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Around the Town at Christmas Time

To Cranbrook's credit it can truthfully be said: It has the finest set of tradesmen to be found anywhere in the west today. Its stores will compare very favorably with the best on the continent and the enterprise shown by them to provide for all the requirements of the people this Xmas season is without an equal.

All through the summer the strike through the Crow's Nest Pass has had a depressing effect upon all branches of industry in B.C. and especially throughout this district, but we are glad with the season's gladness that where expected poverty would be and where no Christmas dinner could be looked forward to there will now be smiling faces and happy hearts full with Christmas cheer and the season's compliments.

By their work among the people and by their determination to find anyone who by natural delicacy would not like their poverty known, the Salvation Army have been successful in finding only five families who would really have been without a Xmas dinner. By the generosity well known through southern British Columbia the Cranbrook tradesmen have provided royally to their comfort and their cheer, so that we are doubly glad to make known to our readers that so far as ever human agency can find NO person in the city or district will be without a Christmas dinner.

As you walk through the streets of our city today everyone carries the season's greetings on their lips and a smile on their face, a reflection of the preparations made in the home, of the evergreen holly and tinsel so carefully prepared by the wife or children in honor of the season's compliments, naturally giving a lightness to the cares of business and a tonic to the burdens of life.

The business world amid all its Christmas preparations is nothing more or less than a reflection of what you see in the home for with all respect to the business astuteness and methods in providing for the seasons needs it is really the home where the heart of Christmas cheer and good will is felt.

In looking around the stores one can see so much that is interesting, and much as we would like it is impossible for us to publish a full description of all the contents of the splendid window settings provided to reflect to the window gazer a sample of what can be found if you step inside. For instance you take the Fink, Mercantile Co., in the window you find everything pertaining to a man's requirements, neckties, handkerchiefs' dressing cases, boots and shoes, clothes, etc., etc., all of which can be seen in larger quantities and greater assortment inside, whilst in the grocery window can be seen preserved fruits, canned meats, crockery and groceries, etc., all reflecting inside quantities and samples of quality kept.

You take a look at the meat stores and see the wonderful display of meat and poultry that P. Burns & Co. have hung around their store with some of the most original sayings, mottos and advice printed and attached to the meat, anyone is invited to go inside and read them and if you have not an appetite when you enter your laugh will assuredly make one.

The Central Meat Market, also the East Kootenay Butcher Company have a large display of poultry and meats that looks well for their patrons having some good Christmas dinners.

From eatables we get to the ornamental and take a look at the wares exhibited in W. H. Wilson's jewelry store, here we find Pickard's hand painted china and a numerous variety of cut glass also a turntable glistening as it turns with small jewels and ornaments of all kinds, a quantity of watches and clocks are laid around in profusion. The Raworth Bros. have also a neat tasteful window show of ladies and gentlemens presents together with a display of jewelry.

McCreery Bros. were somewhat original in their display having built in the window an open fire place with logs of wood burning with concealed electric lights surrounded by ladies requirements of all kinds, a store that has not an equal of its kind in the district and carries so large a stock.

Miss McLeod, the milliner, has provided many things necessary for the ladies adornment and necessities.

J. D. McBride and also F. Parks & Co. are looking after the men alright Frank Parks has built a wheel train which is hung various articles of cutlery turned round by a small water motor an interesting window attraction. J. D. McBride has a fine show of skates and silverware, his store having a larger floor space carrying more stock than any store in the Kootenays.

Campbell & Manning have a real good Christmas display of preserved fruits and flowers of all kinds and a window worth seeing.

Davis Bros. and also the Empire Electrical Supply have on view stand shade lamps, cookery and other useful ladies' household appliances that are controlled and operated with electricity, all of them perfectly safe and economical when installed by experienced men.

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Public Schools Entertain

The Auditorium on Wednesday and Thursday of this week, was crowded with the parents and friends of the pupils of the public school, the occasion being the annual Christmas concert of the school.

The program was rendered in a manner which reflected great credit upon the part of the pupils, to Mr. George Ingram, and the teachers in general.

The title of the cantata was Santa Claus and his friends.

The program commenced with an opening chorus by the entire company.

Then followed "Grandmother's Story," and "Dreams of Childhood."

Miss Sarah Palmer represented 'Grandma' and sang her pretty storing in a very creditable manner; the fairy drill and song "And From Dreamland" was excellent.

Miss Edith Uren sang, "If I Have to be It, I won't Play" which brought forth an encore.

Charlie Elmer (Jeff the Tough) played the part to perfection, and his song entitled "I Don't, Indeed I Don't" was received with applause.

Miss Gracie Higgins, as "Susie" sand "Every Little Movement", proved a capital little songstress, and received quite an ovation.

The "Doll Drill" was excellently rendered by some twenty-four small boys and girls, and was a very attractive part of the program.

TABLEAUX

"The Empire" was an attractive group, with Miss A. Doyle as Brittania, Miss Gladys Hickenbotham as Canada, Miss Deacon as Ireland, Master O. Thompson as Scotland, Master R. Parks as England, Master A. Powers as Australia, and Master C. Gill as South Africa. The pedestral was ornamented with the Union Jack, on which was seated the proverbial "Bull Dog" Bruce.

The next feature was a piano and violin duet, by Master Vincent and his sister, Miss Wanda Fink. It was a selection from Trovatore, excellently rendered, and was one of the most attractive features of the evening.

Too much praise cannot be given to the picaninnies in black faces and costumes to suit, they sang "Shine on Harvest Moon." The song and drill were most excellent, and the funny part of this feature was that many of the parents could not recognize their offsprings.

The nurses drill was another excellent feature, the song, "We All Love Santa" was excellent, and received an ovation.

The "Taper Drill" was another important feature, which with the lighted tapers carried by each pupil gave a very pleasing and attractive effect.

Miss Irene Elmer sang, "Santa is Coming." in a charming way that pleased everybody.

"The Floral Drill" by twenty-four young ladies, elegantly costumed proved to be a most attractive part of the program.

Mr. Chas. Elmer as "Jeff" then sang, "I Am Little Jeff" which was received with encores.

Miss Gracie Higgins followed with a song entitled "My New Motor Boat."

The closing feature was the reception of Santa Claus and the singing of the National Anthem by the entire company.

It is impossible for the Prospector to praise, or say too much in regard to this entertainment. It showed that the children of Cranbrook had exceptional talent in musical and historic abilities, and it would not be right for us to make special mention of the abilities displayed by the principles, when all, who took part did excellent.

The annual concert of the public school is an event that will always be looked forward to with pleasure by the school children, and the public in general.

The unqualified success of the concert is due to the careful training of the pupils by Mr. George Ingram. Mr. Ingram has had a large experience in staging operetta's and Cantatas for church and school festivals. Mr. Ingram is a thorough musician and his untiring ability in this direction, has brought success to every local attraction with which he has been connected.

The programmes were pronounced a credit to the printer's art, and were gotten up by the Prospector Co.

OUR Subscription List is still increasing we have added 11 New Readers this week—A splendid Christmas and New Year's Gift to your friend. Subscription Rate $1.50

Announcement

Postmaster Henderson makes the announcement that the post office will be closed on Sunday, but, that on Monday, all day, for the convenience of box holders, the mail will be sorted, and the office opened between four and five p.m. for the general public. The outgoing mail from Cranbrook this year was the heaviest on record, also the incoming mails, and Postmaster Henderson and his staff of assistants are to be congratulated on their efforts to accommodate the public.

A Misunderstood Statement

In an item last week concerning the brick used in the new post office there was no intention whatever of criticizing the material of the Cranbrook Brick Co. who are supplying the brick for its erection.

The local brick has and is still earning a good reputation for being excellent for building purposes and another consideration that must be known the cost of these local brick is only two-fifths the cost of pressed brick.

We take pleasure in making public the above as there was not the slightest intention of doing injury to any local industry.

We still adhere to the facts published in our previous article that the best possible quality of pressed brick obtainable is not too good for the Cranbrook post office.

Trades and Labor Council

The next meeting for the purpose of inaugurating a Trades and Labor Council will be held in the band room on January 3rd, next. All labor organizations are respectfully urged to appoint their delegates as soon as possible, if they have not already done so.

Unorganized workers will also be welcome as it is expected that an organization campaign in their interests will be one of the early features of the council.

Special Meeting of Council

A special meeting of the municipal council was held on Thursday evening in the council chamber. There were present Mayor Fink, and Aldermen McNabb, Jackson, Bowness and Campbell.

A financial statement of receipts and expenditures was read by city clerk Roberts, also the auditor's report, which was on motion of Aldermen Campbell and McNabb approved and adopted as read.

Mr. G. D. Mackie, representing the John Galt Engineering Company presented a complete report of the sewerage construction.

On motion of Aldermen Campbell and Bowness Mr. Mackie's report was accepted.

The financial statement of the city clerk, and Mr. Mackie appears in another column, and can be read with interest, as the reports are most satisfactory in both cases.

The city engineer reported that the water works system is working satisfactory, and that the net proceeds from same amounted to $14,000.00, an increase of $6,079.00 over that of the previous year.

Dr. G. H. M. Bell, city medical officer, was accepted on motion of Aldermen Bowness and McNabb.

The city clerk made the announcement that he was moving into the new city building, on Norbury Ave. and that all city business would hereafter be transacted there.

Council adjourned.

Stephens-Bohart

A quiet wedding took place at the Presbyterian manse on Monday afternoon, when the Rev. C. O. Main united in marriage Mr. Hugh Stephens, of Wardner, to Miss Hazel Bohart of the same town. The happy couple will reside at Wardner.

Fire Destroys Fernie Home

Fernie.—A two-story dwelling house belonging to Fred Dick at Fernie was completely destroyed by fire tonight at eight o'clock. Mr. Dick is out of town and Mrs. Dick and Mrs. Billings had left but a few minutes before to go to a theatre. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Ships Float Distress Signal

London.—For the third successive Sunday a terrific gale lashes the seas in the English channel to immense proportions, doing much damage in shipping. The steamship Cradowswald is ashore off Dungeness and a full-rigged bark is ashore on Goodwin island. A life-saving ship has been sent to each. Distress signals are displayed on many parts of the channel, showing that many boats are in peril. The gale shows no signs of abatement.

An Asset to Cranbrook

It is announced that the Kootenay Central Railway will be completed to Fort Steele by Friday, December 22.

The completion of this road north and south through the Kootenay Valley from Galloway, on the Crows' Nest branch to Golden, on the main line of the C.P.R. will furnish transportation by a direct route from the States of Washington, Idaho and Montana. Travellers going east to Alberta, from the western states will find this a most convenient route.

Cranbrook is the largest and most progressive city in East Kootenay. It is surrounded by a large area of agricultural land, suitable for growing fruit, and all kinds of commercial farm produce.

Now let us consider what benefit will the city of Cranbrook derive from the construction of the Kootenay Central Railway.

To go from the city to Fort Steele by rail will entail a distance of nearly sixty miles. This seems prohibitive to the progress of the city and its welfare as a central point.

The question is asked, "Can we better these conditions?" The Prospector answers, "Yes," and makes the following suggestion:

The standard Lumber Mill is located about two miles east of Cranbrook, from this mill there has been constructed a standard guage logging railway to within about three miles of Fort Steele. The cost of this road was approximately about $4,000 per mile. It is about eight miles in length, and the construction of five miles would connect Cranbrook and Fort Steele by a short line of twelve or fourteen miles.

As a business proposition the short line railway would meet with success financially. It would save travelling some sixty miles to reach Steele. It would bring Cranbrook in direct touch with Steele, and with every other town north of Steele in the Kootenay Valley. It would make Cranbrook the commercial as well as the railway centre of the district; also the distributing centre of a vast inland empire. Transportation and traffic of every description would go north and south from Cranbrook.

How can this be accomplished? In the near future, say about a year to eighteen months the K.C.R. will be completed from Galloway to Golden. In the meantime an enterprising people can form a syndicate and purchase from the Standard Company their charter and railway. About the same time the Bull River Power Company will be in operation, and electric power can be obtained for supplying the necessary requirements of the road. No town in East Kootenay had the advantage of being so centrally situated as Cranbrook. There are many opportunities of branching out, north, south, east and west, and it is these chances, if taken in hand, that will make Cranbrook the Winnipeg of East Kootenay.

