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J. P. FINK IS REELECTED

Mayor of Cranbrook For Third Term.

HIS MAJORITY IS 55

Five Out of Six on His Ticket are Elected With Him.

Mayor J. P. Fink was re-elected as mayor of Cranbrook for the the third time on Thursday. The new council consists of J. F. Campbell, Joseph Jackson, F. W. Green, D. J. Johnson, P. DeVere Hunt and G. W. Patmore.

In the newly elected council, the Mayor and two councilmen have been re-elected, Messrs. Green, Campbell, Johnson, and Patmore being elected for the first time.

The elections passed off quietly and the only evidence of anything exceptional being in progress was the arrival of a number of voters from outside points, and the unusual number of rigs and workers on the streets.

The result of the polling was as follows:

FOR MAYOR

J. P. Fink,	214
James Finlay,	159
Majority for Fink,	55

FOR ALDERMEN

F. W. Green,	238
J. F. Campbell,	214
P. DeVere Hunt,	209
D. J. Johnson,	195
Joseph Jackson,	187
G. W. Patmore,	180
Geo. W. Johnson,	166
Erastus D. Johnston,	154
Harold Hickenbotham,	151
T. S. Gill,	146
Jacob Pruden,	133
B. H. Short,	119
E. Elwell,	113

SCHOOL TRUSTEES

S.H. Hoskins and W. F. Gurd were elected by acclamation on Monday, nomination day.

The aldermanic tickets were badly split, the majorities in some cases being smaller than those received at the election of last year.

With the four newly elected councilmen, there should be some very effective work done in the interest of the city.

EAST OF THE ROCKIES

Government Agent Reports to the Premier on Country.

One of the most interesting and at the same time instructive reports that has been received in years from a direct agent of the provincial government exiled to the extreme scouting line of expanding British Columbia has just reached Premier McBride from Government Agent F. C. Campbell, who was dispatched some six months ago to isolated Fort St. John, the central point in the so-called Peace river land district of Cariboo—but which district is in reality quite apart and separated from Cariboo proper by the topographical barrier of the mighty Rockies. The region lies in fact in closer touch with Alberta than with British Columbia, access being most conveniently had by way of Edmonton, from which point it is a long 600-mile journey by steamboat, wagon road and primitive trail to where the majesty of British Columbia law and government has now an accredited and resident representative. Extract from the report are as follows:

"Speaking generally, the country extending east from Hudson Hope to the Alberta boundary and from the main fork of the North Pine river to about 50 miles south of the Peace river, consists of a slightly rolling plateau at a general altitude of about 2,400 feet above the level of Peace river. This plateau is generally covered with a small growth of poplar, birch and willow, with occasional bunches of small spruce and jackpine, and is intersperced with numerous grass meadows of various dimensions. The water courses are cut down into this plateau to depths varying from nothing at the source to 600 or 800 feet where the rivers enter the Peace river.

"Much the greater portion of the country I traveled would appear to be suitable either for mixed farming, dairying or stock raising purposes. Of this, probably the largest and choicest compact blocks are to be found on the Pouce Coupe prairie, and at the east and west ends of Moberly lake.

"At St. John, in the Hudson's Bay company's garden, potatoes and all common vegetables were grown, including cucumbers and vegetable-marrow. Mr. Beatton, the Hudson's Bay company's agent informed me that he commenced planting vegetable seeds in the garden on May 3 and potatoes on May 8. The first new potatoes were dug about August 1, and the potato crop on September 27. The first frost in the garden was noted on September 20. I am informed that oats have been grown successfully, and this year Mr. Beatton sowed a small field, but these were cut for grass feed on August 21; they appeared to me that they would have ripened in a week ot ten days. Mr. Beatton, who has resided here for several years, also informs me that he has frequently tried corn and tomatoes, but neither would ripen, although, of course, the tomatoes advanced sufficiently to be suitable for pickling purposes. This garden is on a small bench on the North side of the Peace river and about 800 feet below the level of the plateau.

"I am informed that snow usually lies on the ground from about November 1 to about April 15, and attains a depth of probably 18 inches at Fort St. John. Of course it would be considerably deeper on the plateau, but on the hillsides, which are windswept, but little snow remains in place.

