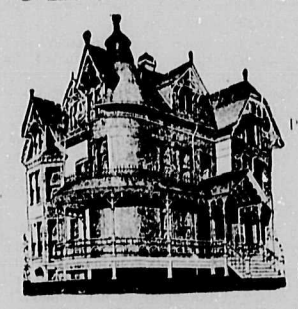

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ELECTRICITY IN MINES

A great increase in the amount of electrical machinery used in the mines of the west is a boon to be hoped for and, the writer believes, to be realised.

There are several reasons why the mining industry has not kept pace in electrical way with other enterprises. The fault is partly with the manufacturers of electrical supplies and partly on account of lack of electrical supplies and partly on account of lack of electrical knowledge on the part of mine operators or superintendants.

The mining industry is destined to become one of the most profitable fields for electrical machinery in the country.

In the first place, a number of appliances, though excellent for ordinary above-ground work are inadequate for the underground necessities of a mine. Take the telephone as an example. A glance at the advertising pages of this or other electrical journals will show that there are a multiplicity of grades and styles of "phone," but all of them are adapted to above ground work. Possibly the manufacturer does not appreciate the quality of a telephone needed in a mine. It should be first, reasonable in construction. All moving parts as springs, etc., should be strong and securely put together. Excepting the brass work, every metal part should be tinned or galvanised, including the screws, springs, lock, key, etc. Every electrical contact must be soldered. It is very important that all inside wires be insulated and the induction coil made water and damp proof These precautions are necessary, because in most mines the 'phones on the mine end will be drenched with water all the time, or at least be in a permanently damp place. It must be made so as to be easily and quickly taken down and put up in an advance position as the tunnel or dritt progresses. Of course a telephone not made as above specified will work only for a limited time.I have seen an "expert" try and try again to make a mine 'phone work, with only the result that it would work a week or less and then cease to respond. True, the mine superintendant can order a telephone or any other piece of apparatus to order, but he is not likely to do so, because he is usually not capable, and if he were, like most others, waits until his attention is called to a certain improvement by an article or advertisement in some publication.

I speak from experience as well as observation. Most people require urging before making improvements, so before we can expect the mines to be supplied with improved appliances some one must construct such articles in an especial manner, so they will appeal to the mining man as being exactly suited to his purpose. Next, these articles must be brought to his notice, and third, he must be taught how to use these improvements.

There is no doubt that the number of mines using electric lights could be trebled in a short time by following the proper course. The mine manager can usually be convinced,efficiency being considered, that incandescent lights underground are more economical than candles, especially where abundant free water power is near at hand.

The idea that an expert electrician is required to attend to a small isolated electrical plant at a mine must be abandoned. The mine superintendent or foreman must be educated to the extent of being able to care for the small plant. Mine owners will search for and engage superintendents who can direct the care of electrical machinery, when they are convinced a saving can be effected thereby. The steam engineer or mill foreman can be assigned the task of cleaning, oiling and caring for the dynamo, etc., if the superintendent's time is occupied with other duties. In small mines the superintendent can care for the electrical machinery himself. One of the chief hinderances to the installation of small electrical plants has been the supposed necessity of engaging an exclusive electrician. Of course a large plant for either light or power would require an able electrician.

There are many small appliances about a mine that can be operated advantageously by electricity; e. g., ventilating fans. These are usually exhaust fans and are operated at high speed so that they could be operated by a direct-connected motor. The smith forge used for sharpening drills, picks, etc., can also be operated by an electric blower. Though such fans and blowers are on the market, the maker seems to be afraid the miner will find it out.

The subjects of electric pumps and hauling engines are endless. Suffice say that so far the cost of such machines is, all things considered, prohibitive at present. There is a strong demand and a large field for an efficient electrical pump. To be a success it must be able to compete with compressed air and steam pumps, be light as possible and have few wearing parts. There is a difficulty encountered in designing such a pump as the speed of a pump working under great pressure must be slow, and the force or pressure per square inch exerted must be very high.

World Wide Baraca Union

A very enthusiastic meeting of the young men of the Baptist church was held at the home of Mrs. Bridges for the purpose of inaugurating a branch of the above union in Cranbrook. The meeting proved a huge success. The following officers were elected:

Pres—Mr. McIntyre.
Vice Pres.—Mr. Tozer.
Sec.-treas—Mr. C. Finnis.
Librarian—Mr. A. Bridges.
Teacher—Rev. Alexander Anderson.

THE FIRST MEETING.

The first meeting of the Baraca Union will be held in the Baptist church on Sunday, Jan. 31st at 3 p. m. A hearty welcome is extended to all young men of Cranbrook over 16 years of age who have no regular place of worship to go to.

METHODIST CHURCH

JANUARY 31ST.

Services at 11, 3, and 7.30.

Sunday School and bible classes in the afternoon.

Young men are cordially invited to attend.

The evening subject will be: "As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country."

We welcome visitors and those who are new to our city to our services.

Tuesday—Devotional service by the Epworth League at 8.

Friday—Prayer service at 8. Choir *business meeting and practice at 8.45.*

Next Sunday, February 7th, children's service at 11. Dr. Chown, the general secretary of the temperance and moral reform of the Methodist church of Canada will be here for the 8th prox. Further announcements will be made on Sunday. A public meeting will be held in the interests of the temperance work on Monday, February the 8th, at 8.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JANUARY 31.

The usual services will be held at 11 and 7.30 o'clock. The anthem in the evening by a complete choir is "Softly now the Day of Light," by H. P. Danso.

In the evening a statement of the church finances for the year will be made at the close of the sermon.

BAPTIST CHURCH

The services on Sabbath will be *conducted at the usual hours. Morning* at 11; Sabbath School 3 p. m.; evening 7.30 p. m. Subject "A question that has never been answered."

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The newly formed Baraca class meets in the church at 3 p.m. This is a class for young men. If you attend no other class at that hour, comeaod the Baracas will make you welcome. A special invitation is extended to all strangers to come and get acquainted.

Short Stories of the Day

Here is the story of David and Goliathas told with appropriate gestures to 8,000 people by Bill Sunday the evangelist, at his revival meeting in Spokane:

"And so David's pa comes up to him in the field where he was working and says: "Dave, better go up to the house, your ma's anxious about the other boys fighting in the army, hasn't hearn from them by 'phone or anything an' she'd *like you should* go look them up. So Dave hops on a trolley and hikes to the front and stays there with his brothers over night."

"In the morning old Goliath comes out in front of the Philistines and *dares the Israelites to fight him.* 'Who's that big stiff making all the talk out there'? asks Dave.

"Why, thats the head cheese, the big noise,' says his brothers.

"Why don't someone soak him one" asks Dave.

"We've all got cold feet," says the Israelites.

"You fellows make me tired," says Dave, and he pikes out to the brook and gets four pebbles in his shepherd's sack, slaps one at Goliath and soaks him in the coco between the lamps. Goliath goes to the mat, takes the count and Dave pokes him in the slats, chops off his block and the whole Philistine gang skidoord."