This is a matter which the Cranbrook Board of Trade might consider seriously, and make inquiries as to the feasibility of the route, the cost of securing the same as well as its maintenance. Let us all get in and drill until we have a short line connection between Cranbrook and Fort Steele.

River Avon Bursts its Banks

London.—The river Avon in Southern Wales, has burst its banks and is spreading great destruction in the Avon and Neath valleys. Many houses have been washed away and the people have fled to the adjoining hills. The inhabitants of Port Talbot at the entrance of the Avon valley have been warned to prepare to vacate their homes.

A large number of cattle have been drowned. Between the towns of Swansea and Pontypool the train service has had to be suspended. Many passengers are marooned in the station of Aberdare which is surrounded by water four feet deep. Two boys who were standing on the bridge over the Avon at Aberdare when the floods caused it to collapse, were swept away in the torrents and drowned.

Increased Duty on Lead

Mine owners of British Columbia believe that by a readjustment of the duties on lead, that they will be enabled to secure a much higher price for the product of their lead veins, and that the value of zinc can also be materially increased.

British Columbia members of the House of Commons are working as a unite to secure increased rates of import duties on lead and zinc. With adequate protection to lead, many mines and prospects in the Kootenays now idle will become shipping mines.

The Corporation of the City of Cranbrook

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
Month Ending November 30th, 1911

LIABILITIES	
Municipal Building No. 1	$ 6,246.68
Fire Hall Building	3,331.56
Street Improvement Debenture No. 1	8,328.89
School Building Debenture	32,830.07
Street Improvement Debenture No. 2	9,380.02
Water Debenture	65,660.14
Municipal Building No. 2	15,000.00
G. R. Leask & Company	3,006.64
Tax Sale Surplus	426.01
Sewerage Debenture Hypothecation	45,000.00
Bills Payable	5,000.00
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	40,527.78
	$234,737.79

ASSETS		
Municipal Building		$22,500.00
Fire Hall Building and Equipment		6,331.56
Sidewalk and Street Improvements		17,709.81
Furniture and Furnishings		750.00
Water System		73,873.55
School Building		53,942.30
Preparatory expenses in connection with Sewerage		40,506.29
Cemetery Grounds		500.00
Outstanding Accounts: Taxes	6,002.66	
Water	3,318.30	
Tax Sale Purchase		239.02
Sewerage Bank Balance		4,199.66
Municipal Building Debenture Bank Bal.		4,462.29
Current Account Bank Balance		379.10
Cash on Hand		23.25
		$234,737.79

I hereby certify, that I have examined the City Books and compared the Vouchers and find everything correct.

JOHN CHOLDITCH,
Auditor.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS FOR THE ELEVEN MONTHS ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1911.

Source	Amount	Total
Taxes	$24,387.27	
School Grant	3,423.35	
Fines	3,739.50	
Trade Licenses	2,165.00	
Liquor Licenses	1,600.00	
Dog and Pound Tax	316.75	
Cemetery Fees	142.50	
Road Tax	680.00	
Water Revenue	19,563.86	
Bills Payable	5,000.00	
School Trustees Fernie Construction Co.	3,795.25	
School Trustees McCallum & Co	50.00	
Tax Sale Surplus Account	426.01	
Interest	54.56	
Water Connection Fees	880.80	
		$ 66,224.85

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE FOR ELEVEN MONTHS ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1911.

Balance from 1910	$ 6,843.48	$ 6,843.48
School Board	14,157.94	14,157.94
Finance Committee—		
Salaries	3,500.00	
Elections	101.85	
Grants	1,050.00	
Printing	281.26	
Stationery	180.53	
Expense	699.66	
Tax Sale Purchases	239.02	
		$ 6,052.32
Fire and Police Committee—		
Street Lighting	1,008.06	
Police Salaries	3,969.50	
Police Court	460.02	
Police Supplies	202.35	
Keep of Prisoners	90.75	
Fire Department	5,257.29	
Fire Department Equipment	823.42	
		$ 11,811.39
Board of Works—		
Streets and Cemetery Improvements	4,607.46	
Sidewalks and Maintenance	1,896.62	
Public Works Equipment	388.00	
		$ 6,892.08
Health and Relief	$ 263.65	$ 263.65
Debenture Repayments	$10,952.80	$10,952.80
Water Committee—		
Maintenance	$ 4,727.60	
Service	1,060.48	
Extensions	2,085.23	
Castings, Valves and Hydrants	467.10	
Equipment	143.75	
Meters	364.68	
		$ 8,848.84
Balance in Imperial Bank		$ 379 10
Cash on Hand		$ 23.25
		$66,224.85

Debenture Statement for eleven months ending November 30th, 1911

SEWERAGE DEBENTURE

Hypothecation	$45,000.00	$45,000.00
Accounts as per Engineer's Statements	40,506.29	
Interest	294.05	
Balance in Imperial Bank	4,199.66	
		$ 45,000.00

MUNICIPAL DEBENTURE

Proceeds of Sale of Debentures	$14,868.25	
B. C. Government	7,500.00	
		$ 22,368.25
Payments certified by architect in charge	$17,895.56	
Bank Interest	10.40	
Balance in Imperial Bank	4,462.29	
		$ 22,368.25

Statement of Sewerage Construction to November 30th, 1911

Dr.

PIPE LINE

Labor	$15,845.10	
Insurance of Employees	716.28	
Material	13,923.66	
Plant and Tools	1,700.94	
Administration	475.00	
		$ 32,660.38

DISPOSAL WORKS

Labor	$ 2,197.95	
Material	2,830.15	
Lumber	361.61	
Plant and Tools	350.00	
Administration	154.08	
		$ 5,893.79
Engineering	$ 3,049.63	$ 3,049.63
Interest	$ 294.05	$ 294.05
Election	129.60	$ 129.60
		$ 42,027.45

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Payments	$40,800.34
Outstanding Accounts	1,227.11
	$ 42,027.45

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

Work done as per Engineers' Estimate.

PIPE LINE

7748 feet of 15 inch Main Outfall Sewer, $2.05	$15,883.40
1743 feet of 18 inch Main Outfall Sewer $2.55	4,444.65
314 feet of 15 inch Main Outfall Sewer $2.20	690.80
143 feet of 15 inch Main Outfall Sewer excavated and pipe laid, $1.90	271.70
100 feet of 15 inch Main Outfall Sewer excavated only, $1.05	105.00
300 feet of 15 inch Main Outfall Sewer partially excavated, .50	150.00
806 feet of 8 inch Branch Sewer, E. Harold, $1.40	1,128.40
650 feet of 10 inch Branch Sewer, N. Baker, $1.60	1,040.00
72 feet of 10 inch Branch Sewer, N. Baker, excavated, .95	68.40
120 feet of 10 inch Branch Sewer, S. Baker, $2.00	240.00
180 feet of 10 inch Branch Sewer, S. Baker, partially excavated, $1.00.	180.00
33 Manholes, partially completed	1,485.00
	$ 25,687.35

DISPOSAL WORKS

Work on Tank	$ 3,400.00
Work on Filter	1,025.00
Work on Sludge Beds	150.00
Work on Pipes	156.45
	$ 4,731.45

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INVENTORY—

PIPE LINE

Material Sewer Pipes	$ 3,944.65	
Cement, etc	103.45	
		$ 4,048.10
Plant and Tools—		
Lumber	456.44	
Braces	315.00	
Pumps	425.00	
Rubber Boots	110.00	
Sundry Tools	394.50	
	$ 1,700.94	
		$ 5,749.04

DISPOSAL WORKS

Material, Cement, etc	274.70	
Lumber	96.00	
Distributors	1,477.80	
	$ 1,842.50	
Plants and Tools—		
Shed	175.00	
Sundry Tools	175.00	
	$ 350.00	
		$ 2,192.50
Engineering		$ 3,049.63
Interest		$ 294.05
Election		$ 129.60
		$ 41,833.62
Balance over Estimate		193.83
		$ 42,027.45

Dr.

Cost of Sewer Construction to date..... $ 42,027.45

THE JOHN GALT ENGINEERING COMPANY,
Per George D. Mackie, Resident Engineer.
NAT. I. HARRISON.
Clerk of Works.

Cranbrook, B.C., Dec. 15, 1911.

There is a Santa Claus

Once a little girl wrote this letter to the editor of the New York Sun:

Dear Editor:—I am eight years old. Some of my friends say that there is no Santa Claus. Papa says: "If you see it in the Sun, it's so." Please tell me the truth. Is there a Santa Claus?

VIRGINIA O. HANLON.

And the editor of the Sun, mighty man of invective and sarcasm, became "even as a little child," and wrote the following reply:

VIRGINIA: Your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They will not believe except they see.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas, how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

You might get your papa to hire men to watch all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men see. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in this world. You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest that ever lived could ever tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love and romance can push aside that curtain and view the picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing so real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God, he lives and lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia—nay, ten times ten thousand years from now—he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

The December Rod and Gun

Full of winter flavor and reminiscent of the time of year is the December (Christmas) number of Rod and Gun in Canada, published by W. J. Taylor, Limited, Woodstock, Ont. "Feeding prairie chickens in winter" is a story which every lover of the wild and the things of the wild will peruse with the keenest pleasure. It shows in every line how much real gratification can be obtained from a little attention to the wants of the birds during the winter weather and how observations, laying up a store of pleasant memories, can be obtained, the minimum of trouble giving the maximum reward. "Lost in a Manitoba Blizzard," "Animal Sanctuaries in Labrador" and "The Literature of Angling" show the wide interest created by this number and illustrate the manner in which sportsmen of the most varied tastes are catered to. These papers can all be read by the general reader with both pleasure and profit and the work done in this way for Canada is not to be measured by the fact that primarily the agazine appeals to sportsmen. There are plenty of sporting articles from seal hunting bear hunting including that most strenuous sport of all—mountain climbing. A fine Christmas present is a subscription to Canada's leading sportsman's magazine.

Poultry Notes

Editor Prospector,—

Sir,—I have been reading with interest the poultry notes which appear in your valuable paper from time to time, and with your permission would like to write a few words myself on the subject. I have been a fancier of chickens for twenty years both in England and here in B.C. especially the Buff Orpington, of which I now have a splendid collection. I find them the best birds for winter laying, providing they are housed and fed properly. I have a breeding pen of ten pullets and am getting seven and eight eggs per diem. I have a house 16ftx8ft, and eight feet high with a south window. I never let them out as their feet would freeze and would stop their laying right away. I feed in the morning with boiled potatoes and shorts with a little cayanne pepper mixed, feed hot, at noon chopped turnip, potatoes, carrots, etc., and straight wheat at night. I don't believe one can over feed birds at this time of the year, as it takes so much feed to produce heat, my birds have an unlimited supply of char coal, burnt bones, and limestone which is absolutely necessary in confinement, the house floor is covered for a depth of six inches with short hay, straw, etc., which keeps the birds active, instead of moping and freezing. A little lean scrap meal which can be obtained at any butchers is also necessary to insure eggs, a piece the size of a walnut to each bird per day.

I remain, Yours truly,
J. HORMAN,
Marysville, B.C.

Men should cherish their ideals with a miser's care—ideal aims, ideal examples, ideal hopes. They are intensely practical, even if they are in this life unattainable. They are stars by which we steer amid the mist and murk of the ruthless sea of time, keeping our brow ever set toward the heavenly haven.

Santa Claus has had his headquarters with us

for the last month, checking his books, and selecting his Toys, Furniture, and other Xmas Goods for the Boys, Girls and Grown-Ups of Cranbrook. He informed us that a number of people have yet to call for their goods, and advises that we send out a list of Seasonable Goods, to assist people in deciding, what Santa is to deliver at their homes for Xmas Presents.