"Almost the whole country has been burned over, and as a consequence contains but little timber; in fact, none that would be called commercial timber in the Kootenays or on the coast. The largest area seen lies about the divide between the South Pine and the Cutbank rivers, and on the trail from Fort St. John to Pouce Coupe prairie. It is said to be about 20 miles long by about 15 wide, and is spruce, the largest of which are probably two feet in diameter. Other small patches containing perhaps a few square miles each, of the same kind of timber, were met with at isolated spots in the country

"I saw no minerals or indications of any, with the exception of coal, during my trip through the country, not even a specimen about the trading places. In fact, the formation of the country traveled being almost exclusively sandstone would seem to offer but small possibilities of mineral being found. Some fine gold has been found in the many bars of the Peace, but not in sufficient quantity to offer any inducements to the individual miner; however, I believe they are well worth investigation as dredging propositions, the absence of large bouders being particularly favorable to this mode of mining.

"Coal licenses have been acquired on Eight-Mile creek, and on a small creek flowing into the Peace from the south about 14 miles above Hudsons Hope. I am informed that large bodies of excellent coal exist on these locations. As I crossed the west and main forks of the North Pine river, I saw coal float in the river beds, but the Cutbank river and Coal creek I had not time to make any attempt to trace to its source. This coal, I think, was lignite. However, there would appear to be little doubt but that large areas of coal lands exist in this part of the country.

"In the district are to be found moose,deer, bear, wolf, beaver, otter, martin, mink and muskrat. Beaver and moose still are quite plentiful. Wolves in the past proved very destructive to stock, particularly so during the winter months.

"The present white population in the district, exclusive of the constable and myself, consists of 18 men one woman and probably five or six children.

"The native Indians are of the Beaver tribe, a wandering race with no fixed place of abode, but following the game from place to place and living in tepees the entire year. In summer most of them use horses for transporting their worldly goods but in winter their women perform this service.

"Access to the district may be had either by Quesnel, Hazelton, or Edmonton. By the Quesnel route the distance from Ashcroft to Fort St. John is about 625 miles. By the Hazelton route the distance from that point to St. John about 590 miles. By the Edmonton route, from Edmonton to Fort St. John about 590 miles. On the two first mentioned routes one is compelled to travel at least three hundred miles by trail and canoe, thereby making them difficult routes over which to freight, although, I believe, the Quesnel route is the quickest for one traveling light, and particularly so coming into the district, as it would be down stream all the way from Giscombe portage, with only Rocky Mountain portage, 14 miles, and possibly a short portage at Finlay and Parle-Pas rapids to make.

"Probably the best route under present conditions is by Edmonton. The distance and modes of travel are as follows: Edmonton to Athabasca Landing, by wagon road, 100 miles; Athabasca Landing to Mirror Landing, confluence of Lesser Slave and Athabasca river, by steamer, 75 miles; Mirror Landing to Saltaux Landing 20 miles up Lesser Slave river by wagon road, 20 miles; Salteaux Landing to head of Lesser Slave lake, by steamer, 110 miles; Lesser Slave lake to Peace river crossing, by wagon road, 100 miles; Peace river crossing to Fort St. John, by steamer, 185 miles. This is undoubtedly the best freight route but passenger connections are very uncertain.

"Freight, if brought from Edmonson to Fort St. John during the summer, costs $9 per 100 pounds. If brought to the Peace river crossing on sleighs during the winter and allowed to remain there until navigation opens on the Peace, it may be got to Fort St. John for $7.50 per 100 pounds.

"There is no government mail brought into this district. A fortnightly mail is received at Peace river crossing, and a monthly one at Spirit river and Grande Prairie, Fort St. John mail is brought from Peace river crossing to Dunvegan by the Spirit river mail carrier on his monthly trips, and from there sent up by any opportunity that may offer. Only five mails a year can be depended on at Fort St. John; although one may occasionly get letters up or down in an uncertain way by a passing traveler.

"In conclusion I would say from my observations the greater portion of the country east of the mountains would be suitable for either mixed farming, dairying or stock raising purposes. Oats, barley and the ordinary vegetables have been successfully grown in the valleys; while the plateau would at least be suitable for stock raising purposes, and may perhaps be brought under cultivation but is, so far, untried. I would also think that, with the advent of transportation facilities, large deposits of coal will be opened up. However, at present there is neither a market for produce or labor and a settler coming in should have sufficient means to establish and support himself for a considerable period."

Mr. and Mrs. D. Breckenridge of Wardner, were in the city Thursday.

CANADA'S NEW NAVY

Premier Announces Government's Policy.

BUILD ELEVEN VESSELS

Four of these Will be Protected Cruisers of the Second Class.