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History of Canadian Journalism

Everyone who is interested in the history of Canada will welcome a new book, "A History of Canadian Journalism," which has just been issued. The volume, which furnishes in permanent form the first comprehensive history of the press in Canada, covers a great deal of ground not dealt with in any other extant publication. The reader as he peruses its pages, is constantly surprised to find in it hitherto unpublished sidelights on the careers of our public men, as well as full and first hand information regarding our great journalists and our great newspapers. Altogether it is one of the most valuable historical works which has appeared in Canada.

Not only is the matter fresh and interesting and important, but the style throughout is quite equal to the best. This will be better appreciated when it is stated that the contributors include Goldwin Smith, Dr. A. H. A. Colquhoun, deputy minister of education for Ontario; John Reade, F.R.S.C., Montreal Gazette; Arthur Wallis, Toronto Mail and Empire; J. E. B. McCready, Charlottetown Guardian; J. P. Robertson, Winnipeg; Robert Sellar, Huntingdon Gleaner; J. K. McInnes, Regina Standard; J. W. Bengough, Toronto, and R. E. Gosnell, Vancouver.

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The Toronto News lauds Mr. Borden as the unrelenting foe of electoral corruption. Mr. Borden is certainly the greatest talker in Canada against electoral corruption, but deducing a general theory from the particular instances with which we are most familiar we should say that he has no invincible objection to having behind him in the house of commons followers who hold their seats by virtue of every possible crime known to the political calendar.

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Judge Cassels' report on his investigation of the affairs of the marine and fisheries department was laid on the table of the the house yesterday and makes interesting reading. Among other things Judge Cassels took occasion to draw attention to the enormous profits made by the Willson Fog Signal company on the signals it supplied to the government in such large numbers. This, it may be remarked, is the company in which Hon. Clifford Sifton held stock to the value of $150,000, until just previous to the late general election, when he sold out to friends in order that he might be able to declare on the hustings that he was not interested in the concern—Nelson News.

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There is a Toronto rumor to the effect that Mr. Aylesworth will shortly retire from the government. We would not be surprised were it to prove correct.

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Francis J. Heney has not yet been engaged to clean out the grafters in Ottawa.

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We have just discovered that a banknote, when very dirty, contains 74,000 very hungry bacteria. For this reason we would thank our patrons to wash their money before unloading it in our office. We have plenty of troubles just now, without having millions of bacteria watching for a chance to push us over the divide to where the angels are ever singing.—Greenwood Ledge.

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If the man in the street were to say that Europe is on the verge of war, not much attention would be paid to him; but it makes us sit up and take notice when we read the following special dispatch from London: "Addressing parliament of labor on behalf of the new territorial army, War Secretary Haldane said the condition of international affairs was such that only a spark was needed to make a great trouble possible. Nations nowadays resembled armed camps rather than peoples contemplating peace. Great Britain's best security for peace was preparedness for war. In addition to the possibility of invasion there was the more probable contingency that if Britain did not attend to the matter of national defence a gust of panic would sweep over the markets."—Colonial.

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The British torpedo-boat destroyer Tartar, using liquid fuel, and steaming under war conditions has attained a speed exceeding 38 knots an hour. Great Britain still sets the pace in naval matters to the rest of the world.—Colonist.

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The conservative convention which met Friday last in Victoria was excellent in point of numbers and of the spirit which prevailed. It was not an occasion for much speech making, but rather one for the routine business of the organisation. Sessions will be resumed this morning and there may be some interesting matters to report.

PREPARING FOR THE RAID.

The signs all point to another raid on the public treasury by the Grand Trunk Pacific at the approaching session of the Dominion house of parliament. It is highly significant to see the Toronto Globe, the chief organ of the Laurier government, devoting a column or two of its editorial space to a laudation of the national transcontinental railway, which it designates as "the greatest railway in the world," and it is *equally significant* to find the editorial carefully telegraphed to the Free Press and all other organs, as if the gulf that the Globe talks would not keep for an extra day till it could reach the other organs by mail. The whole business smacks of fake.

It has been pretty well understood for months that all was not smooth sailing with the G.T.P., that the financial waters were troubled, and that the company would be knocking at the door of parliament the coming session for "better terms" and further assistance from the government.

With the presumption in view the significance of the Globe's articles, lauding the scheme as the "greatest railway on earth" will be easily comprehended. That is the way these things are done. A campaign among the organs is commenced away in advance of the raid. The local liberal sheet may be expected to follow suit very soon. The people have to be buncowed anyway, and the old regulation methods of going through their pockets may just as well be adhered to. They have worked well in the past; why should they not prove successful again?—Lethbridge News.

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The mysterious purchaser of the Soo works is said to be the C. P. R. although president Warren doubts it.

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That London music hall audience that threw eggs at Carrie Nation probably wanted to help her hatch trouble.

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From the way they are throwing eggs at Carrie Nation in London they must consider her an old hen.

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Borden is again the unanimous choice of the party. There has yet to be heard a breath of suspicion in connection with his character. His strength has developed rapidly and in spite of the rumors spread by the liberals concerning his replacement the conservatives have made their own selection of an honorable and strong, clever man.

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Wm. Sloan, M.P., for Comox-Atlin, has resigned, and a writ for a by-election has been issued. Mr. Sloan has given up his seat in the house in order to enable the Hon. Wm. Templeman to obtain a seat in the commons. Mr. Sloan was twice elected by acclamation, but Mr. Templeman will have a harder fight in Comox-Atlin than he had in Victoria where he was defeated in the recent election. Money, nor the resignation of Mr. Sloan will not give the seat to Mr. Templeman.

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An associated press report of the proceedings in the federal parliament on Monday, received here that night *stated incidentally* that Sir Wilfrid Laurier was a particularly attentive listener to the speeches made by the conservative members from British Columbia. The solid five have commenced the session well and have lots of educational work still ahead of them. Before prorogation takes place the real situation in the far west on many important matters will have been told the premier and the rest of the house very plainly. Later on, the reason for the late political turn over in Kootenay and Yale-Cariboo to say nothing of the coast constituencies, will be satisfactorily explained at Ottawa.

Next Governor General

It is stated on good authority that Lord Northcote will succeed Earl Grey as governor general of Canada. Lord Northcote passed through Canada recently on his way home to *England, after completing a five year* term as governor general of Australia. He was born Nov. 18, 1846, being the second son of the earl of Iddesleigh, at one time leader of the house of commons. After graduating from Oxford he entered the civil service in 1868 and has since held public positions as follows: Private secretary to lord Salisbury at the Turkish embassy, 1876-7; private secretary to the chancellor of the exchequer, 1877-50; financial secretary to the war office, 1885-6; surveyor general of ordnance 1886-7; charity commissioner, 1891-2; member of parliament in the conservative interests for Exeter, 1880-99; governor of Bombay, 1889-1903; governor general of Australia, 1903-8. He was created a baronet with the title of Sir Henry Stafford Northcote in 1887 and was raised to the peerage in 1900. His decorations are C. B., G. C. I. E., G. C. M. G. He married in 1873, Alice, daughter of lord Mount Stephen.