Hoping this sheet will be of service in helping you to decide, and wishing, Men, Women and Children, everywhere, A MERRY XMAS, we submit the following:

Toys You must have. On this line we can save you 20 per cent.	Xmas Greeting Silk Handkerchiefs. 50c	MEN'S Silk Mufflers Very appropriate gift. 1.50 to 2.50	MEN'S Suspenders, arm bands, and garters, put up in separate boxes. Sell well. Must be good. 85c to 2.25 Set	Tie Holders Brass, suspended by leather strap for hanging. 1.00 and 1.25	Toys Old and young enjoy a toy. Save 20 per cent buying at C.C.S.
CENTRE TABLES Always useful. Now is the time to buy 2.50 to 12.50	Hall Racks If you need one, have a look at our stock. Price right.	Ties More ties are sold for Christmas gifts than anything else. 50c to 1.25	Jardinier Stands If your wife has a plant, buy her a stand to put it on. 1.25 to 4.75	China Our stock is large and well assorted. We are sure You can find something suitable for a gift.	Wicker Rockers 3.75 to 15.00 Mother will enjoy one.
WICKER CHAIRS 3.50 to 12.00 Surprise your wife. Outlay is small.	BOYS SLEDS 50c, 65c and 1.50	Toys You save 20 per cent buying from C.C.S.	Willow Grass Rockers Strong and comfortable Home not complete without one. 7.00 and 8.50	Girls Sleighs 75c to 2.50	Sweaters For men. 1.50 to 10.00
MEN'S OVERCOATS 11.85 Regular price $18.00.	DINING ROOM FURNITURE Set of six Chairs. Leather seats. Special 21.00	Doll's Carts and Sleighs 1.00 to 1.75	Brass Beds Full size. 22.50	Rugs Small and large. Any price, any quality.	MUSTACHE CUPS And SAUCERS 25c and 50c
FITTED SUIT CASES Prices reasonable.	Fine China Cups and Saucers 25c Each	20 per cent saving buying Toys at our store. C.C.S.	Baby Gold Printed MUGS 10c, 15c and 25c	Glass Water Sets 7 piece. 1.50 to 5.00	Ladies Writing Desks
LEATHER CHAIRS 10 per cent off.	MORRIS CHAIRS 20 per cent. off.	Couches 20 per cent off.	Beds 20 per cent off.	Dressers 20 per cent off.	Leather Rockers 10 per cent discount.

C. We believe it will pay you to look thru' our Store C. before buying, and respectfully invite you to call S.

Communication

To the Editor,—

Dear Sir:—

The Fernie Rod and Gun Club wishes to call the attention of the public to the date on which the open season for game closes; namely, on the 15th of this month. The law also provides that no person shall have in his possession any deer or portion thereof after the expiration of ten days from the close of the season. This means that no person must have in his possession any venison on the 26th of the month. The club understands that the Game Warden has received instructions to absolutely enforce these provisions this year.

Will you kindly give this intimation a prominent place in your paper as the Club considers that the public should be duly warned in time.

Yours truly,
N. E. SUDDABY,
President.

Dixie Jubilee Singers

The entertainment given by the Dixie Jubilee Singers last evening was one of the most enjoyable of its class that has ever been given here. Negro songs and melodies are always a pleasure to hear, when well rendered, and it is certain that no unkind criticism was heard of the selections last evening. The members of the company are all clever, and each performed their part so well it would be difficult to make a distinction. Every number was thoroughly enjoyed by the large throng of music lovers in attendance, and the program was sufficiently varied to please the grave and the gay alike. The program lasted more than two hours, and as the large audience which completely filled the opera house passed out, nothing but words of praise were heard of the singers and of the society for bringing them here.—Grand Forks, N.D., Herald. The Dixies come to the Auditorium on Friday, December 29th.

Golden Treasures

Then let us learn to help each other
Hoping unto the end;
Who sees in every man a brother
Shall find in each a friend.

We are apt to suffer the mean things of life to overthrow the finer nature within us, therefore it is expedient that at least once a day we read a little poetry or sing a song or look at a picture.

If we find that our time passes slowly and heavily, we may be sure there is something wrong within. Either we have not enough to do, or we work mechanically, without heart or energy.

"The world has always been divided into two classes—those who have spent and those who have saved, the extravagant and the thrifty," said Cobden. "The building of all the houses, the mills, the bridges, and the ships, and the accomplishment of all other great works have been done by the savers, the thrifty; and those who have wasted their resources have always been their slaves."

Communication.

The Cranbrook Prospector,
Cranbrook, B.C.

Gentlemen:—

In a recent issue of your paper, there was a paragraph in which it stated that the Crow's Nest Pass Lumber Co., Ltd., had opened a meat market, much to the benefit of the community of Wardner and vicinity. Your correspondent should not have overlooked the fact, that, Mr. Bohart, of the Wardner Hotel, convenienced the people in the past by attending to their wants in the meat line, and any sensible or unselfish person must admit he gave the public good service.

In all fairness to him, the people should show their appreciation to Mr. Bohart, in serving them as he has done in the past, and may his business increase, is the hope of a few disinterested parties, of which I am one.

In order that a rising town, such as Wardner, should go ahead, is it not well to have competition? Can one expect the settlers who are coming into this district, to patronize a monopoly? No! Let there be competition, and where there is competition success will follow. "Live and let live" should be our motto. We do not want any trusts in Canada. We look for and expect freedom.

"FAIR PLAY."

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to amend the "South East Kootenay Railway Company Act, 1906," as amended by the "South East Kootenay Railway Act, Amendment Act, 1909," so as to extend the time within which to commence construction of the railway authorized by Chapter 63 of the Statutes of British Columbia, 1906, and to expend fifteen per cent. of the authorised share capital of the Company in, upon and towards the construction of its railway.

Dated this 8th day of December, A.D., 1911.

LENNIE & CLARK,
Solicitors for the Applicants

NOTICE

Cranbrook Land District, District of Southern Division, East Kootenay

TAKE NOTICE that Winslow Kay, of Wasa, occupation rancher, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at the North East Corner of L. 8103, thence South 1553 chains, thence East 20 chains, thence North 20 chains, west to Kootenay River, down stream to point of commencement.

WINSLOW KAY,
Applicant.
Dated 21st November, 1911. 50-9t

It has been well said, "It is better to have a high standard and strive to reach it than to have a standard so low that our ambitions never look up." Ambition in itself is no sin. It is only when we subordinate everything else to an ambition which does not "look up" that it may become sinful.

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The Long Winter Months

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A large variety to pick from

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S. A. REID, Proprietor
will open a New Store in the
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with a full line of
Cigars and Tobaccos

A General News Stand will also be run in connection
Opens Early Part of Christmas Week

Selected Bargains Offered this week by local tradesmen

Bananas, Oranges, Malaga Grapes, Pears, Nuts of all kinds at lowest possible prices at East Kootenay Produce and Provision House.

Just arrived a large assortment of Christmas Biscuits at East Kootenay Produce and Provision House.

Table Raisins, Shelled Almonds and Walnuts at East Kootenay Produce and Provision House.

A large shipment of Frys and other well known make of Chocolates at East Kootenay Produce and Provision House.

Fresh Ripe Tomatoes at East Kootenay Produce and Provision House.

Facts and Figures. The average cost of a single delivery we have estimated to be over 10c. Consider how much you will save if you get *your month's supply at once we will give you the benefit of this* extra cost. On quantity cash orders we will guarantee to meet competition of any grocery house in or out of the city. 5 per cent discount on all cash sales of $1.00 or over, weekly accounts paid every Monday. Campbell & Manning.

Baptist Church

Rev. Oren E. Kendall, Pastor.

On Sunday there will be a special musical festival.

Subject for morning service—"The Wonderful Christ."

Subject for evening subject—'A Sure Foundation for Human Hope."

Methodist Church

Rev. W. Elson Dunham, Pastor

The pastor will preach at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Sunday, December 24. The sermons will be on Christmas themes and special music will be rendered at both services. The program of the services for the day follows:

Morning Subject—"The Christian and Christmas."

Anthem, choir—"There Were Shepherds"—Wegenast.

A solo will also be rendered.

Evening Subject—"The Heart of Christmas."

Anthem, choir—"There were Shepherds"—Dudley Buck.

Solo—Mrs. Geo. Stephenson—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend the above services.

Knox Presbyterian Church

Morning service at 11 o'clock.

Sunday School and Bible Class at 3 p.m.

Evening Service at 7.30 o'clock.

Special music features.

Anthem—"Nazareth."

Anthem—"Lift Up Your Heads."

Solo—Mrs. Benedict, with violin and flute obligato.

Violin Solo by Mrs. Wallinger.

Christ Church

CHRISTMAS DAY

Holy Communion—8 a.m.

Matins and Holy Communion—11 a.m.

At the early celebration will be sung the old familiar Christmas hymns.

The following music at Matins:

Carol—"The First Nowell."

Hymn 72.

Responses—Tallis' Festal.

Venite—Crotch in A.

Te Deum—Woodward in D.

Benedictus—Troutbeck in G.

For anthem, hymn 514, to Sullivan setting in F.

Hymn 73.

SECOND CELEBRATION

Kyrie—Mendelssohn in G.

Gloria Tibi—Short in C.

Hymn 233.

Meeting of School Trustees

A meeting of the School Trustees was *held in the office of the* Cranbrook Electric Co., at which matters of importance were discussed. W. F. Gurd, chairman of the board, and Messrs. H. White, H. A. McKowan, E. Elwell, and E. H. Mackay were present.

A resolution was passed to circulate a petition, to be presented to the municipal council, asking for a by-law, so that the trustees can erect a "Manual Training School" in connection with the present public school. This is a matter which will have to be voted on by the people of Cranbrook.

New Baptist Minister

The Baptist Church officials are fortunate in securing the services of the Rev. Oren E. Kendall for the pastorate of their church made vacant by the Rev. H. C. Speller, having through unforeseen circumstances to return to Moose Jaw.

Mr. Kendall is not entirely a stranger in British Columbia having been actively engaged in ministerial work for quite a while in New Westminster some eighteen years ago, leaving here and going to Woodstock College for three years then passing on to the McMaster University where he took a full theological course of four years and being graduated in 1900.

During the time Mr. Kendall was passing through his graduating course he filled an eighteen month's student pastorage in charge of Immanuel Baptist Church, Victoria.

After completing his pastorage he took charge of Osgoode Baptist church spending some five years among his flock. He then received a surprise call, entirely unsought for to fill the pulpit of Plattsburg, N.Y., in the First Baptist Church; going from here to Antrim, New Hampshire and thence here to Cranbrook.

Mr. Kendall returns to British Columbia with many pleasant recollections and confident as to the future possibilities of the province.

By the way his parents are residents of Vancouver also four brothers and two sisters being all residents of B.C.

The drawing promoted by Pete *Matheson for one of the latest* automobiles will be held in the Auditorium on Saturday, December 30, 1911. There are still a few more tickets to be had, these can be obtained at any time at L. Clapp's cigar store.

A. O. F.

At this time of the year, to most of us at any rate, the world seems to be a good place to live in, for a brief space of time. Old as well as young will have made up their minds to enjoy themselves, each in their own way according to their inclinations, amongst those of our friends who are on the "Short Side of Life" there will probably be many whose greatest happiness will be derived from a closer association with old friends gathered together around the *"Christmas Board."* After a sumptuous and satisfying meal, the table and floor will be cleared for action, and the short siders together with their younger friends will have a merry time, but just as sure as night follows day in a little while, the older members of each little party will, unwittingly as it were, detach themselves from the younger and more boisterous members and engage in the fascinating pasttime of what we may call "reminiscences," many a hearty laugh will be raised as youthful escapades are recalled, stories of adventure will be told, in which several members of the company had played a conspicuous part, and there will come the individual, "I remember" some will entertain the assemblage with carol party stories experienced in older lands. The matrons will speak of the mistletoe bow and the fun they had kissing the boys *beneath its privileged foliage*, but it is doubtful whether any of the stories told will recount any greater pleasure than that which will be enjoyed by the members of the A.O.F. and their friends during their annual "Merry Go Round" next Thursday evening. What with the graceful waltz, the two step, the interesting polka, the country dance that we can all join in, and the "fast and furious crash, bang Scottish what do you call it." Why twill be talked of around hearth and fire in various portions of this sphere of ours for many a Christmas to come. An old time whist drive will prove an attractive *feature for those who prefer to mix* things a little, and songs old and new will be a feature of the evening, then again in accordance with the spirit of the season, no one will have occasion to go hungry away, for enough of the good things of life, have been provided for each and all. Many have been the happy gatherings with in the walls of the auditorium, but the Foresters will rank among the merriest of them.