Ottawa, Jan. 12.—The long expected government announcement in respect to the Canadian navy was today made in the house of commons by Sir Wilfrid Laurier who, in the absence of Hon. L. P. Brodeur, minister of marine, confined himself to the salient features of the scheme. The programme as enunciated by the premier contained one surprise. It was announced that the government had decided that Canada's initial navy shall consist of 11 vessels to cost upwards of $11,000,000, instead of seven vessels as semi-officially announced some weeks ago.

The 11 vessels will be made up of four cruisers of the Bristol class, armored, one of the Boadicea, small protected cruiser class, and six destroyers of the improved River class. Sir Wilfrid explained that ordinary destroyers were not good sea craft as a rule and the improved River class were esteemed for their sea-going capabilities.

The initial expenditure for construction will be about $11,000,000. Expressing the hope that it would be possible to construct the navy in Canada, Sir Wilfrid explained that it would probably cost 35 per cent more to build ships on this side of the Atlantic. The bill, which Sir Wilfrid introduced and which is entitled "An Act Respecting the Naval Service of Canada," follows the lines of the Militia act, one principal difference being that Canadians cannot be compelled to serve in the navy under any circumstances, the service being entirely voluntary.

The governor-in-council will have authority to send the fleet anywhere and be available for mobilization in the event of war or real or apparent danger, the only reservation being that on the dispatch of the fleet under these circumstances parliament, if not sitting, must be immediately called.

In answer to an interpolation, the premier said that it was understood that any war in which Great Britain engaged Canada would also be involved in.

R. L. Borden in a long speech laid much stress on Germany's efforts to outstrip Great Britain in naval construction. He declared that Britains crisis would come within three years and that in view of the circumstances the government's proposals were inadequate. He urged that the joint resolution passed by parliament last session authorizing an emergency contribution under such circumstances as exists today. He thought it would be better to turn over to the imperial authorities the amount which it is proposed to spend and then to proceed along careful lines with the construction of a navy. Mr. Borden did not favor the idea of an annual contribution.

F. D. Monk vigorously opposed the proposal to build a navy on the ground that Canada was not fit at the present moment to build it. He stuck to the view outlined by him in a speech delivered at Lachine shortly before parliament opened emphasizing in pointed manner his objections to the entire proposal.

The bill was given a first reading.

Victoria, Jan. 12.—Arrangements have been practically completed by the British Columbia Marine Railway company for ample financial aid from British capitalists for the increases proposed to the plant of the Esquimalt shipyards in anticipation of the construction of the proposed Canadian cruisers and destroyers for the Canadian navy. The naval bill will provide a differential clause in favor of Canadian builders of 33 1-3 per cent over other shipbuilders, and the local company expects to secure the construction of some of the four cruisers of the Bristol class, one of the Boadicea class and six destroyers which are to form Canada's new navy, divided on the Atlantic and Pacific.

LIBERAL SOLICITUDE

Anxious to See The Conservatives Change Leaders

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—When Mr. Borden was beginning as Leader of the Opposition the Liberal newspapers were highly pleased with him and free with their expressions of opinion that he was a good man for the position. When it became evident that he was an effective leader they grew dissatisfied, and they have been busy ever since in begging the Conservatives to dispense with him and in picking other leaders. Not long since they were very anxious to see the Conservatives supplant him with Mr. McBride, the Premier of British Columbia. It is noticeable, however, as the Bruce Herald has pointed out, that since Mr. McBride made so overwhelmingly a sweep in British Columbia and left the Liberals almost devoid of representatives in the legislature, their anxiety to see Mr. McBride travel east has sensibly abated. "Undoubtedly" to quote the Bruce Herald, "Mr. McBride is a man of remarkable powers as a party leader. He it able, forcible and highly endowed with the personal qualities that command popularity. His success in British Columbia has naturally brought him strongly to the front, and suggested to many minds that he is rapidly looming up as future Premier of the Dominion. But he has plenty of time. He is yet a young man, not much over thirty years of age and there is an abundance of work for him in British Columbia. Conservatives have no desire to supplant Mr. Borden as their party leader in the wider field of Dominion politics. There is plenty of room for both gentlemen in their respective fields within the party. Conditions at Ottawa differ from those prevailing on the Pacific coast, and require different management from political leaders."

And the Herald goes on to pay a warm tribute to Mr. Borden, "He is a suave and polished in a manner, courteous to everybody, learned in law and parliamentary administration, thoroughly upright in character, and backed by a strong personal position in his home surroundings."