At the House

Victoria, Jan. 27—The debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne was continued this afternoon by A. E. Phillips, Islands, and W. R. Ross, Fernie, for the government, H. C. Brewster, Alberni, and John Jardine, Esquimalt for the opposition, and John McInnes, Grand Forks, for the socialists. Nothing of importance transpired.

Mr. McPhillips warmly defended the government's land policy in reference to Buckley and Nechaco valleys intimating that the time was not yet ripe for the introduction of settlers, who should wait until the country

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Moose Mocoasins,	2.50	,,	1.75
Regular	$ 4.50	bag for	$ 3.60
,,	4.75	,, ,,	3.80
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,,	8.00	,, ,,	6.40
,,	8.75	,, ,,	7.00
,,	9.50	,, ,,	7.60
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,,	20.00	,, ,,	16.00

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Regular	$0.75	lines for	.50
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EAST KOOTENAY

(DISTRICT LOCAL NEWS)

WARDNER

(From our Special Correspondent.)

Miss Hazel Behart visited Cranbrook Saturday last.

Constable Adney was a Cranbrook visitor on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Brymer of Cranbrook spent Sunday in Wardner the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. Lund.

Miss Holbrook of Elko, has been spending a few days here visiting Miss McKee.

A Armisted came up from Elko on Friday to attend the dance.

Alex. Thornton left last week for Fernie where he has secured a situation.

A dance was held in the Library hall last Friday evening and quite an enjoyable time was spent.

A concert will be given next Monday evening in the hall under the management of Mr. John Smith and everyone is looking forward to a treat from our excellent home talent.

Mr. and Mrs. Behart and family, accompanied by Miss Lucy Carmichael drove out to Bull River falls on Sunday, spending the day there with friends, and reports a most enjoyable time.

Louis Larson, who was formerly engaged as sawyer here, has returned to Wardner, and expects to remain here for the season.

Mr. Bell, representing the Canadian Fairbanks Co., who have recently opened a branch office at Calgary was in town on Wednesday busily booking orders.

Mr. Sam Hillings, manager of the Nanton Lumber & Grain Co., of Nanton, Alta., who is making a business trip over the Crow, stopped off at Wardner on Thursday for a few hours.

Mr. Lund left for Nelson on Thursday to attend a meeting of the Mountain Lumber Manufacturers Association at that point.

Mr. Lund left on Tuesday for Lundbrek to attend the annual meeting of the coal company there, returning on Wednesday's local.

The planing mill of the Crow's Nest Pass Lumber Co., which has been closed down for a number of days renewed operations on Monday morning

A number of enterprising young people of Wardner have clubbed together and flooded a space on the flat near the company's buildings for a skating rink. This is lighted at night by gasoline lamps, and will prove a great attraction as long as the skating season lasts.

A number of men and teams are engaged on the river here putting up next summer's supply of ice, and there is no danger of an ice cream famine in Wardner, from present indications.

The logs purchased from the Harrison ranch are being hauled to the mill side of the river.

MICHEL.

(From The Reporter.)

The Trades Committee meets on Feb. 2.

F. E. Hains, an old time typo, now of Corbin was a visitor at this office on Thursday.

The Methodist gymnasium opens on Thursday night. J. McDonald has received the position of instructor.

Maud—You make a great mistake when you imagine that the Scotchmen are to celebrate P. Burns' birthday on the 25th. Did you never hear of Bobbie Burns.

"The earnings of the Canadian Pacific railway for the second week in January increased over $40,000 over the same week last year." Just so. And the freight for New Michel was responsible for most of it, and yet we hear nothing of that promised siding and station.

Building contracts for the erection of several houses, stores, &c., are being considered, and it is understood that operations on the same will be begun in a week or so. We are not at liberty to give names at present, but from one prominent contractor we learn that Michel will be busy building in a short time.

FERNIE.

(From the Free Press.)

The firemen will hold their annual ball on Feb. 14.

J. F. Armstrong, government agent at Cranbrook, is in the city today.

A 'phone has been installed in the Fire Hall.

The megaphone artist on Victoria avenue who makes the night hideous by his blatant bawling should be suppressed.

An abundant accumulation of snow on the roof, followed by Sunday's rain, removed a building which might eventually habe been sold to insurance companies.

The school board held a meeting on Tuesday last and took active steps to provide educational facilities for the young. They have secured temporary quarters in the old Home bank building and are having it made habitable. They are looking up the necessary school marms by wire.

(From District Ledger.)

J. F. Armstrong of Cranbrook was in town on Friday.

Devere Hunt, the popular conductor on the local, was in town on Thursday.

The Fernie curlers journeyed to Cranbrook and captured the district medal.

Jim Burrows easily defeated Johnson of Pennsylvania last Monday at Coleman, putting his man down in the ninth round.

What about our hockey team this season? Other towns along the line are in the game and why not Fernie? Some good material still remains if we organise at once.

We have been asked to deny the report which has been widely circulated that the surplus of the relief money was going to be used for the purpose of erecting a monument to ex-mayor Tuttle.

MOYIE

(From The Leader.)

Thawing the frozen water pipes with electricity is proving very successful in Moyie.

A. B. Macdonald, of the law firm of Harvey, McCarter & Macdonald, of Cranbrook, was in town Wednesday on professional business.

It is said the Porto Rico Lumber Co., at Moyie have six million feet of logs cut and on skids, ready to be brought down to the mill in the spring and cut into lumber. The company is looking forward to a big season's bill.

Fred Vellenoweth, while working in the sorting department of the St. Eugene concentrator last Tuesday, got his arm caught in some of the machinery and was injured quite severely. The accident happened at one o'clock and the man was taken to Cranbrook to the hospital on the afternoon train.

CRESTON.

(From The Review.)

Creston has now a board of trade.

Creston is still booming and new buildings are going up haily. for a business trip to Victoria.

Buildings are going up in Creston. What an investment it would be foe a man with money to erect dwellings for rent.

Railway accidents have been numerous the past week or so. Owing to the C.P.R. controlling the wires the public gets very little information on tragedies of that kind.

A meeting of the East Kootenay Farmers' Institute will be held in the schoolhouse on Saturday, January 30th, at 8 p.m. to arrange for procuring stumpind powder at reduced rates. All farmers who will require powder this spring for the purpose of clearing land can secure it by attending the meeting and becoming a member of the Institute.