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Visitors to the City

CRANBROOK HOTEL

A. F. Dixon, Spokane.
L. D. Briely, Montreal.
J. E. Greedy, Spokane.
C. J. Northwood, Vancouver.
W. S. Jackson, Fort William.
J. Logan, Winnipeg.
W. J. Churchill.
T. Dodson, Calgary.
F. Ritz, Calgary.
W. R. Breckenridge, Lethbridge
R. W. Drew, Nelson.
W. H. Poupon Spokane.
W. J. Bryan, Fort Steele.
Wm. Myers.
D. A. Ayers, Moyie.
P. H. Johnston.
T. O'Brien, Strathcona.
A. McDermot, Calgary.
J. McDonald, Moyie.
W. A. Montgomery, Vancouver.
Miss VanAllen.
F. O. Hyde, Lethbridge.
Chas. Cook, Wallace, Idaho.
W. B. Braddick, Vancouver.
E. Baxter.
J. F. Fleishman.
J. H. Roberts, Winnipeg.
J. G. Rich, Spokane.
J. H. King.
C. T. Burns, Seattle.
P. Keith, Michel.
P. Beihe
L. Lambert, Edmonton.
A. Berries, Calgary.
R. Allen, Corbin.
E. Phillipps, Spokane.
C. Williams, Vancouver.
L. C. Gage, Calgary.
H. Bex, Macleod.
J. W. McLaren, Calgary.

COSMOPOLITAN HOTEL

N. Hanson, Wasa.
J. Stannart
W. Prichard.
J. Badgers, Spokane.
D. A. Branton, Wasa.
G. W. Rogers, Phoenix.
B. Hartley.
Hope Brewer, Invermere.

WENTWORTH HOTEL

Paul Handley, Marysville.
F. Winliving, Kimberley.
W. Geary, Moyie.
M. Wilkes.

ROYAL HOTEL

T. T. Barney, Odessa, Wash.
E. Kath.
Mrs. B. Lundeen, Kimberley.
L. Johnson.
O. Neltoe, Spokane.
N. Friedman, Nelson.

COAL AND PETROLEUM

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date, I intend to apply to Chief Commissioner of Lands for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following lands situate in the district of South East Kootenay, British Columbia:—Commencing at a post planted 12.33 chains east of the N.W. corner of lot 8762, Group 1, thence east 49.51 chains, more or less, to the west boundary of lot 7507, group 1, thence north 65.70 chains, more or less, to S.E. Corner of lot 7569, group 1, thence west 49.51 chains more or less to a point due north of the *point of commencement*; thence south 65.70 chains, more or less, to the point of commencement, containing 325 acres, more or less.

Located this 5th day of December, 1911.

G. H. THOMPSON,
Locator.

Per W. H. Moss, Agent.
Witness—
H. S. Morris. 51-5t

He who knows and knows he knows—he is wise; follow him. He who knows, and knows not he knows not—he is a fool shun him. He who knows not, and knows he knows not he is a child; teach him. — Arabian proverb.

A REDUCED SALE OF CUTTERS

We have some cutters that we will sell for cash for the next sixty days at cost price $45.50 this cutter is well worth $65.00. Any person who plans buying a cutter this season will make money by looking this stock over before buying elsewhere. This stock is limited to a few cutters only.

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King Alfonso has an apology from his aunt and a new baby for Christmas.

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Mr. Rockefeller has lost his job with the Standard Oil Company, but he has been quite economical and is believed to have something laid aside for a rainy day.

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The lure of the land grows stronger every year. A few acres means independence. Are you interested? *Then subscribe for and read the Prospector.* Letters can secure good farms in the Cranbrook district by *purchase on pre-emption. The new* year will soon be here—turn back and look—then take the big step forward *to prosperity* by locating in the Cranbrook district.

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After holding sway in Prince Edward Island for over twenty years the Liberal party, about a month ago, found themselves as the adverse result of two bye-elections, in a minority in the provincial legislature. The government resigned and the leader of the Opposition having formed a cabinet, has announced that the general elections will be held on January 3rd next. It is anticipated *that the Conservatives will be* returned with a large working majority.

The change of the seasons depends on the inclination of the Ecliptic to the Equator. By means of observation it has been found that the sun moves in a path called the ecliptic, which is inclined to the equator at an angle of about twenty-three degrees. When the sun, in the course of its annual motion, crossed the equator, the day becomes equal to the night. For this reason the point of intersection of the ecliptic and equator are called equinoxes. When the sun, leaving the spring equinox, moves northward on the ecliptic, in proportion as it advances along the path, its meridian height above the horizon increases day by day until it attains its greatest altitude; and at this time occurrs the longest day in the year. The sun on Friday, December 22nd reached the parallel called the winter tropic, hence Friday is the shortest day in the year. From this point the sun commences again to return northward towards the equator and the days begin to lengthen. The sun rising about 7.32 a.m., and setting at 4.26 p.m., a duration of about 8 hours and 26 minutes. On January 1st, the day's length will be about *8 hours and 43 minutes, from this* time on the day length will increase from 6 to 10 minutes a day, until *June 22nd, when the days will be a*bout 15 hours and 52 minutes, the longest day in the year.

Meeting of B. C. Library Association

An interesting meeting of the members of the B.C. Library association and others interested in the movement was held on Thursday evening at the residence of Miss Alma Russell, Boyd street, Victoria, B.C. The chair was taken by Rev. C. W. Whyte, the secretary of the association, who in opening the meeting drew the attention of his hearers to the present condition of library affairs in this province. *The library act* on the statute books, declared Mr. Whyte, was quite suitable to some extent, but it only applied to Vancouver and New Westminster. If it had applied to Victoria they would hardly be in their present tangle. The act which they wished to present in draft form to the government of British Columbia, applied to the whole province not only to the city of Victoria. The province might not be very thickly populated, but there were settlements all over the country where small libraries would be much appreciated.

The speaker then read a number of letters from different parts of the province showing that an act of this sort was not only needed by the people but was also wanted. Nearly all the incorporated cities had passed resolutions favoring the scheme and endorsing the library association These included Trail, Prince Rupert, Salmon Arm, Fernie, Grand Forks, and the municipalities of Point Grey and Burnaby.

Mr. Whyte stated that he had also received a large number of letters from individuals and from different farmers' institutes and agricultural societies. All this showed that they had in British Columbia a constituency ready for the kind of work they *wanted to inaugurate* with this act. He then proceeded to outline the proposed legislation explaining that it *had been drafted along the lines of a* similar law in Ontario.

WELCOME SOCIAL CENTRES

Mr. H. Killam, who has charge of the traveling library system in this province, was the next speaker. He was of the opinion that the new libraries in the small settlements would make very welcome social as well as intellectual centres.

Provincial Librarian Scholefieldt thought that there were one or two points worthy of elaboration in connection with the proposed new act. One was that they must be satisfied that these libraries were really necessary throughout the province, and that it was the association's duty to disseminate the knowledge of their usefulness and scope. The public library should be an educational factor. He had been very much struck the other day on receiving a letter from the inspector of government-aided libraries in Ontario, who said that they were doing their place of the foreign correspondence schools which had taken nearly a million dollars out of the pockets of Canadian workmen. They had also supplied the different localities with batches of technical books of the kind most suited to the districts.

As an educational factor, continued Mr. Scholefield, the public library *was essential, and it should begin* its great work where the school ended. He also emphasized the necessity *of having the librarians trained,* and in closing, trusted that the B. C. Library association would accomplish its object.

TOLD OF WIDE EXPERIENCE

Rev. Dr. Grey who was the last speaker, said that he had been engaged all his life in educational pursuits and had been in close touch with five of the great colleges in Europe. In the year 1903 he was a member of the Education Commission appointed by the United States government to investigate educational conditions in that country. In traveling in that connection he had come into touch with many librarians and found how excellent the library system was there, especially in the Eastern States. At this critical time in the history of the province it was most important that the people should not deteriorate into looking wholly at the material side of life. The greatest need for libraries existed in the outlying districts where men and women were fighting on the frontiers of the wilderness. It was almost impossible for them to realize how unhappy and miserable were many of those lives away from social and intellectual privileges. He had been told once by a doctor that a large number of cases of moral and physical deterioration resulted from the fact that the victims had been isolated in this manner. The proposed provincial university would not be sufficient without the diffusion of such institutions as the association was proposing to put up. It was a serious thing, with them a majority of boys leaving school so early that no means of secondary education was provided for them.

COVERS GROUND FULLY

Referring to technical knowledge he thought it a pity that British Columbia should possess a race of agriculturists that did not understand their work in the highest technical way possible, for he knew that the ignorance of many of the young people who came out to start fruit ran*ches was often remarked upon.*

Rev. Joseph McCoy pointed out the need for the development of all func*tions of being, both moral, spiritual* and physical, and for the continuous growth of knowledge that should end only with death.

Mr. Henry C. Hanington thought that the draft of the act covered the *ground very fully, and that, judging* by the evidence given by Rev. Mr. Whyte that evening, it would be well supported.

At the close of the meeting a warm vote of thanks to the hostess for *lending her house for the use of the* association was extended by Mr. F. Napier Denison. Those present were *afterwards entertained with light re*freshments.

Another gathering of the Library association, which is rapidly gaining strength, will be held at no very distant date. Those connected with the movement have been greatly encouraged by the interest displayed in it in all parts of the province.

For the first time in some years the mayor and aldermen of Grand Forks will draw a salary this year. At a meeting of the council by-laws were introduced and put through their initial *stages at the next meeting* as easily as they did at the last the city council will have to disburse *several hundred dollars to the mem*bers of the council.

Kitchener Ready for Turkey

London.—The continued advance of the Italian troops towards the interior of Tripoli and away from the environs of the coast towns without meeting serious resistance seems to prove the correctness of recent information that the Turkish troops and their Arab allies have withdrawn to the hills.

They are practically without ammunition. Their only chance of renewing the supplies has been shattered by Viscount Kitchener's action in sealing up all the possible points of leakage along the frontier of Egypt and Tripoli. This action was taken by Viscount Kitchener in order to keep Egypt *entirely neutral.*

The Italian forces now concentrated in the former Turkish province of *Tripoli, number 80,000 and military* experts think that when their means of transport have been perfected *there will be apparently nothing to* prevent the effective occupancy of the annexed territory by the expeditio*nary force.*

The Italians are said to be assisting another Albanian revolt with the *object of occupying Turkey's atten*tion at home and preventing her giving any assistance to her forces in *Tripoli.*

London.—The cession of the Sollum district of Varcel, the eastern divisi*on of Tripoli,* and its occupation by Egypt, has a significance in connection with the Turko-Italian war. At the beginning of the war it was supposed that Italy desired to appropriate Sollum, with its important port of Adkaba in order to protect the projected naval station at Tobruk, but the Italians were induced to retire and recognize the old frontier. Some experts state that Adkaba has the possibilities of a finer harbor than even Bizerta, and would deprive Tobruk of much of its strategical value. However, there is considerable curiosity as to why they ceded Sollum to Egypt and what will be its eventual fate.

Cairo, Egypt.—The Egyptian government is taking possession of the Sollum district at Barca, which forms the eastern division of Tripoli The Sollum district borders on Egypt and was ceded by Turkey to the Egyptian government, which will retain possession pending the end of the war, when the definite status of the territory will be determined.

Safety of Hunter

The deer kill throughout East Kootenay has been particularly heavy this season, the supply being reported as the most abundant in years.

A large number of sportsmen are of the opinion that the killing of five deer by a single hunter should be reduced to two or three.

At a meeting of the Fernie Game association, held in Fernie Monday last, it was resolved that a strong petition be sent to the Provincial Legislature requesting that the number of deer killed in the season be restricted to not more than three.

It is supposed by many that deer was more plentiful this season than for many years. The best informed sportsmen say that owing to the early snow in the mountains, that the deer have been driven to the lower country, and that in many cases four or five hunters have killed the full number allowed under the act, and that many old bucks, totally unfit for eating, have been killed just for the heads.

These are matters that should be enquired into by the government, such as the better preservation of game, gun licenses, and the taking out of a license so that game wardens may be in a condition to know, who is who, when he meets strangers in the hunting fields.