To Conservatives of course this anxiety on the part of their antagonists is merely a proof of the effectiveness of Mr. Borden's leadership.

A HOLE AND CORNER

Investigation of the Indian Reserve Near Winnipet

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—It will be remembered that sometime before Christmas Mr. George H. Bradbury, (Con. Selkirk) brought before the House of Commons the peculiar circumstances associated with the surrender of the Indian reserve near Winnipet. At the time Mr. Oliver practically refused an investigation. It transpires, however, that, in the face of the attitude which he took in the House, Mr. Oliver has sent the law clerk of the Indian Department to the scene of the affair with instructions to hold a private investigation. Unfortunately, the men whom Mr. Bradbury describes as responsible for the improprieties which he charged against the Indian Department have been in close attendance on the investigation and one of these has been acting as interpreter.

It is doubtful what good the Minister expects will follow from a hole and corner investigation conducted under such auspices. Nothing short of a public investigation by impartial men, unconnected with either the department or the parties concerned in the transaction will satisfy public feeling that something occurred which badley needs looking into.

HAVE STRUCK RICH ORE

A special, received at The Prospector office on Tuesday, was to the effect that a large body of galena ore had been struck in the North Star Mine.

The new ore body, is located between the old Kellogg shaft and the wagon road, and is at the end of a tunnel which is in some 380 feet. There is a full breast of ore in the tunnel, and has the appearance of being a very large body. Drifts will be run on each side of the ledge, and a shaft sunk to determine the extent of the new discovery.

The ore is said to carry 60 ounces in silver, and 40 per cent in lead.

In the early days of mining in this province, the North Star was the largest producing silver-lead mine in the province. It was also the largest dividend paying mine, and since its discovery has been a constant producer, though the amount of ore taken out in recent years has only been about 3,000 tons per year.

The North Star ore, carries high values in silver and lead, and has been in demand by smelters to mix with, and help flux ores of a lower grade. With the Sullivan group of mines in operation, the output of both the Star and Sullivan being controlled by the Consolidated Mining Co., it is possible that these ores will be treated at the Marysville smelter.

The discovery of this new ore body in the North Star, and the resuming of operations at the Sullivan, has created quite a stir in mining circles at Kimberley and Marysville. The combined output of these two mines will largely increase the yearly production of silver-lead in the Cranbrook district.

INSTALLED OFFICERS

A regular monthly convocation of Rocky Mountain Chapter R. A. M. was held in the chapter room of the Masonic Temple on Tuesday evening.

The principal business was the installation of officers for the ensuing year. Excellent Companions J. F. Armstrong, A. B. Grace, and E. Elwell installed the following officers:

Z.	Ex-Comp	M. A. Beale
H.	Comp	A. Shankland
J.	Comp	A. McCowan
S.E	Comp	B. H. Short
S.N.	Comp	F. B. Miles
P.P.	Comp	R. Burns
S.S.	Comp	E. W. Connolly
Jan.	Comp	W. Friese
Treas.	Ex-Comp	J. F. Armstrong
Organist	Comp	C. Abbott

After the ceremonies of the evening were concluded, the Companions retired to the spacious banquet hall and partook of a splendid lunch prepared by the Janitor.

Ledge Struck.

Indications are that the ledge on the Aurora mine, at Moyie, has now been struck and that a large body of ore will be uncovered. Until a few days ago the rock was very hard and progress was slow, but the conditions are now changed. Systematical development work has been carried on for some time past and the successful outcome of these operations is most gratifying, not only to those most interested, but to residents of Moyie generally, as this means much to the welfare of the camp.

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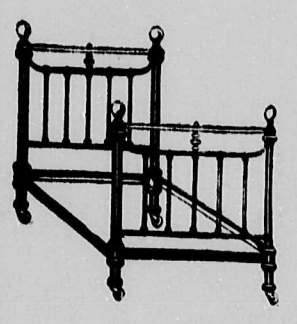

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We keep no record of the votes, with every purchase you will receive a Cash Register Ticket with the amount of your purchase stamped thereon. Hold the tickets, as by this means alone will you be able to ascertain your standing on March 16.

Votes will be based on the value of the tickets you hold, not exclusively on your own purchases, you're at liberty to engage one or a dozen or as many persons as you please to work in your interest. We care not how many tickets you hold or from whom you get them; the only condition being they must be from our cash register, all of which will be stamped C. C. S. with the amount of purchase as stated above.