Last night the board of trade held a meeting in the Mercantile Co.'s store, that was a very stormy one. A report will appear next issue. Delegates to the Associated Board of Trade to be held at Trail, B. C., on the 17th inst., were the president E. Mallandaine, R. Bevan and C. P. Riel. Resolutions were adopted to be presented to the board.

GOLDEN ITEMS

(From The Star.)

The Windermere townsite company have been approached as to a site for a large summer hotel on Windermere lake. This is a straw which shows which way the wind blows.

Three thieves were arrested last Friday morning for stealing articles from the Columbia hotel Thursday night. They were tried Saturday morning before magistrate Griffith, the two who gave their names as Mullally and Nelon were sentenced to six months hard labor, while Marshall was let off.

The curlers are down to hard practice and expect to hold their own against the visiting rinks during the bonspiel. At a meeting of the curlers held last week, the following committee were chosen: Dr. Taylor and Dave Bowes Prize Committee; Chas. A. Warren and Jas. Henderson, Ice committee; E. N. Russell and Sam King, Entertainment committee. They will not leave anything undone in making this year's 'spiel the best that was ever held in Golden.

HOSMER

(From The Times.)

N. E. Broley has his big steam pile driver at work driving the piling for the new bridge.

Two vags, Charles Marquett and Caleb F. Vanarsdale, were arrested by constable Bulger last week and were sent up for 60 days in the Nelson jail by R. J. Cole, J. P.

Seven or eight undesirables have been induced to move on out of town during the past two weeks, and Mr. Bulger is keeping a look out for such people and gently but firmly insisting upon their migration.

There is fun brewing for the lovers of hockey. The Queen's hotel hockey boys have challenged the world, specifying the Royal hotel crowd in particular. The challenge has been promptly accepted and the contest will come off at the Gee open air rink in a few days. Look out for fun.

The Soil

Continued from page 1

the temperature bacteria prefer for their development. Disease-Bacteria require 97 degrees fahrenheit (blood heat,) but ordinary bacteria are the most active at a temperature of 80 degrees fahrenheit. This is the reason that we need cold storage, especially in summer, for if we cannot get refrigeration we must be extremely careful to keep our products as short a time as possible, and protect them against infection from dust, etc.

FOOD SUPPLY.

Adequate and proper food supply:

In growing bacteria we must give much attention to their food, for all our precautions would be useless if the food was not fit for them. Beef broth will satisfy the greater number of bacterial species, although in some cases the addition of other ingredients is necessary. It sometimes happens that we cannot find the proper food for a bacterial species; it is then often successful to give them an extract of the products in which they lived in nature. Any food however, which does not contain the elements hydrogen, oxygen and nitrogen is unfit for bacterial growth.

The reaction of the food we give them also deserves our attention. The same food made acid or alkaline, will show a remarkable difference in the bacterial species in preference to others. This is quite evident in the making of vinegar. Put some fruit juice in a jar and add yeast to produce alcohol, and immediately scores of bacteria begin to grow, among them the vinegar bacteria. These produce their acid, and this acidity makes the juice less and less fit for the growth of other bacteria, with the result that the vinegar, when it is ready, contains only vinegar bacteria.

Our third condition was moisture, and undoubtedly this is a very important one from a practical standpoint. The farmer who has to store his crops and hay knows moisture to be his worst enemy. Without moisture the bacteria are unable to grow, and this fact is the foundation of a great many practical processes. To preserve grass it is made into hay, and as hay it keeps for an unlimited time. The farmer who is unlucky enough to be obliged to store damp hay sprinkles it with salt, for salt takes up moisture, and the bacteria are checked in their growth. Grain is dried carefully, otherwise it may mould in a few days.

Anybody who wishes to try an experiment himself may take two pieces of bread and soak one of them in water. In a few days the wet piece is covered with mould, while the dry piece is unchanged, though the chance of infection for both was the same.

Meat is dried for preserving purposes and the same principle holds true for meat extracts, condensed milk, evaporated fruits and vegetables, milk powder, dried fish, etc. Thus many food products are preserved indefinitely by the simple means of depriving them of their moisture.

OXYGEN REQUIREMENTS.

We have already mentioned the influence of oxygen in our first article. There are bacteria which need a great amount of oxygen for their sustenance, the aerobic ones whilst others thrive the better the less oxygen they get, the so-called anaerobic species. Besides these two main groups, there are some species which prefer nitrogen, gas, etc., but as they are not of daily concern we will only mention the fact. All the conditions here mentioned must be present before bacterial development can result. Deprive the microbes of any of them, and all growth ceases, as we have pointed out in the examples given. Thus, we are able to select those measures for checking bacterial growth which do not impair or damage the products we wish to preserve.

J. Vanderleck.

BOOM THE PROSPECTOR—THE PIONEER PAPER OF EAST KOOTENAY.

Lindsey Course in Agriculture

"Strive to know why, for this teaches how and when." This precept is particularly true of farming, and in this course the young man may learn the "why" of many of our farm operations; he may gain a good knowledge of the scientific principles which are the key to the most successful farm practice. The course will include practically every branch of agriculture, but special attention will be given the branches of farming followed in Victoria county. Under Animal Husbandry will be taken up the History of the various classes and breeds of live stock breeding and the feeding and general management of farm animals. Also in connection with live stock is given a course of veterinary science, taking up the blemishes and diseases of stock, with methods of treatment. Field husbandry includes the reasons for rotation of crops, various methods of cultivation, the use of manures and fertilisers, the drainage, and the improvement of seed by selection. Under Dairying the students are taught how to build up a good dairy herd and how to keep a record of each cow by using a tester and scales. Each one is expected to bring samples of milk from home and to test them for himself, using the Babcock tester at the Collegiate Institute. Agricultural botany is one of the most interesting subjects. Pressed specimens of the worst farm weeds are placed before the students, together with weed seeds commonly found in grain and grass seeds. The students rapidly learn to recognise both weeds and seeds, and their interest is readily secured in methods of weed eradication. Some time is devoted to horticulture, the planting, pruning, grafting and spraying of orchards, and the growing of small fruits and vegetables. Bookkeeping and farm management include the study of all the common business forms, the keeping of farm records, the construction and care of fences and buildings, and general improvement of farm property, together with the management of labor and planning of farm operations.

Farm help will probably be more plentiful this winter than has been the case for several years, and many young men can by an earnest effort arrange to take this course. High school standing is not required, and there are no fees and no entrance examination. The course is planned specially for farmers' sons who have been at home for some years on the farm. This course will greatly increase both the pleasure and profits of farming. It will supply much valuable information and training, and will put the forces in touch with sources of information which will be of lifelong benefit.

Laurier for Quebec

Ottawa, Jan. 28—It is learned that the conservatives will drop proceedings in the protested election of Sie Wilfrid Laurier for Ottawa. This will meao a by-election in Ottawa, probably during the present session as the premier will sit for Quebec east.

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SMALL DEBT'S COURT

Electoral District of Cranbrook.