The records of serious accidents have been large, and it is said that a man hunting on the South Fork of the Elk river this season, took desperate chances when trying to secure a deer, also unaccustomed to the handling high power guns were afield, and it was not safe to be in the district where these men were.

As a proof of the latter assertion it might be said that a total of 13 deaths through carelessness and misadventure in the province, being recorded, which is said to constitute the highest average on the entire continent.

The only remedy for this is a gun tax, with a stringent law, that will, *to a certain extent provide for* the safety of hunters.

Telephone Improvements

The Kootenay Telephone Lines, Ltd., were busy this week making improvements. A supporting line has been run, from which a cable, containing seven hundred and forty wires. This cable will be strung from the Methodist church on Lewis street to the English church, from the main office of the company to Edward street, and from the office along Armstrong avenue to Baker street, and along Baker street to the Imperial Bank. The total length of the cable is about six thousand feet, and is arranged for twenty-five to two hundred pairs. In the main office, a room has been set aside, in the second story for switch boards and this will be enlarged to accommodate from one hundred and fifty to two hundred new phones. These improvements will be completed about January 15th. A new directory will also be furnished to subscribers on that date.

The Kootenay Telephone Lines, Ltd., of Cranbrook, has one of the most up-to-date systems in British Columbia, and has connections with every important city in Alberta, Manitoba, and cities and towns in the Crow's Nest Pass. Communications are also made with Spokane and other cities in the States to the south.

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and
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To You All

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Russian Trocps To Advance

Teheran.—The National council has refused to accept the cabinet's propositions regarding the solution of the Russian difficulty, and the Russian troops are preparing to advance on the capital. It is believed that the advance will begin on Thursday.

The people are apathetic. The official attitude suggests passive resistance, but the provincial sentiment is strongly opposed to the Russians. The foreign minister in presenting the petition to the National council today, made a determined attempt to secure the support of the council. He reported that the cabinet had made every effort to retain Mr. Shuster, but the plight of the country was desperate. The ex-shah, he said was advancing on the one hand and Ssalar Ed Dowle on the other, while Russia refused to abate her demands, therefore he argued the cabinet should be empowered to conciliate Russia. In spite of his appeals, the deputies insisted that the retention of Mr. Shuster was Persia's only hope and that nothing was to be gained by yielding.

TREATMENT OF JEWS

London.—Most of the London morning papers make no comment on the abrogation of the Russo-American treaty. The Morning Leader, in an editorial, expresses the opinion that indignation over the Shuster affair had much to do with the immense majority in favor of the Sulzer resolution and that Russia will be wise not to pretend to ignore such an expression of feeling at her treatment of American Jews and partisan reformers.

The Winnipeg Free Press says of the concert given by the Original Dixie Jubilee Singers, who appeared at the First Congregational church in that city: "The visit of the Dixie *Jubilee Singers proved to be a musi*cal feast. Such an aggregation of harmony it has not been the pleasure *of our people to hear for some time.* In the first place they have the voices, and in the second place they have *the discernment, which proves to* them that nothing pleases better than the old songs, so the majority of their selections were negro melodies and familiar airs, although several classic numbers were given. The soprano, alto, tenor and bass were particularly fine and the solos by each of these were greatly appreciated. The male quartette was compelled to answer encore after encore, and their imitations caused uproarious bursts of applause. This was also the case when the full chorus sang the patriotic number. The singers were most gracious and never refused an encore." This splendid company will appear at the Auditorium on Friday, December 29th.

Don't you know Santa Claus is the spirit of Christmas; and ever and ever so many years ago when the dear little baby was born after whom we call Christmas, and was cradled in the manger out in the stable because there was not room in the inn, that Spirit came into the world to soften the hearts of men and make them love one another.

The Quality Store

"Where Christmas Delicacies abound"

PHONE 56

We have not spared either time or labor to help you make this Xmas dinner the best yet. It is impossible to name all the good things, but among some of them you will find in our grocery department:—IMPORTED FRENCH PEAS, BEANS, MUSHROOMS, and ASPARAGUS in glass jars, CHERRIES in MARASQUIN, and CREME DE MINTE;

CROSSE and BLACKWELL'S, HOLBROOKES, GILLIARDS, HEINZ, and HOUSTON'S PICKLES.

CURLED ANCHOVIES, and genuine RUSSIAN CAVIAR.

MEXICAN, CHILI, MENAGERS, BRANDS, A.1, LEE & PERRINS, PUNCH, H.P., and HOLBROOKS SAUCES.

In sweet goods don't forget HUNTLEY & PALMER'S ALASKA WAFERS, SHORT BREAD, PHILIPINE, ACORNS or CHRISTIES, CHERRY RINGS, WATER ICE WAFERS, LA FETE, and CRACKNELS.

NEW GRENOBLE WALNUTS, JUMBO BRAZIL, FILBERTS, ALMONDS, and PEANUTS.

SMYRNIA FIGS, FARD and GOLDEN DATES.

Malaga Raisins in 1 lb. cartons, 3 lb. and 22 lb. boxes, from three to nine crown.

Japanese Oranges and Red Cheeked Apples

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GANONG'S G. B. CHOCOLATES are always top notchers. PEANUT BRITTLE, GANONG'S BARLEY TOYS, FRENCH CREAMS, MOLASSES COCOANUT, ASST BON BONS,

Butter-Scotch, Gum Drops, Molasses Kisses, Jelly Beans, Maple Creams

CALIFORNIA and HOTHOUSE LETTUCE, CELERY, RADISHES, CUCUMBERS, TOMATOES, CAULIFLOWER, PARSLEY.

CHINA—

China is where we shine. "What a difference when the table is laid out with dainty dishes," and they are always appreciated for presents. White and Gold and Baby Rose Limoges in stock patterns, Bavarian, Wedgewood, and Austrian, in complete dinner and tea sets.

Japanese Tea Sets, Nipon Hand-painted China in odd pieces nice for presents

Hand Painted Bon Bon, Celery, Fruit Dishes and Cake Plates. Japanese Cups and Saucers, Berry and Chocolate Sets.

All the old world patterns are represented.
We guarantee everything both as to price and quality.
Five per cent. discount on all cash sales of one dollar or over.

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The Up-to-date Grocers

We Know and You Know The Old Saying---
"Comparisons are Odious"

BUT ON THE SQUARE to be fair with you and with ourselves we must ask you to compare the quality and prices on our doll stock and those offered by all others.

EVERY DAY we receive flattering comment on them by discriminating people. The whole secret is bound up in years of experience in knowing when, where and how to buy. We have the experience and we know you, our customers, reap the benefit. MONDAY, DECEMBER THE 18TH, WILL BE OUR BANNER DOLL DAY

We want to clear our toy business up early. Call and select your goods and we will deliver when required.

Don't forget the Big Doll Day at the Big Store.

LADIES' DAY IS EVERY DAY with us. The way the great array of toilet and manicure sets receive attention confirms it.

We challenge comparison and competition of all kinds on this line.

It is the biggest ever offered in the interior of the west.

EBONY, IVORY, STIRLING SILVER, LAQUERED and in fact every good and serviceable kind of toilet and manicure set manufactured.

There is no use trying to enumerate all our lines. We invite you and your friends and children to come often and at any time to the Big Store with the Big Electric Sign.

We offer you the best service possible and the selection of the biggest and best bought stock on the Crow.

Mr. Murphy and Mr. Noble are working overtime in the prescription department. Every prescription turned out bears the seal of quality, carefulness and reliability, only acquired by expert knowledge and long experience.

Mail orders for all kinds of Xmas goods receive very careful attention.

"The Rexall Store" "Where it Pays to Deal"

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Cranbrook, B. C.

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What a Pleasure there will be in Eating

Some of that Good

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We Invite you to come in and see Our Stock of Government Inspected

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CHRISTMAS IS NEAR—
Only One More Shopping Day

We urge you to hurry and take a look at our vast Stock of

Toys for the Children

Mechanical Toys, Climbing Miller, Automobiles, Beetles, Drums, Traction Engines, Motor Boats, Kicking Mules, Horses, etc., etc., and the latest in the

Simplex Typewriters

Novelties in Ladies and Gentlemens lines of all kinds at bargain prices.

SATURDAY IS DOLL DAY

All kinds of Dolls going at slaughter prices between 9 a.m. and 11 p.m. and a full line of Doll Cradles and Doll Cubs at bargains.
Beale & Elwell's old stand, Baker Street, Cranbrook,

Everything to go at Slaughter Prices

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LOCAL NEWS.

Now for Christmas !

Do your Christmas shopping today.

Pascalls Venitian mixture and Barley Sugar Candy, put up in glass bottles. Campbell & Manning.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bryans of Lethbridge, were Cranbrook visitors on Monday.

Pure Russian Caviar, guaranteed to be the best. Campbell & Manning.

F. A. Eastz, of Yahk, was in town Sunday last.

Extra nice Japanese Oranges, 90c. per dozen. Campbell & Manning.

P. Lutner of Moyie, was in town Saturday last.

All kinds of confectionery, chocolates, bon-bons, etc. Campbell & Manning.

Mrs. J. Wolf of Fort Steele, was in town Thursday.

The Dancing Club.—It has been found necessary to postpone the next dance from December 27th to Friday the 29th instant.

Mrs. W. R. Beattie left on Saturday last on a visit to her parents at Philadelphia, Pa.

We wish you all a Merry Xmas. Central Meat Market.

Nelson will come to Cranbrook later for the return match.

Mr. Harry Mather, of Fort Steele, was in the city Monday.

Joliffe's Sausage, Brookfield Sausage, and a good fresh killed Turkey or Goose will complete your Xmas dinner. Central Meat Market.

Robert Campbell of Moyie, was in town Tuesday on his way to Baldwin.

Milk fed Chickens. Central Meat Market.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Libby of Calgary, were Cranbrook visitors Thursday.

Casabus, a delicious Southern fruit Campbell & Manning.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Barber, of Fort Steele, spent Sunday last in Cranbrook.

Cut Flowers at Fink's Pure Food Grocery.

The boys are in good condition and should give the Nelson boys a good game.

Gorgonzola Cheese at Fink's Pure Food Grocery.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stark, of Invermere, were Cranbrook visitors on Monday.

Mrs. A. F. Sherman, of Kimberley, was shopping at Cranbrook Friday.

Quality is the keynote and price is the second consideration in our furniture department. We invite inspection as it is no trouble to show goods. East Kootenay Produce and Provision House.

Barrister G. H. Thompson will move into his new quarters in the Hanson Block next week.

The last call—If you intend giving china make your selections at Finks, their assortment eclipses anything in the interior.

G. H. McCallum and his son John, left on Tuesday for Vancouver to spend Christmas at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Turpin of the Prospector staff, left on Friday on a holiday trip to Leduc, Alta.

Cadburys and Lowneys Chocolates at Fink's Pure Food Grocery. See window.

R. W. Crooks, assistant secretary to Secretary Teet of the Y.M.C.A., has accepted a position with the B. C. Land Department.

House for Rent. Apply A. D. Shackleton.

H. L. Clark and G. M. Davis of Wycliffe, were in town on business on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Burns, of Lethbridge, were Cranbrook visitors on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Willy of Edmonton, were guests at the Cranbrook Thursday.

Marasquine and Cream de Menthe Cherries. Campbell & Manning.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Taylor of Kimberley, were Cranbrook visitors on Wednesday.

A few potted plants in stock.—Ferns, Primroses, Cinarias, and Mums. Campbell & Manning.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Stevenson, of Wasa, were Cranbrook visitors on Wednesday.

See our 5 o'clock Tea Sets, nice for Xmas presents. No two sets the same. Prices from $1.75 to $4.00. Campbell & Manning.

Plans are under way to send a bowling team to Nelson on the 27th of this month.

Potted Plants and Cut Flowers. See our window, something especially nice. Campbell & Manning.

Mrs. H. L. Sawyer of Marysville, was Christmas shopping in Cranbrook Thursday.

HOLLY at Campbell & Manning's.

C. H. Prescott, of Spokane, master mechanic of the Soo Line, was in town Tuesday.

HOLLY at Campbell & Manning's.

Mrs. J. S. Staples, and Miss L. Belyea of Wycliffe, were shopping in Cranbrook Tuesday.