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A DOUBLE GAME

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—The attitude of the Liberal party with regard to the British elections is a masterly example of its peculiar skill in duplicity. The great issue in those elections is tariff reform versus free trade. The Liberal government in Canada is emphatically and thoroughly protectionist. It came into power after preaching free trade and it proceeded to carry on the protectionist tariff which its predecessors had created. However, there exists in Eastern Canada a certain body of theoretical free trade sentiment; and there is in the West a considerable demand for lower tariff. To practical measures of tariff lowering the Liberal parliamentary party opposes a resolute resistance; an example is the way in which it killed the resolution brought in by Dr. Schaffner (Con. Souris) to cut out the duty on agricultural implements in half. But it disguises this by enthusiastically shouting for free trade in the abstract. It seeks to capture the theoretical free trader the Westerner with a desire for low tariff, and the actual manufacturer, who looks only to results and who can perceive when he is the recipient of tariff favors. Accordingly the Liberals of Canada are throwing up their hats and cheering for the Liberals of Great Britain. The Asquith government are resolutely adhering to a free trade system which the Laurier government would not dream of adopting; it is desperately resisting the demand for a preference to Canada which would put our farmers at a great advantage in contending against their competitors; and the Liberal party seeks to get a cheap reputation for free trade sentiment by siding with the party that really does oppose protection. It is a remarkable exhibition of double dealing.

Rossland Miner: Sportsmen around Palmer lake, Washington, introduced Bob White quail and they have thriven under the protection of the Washington game laws. Some of them have found their way into the Similkameen country, where they are also protected by the British Columbia game laws. What were the customs authorities doing when these foreign birds came into the country without paying duty.

The Winnipeg Tribune remarks: "If the house of lords is in need of a clearing up, Canada's senate should have a lye bath.

CURRENT COMMENTS

Winnipeg Tribune: The officers of the kilted regiment are going to prove to the world next winter that bare legs may be worn in safety.

Toronto Telegram: And a lot of people will be picking financial quils out of their persons long after the new mining town of Porcupine is forgotten.

Toronto Star: When fresh eggs cost 44 cents a dozen and three out of the 12 are bad, and some of the others are tainted, what is the price of fresh eggs?

Hamilton Spectator: A lot of women are going to start an Adamless Eden in Australia. If they really do it, I'd like to know who on earth they'll have to nag at?

Edmonton Journal: Poker playing becomes a much more serious pastime to many now that Judge Taylor decides that money borrowed at the table must really be paid.

Montreal Star: "A Pennsylvanian" according to the Philadelphia Ledger "has had a box of cigars 38 years, smoking one a year." Perhaps they are Pennsylvania cigars.

Halifax Herald: The cry in Montreal, with an epidemic of typhoid, is, "Boil the water." But there would also seem to be a reason for another cry, "Roast the city government."

Montreal Star: "Are you still in favor of Chinese exclusion?" asked the reporter of the British Columbian miner.

"Am I?" If I had my way I'd exclude the Q's from the dictionary."

GUN LICENSE PROPOSED

FUND FOR IMPORTATION OF GAME BIRDS

TAG SYSTEM FOR THOSE HUNTING FOR MARKET

Otherwise than by the incorporation of a provision increasing the license fee for non-resident bird hunters from $5 to probably $50, it is highly improbable that the Game act of British Columbia will be amended or changed in any way at the session of the legislature opening on the 26th inst. Not that the act is not in need of considerable amendment. Quite the the other way. It is, as a matter of fact, so complex and confusing that virtual reconstruction rather than amendment is required; but in order that ample time may be afforded the law department of the crown in which to draft a complete act which may be thoroughly comprehensible to every hunter and every justice of the peace, and in which all interested sportsmen may have an opportunity to proffer practical suggestions, it is expected that the entire subject will stand over until the session of the house in 1911.

Then it is hoped that a game law will be placed upon the statute book that will be a model for brevity and clearness, and which will meet conditions in British Columbia as no other game law has.

Incidentally, it is expected that by that time the country will be ready to accept with approval a provision for the imposition of a nominal gun license fee, say, of $2, the object of which will be, in the first place, to restrict the use of fire arms afield to people who are regarded as sufficiently mature and well balanced to be safely entrusted with them, thereby obviating by prevention a considerable percentage of the annual crop of miscalled "accidents". The gun licence fees, it is suggested, will not go into the general fund, but constitute a special fund, to be employed in the importation of game birds, and otherwise in re-stocking the fields and forests with worthy spoils for the hunter's fowling piece.