NOTICE is hereby given that Sittings of the above Court will be held at the Government Building, Cranbrook, for the disposal of cases every Wednesday, at two o'clock p. m.; at Moyie every Saturday at the Steele and Wardner on such days and dates as may be appointed in the proceedings.
same hour; and at Marysville, Fort
All debts and demands not exceeding the sum of $100 can be sued for and recovered in the above mentioned Court on Summons and Judgement, Garnishee (either before or after Judgement) or on Instalment Order which can be enforced by commitment if necessary.
Instructions for proceedings can be handed in to the undermentioned Clerks of the Court., viz:—
F. R. Morris, Deputy Sheriff, Cranbrook.
P. G. Routh, Provincial Constable, Moyie, or to
Joseph Walsh, Provincial Constable, Fort Steele.

BY ORDER
Joseph Ryan
Magistrate.
Dated 22nd day of June, 1908.

NOTICE.

Take notice that I, Andrew B. Grace, of Cranbrook, occupation Journalist, intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands in East Kootenay: Commencing at a post planted at the south east corner of block 425, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to place of beginning, containing 640 acres more or less.

ANDREW B. GRACE.
Dated Oct. 26, 1908.

The time for the commencement of he publication in the B. C. Gazette of the above notice has been extended to the 4th day of December, 1908.

J. F. ARMSTRONG,
Assistant Commissioner of Lands nd Works.

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT

District of East Kootenay.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Clement H. Pollen of Cranbrook, occupation agent, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the S. W. corner J. Means Pre-emption, east 30 chains to the boundary of lot 6033, thence 30 chains south to the boundary of lot 2048, thence 30 chains west, thence 30 chains north to the point of commencement, containing 100 acres more or less.

CLEMENT H. POLLEN
Dated, October 30th, 1908. 45

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT

District of East Kootenay.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Francis H. Pollen of London, Eng., occupation a free miner, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the N. E. corner post of lot 342, 40 chains north following the boundary of lot 116 and 338, thence 40 chains west, thence 40 chains south, thence 40 chains east, to the point of commencement, containing 100 acres more or less.

CLEMENT H. POLLEN, Agent.
Dated, October 30th, 1908. 45

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT

District of East Kootenay.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Jos. Ryan of Cranbrook, occupation journalist, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the S. W. corner of lot 2048, south 30 chains to lot 6033, thence east 30 chains, thence north 30 chains, thence west 30 chains, to the point of commencement, containing 100 acres more or less.

CLEMENT H. POLLEN, Agent.
Dated, October 30th, 1908. 45

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT

District of East Kootenay.

Take notice that Hugh Stewart of Cranbrook, occupation merchant, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted on the Kootenay river approximately on the south boundary of lot 116, 20 chains west to the boundary of lot 342, thence 40 chains south following the east boundary of lot 342 to the Kootenay River, thence 40 chains following the Kootenay river to the point of commencement, containing 50 acres more or less.

CLEMENT H. POLLEN, Agent
Dated, October 30th, 1908. 45

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT

District of Kootenay.

I, John Thomas Scanlon of Cranbrook, occupation rancher, intend to apply to the chief commissioner of lands and works for permission to purchase the following described land in East Kootenay district:
Commencing at a post planted about 2 chains south of the south west corner of lot 7218 on the north boundary lot 2312, thence north 25.31 chains, thence west 23 chains, thence south 25.31 chains, thence east along the northerly boundary of Lot 2312 to the place of beginning, containing 58 acres more or less.

JOHN THOMAS SCANLON.
Dated December 3rdi 1908.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of December, 1908, it was ordered by T. E. Wilson, Esq., Judge of the County Court of East Kootenay, that James Ferguson Armstrong, Omcial Administrator for that portion of the County of Kootenay included in the electoral districts of Cranbrook and Fernie, be Administrator of all and singular the estate of William Stanley McEwan deceased intestate.

Every person indebted to the said deceased is required to make payment forthwith to the undersigned.

Every person having effects belonging to the deceased is required forthwith to notify the undersigned.

Every creditor or other person having any claim upon or interest in the distribution of the estate of the said deceased is required to send before the 21st day of December, 1909, next, by registered mail addressed to the undersigned, his name and address and the full particulars of his claim or interest, and a statement of his account and the nature of the security (if any) held by him.

After the said last mentioned date the Administrator will proceed with the distribution of the estate having regard to those claims only of which he shall have had notice.

Dated at Cranbrook this 16th day of December, 1908.

J. F. ARMSTRONG,
51 Official Administratar.

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT

District of East Kootenay.

TAKE NOTICE that Thomas J. Agar, of Simcoe, Ontario, occupation solicitor, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following land, being four islands in the Kootenay river lying opposite lot 116, group 1, described as follows: Commencing at a post planted on the west side of the northerly island in the group and on the south line of lot 338, group 1, Kootenay district; thence down stream following the westerly side of the island to the southerly end thereof; thence up stream on the easterly side of the island to the south line of lot 338; thence west to place of beginning; also the three smaller islands south of the above island, all containing about 80 acres.

THOMAS J. AGAR.
Dated October 30th, 1908.

The delay for commencing the publication of the above notice is extended to the 13th day of November, 1908.

J. F. ARMSTRONG,
Asst. Comm'r.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the parliament of Canada, at its next session, by the Kootenay Central Railway Company, for an act to amend its act of incorporation, being 1 Edward VII, Chap. 71, as amended by 3 Edward VII, Chap. 142 and 4 Edward VII, Chap. 91, by extending the time for completion of said railway as limited by said act of incorporation and amendments, and for other purposes.

Dated December 5th, 1908.
Harvey, McCarter & Macdonald,
50 Solicitors for Applicants.

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT.

District of Kootenay.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Edward Watts of Wattsburg, occupation Lumberman, intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands in East Kootenay District. Commencing at a post planted at the North-west corner of Lot 5459, South 80 chains, thence West 20 chains, thence North 80 chains, thence East 20 chains to point of commencement, containing 160 acres more or less.

EDWARD WATTS.
Dated December, 18th 1908. 2

NOTICE.

Take notice that I, Lizzie Grace of Cranbrook, occupation married woman, intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands in East Kootenay: Commencing at a post planted at the south east corner of A. B. Grace's purchase, thence west 80 chains to the C.P.R. right of way, thence following said right of way in an easterly direction to the south boundary of lot 425, thence north 40 chains more or less to the place of beginning, containing 100 acres more or less.

LIZZIE GRACE,
A. B. Grace, Agent.
Dated Oct. 26th, 1908.

The time for the commencement of the publication in the B. C. Gazette of the above notice has been extended to the 4th day of December, 1908.

J. F. ARMSTRONG,
Assistant Commissioner of Lands and Works.

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT

District of Kootenay.