Leave your orders early for cut flowers, roses, carnations, chrysanthemums, and violets. Campbell & Manning.

As a Christmas present the people of Fort Steele will get the Kootenay Central Railway.

Wagstaffe's Plum Puddings and Mince Meat save time and worry. Campbell & Manning.

A. Carney, of Kaslo, provincial timber inspector, was in town Thursday on official business.

Gold Medal Lemon, Orange, Citron Peel, also Rolla Cut Mixed Peel. Campbell & Manning.

H. C. Marion, G. D. Miller and Sid Hewetson left on Wednesday on a holiday trip to Vancouver.

Hot house lettuce, celery, radishes, cauliflower, cucumbers, and tomatoes Campbell & Manning.

G. G. Jewell, of Jaffray, president of the Jewell Lumber Company, spent Sunday last in Cranbrook.

Washed Figs put up in one and two pound glass jars and one pound cartoons. Campbell & Manning.

D. J. Elmer, who has been at the coast for the past month on business returned to Cranbrook Sunday last.

Royal Violet Cluster Raisins, guaranteed to be the best, in one pound packages, and three pound boxes. Campbell & Manning.

Wm. Henderson of Victoria, Dominion engineer, and inspector of public works, was in the city Monday.

Christmas Crackers, Tinsel, and Candles, and Ornaments for Xmas tree decorations. Stockings, Teddy Bears, etc. Campbell & Manning.

Mrs. F. L. Brown is progressing favorably at the St. Eugene hospital where she recently underwent an operation.

The Dancing Club.—It has been found necessary to postpone the next dance from December 27th to Friday the 29th instant.

At the men's meeting Sunday 4.15 at the Y.M.C.A. Mr. A. B. Stanley will be the speaker. A male quartette will sing.

Lost.—A gold watch, 18 caret, English make. Finder bringing same to Prospector Office will receive reward.

Born at Cranbrook, Tuesday, Dec. 19th, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Darling, a son.

The Cranbrook public school closed on Friday for the Christmas holidays.

Dr. Green was at Spokane during the early part of this week, returning Wednesday.

"Vineland" Canned Fruits and Vegetables at Fink's Pure Food Grocery. If you use "Vineland" brand once you will use no other.

Judge and Mrs. P. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Thompson were guests at the ranch of Mr. C. H. Pollen at Shookumchuck last week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Beale left on Thursday for Victoria, to spend their holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Armstrong.

Creme de Menthe (solidified) an after dinner confection, at Fink's Pure Food Grocery.

Mrs. O. Burge of Perry Creek, was in town Friday, on her way to Kalispell to spend the Christmas with her daughter.

George Smith of the Cranbrook Hotel, who has been confined to his home with a severe attack of rheumatism for the past month, is now out again receiving the congratulations of his many friends.

Glace Pineapple at Fink's Pure Food Grocery.

The C.C.S. unloaded today the largest consignment of linoleums ever brought into Cranbrook totalling between nine and ten tons in weight.

Messrs. Christian and Jones have the contract for building a residence on Garden Avenue, for Dr. Hall, which will cost $4,000.

The dance given by the Edison orchestra on Tuesday night at the Masonic Temple was largely attended. The music was excellent and a thoroughly good time was enjoyed by those present.

We can furnish your bedroom in Bird's Eye Maple, Mahogany or Oak and will guarantee satisfaction for our goods are right. East Kootenay Produce and Provision House.

Next Saturday, December 30th will be a great day at the Auditorium Theatre. Sanford Dodge will be here in the great New York dramatic sensation "The Right of Way" by Eugene Tresby from Sir Gilbart Parker's popular romance. Prices will be 50c. 75c. and $1.00.

Remember Saturday December 23rd, is the last day of our 15 per cent. discount for cash. If you wish anything in furniture it will pay you to avail yourself of this opportunity. East Kootenay Produce and Provision House.

A cantata entitled "Foxy Santa," will be given in the Methodist church by the Sunday School Tuesday evening, December 26th. The choir of the church will assist in the choruses and solo parts. This is the usual Christmas entertainment given by the school. Presents will be distributed to the scholars from the Christmas tree as usual. A general admission fee to the entertainment will be charged.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Fenwick, Mrs. F. Binman, Mrs. Henderson, and Mrs. Richardson of Fort Steele, were Cranbrook visitors Tuesday.

The Baptist Church Sunday School will give a Cantata on Friday night, December 29, entitled, "A Jolly Time With Santa Claus Band." in the Baptist Church. Everybody invited.

Mrs. E. C. Miller of Fort Steele, was visiting at Cranbrook Tuesday.

Mrs. Chas. Lenett and Mrs. T. Fenwick, of Fort Steele, were in town Tuesday.

The Baptist Church Sunday School will give a Cantata on Friday night, December 29, entitled, "A Jolly Time With Santa Claus Band." in the Baptist Church. Everybody invited.

E. Elwell, of Beale & Elwell, who has been visiting in the old country for the past two months returned to Cranbrook Monday. He reports having a very pleasant trip, but was pleased to get back to Cranbrook.

A Few

Christmas Suggestions

and every item priced below their regular value

Aluminum Salts and Peppers in Holly Boxes	35 c pair
Glass Salts and Peppers	10 c each
Glass Measuring Cups	20 c "
Glass Cuspidors	$1.25 "
Lanterns with Colored Globes	45 c "
Alarm Clocks, 18 different kinds Prices range from	$1.25 to $4.00 "
Japanese Dinner Gongs from	75c to $2.00 "
Leather Bag Tags	20 c "
Toy Sad Irons	20 c "

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Hardware, Stoves,
House Furnishing Goods
CRANBROOK, - British Columbia

Chapman's Agency

Cranbrook Sub-division
SOUTH-EAST CALGARY

This property consists of fifty lots and lies between the site of the new C. P. R. shops and Calgary Junction.

It is in the very heart of Calgary's great industrial section, and the price to first comers will be $100.00 per lot.

On the very easy terms of $15.00 cash and $10.00 per month.

This price is from $50 to $100 lower than any property north, south, east, or west of it.

Every lot will be sold in and around Cranbrook.

Reservations may be made at our office, Saturday and Saturday evening.

Office open every evening until 9 o'clock

Chapman's Agency

Norbury Avenue near Auditorium Theatre.

Parlor Furniture; Suites and in single pieces. Many styles and designs. Suites from $30 to $60. Single pieces from $6 to $40. East Kootenay Produce and Provision House.

It is earnestly hoped that the young men of this city will avail themselves of the open house invitation for the New Year's reception by the Y.M.C.A. A program will be prepared and refreshments served to all visitors.

Dr. de Van's Female Pills

A reliable French regulator; never fails. These pills are exceedingly powerful in regulating the generative portion of the female system. Refuse all cheap imitations. Dr. de Van's are sold at $5 a box, or three for $10. Mailed to any address. The Scobell Drug Co., St. Catharines, Ont

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Under New Management

EXCELLENT ROOMS REMODELLED THROUGHOUT

CUISINE UNEXCELLED

CHOICEST WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS

AN UP-TO-DATE HOUSE

EVERYTHING

For the

Christmas Cake

Figs are both Healthy and Pleasant to the Palate

Carr's Family Biscuits

At

MANNING'S

Order Your Turkey!

at the

Central Meat Market

Our Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, and Chickens are all Fresh Killed, and the Best that money can buy.

Fresh Killed Meats, of all kinds, is our Specialty. Average monthly output is 60 head of beef cattle.

All kinds of Fresh and Smoked Fish in Stock.

A consignment of Fresh Shrewsbury Oysters will arrive next week, with weekly shipments until the end of the year.

Mince Meat in any quantity.

Ring Up Phone 175

Central Meat Market

A. JOLIFFE, Proprietor

For Sale

25 to 35 Acres of Land

on the west side of road, a portion of the well-known Fruitlands Farm. Sheltered on the northeast by Rocky Mountain range. Free from summer frost. Tomatoes, Melons, and Cucumbers grow in open garden. A beautiful spot for a residence. Good shooting and fishing.

Price $150 per acre, will easily sell for twice the price in the early spring.

Apply to J. A. Harvey, K.C., Vancouver, B.C., or to

MICHAEL PHILLIPS on the farm, Elko, P.O.

Canadian Pacific

Christmas and New Year's Holidays

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Between all Stations Port Arthur to Vancouver and Branches.

Going dates December 21, 1911, to January 1, 1912.

Final return limit January 5th, 1912.

For further particulars apply to nearest agent, or to

R. G. McNEILLIE,
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Calgary, Alta.

Cranbrook Cottage Hospital

Matron: Mrs. A. Salmon

Terms on Application

Phone 259 P. O. Box 845

The famous Dixie Jubilee Singers are coming to the Auditorium on Friday, December 29th. What the Toronto Saturday Night has to say of their concert in that city: "The company is one of the strongest of its kind ever heard here and includes a mixed sextette and a splendid male quartette. The solo work was above the average, showing some unusual voices. The program was enthusiastically received throughout. The league under whose auspices they appeared are to be congratulated. They will realize a neat sum over the expenses and the public a first-class entertainment.

Will Meet in January

The Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, has been called to meet on Thursday, January 11th.

Sir Charles Tupper Relapses

Latest reports from the residence of Sir Charles Tupper, in London, announce that Sir Charles has suffered b relapse and that his condition is critical.

Around the Town at Christmas Time

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The East Kootenay Produce Company has a large general store, groceries, saddlery, hardware, feed of all kinds, furniture and automobiles. See advertisement.

The Cranbrook Trading Co. is another of the stores that are going ahead, they have just received in a carload of large wagon sleighs and have a full line of leather goods together with feed and grain.

We have in Cranbrook also the finest opera house that can be found in the Kootenays today, with a stage 40 feet by 28 feet and a drop curtain 30 feet by 17 feet and a seating capacity of over 600. Plays of all kinds can be staged. This is used also for all the large dances having a perfect floor and a gathering place for public meetings. There is also in connection an up-to-date moving picture show that with the the improvements lately added has not its equal.

The Edison theatre moving picture show in its interest for the public pleasure puts on only the best pictures obtainable often searching over the whole continent until it obtains what it wants. It is nothing new to see people waiting on the side walk because of being crowded out. A strong band plays every night and alone is well worth hearing.

The hotels of Cranbrook are large and commodious, and prompt attention is given to the wants of the travelling public. They are as up-to-date as any hotels in the province. On Christmas special dinners will be served, and those who are compelled to stay in Cranbrook during Christmas and New Year's will receive the best of fare and comfort, such as may cause them to be pleased that they are able to stop off at Cranbrook and share the festivities of the season.

As a sort of Christmas present the Royal Bank will get into its new quarters in the Hanson Block. The Royal Bank is one of the permanent institutions of the city, and has a large and constantly increasing business. In its yearly report, recently published, it states that it has a paid up capital of $6,200,000.00, with a reserve fund of $7,000,000.00, and its assets amount to $106,512,558.06, with $11,870,257.27 cash on hand. Dividends for the year amounted to 12 per cent per annum. The special saving department of this bank is worthy of the attention of the public

Jaffray Conservative Association

Jaffray, B.C., Dec. 22.--On Tuesday evening a meeting was held in the school house for the purpose of organizing the Jaffray Conservative association. It was well attended by all Conservatives in this vicinity. The chair was occupied by Mr. A. K. Leitch and after the by-laws of the association were passed, the following officers were elected:

Hon. Pres., Hon. R. L. Borden.
Hon. Pres., Hon. Richard McBride.
Hon. Pres., Hon. W. R. Ross.
Pres., G. J. Jewell.
Vice-Pres., E. S. Home.
Vice-Pres., A. K. Leitch.
Vice-Pres., A. Modigh.
Sec.-Treas., A. K. Bannerman.
Executive, Frank Dickinson, Norman Craigie, Robert Cameron.

After organization business was attended to general discussion with the local conditions of the district and the need of being represented on the Central District Executive board. Resolutions were passed instructing the secretary to communicate with the different officials with reference to the matters under discussion and to report progress later.

After a vote of thanks being passed unanimously, thanking the school trustees for the use of the school and a general expression of feeling that much good would result from the efforts of the members of the association towards the betterment of local conditions in the district, the meeting adjourned.