THE TAG SYSTEM

In the projected reconstruction of the act, it is also most probable that provision will be made for the introduction in this province of the tag system that has proven to work so well in checking and restricting the operations of hunters for the market, who are found to be almost wholly to blame for this season's shortage of duck and other water fowl. To operate this system satisfactorily, the co-operation is, of course, necessary of an energetic force of game wardens, but this applies equally to many protective features, which (such as the limitation of the annual bag of ducks to 250) are at present farcical in the completeness of their character as dead letters. Under the tag system, whoever hunts for the market is required to purchase tags, only a stipulated number are issued to one individual, and which are not transferable. No dealer is permitted to sell untagged game, and he must satisfy himself that the seller to him is the authorized person to mark his game with the tags adorning it.

As for the suggested increase in the cost of bird-shooting licenses to non-residents at the forthcoming session, it is pointed out by officials that American duck hunters formed a very large majority of those enjoying themselves on the lower Fraser and its prairies last season, and do at the present time. These pay but $5 for their annual sport, while official information is to the effect that in one district alone—that of Sumas prairie—30 such American sportsmen have averaged 75 to 1000 birds each, all sent out of the country. That an infinitely larger number of American sportsmen than ever before will invade the game preserves of British Columbia's lower mainland and Vancouver Island, during the coming season may be taken as a certainty in consequence of the fact that in the adjacent state of Washington that a three year's close season has been proclaimed.

With respect to suggestions that there should be a similar closed season on Vancouver Island at least, for both grouse and pheasants, Chief Game Warden Bryan Williams, who is now visiting the city, agrees in-so-far as the pheasants are concerned. Regarding the grouse, he points out that the result of exempting the grouse from slaughter until October 1, as has been the practice during the past year or two, has been virtually the same as it would be had a closed season entirely been prescribed October finding the great majority of the birds safely retired to the hills, and there immune from attack by any save experienced and extra-enterprising hunters.

GROUSE AND PHEASANTS

"Were the grouse shooting to be brought in next season, as in years gone by, on September 1," said Mr. Bryan Williams yesterday, "I fancy the hunters would find that there are birds in plenty—in fact, they would enjoy better sport than for many years past."

With regard to the pheasants, Mr. Williams agrees with those favoring a closed season of two or three years He also is an enthusiastic advocate of more systematic measures for the annual replenishment of this fine game bird throughout British Columbia. Incidentally, the experiments of the past few seasons with the Mongolian pheasants have proved eminently succesful. As a result of the care taken of the birds at Chilliwack 297 hardy youngsters were available for release this season on the lower mainland and the island, while there are 70 of the original stock birds at New Westminster.

These far out-weigh the native or English pheasant, and are accounted in every respect his superior as a game wild fowl. Of 16 native birds selected for superior size and weighed this season, the best weighed three pounds, while of nine Mongolian chicks of 1909 hatching, the smallest went over four pounds, while two outweighed four and a half pounds. The Mongolian pheasant is at the same time less of a marathoner, and a stronger and more ready bird on the wing, affording better sport to the real lover of the game.

It is hoped that before long the government may find itself in a position to take over the work of hatching, rearing and distributing annually a few thousands of these fine and especially suitable game birds, following the adopted and proved advantageous practice of the neighboring states. With this annual supply of fresh blood and a temporary closed season to give the pheasants a fresh start, the opportunity for sport would be immensely stimulated in the course of two or three years.

With respect to the Hungarian partridges, released in the localities of Cowichan and Sooke lakes a season or two ago, Mr. Williams has had reports of numbers being seen, and of the opinion formed by those most competent to judge, that the climate is proving favorable to them and their chances of multiplying rapidly are excellent. Sixty fine partridges have been received from Dr. French, the Washington zoologist, in return for a provincial permit issued by Chief Wardems for the exportation of one live mountain goat, all that Dr. French has yet secured to reward his quest in the mountains of Eastern Kootenays.

TIMES ON MR. BORDRN.

London, Jan. 13.—The Times this morning says that the lively sense of imperial responsibility which Sir Wilfrid Laurier displayed in his recent speech at Toronto gave deep satisfaction, to thousands of good citizens at home. This satisfaction, says the Times will be doubled by the language used by R. L. Borden in parliament yesterday. The knowledge and breadth of judgment with which Mr. Borden treated the subject of naval defense was worthy of one of the leading statesmen of the greatest daughter in the family of nations The Times praises the generous patriotism which glows in passage after passage of Mr. Borden's speech.

In the classic language of the crap expert the Canadian navy was 7 come 11.—Calgary Herald.