TAKE NOTICE that sixty days after date I, George Lloyd, civil engineer, Cranbrook, intend making application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works or permission to purchase the following described lands:
Commencing at a post placed at the N. W. corner of lot 1591 on the East bank of the Kootenay River, thence east 13 chains, more or less, following the Northern Boundary of lot 15 to a corner post of lot 8103; thence North 20 chains, more or less, following the west Boundary of lot 8103 to bank of Kootenay River; thence following Kootenay River in a South-Westerly direction to place of beginning, containing 20 acres more or less.

GEORGE LLOYD.
Dated November 9th, 1908.

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B. C. Amalgamated	.02¾	.04
B. C. Copper	7.00	7.75
Can. Goldfields	.03	.05
Can. North West Oil	.35	.47
Consolidated Smelters	85.00	90.00
Cranbrook Fire Brick		1.10
Diamond Coal	.50	.54
Diamond Vale Coal	.13	.17
Dominion Copper	.37	.45
Internat'l Coal & Coke	73.00	80.00
Nicola Coal Mines Ltd	.02½	.05
Nipissing	9.50	10.10
North Star	.09	.12
McGillivray Creek Coal		.25
Rambler Cariboo		.16½
Royal Collieries	.36	.38
Society Girl		.25
Sullivan	.00½	.01½
Temaskinning	1.64	1.65
Western Oil (ord)	1.25	2.00
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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of January, 1909, it was ordered by P. E. Wilson, Esq., Judge of the County Court of East Kootenay, that James Ferguson Armstrong, Official Administrator for that portion of the County of Kootenay included in the Electoral Districts of Cranbrook and Fernie, be Administrator of all and singular the estate of Frederick Douglas Anderson, deceased intestate.

Every person indebted to the said deceased is required to make payment forthwith to the undersigned.

Every person having in possession effects belonging to the deceased is required forthwith to notify the undersigned.

Every creditor or other person having any claim upon or interest in the distribution of the estate of the said deceased is required to send before the 17th day of February next, by registered mail addressed to the undersigned, his name and address and the full particulars of his claim or interest, and a statement of his account and the nature of the security (if any) held by him.

After the said last mentioned date the Administrator will proceed with the distribution of the estate having regard to those claims only of which he shall have had notice.

Dated at Cranbrook this 8th day of January, 1909.

J. F. Armstrong,
2 Official Administrator.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of January, 1909, it was ordered by P. E. Wilson, Esq., Judge of the County Court of East Kootenay, that James Ferguson Armstrong, Official Administrator for that portion of the County of Kootenay included in the Electoral Districts hf Cranbrook and Fernie, be Administrator of all and singular the estate of Hugh Campbell, deceased intestate.

Every person indebted to the said deceased is required to make payment forthwith to the undersigned.

Every person having in possession effects belonging to the deceased is required forthwith to notify the undersigned.

Every creditor or other person having any claim upon or interest in the distribution of the estate of the said deceased is required to send before the 17th day of February next, by registered mail addressed to the undersigned, his name and address and the full particulars of his claim or interest, and a statement *of his account and the nature of the* security (if any) held by him.

After the said last mentioned date the Administrator will proceed with the distribution of the estate having regard to those claims only of which he shall have had notice.

Dated at Cranbrook this 8th day of January, 1909.

J. F. Armstrong,
2 Official Administrator.

Interesting to Know

While it is much to be regretted, it is a fact that must be acknowledged, that there are "little Englanders," and also "little Canadians." By little *Canadians is meant those who have* no confidence in the future and very meagre information as to the great resources of Canada.

No man can be a "little Canadian" unless he be grossly ignorant of the country of which he claims to be a citizen. Ignorance is a sinister condition, and failure and may be disaster are the inevitable consequences of its influence.

How many people realise the greatness of the country of which they form a part? It may not be amiss to give a few particulars of this great Dominion.

FACTS ABOUT CANADA

Canada is larger than the United States, by about 178,000 square miles and has a population of only one-twelfth the latter country.

Canada is as large as thirty united kingdoms of Great Britain, and equal in size to eighteen Germany's.

Canada is almost the size of Europe and twice the size of British India; eighteen times the size of France twenty times the size of Spain and twenty-three times the size of Italy.

Canada is one third the area of the British empire, and half of this area is as yet not surveyed into provinces.

Only one quarter of this vast area is occupied and less than one-eighth is under cultivation.

Canada contains approximately 3,729,665 square miles—more than one-third of this territory unexplored.

The unsurveyed districts of Mackenzie,, Ungava, and Franklin are larger than China.

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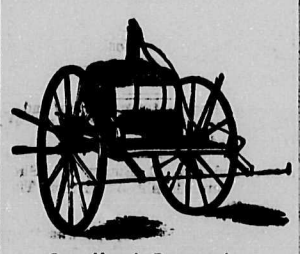
Canada extends over 48 degrees of latitude—a distance equal to that from Rome to the North Pole.

These are a few rudimentary points about Canada, well known to the average school boy, but not known to those who decry the country, and faintly realised by the party in opposition to the government.

POSSIBLE GERMAN TREATY

Berlin, Jan. 27—Answering the budget committee, foreign secretary Onschen said today concerning commercial relations with Canada that everything possible for the defense of German interests had been done. It wat not impossible an opportunity before long may arise for the discussion of a commercial treaty after the conclusion of the Franco-Canadian negotiations.



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George Alexander Jamieson.
Jan. 18, 1909. 5

FORT STEELE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with the statutes, that provincial revenue tax, and all assessed taxes and income tax assessed and levied under the "assessment Act," and amendments, and under the public schools act, are due and payable on the 2nd day of January for the year 1909.

All taxes collectible for the Fort Steele assessment district are due and payable at my office situated at the government offices, Cranbrook, B. C. This notice, in terms of law is equivalent to a personal demand by me upon all persons liable for taxes.

Dated at Cranbrook, B. C., this 22nd day of January, 1909.

A. C. NELSON,
Deputy Assessor and Collector,
5 Fort Steele Assessment District.

Session Begins

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new loan of $30,000,000 in London, paying 3¾ per cent., and selling the bonds at a discount, besides paying one per cent. or more in commissions. Mr. Fielding's first loan in England made a year or so after he came into office bore interest at 2½ per cent. He is paying 4 to 5 per cent. now on large overdrafts and temporary loans. Money lenders across the Atlantic are giving the finance minister an impressive lesson in "exceptional caution."

A VIGOROUS DEBATE

The debate on the address began on Friday. After Mr. Todd and Mr. Turcotte had moved and seconded the reply, Mr. Borden spoke briefly. He informed the premier that, according to Sir Wilfrid's own doctrine of the former days, that party representation in the house should be proportionate to the vote in the country, the government should only have a majority of three in the house, with the speaker in the chair. Even this majority was largely obtained by the secret circulation among Roman Catholics of the "Duty of the Hour" pamphlet, with the false and malicious statement that it was conservative literature. The opposition leader *predicted that the session would* not be long unless ministers persisted in their old habit of withholding their principle measures. Then Mr. Borden told the premier what his duty was in the matter of investigation. The Cassels' inquiry should have been extended into every spending department, and the commissioner should have been allowed to investigate contributions of contractors to campaign funds as well as payments to civil servants. Mr. Borden welcomed the government's sudden conversion to economy, but held that it should have begun before the election campaign and prevented the wholesale bribery of constituencies, by promises of profuse public expenditure.