Christmas Jingles

In sending a Christmas gift, it is often doubly welcome if accompanied by an appropriate and happy verse or couplet. It gives a touch of originality to the gift and makes it much personal. For instance, on the Christmas card accompanying an umbrella write this jingle:

Open me and raise me high,
And in damp weather keep me dry.
Or, even when the sun shines bright
It'll keep its rays from you all right
Within the folds of a handkerchief might be tucked a little card reading thus:

Within your dresser find a place
For this small gift of lawn and lace
It brings you all good wishes, dear,
For Christmas joy and Christmas cheer.

A dainty little bow for a girls' neck will be twice as Christmasy if accompanied by this little verse:

Although this bow is not the kind
That many girls have in their mind,
I hope that it will please you dear,
And fill your Christmas with good cheer.

A box of stationery will be doubly appreciated if with it the following jingle is sent:

When far away from home and me,
A letter, dear, I fain would see;
So keep this box within your sight
For letters are my chief delight.

And what could be more appropriate to send with a belt than this clever couplet:

When this is where my arms should be
I hope that you will think of me.

You will be surprised to find how simple it is to write these little jingles when you once start.

B. C. Exhibits at Chicago

The United States Land and Irrigation Exhibition is now nearing its end, and it is universally said to be the greatest exposition held in Chicago since the world's fair. Its scope is shown by the fact that thirty-five states, as well as Canada and Mexico are represented.

BRITISH COLUMBIA'S GOOD SHOWING

The brightest spot, however, of the whole Canadian display, a never-failing magnet, is the British Columbia Fruit. There are only twenty boxes of apples, and about thirty bottles of preserved fruits of all kinds, but, surrounded by the more sombre grains and vegetables, they show up in all their own true beauty. There is nothing in the Coliseum equal to the apples.

The Washington apple-men themselves admit that they are beaten by the British Columbia winter bananas Grimes Golden, Spitzenbergs and Jonathans. The sight of them has aroused so great a curiosity concerning British Columbia that it has been found impossible to obtain an adequate supply of British Columbia literature to satisfy the crowd.

Aside from the display of British Columbia fruit in the Dominion exhibit, the British Columbia Department of Agriculture has a considerable space of its own in another part of the building. There is shown the remarkable collection of British Columbia potatoes that took the Stilwell Trophy at the New York Land Show. There are 100 different varieties of potatoes in the collection, a half-bushel of each variety, carefully packed in special boxes in similar manner to apples. At the corner of each box is fastened a beautifully colored maple leaf. The outside edge of the whole assembly (staged on a sloping platform) is incased in blue ribbon—first prize—quality." A large placard at the centre announces that they are "the champions of the world," and holds out for the world to see, the blue sweepstakes ribbon awarded by the New York judges. The great silver cup, the Stilwell $1,000 trophy, stands in front of the group, and is examined with much interest by all who pass. The background for the potatoes is made up of British Columbia grains and grasses, and scenes of British Columbia timber and orchards.

Fear Attack on King in India

London.—Apprehension for the safety of King George in India is voiced openly in official circles.

The rumors of the king's assassination on Friday was the natural outcome of the fears felt in London and shows how keenly the nerves were on edge of those whose interests would be affected.

Those whose advice he did not heed now feel justified in saying, "I told you so."

An appreciation of the danger of the situation is shown by parliament in its present treatment of the announcement of the removal of the capital from Calcutta to Delhi, and the readjustment of the boundaries of Bengal and Assam.

This, in a measure, stifled criticism on account of the desire not to reflect on the King-Emperor, but the main consideration, which was best implied by Bonar Law, the leader of the opposition in the house of commons, is that it would be dangerous to the King's safety to agitate the subject while royalty is in India.

While reports that the burning of the durbar tents was caused by incendiaries have been discountenanced by the press, the belief is widespread that they were purposely set on fire as a protest against British rule. The ministry will breathe a sigh of relief when the Indian excursion passes into history.

Among the Craft

A meeting of North Star Lodge A. F. & A.M. was held in the Masonic Temple Fort Steele, on Tuesday and the following officers elected for the coming year:

W.M.—A. B. Fenwick.
S.W.—J. Tannhauser.
J.W.—A. Grey.
Treas.—R. L. T. Galbraith.
Sec.—H. Watt.
Tyler—S. Baker.

Cranbrook Lodge

W.M.—D. J. McSweyn.
S.W.—F. B. Miles.
J.W.—P. C. Coe.
Treas.—R. Benedict.
Sec.—J. S. Peck.
Tyler—A. C. Bell.

Other officers will be appointed when the Worshipful Master is installed.

Bishop McCabe, the noted orator, has this to say of the Original Dixie Jubilee Singers, which will appeat at the Auditorium on Friday December 29th: "I have heard the Dixie Jubilee Singers with the greatest pleasure. At the Colfax, Iowa, assembly, they were greeted with the greatest enthusiasm whenever they appeared on the platform. No one will be disappointed who engages them for a concert."

Fire at Michel

A frame building over the hoisting power plant at the Hosmer coal mines burned down at five o'clock Monday morning.

If new machinery and engines have to be renewed it will be several weeks before the mine can be operated.

League standing to December 20.

Baker Street South	4	1	800
C. P. R. Shops	4	1	800
Tigers	3	1	750
Ramblers	3	2	600
C. P. R. Office	2	3	400
Sharks	1	3	250
Block 98	1	3	250
Professionals	0	5	000

Friday, December 15.
C.P.R. Offices vs. Professionals.

C.P.R. Offices—			
Cline	104	109	100
Hall	156	185	139
Weisbrod	125	106	165
Phillips	125	161	147
Topham	133	151	131
	643	702	682

Total—2027.

Professionals—			
McKenzie	179	134	127
Kelly	166	118	127
Turnley	138	129	153
Dunham	112	94	119
Sunstan	108	118	123
	703	593	649

Total—1945.
Monday, December 18.
Baker Street vs. Tigers.

Baker Street—			
Johnston	162	158	166
Milne	171	117	158
Myers	181	152	152
Jones	180	140	122
Pye	148	137	100
	842	704	698

Total—2244.

Tigers—			
E. Stephens	167	141	125
Randall	130	121	122
W. Stephens	156	195	182
Rossiter	144	149	175
Barber	196	163	134
	793	769	738

Total—2300.
Tuesday, December 19th.
Ramblers vs. Shops.

Ramblers—			
Thompson	122	202	141
Teet	125	165	133
J. Turnley	129	158	165
E. Turnley	111	118	98
R. Crooks	107	134	123
	594	777	606

Total—2031.

Shops—			
Shankland	161	119	138
Sinclair	115	105	172
Bathie	139	136	173
Browne	182	119	142
Tyler	110	128	138
	707	607	763

Total—2077.
Team average, Ramblers—406 1-5.
Team average, shops—415 2-5.
Shops won 2-1.

Curling

Curling is in full swing and the local knights of the broom and stone are having a pleasant time playing the "Roaring game."

The ice is in splendid condition and is a credit to Mr. McWha who has proved to be an expert ice maker.

FALSE ALARM

It was reported in Cranbrook at the beginning of the week that there had been an epidemic of diphtheria broken out in the Okanagan College, Summerland.

As there are several of our Cranbrook citizens who have children receiving education there we made a point of getting direct reliable news from Dr. Sawyer the principal of the school, and he sent a telegram which reads:

"NO CASES IN COLLEGE, FEW IN TOWN. NO DANGER.
E. W. SAWYER.

The Prospector is pleased to make this announcement and Dr. Sawyer's message will assuredly allay any feeling of discomfort or fear by the children's parents.

The spreading of these reports is a very serious matter to the parties concerned and none of us can be too careful in the way such a serious report as the above is spoken of.

Lloyd-George Badly Injured

London. — David Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer, was seriously injured while leaving a woman's Liberal meeting here this evening, at which he had just made a speech.

A male suffragist hurled a brass-bound box at the chancellor, which struck him full in the face, cutting his lip and badly injuring his eye. A doctor who attended to the chancellor's injuries said he had a narrow escape from losing the eye.

Sir Edward Grey and Mr. Lloyd George both addressed the meeting in favor of including female franchise in the government's suffrage bill next year.

The police had taken extraordinary precautions to exclude militant suffragists from the meeting, but evidently some of them forced their way through the barrier.

Big Reception

The Christmas reception at the Fink, Mercantile store on Monday evening was well attended. It was the fifth anniversary of their moving into their present large and spacious building.

The various departments were handsomely decorated for the occasion. Guerard's orchestra rendered an excellent musical program, and refreshments were served.

Beautiful hand painted calenders were presented to the ladies.

The Christmas reception at the Fink Mercantile store has become a annual event, and is now looked forward to with great pleasure by the patrons of this great family store, and the public generally.

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Elko Notes

(By James M. Taylor)

Ring out the old, ring in the new
Ring happy bells across the snow.
The year is going let him go,
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

A merry Christmas to all readers of the Prospector.

The deer hunting season is over and the inhabitants of Elko are in a dilemna as to how to use up the venison before the specified time. Deer three times a day.

Speaking of venison, I am reminded of Ferguson's grace. Here it is slightly altered to suit the case:

"For venison young and for venison old.
For venison hot and for venison cold
For venison tender and for venison tough,
Our thanks we render for we've had enough."

The question of time checks with the lumberjacks was discussed in Elko last week. It is to be hoped that some good will follow.

Christmas trees from Elko are being shipped from Baynes and Waldo.

The usual Wednesday night service was held in the schoolroom, Rev. Mr. Stephens of Cranbrook being the preacher.

Be sure and hang up your stockings on Christmas eve, Santa Claus is sure to buy lots of toys from the well selected and well filled stores in Elko.

It is to be hoped that the school children's Christmas tree and festival will be well patronised, as no effort to make it a success has been spared by Miss Bessie Pye teacher, Miss Stark and Miss Inez Holbrook. Many little hearts will be gladdened with the numerous and well selected toys.

The writer visited Waldo on two different occasions this week and was hospitably entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Robertson. "Birds o' ae feather flock together". Scotch folks, ye ken.

Mr. Dave Easton visited Elko last week and left for Victoria on Tuesday.

Beattie-Murphy Drug Store's Fancy Stationery and Christmas cards a specialty.

He—Have you been winking pretty maid?

"I have, kind sir," said she.

He—While you've been winking I've been thinking what a bride you'd be.

Hands were clasped, a tender kiss, and linking off went she.

Another marriage soon in Elko.

There is no historical mention of a Christmas tree before 1605. This is a fact to mention at the Christmas tree and festival on Friday.

The largest private Christmas tree ever seen in England was one which the Duke of Norfolk had cut from his own estate. It was seventy feet high, weighed four tons and bore presents to the value of £4500.

Success to Elko, and it is sure if you subscribe to the Prospector. An advertisement brings trade.

WATER NOTICE

I, William Thomas Levy, of Galloway, B.C., by occupation a farmer, give notice that I intend, on the 8th day of December next, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to apply to the Water Commissioner at his office, Cranbrook, B.C., for a license to take and use one-quarter cubic foot of water per second from Spring rising near centre of Sub-lot 7 of lot 4590, Group 1, Kootenay District, and which sinks on same Lot.

The water will be used on part of Sub-lot 4 of Sub-lot 7, of lot 4590, Group 1, Kootenay District being five (5) acres owned by the applicant, and the point of diversion is where said Spring rises.

(Signature)
WILLIAM THOMAS LEVY.

Dated this 20th day of October, 1911. 43-5t

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT

District of South East Kootenay

TAKE NOTICE that J. Edwards Leckie of Cobalt, Ontario, intends to apply for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands, Commencing at a post planted on the South East corner of lot 7286 on the dividing line of lot 7286 and 7287 close to a witness post marked W.P. 11.50, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

Dated August 30th, 1911.
DAVID JENKINS,
43-5t Locator.

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT

District of South East Kootenay

TAKE NOTICE that Margaret Gillies, of Vancouver, intends to apply for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands, Commencing at a post planted on the south east corner of lot 7287 thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, to point of commencement.

Dated August 30th, 1911.
DAVID JENKINS,
43-5t Locator.

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT

District of South East Kootenay

TAKE NOTICE that B. D. Gillies, of Vancouver, B.C., intends to apply for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands, Commencing at a post planted on the north east corner of lot 7287 thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.