Goodrich Signal: Lord Minto's motto is "Dam the consequences." His lordship will probably carry it into effect when he reads the election results.

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Located this 8th day of November, 1909.

Charles E. Webb, Agent for Walter J. Abbs, Locator.
Witness: E. W. Butts. 50-3

EXAMINATIONS FOR INSPECTORS OF STEAM BOILERS AND MACHINERY.

Examinations for the position of Inspector of Steam Boilers and Machinery, under the "Steam Boilers Inspection Act, 1901," will be held at the Parliament Buildings, Victoria, commencing November 8th, 1909. Application and instruction forms can be had on application to the undersigned, to whom the former must be returned, correctly filled in, not later than November 1st, 1909. Salary, $110.00 per month.

JOHN PECK,
Chief Inspector of Machinery,
New Westminster, B. C.
44-9

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT
District of Kootenay

Take notice that George Wilson of Claresholm, Alta., occupation Accountant, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the south west corner of Lot 5970, thence running south about fifty chains to timber licence No. 21582, thence east forty chains, north to lot 5970, thence west to the place of beginning.

GEORGE WILSON.
Dated November 19, 1909. 48-9

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT
District of Kootenay.

Take notice that E. Golden Filer of Manistee, Mich., occupation lumberman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted 160 chains east and 40 chains north of 57 mile post on the eastern boundary of Lot 4592 and running north 40 chains, thence east 80 chains thence south 40 chains, thence west 80 chains to the place of commencement, containing 320 acres, more or less.

E. GOLDEN FILER.
Dated Nov. 6, 1909. 47-9

CRANBROOK LAND DISTRICT
District of Kootenay.

Take notice that Anton R. Pierce of Manistee, Mich., occupation Cigar Maker, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted 240 chains east and 60 chains north of 57 mile post on the eastern boundary of Lot 4592 and running north 20 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 60 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence west 40 chains to the place of commencement, containing 320 acres, more or less.

ANTON R. PIERCE.
Dated Nov. 6, 1909. 47-9

FORT STEELE ASSESSMENT District.—A court of revision and appeal under the "Assessment Act, 1903," for the Fort Steele Assessment district, will be held on Wednesday, the 19th day of January, 1910, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon at the Court House at Fernie, and on Monday, the 24th day of January, 1910, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon at the Court House at Cranbrook.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA MINING

LOW PRICE OF METALS CAUSED DULLNESS AND UNFAVORABLE YEAR IN PROVINCE PRINCIPAL COAL AREAS

Metaliferous mining in British Columbia has not been as brisk this year as hoped for on account of the prevailing low prices of metals. When the slump came at the end of 1907 the price of copper fell to twelve cents a pound, and silver, zinc and lead followed the lead. Since then the constant hope has been for better prices, but they can hardly be said to have come, even having in mind the slight increase in the price of copper. Consequently the mines and smelters have not put forth their best efforts for a non-responsive market.

There has been a slightly increased output from the metalliferous mines of the southern interior, the total value of which output will be between $23,000,000 and $24,000,000.

The Le Roi mine, formerly the largest gold-copper producer in the Trail Creek division played out in the early part of the year. There would have been a still further decrease had not increased production from the Centre Star and Le Roi No. 2 and renewed activity in the high-grade areas of the Nelson division come to the rescue.

ABSORBED LEAD BOUNTIES

One result of the low prices has been to absorb the whole of the Dominion bounty this year on lead, because the amount payable increases with the falling off in the market price. Nevertheless, the lead production is increasing under the stimulus of the bounty, and by the time it runs out (in 1912) a considerable number of mines should be big producers.

The erection of an electrolitic zinc smelter at Nelson will help miners of that metal, as will the favorable decision of the Treasury Board on the duty to be paid on zinc ore entering the United States, and the Payne tariff.

A COPPER COMBINATION

In the West Kootenay district efforts have been made to recover the silver and lead contained in the zinc ores, of which there was an increased output, owing to the restarting of the Highland, Buckeye, and United mines near Ainsworth. The necessary machinery to bring about the seperation of silver and lead from the zince was added to the concentrator which treats the ores. The zinc problem, as affected by the Payne tariff was recently the subject of a convention at Nelson, and the Dominion Government will be petitioned to test the ecomomic value of British Columbia zinc ore.

Efforts are being made to consolidate the three great copper-producing companies in the province, the Granby being the strongest of the three. Such a merger, which will without doubt be carried through in 1910, will result in increasing the production and will give British Columbia some influence in the copper trust.