SIR WILFRID COMPLAINS

The premier's speech was largely devoted to the unhappy defeat of his candidates in Manitoba and British Columbia. He complained that the Pacific problem had been stampeded on the Oriental immigration question and Mr. Borden for encouraging this campaign. Later in the debate Mr. Lemieux made a long lament over the attitude of British Columbia.

THE WEST HEARD FROM.

But it was found that the new members from that province were well able to defend themselves, and their constituents. Mr. Cowan, Mr. Barnard and Mr. Burrell replied to the prime minister, showing that Sir Wilfrid and his colleagues were wholly to blame for the Oriental immigration situation. It is not often that the house hears better speaking than that of the three new members, who showed up the stupid deception and inconsistent dealings of the government with immigration matters and pointed out that the ministry was condemned in British Columbia for general maladministration as well as for its bad policy.

A FEW TRADES.

Mr. Foster reviewed some of Sir Wilfrid's political contracts, ending with one just concluded whereby Mr. Sloan resigns his seat for Comox to make a place for the defeated minister, Mr. Templeman. Similar trades were that which gave a senatorship to Mr. Derbyshire, in exchange for a seat for Mr. Graham, and the one whereby Hon. Mr. Scott resigned his portfolio, his son receiving a $9000 office.

THE CASSELS' REPORT

Judge Cassels has reported from the marine department inquiry. His report is made to the minister of marine, and in the beginning clearly shows that the commissioner did not undertake to investigate the conduct of the minister or his colleagues and political friends. The inquiry was limited by the sins of lesser marine officials. The former deputy minister Col. Gourdeau, agents of the department at Quebec and St. John, the chief commissioner of lights, commander Spain, inspectors O'Farrell and Schmidt, and some thirty other officials and employees are condemned or censured, for various offenses or improper proceedings.

The commissioner always finds that the patronage system has led to excessive prices and that $100,000 a year may be saved in the department by its abolition.

That the government paid $4,600 each for 40 diaphones, which would have afforded the contractor 100 per cent. profit if sold for $870 each.

That the charter for the King Edward *steamship at $125 per day was* improperly changed to $180 per day, whereby the contractor got $6,600 to which he had no right.

That some 80 men, who were not needed, were employed at the Halifax dockyards during the late election.

That the patronage system in Halifax was intensified by the shameful interference of the late members for the riding.

That the Merwin and Brooks contracts were absolutely without excuse.

That the files of the department were mutilated after the enquiry began.

That papers were destroyed which were valuable evidence.

That agent Gregory exacted 5 per cent. commission on government contracts under his jurisdiction.

That Inspector Schmidt took bribes, knowing they were bribes.

That the deputy minister had silverware entered free of duty for his own use, on the representation that it was for public service.

That the deputy ministers must have known of the transactions at Quebec, St. John and elsewhere and that the chief engineer and his assistant would have been more careful as to the prices paid for diaphones if they had been buying for themselves.

WERE THE COMMISSION FAILS.

The commissioner does not carry his conclusions so far as to suppose that Mr. Brodeur ought also to have known anything of the excessive prices, and graft and extravagance that prevailed in his department, or that ministers would have been more vigilant if they had been buying for *themselves.*

Where the sworn evidence of Gourdeau, Fraser and Gregory states that the transactions condemned were known to the former minister, Mr. Prefontaine, the commissioner rejects the evidence because the minister is not here to speak for himself.

The commissioner implicitly accepts Mr. Brodeur's assurance that patronage had been abolished in his department. He strongly urges that the other ministers shall follow his example.

The commissioner was employed and instructed by Mr. Brodeur and did not inquire into that man's European picnic expenses. Nor the Falconer contract made by Mr. Brodeur himself, nor into any other matter in which the minister offended.

NUMBERS 84 AND 85.

Valentine Ratz, a government supporter in the last parliament who never took any part in discussion or legislation except to vote with his party, had been called to the senate, apparently for the purpose of assisting that body. It is stated that his appointment was an arrangement made before the election, by virtue of which Mr. Ratz stood out of the way of another candidate. He is number 84 in the list of ex-members placed in office by the Laurier government.

A FORTUNATE VETERAN.

Number 85 is Dr. Peter Macdonald, formerly member for Huron and deputy speaker. Though Dr. Macdonald lives at Wingham, he has been made postmaster of London city, 75 miles away, to the great indignation of the London folk who say no necessity for the importation. Dr. Macdonald is 74 years old. In the last fiscal year over 60 officials were superannuated, and all but six of them were younger than the new postmaster of London is at the time of his appointment. Of these younger men, thirty-eight were retired on the ground of "old age."

NO HURRY NOW.

Last session the government rushed through a bill authorising the transfer of parliament grounds in the front of Major Hill Park to the Grand Trunk Railway company for a hotel. The premier pleaded that the matter was urgent, but on Thursday his attention was called to the fact that the company had done nothing but build an ugly fence around their concession, spoiling the view and shutting people out of the grounds. Sir Wilfrid no longer thinks the matter urgent, now that the company has got what it wanted from the government, and says he does not know when anything more will be done. The premier is in the habit of devoutly praying heaven that it may not be too late to give concessions to favorite corporations, but his hurry and devotion are apt to stop short at that point.

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For the above event to be held Feb. 2 to 6 the Canadian Pacific railway announce a rate of fare and one-third return. Tickets on sale from Fernie and west Jan. 31 to Feb. 4. Final return limit Feb. 8.

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The Prospector.

New Edison records at the Cranbrook Drug and Book store.

Steve Alexander of Fernie was a Cranbrook visitor this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wilson were visiting friends at Calgary this week.

Cranbrook curlers who attended the bonspiel at Calgary have returned.

Repeat it—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

James Finlay left on Thursday on a business trip to Nelson.

Mrs W. G. Smith of Corbin was a Cranbrook visitor Tuesday.

A. Carney of Kaslo, provincial timber inspector was in town Tuesday.

J. D. Caverhill of Vancouver was in town Monday.

Mr. Thos. Oakley of Fernie was in the city over Sunday last.

ANCHOR BRAND FLOUR MAKES GOOD BREAD

Charles E. Rogers of Creston was in town Sunday last.

W. H. Adams of Golden was a guest at the Cranbrook Monday.

F. J. Graham spent Sunday last in Cranbrook.

G. H. Dean of Nelson was in the city Monday.

D. R. Yates of Wycliffe was in the city on Monday.

H. Granger of Canal Flat was in town Sunday last.

J. A. McDonald of Kimberley was in town Tuesday.

A. C. Bowness was at Creston on Thursday on business.

Wm. Carlin of Fort Steele was in town Friday.