Dated August 30th, 1911.
DAVID JENKINS,
43-5t Locator

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT

District of South East Kootenay

TAKE NOTICE that David Jenkins of Vancouver, B.C., intends to apply for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands, Commencing at a post planted on south east corner of lot 7284, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to point of commencement.

Dated August 30th, 1911.
DAVID JENKINS,
43-5t Locator.

WATER NOTICE

We, William Whyte, and Frederick Thomas Griffin, of Winnipeg, Man., railway officials, give notice that on the 3rd January, 1912, we intend to apply to the Water Commissioner at his office in Cranbrook, for a license to take and use 1½ cubic feet of water per second from Little Sand Creek in Cranbrook Water District. The water is to be taken from the stream about 1800 feet north-east of the north-east corner of Lot 3543, to be used on lot 3543, for domestic purposes.

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Per W. F. Gurd, Cranbrook, B.C.
43-5t.

Tenders Wanted

Tenders addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to December 16th, 1911, for stumping and ploughing Lot 8110, G. 1, East Kootenay, containing 184.5 acres, more or less, the said lot adjoins the British Columbia Railway and lies midway between Mayook and Wardner and has been slashed and burned.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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A ranch 160 acres being S.D. 4 of Lot 340, 8 miles from Cranbrook on St. Mary's Prairie, containing 130 acres of good farm land, balance contains good timber. Will rent for a term of five years for cash, rent to be paid every year in advance. Apply Mrs. Mary Martel, High River, Alta.

NOTICE.

The Kootenay Central Railway Co. will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act authorizing it to construct a branch from a point on the Crow's Nest branch of the Canadian Pacific railway at or near Galloway in a southerly direction to the International Boundary, and extending the time within which it may construct the railways heretofore authorized, and for other purposes.

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Christmas.

Today there's a pause in our life-work
We list to the song again,
A voice as if angels singing
"Peace on earth and good will to men."

'Tis only the old, old story,
But the message is ever new,
And the spirit of Christian charity,
Awakes in the good and the true.

I know there are some who tell us
That Christmas has long since gone,
And the good like spirit of charity,
Lies cold as the torrid zone.

But still it is well to cherish
The hopes of those by-gone years,
And try with a smile to banish
All pessimistic fears.

Then join the happy chorus,
And sing in the sweet refrain—
Glory to God in the highest
Peace on earth and good will to men.

—James M. Taylor.

Christmas at the Elko Stores

It is a common thing at Christmas time for people to go round and inspect the windows of the various stores. There is a spirit of charity abroad, everybody wants to purchase a present for some friend. First, then, we will pause at the Elko Department Stores, owned and managed by Mr. R. Hirtz. The window is at once attractive. The familiar figure of Santa Claus being greatly imposing. Toys of every description to cheer the children's hearts. Useful presents in china, earthenware, cut glass, etc., tastefully displayed. While the comforts of the body are not neglected all sorts of presents in woolen underwear at Christmas prices. You are simply enticed inside to purchase.

FRED ROO

Always original and up-to-date the well known store occupied by Fred Roo. Here is a bit of his own philosophy you can read it when you enter the store.

The underside of every cloud is bright and shining
And so I turn my clouds about,
And also wear them inside out
To show the lining.

Just in keeping with this is the bright window of goods displayed for Christmas purchase of all kinds and shades, and to suit all tastes. The spirit of charity haunts the proprietor and nothing is marked beyond market value.

HOLBROOK STORE

This long established firm has a special Christmas display of goods seen to great advantage through the large windows of the new store.

Men's ties in every shape and color a tempting Christmas present. Sweaters, gloves, etc., and most magnificent display all skilfully arranged so as to give the window a special Christmas appearance.

BEATTIE-MURPHY DRUG STORES

Here the travellers attention is arrested. The brilliant lit windows and the goods so artistically arranged is a model Christmas picture. The beautiful boxes of stationery, covered with all the most beautiful and best loved flowers of the world. This is carefully relieved by choice and well selected Christmas and New Year cards. In fact the window is one of the best sights in Elko.

KLINGENSMITH'S STORE

Nobody ever thinks of passing this window, only to get a look of the genial and pleasant proprietor "Charlie" always wears a pleasant smile be business good or bad. His display of goods is always of the best quality and the window most attractive. Leather and woolen goods marked at special winter prices. The window is greatly enhanced by the gold and silver goods belonging to Mr. Mowry who shares the store.

ROBERTS MEAT MARKET

This store is indispensable at Christmas time. Fat goose, turkey, fowl and the best of roast Christmas dinners tempting and delicious.

BARBER'S SHOP

It is well to look clean and tidy at Christmas tide don't forget to visit the only barber in Elko.

THE ELK HOTEL

Owing to recent alterations and additions the Elk hotel has no place for window display, but the warm and well lit pool room should be a special attraction at Christmas, Mr. W. Kerr is a most entertaining host.

COLUMBIA HOTEL

Here you will find all the choicest blends to pour over the Christmas puddings. It will do you good to pay a visit and hear the broad Scottish tongue of the proprietor, Jamie Thomson, is the most pleasant and genial of hotel keepers, and the motherly care and attention given to all boarders by Mrs. Thomson is fully appreciated.

BIRNIE LIVERY STABLES

A sleigh ride is one of the features of a Happy Christmas. Mr. Birnie, whom everybody knows has some fine "cutters" and teams, orders are booked every day. Call early.

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AGNEW & McBAIN

Looking in at the large hardware store of the firm of Agnew & McBain one is reminded of Alladin and his wonderful lamp. What a beautiful display of lamps all splendidly arranged in the window. Their different shapes and shades quite picturesque. Heaters and stoves, large and small forming a splendid background Tinware in all classes, harness and leather goods, a splendid display. Many useful Christmas presents. The window is attractive, but gives little idea of the numerous selections inside.

Marysville Items

B. White left on Monday for the Sullivan Mine where he has secured a position in the culinary department.

Saturday last being pay day at Camp 5 made things very lively in town in the evening.

Miss L. Hodgson returned on Saturday from Pincher Creek.

J. H. Doyle of McDermot's wholesale liquor house, Cranbrook, was doing business in town on Friday.

Mrs. L. Herchmer was visiting friends at Fernie this week.

Jack Garbitt of Matthew Creek, was in town on Friday taking in the dance at the Falls View.

J. M. Carrol was down from Kimberley on Sunday.

Mrs. E. Bidder, Mrs. G. James, F. Bidder and James W. Miller sleighed into Cranbrook on Wednesday.

Pete Rabichaud was down from Kimberley on Saturday.

Con. B. Curvin, one of our old timers blew in on Monday. Con has been away north nearly two years. There's no town like ours.

Paul Handley shipped his gasoline boat to St. Mary's Lake on Tuesday where it will be got in readiness for the Summer months.

Mrs. J. Horman was the guest of Mrs. McLean, of Cranbrook, a few days this week.

Wm. Bidder, the tonsorial artist, is doing good business here. He shaves and cuts your hair while you wait.

For Marysville News read the Prospector.

The offices and buildings belonging to the smelter are being got in readiness for occupation, which is expected this week.

The dance which was given by E. T. Crowley proprietor of the Falls View hotel, on Friday last was a perfect success, crowds coming in from Cranbrook, Kimberley, Wycliffe, St. Mary's Prairie and adjacent camps, etc., made up one of the most lively parties we have yet seen in our popular burg. Dancing commenced at 8.30 p.m. and was kept up until 6 a.m., the majority responding to the home sweet home waltz as lively as they were at the commencement. A sumptuous supper was served at 12 p.m. which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The Marysville Orchestra under the baton of the popular J. Little furnished excellent music.

Wardner Notes

Mr. R. C. Eaton was a Cranbrook visitor on Saturday

Mr. J. A. McEachran of Galloway, was in town on business on Thursday last.

Mr. Wm. Graham arrived on Thursday from Arrowhead and has taken a position in the C.U.P.L. Co.'s office.

Mrs. Murray received a wire on Friday to join Mr. Murray in Spokane and she left immediately for that place. They returned on Sunday but expect to leave us finally after Christmas. We will all regret the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Murray very much and wish them every success in their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Black, recently of Galloway have moved into the C.P.R. station house where Mr. Black has taken the position of agent.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Manning of the C.P.R. mill visited in Fernie on Tuesday.

Rev. Mr. Stephens drove to Bull River on Sunday and conducted afternoon service for the benefit of the people in that place.

Mrs. George Hayward spent Wednesday in Fernie doing her Christmas shopping.

Mr. A. Sheppard returned on Thursday from the prairie where he has been travelling for the East Kootenay Lumber Co.

Clarence Embree has been spending a few days in town visiting with his mother.

Mr. Jas. Downey left on Thursday last for his home in Ontario where he expects to remain for some time. Quite a crowd gathered at the station to wish "Jim" farewell and luck in his eastern home.

Mr. Wm. Green came in from Bull River Bridge on Saturday to visit with his family.

Mrs. P. Rantz of Taber, spent a few days in town last week visiting with friends.

The party given in the King Edward hotel on Tuesday night by Mrs. Miller was a most enjoyable affair and quite a crowd of young folks gathered to partake of the hospitality extended. Dancing was indulged in until a late hour.

A quiet wedding of interest to the people of Wardner took place in Cranbrook on Monday when Miss Hazel Bohart became the bride of Mr. Hugh Stephens. Only the immediate friends of the contracting parties were present and the young couple left at once for the home of Mr. Stephens in the east where they will spend Christmas. Their many friends in Wardner and vicinity extend heartiest congratulations and good wishes for a long and happy life.

A dance will be given on Friday evening in the library hall by the young men of Wardner and all are heartily invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Jamieson and family and Mr. McLean, who has been building the new schoolhouse, left on Saturday for Fernie. The latter will return to do some finishing up on the new building which will be in readiness for opening at the beginning of the new year.

Christmas services will be conducted by Mr. Stephens in the Presbyterian church on Sunday and in the morning the Swedish people are particularly invited to attend. Special music will be provided by the choir.

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The Rush is on, the Good Things are being snapped up, better arrange to shop early today. Below we offer a few suggestions which may be of use to you in making your selections for Christmas Remembrances

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You Will Find

French Mushrooms, Peas and Assorted Vegetables in Glass.
Libby's California Asparagus
Libby's Hawaiian Eyeless-Coreless Pineapple.
French Cherries in Marischino
French Cherries in Cream de Ment
Sharwood's Melange
Sharwood's Truffles
Sharwood's Indian Chutney
Reid, Murdock's Olive Salad
Jumbo Spanish Queen Olives
Gillard's Relish
Royal Mint Sauce
French Asparagus in Glass
Nut Stuffed Olives
Pure Italian Olive Oil
Old Mission Ripe Olives
Crosse & Blackwell's Pickles
Nine Crown Layer Figs
Ten Crown Layer Raisins
Six Crown Layer Raisins
Cadbury's English Chocolates
Webb's Plum Pudding
Crosse & Blackwell's Mince Meat
And every variety of canned and green fruits, canned and green vegetables and Fink's sweet Brier Butter and Meats.

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Royal Doulton
Royal Suhl
Wedgewood's Art China
Foley's Souvenir China
Copeland's English Bone China
Ainsley's English Bone China
Haviland's Limoges China
Strauss Limoges China
Lazerous, Rosenveldt China
Nippon Children's Novelty China
Libby's Cut Glass
Bohemian Etched Glass
Full Crystal Finger Bowls
Wine Decanters
Water Bottles

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The MEN'S Department

This year excells all former years in the variety of Christmas offerings. In this Department you will find on display the very newest and the very best Reliable.

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Invictus Shoes
Fancy Slippers
Stetson Hats
Dr. Jaeger Caps
Plain and Fancy Shirts
Fancy Coat Sweaters
Plain and Fancy Hosiery
Stanfield's Underwear
Silk, Wool and Fur Lined Gloves and Mitts
Initial Silk Handkerchiefs
Fancy Ties in Individual Boxes
Fancy Suspender Sets in Individual Boxes
Fancy Motor Scarfs in all Colors
Fancy Silk Mufflers with Ties to Match
Dressing Gowns
Bath Robes
Smoking Jackets
Military Brush Sets
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