L. Smith of Hosmer was in town Thursday.

Repeat it—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

P. C. Hanson of Spokane was in the city Friday.

Major and Mrs. Plant, of London, England, were registered at the Cosmopolitan Thursday.

Stipendiary Magistrate J. F. Armstrong was at Wardner Thursday on official business.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Rogers returned on Thursday from a visit to the Coast.

Mrs. J. D. McBride and Miss Ethel returned Wednesday from a visit to friends in Calgary.

Government Agent Armstrong went Thursday to Fernie on government business.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Moslyn of Pincher Creek were Cranbrook visitors Sunday last.

W. B. Doyle of Claresholm and C. V. Bennett of Lethbridge was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Emory of Sheep Creek were Cranbrook visitors Tuesday.

R. Benedick of Mayook was transacting business at Cranbrook Monday.

G. F. Henderson, president of the Bull River Power Co. was in town Monday.

R. L. McBride of Nelson, representing the Remington Typewriter Co., was in town Monday.

J. S. Kearny of Moose Jaw and H. C. McBurney of Calgary were in the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Williams of Raymond, Alta., were Cranbrook visitors Sunday last.

Frank Dunn was exhibiting a fine specimen of a lynx and wolverine this week.

C. H. Dunbar will leave early next week for Hosmer where he will practice law.

Born At Cranbrook, Sunday, January 24th, to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cross, a daughter.

Government Agent J. H. McMullen of Fernie is at the coast on official business.

Ed. Howe of the East Kootenay Lumber Co., left on Thursday on a business trip to Alberta.

M. B. King returned Sunday from a business trip to the maritime provinces.

The fire brigade will give their annual dance at the auditorium on Thursday, February 4.

ANCHOR BRAND FLOUR MAKES GOOD BREAD

Ben Pugh, an old timer, was given six months at Nelson, by Judge Ryan.

Repeat it—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

E. J. Roberts of Spokane, representing the Corbin syndicate was in town Tuesday.

O. Field and D. Field of Winnipeg were guests at the Cranbrook Thursday.

J. B. McCullough of Montreal was in town Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sparlan of Spokane were Cranbrook visitors on Wednesday.

R. L. Ford and W. W. Dickenson of Spokane were in the city on Wednesday.

Wm. Henderson of Victoria and C. A. Godfrey of Vancouver, were in the city Tuesday.

J. J. Bowlen of Humbolt, Sask., and P. D. Bowlen of High River, Albettata, were in town Tuesday.

R. G. Haddon of Medicine Hat, D. S. Williams and J. G. Russell of Brant were at the Cranbrook Saturday last.

N. McLeod Curran, manager of the North Star mine, who has been east on company business, returned Monday.

The city orchestra, under bandmaster Corrison, has been engaged to furnish music for the Mason's ball to be held Feb. 11th.

Baodmaster Corrison and his two sons have rented the Hilton cottage, Van Horne Ave., and will take up residence there Feb. 1st. Phone 253.

W. W. Barr and H. C. Hensinger of Winnipeg, J. M. McDonald of Nelson, E. V. Dangerfield of Calgary were registered at the Cranbrook Wednes-

D. S. Morton of Winnipeg, A. Windsor of New York, and A. Doyle of Fort Steele, were guests at the Cranbrook Wednesday.

Repeat it—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

C. A. Klinbersmith of Elko was transacting business at Cranbrook Friday.

The annual meeting of the Cranbrook-Fernie Farmer's Institute will be held in the government building tonight.

The Water Supply Co., have installed a boiler and pump at the old C.P.R. pumping station on St. Joseph Creek.

H. Granger of Canal Flat, Wm. Waterston of Vancouver, and C. W. Smith of Fernie were registered at the Cranbrook Friday.

J. C. Sykes of Calgary, M. Doran of Moose Jaw, and F. B. Ham of Winnipeg were guests at the Cranbrook Friday.

Ladies and gentlemen desirous of becoming members of the Choral Society should communicate with Mr. Corrison not later than Monday next.

Mr. W. A. Kouk and his son Bert, of Winnipeg, have arrived at Cranbrook, and will locate on land near Fort Steele Junction. Mr. Kouk is Mrs. R. Aikens father.

The loss, by fire and water on the stock and building of the C. C. store has been adjusted. The loss on the building was $800, on the stock $8,500.

The hockey game between Coleman and Moyie on Wednesday night resulted in a tie. The score was 3—3. The Silver City boys put up a stiff fight.

ANCHOR BRAND FLOUR MAKES GOOD BREAD

P. J. Binns of Vancouver, F. White of Montreal, G. Corville of Nanton, and E. J. Cann of Calgary were registered at the Cranbrook Sunday last.

J. Gibson, B. Lawrence and C. E. Keenish of Crow's Nest were in town Tuesday enroute for Perry Creek There they will engage in placer mining.

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F. Clark of Montreal, W. H. Murr of Lethbridge, J. H. Willoughby of Saskatoon, and W. Richardson of Portage la Prairie were guests at the Cranbrook Tuesday.

The Trainmen of Cranbrook gave a very successful dance on Thursday evening at the auditorium. There was a large attendance, the hall prettily decorated, and everybody enjoyed themselves.

It is a noteworthy fact that under the new conductorship of Mr. F. E. Corrison, the Baptist church choir has wonderfully improved. The special anthem last Sunday was beautifully rendered.

E. P. Arseneau of Spokane, W. H. DeLong of Fernie, Ed. Coville of Kingsgate, P. Ansell of Toronto, F. Prentice of Fernie and L. Freed of Nelson were registered at the Cranbrook Tuesday.

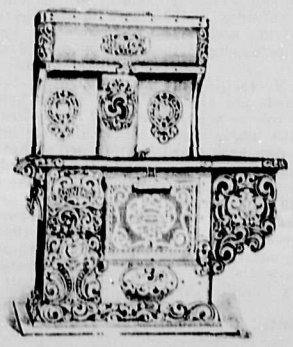
The Cranbrook Herald says: "That it seems quite probable there will be a provincial election soon after the present session closes." The Old Man must have been gossiping with "My daughter."

Repeat it—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

A splendid specimen of a deer walked down Harold St. on Tuesday, crossed Cranbrook and passed down by Mr. Dorris' home. The animal had evidently been driven to the prairie by hunger and cold weather.

Farming and fruit raising in East Kootenay is going to be a big financial proposition, growing larger every year. The man who farms intelligently cultivates fruits, will get good returns.

Moving picture shows of a high standard are running nightly at the Edison theatre. Messrs. Fraser and Hutchinson are deserving of good houses, and the little theatre on Baker street is a credit to Cranbrook. Patronise home industry by taking in the Edison on Saturday night.



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