Coal production has much improved on Vancouver Island, but has fallen behind in the Crow's Nest Pass, while the new districts, Coldwater and Nicola, in the Similkameen, have made very slow progress on account of the lignitic quality of the coal.

No developments have yet been one in the Kootenay district on the Elk river, north of the C. P. R., but that large and promising district cannot long remain unproductive. The pushing west of another transcontinental railway south of the forty-ninth paralell has called forth more than one new railway charter giving power to construct into this field.

NOT A GOOD YEAR.

The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company has not had a good year, although the market for both coal and coke has been larger than ever. This is due in part to failure of experiments looking to the cheapening of the cost of coal. The company has not paid any dividends for eighteen months, and, it is said, is not likely to for some time to come.

Towards the end of 1907 the two largest customers of the company secured control of the stock and assumed the management. The wisdom of a railway controlling coal mines has been negatived by legislation in the United States and raises the question of the desirability of similar legislation here. Obviously no person or corporation can occupy the dual position of buyer and seller and do justice to all parties, and this is possibly as true of the Great Northern Railway interests and the Granby Smelting and Refining Company, who now own the majority of stock in the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, as of the United States railway whose powers in this direction it has been found expedient to clip by legislation.

Under this control during the last two years things at any rate, have not prospered; the production has fallen back to little better than the 1906 figures, the cost has increased and the dividends vanished. The General Manager of the allied interests was displaced last month and a new man from England put in charge of operations, and better things are promised. This must depend largely, so far as the shareholders are concerned, on the attitude of the controlling interests, who are also the largest buyers, towards the prices they pay for what they produce.

BRITISH COLUMBIA COPPER

During the year which has just closed the properties at the Wellington camp of the British Columbia Copper Company referred to in the last annual report of the company have been opened up and the purchase of the property practically completed. These mines have been opened by adit tunnels upon three different levels, and drifting on the ore body at each level has been carried forward, thereby blocking out a very large tonnage of ore. They are now ready to commence shipments and the Canadian Pacific railway is constructing a branch to the mines which will be completed by February 15, when regular shipments will commence.

All the properties of the company have been actively developed during the year excepting the Lone Star mine, which is still awaiting transportation facilities.

During the year the reduction works have been continuously operated, except during the months of May, June and July, when the coke requirements of 250 tons daily were unobtainable on account of the miners strike in the Crow's Nest Pass district.

The production costs for the year will be about the same as those recorded for last year. The tonnage handled for the current year and its resultant production of copper, gold and silver are not yet compiled, but the grade of ore handled has been approximately the same as last year and operations at the reduction works have been indicated.

THE INDUSTRIAL PROBLEMS

OF BRITISH COLUMBIA. A REVIEW OF THE CONDITIONS ON THE PACIFIC COAST, BY WILFED ERNEST PLAYFAIR.

Development in a new country needs capital expenditure beyond its own financial resources, and one has to look to the returns of foreign imports rather than exports (from industries) for evidence of what is going on. An effort on the part of exports to overtake the rapidly-increasing imports is all that is necessary, at the outset, to satisfy the financial observer that the investor's position is sound. Later, when the development matures he will demand more complete satisfaction. These remarks today apply to British Columbia more than to any other province of Canada.

In 1907 the imports began to exceed the exports, the excess being for the year ending March 31, 1908, $239,265. This was but a symptom that a new era of development had set in, and it may not be unreasonable to expect that for the current year the excess will be several millions.

Imports will, however, probably show a considerable gain in any case while exports will not show as great an increase. Exports trade for the year ending March 31, 1908, were $23,941,187, and from a close study of the production of the main industres of the country during the past year it is to be inferred that the exports will be in the neighborhood of $26,000,000, allowing for reasonable increases on account of fisheries and lumber.

While the salmon run was not as big as in 1905, still it was big enough to add about $3,000,000 to the value of the fisheries output, compared with the previous year. The returns for lumbering on the coast exceed those of 1908 by over 70,000,000 feet, and there has been a slightly brisker export to foreign countries.

LUMBERING.

The total output of lumber in 1909 was about 860,000,000 feet, which, at $14 a thousand, gives $12,000,000. It is estimated that half of this lumber is consumed within the province, one-third is sent to the prairies, and the remainder is exported. Conditions in the lumbering and logging industry are better today than they have been for the past two years, and the outlook for 1910 trade is excellent. Practically all the mills on the coast ran to full time during the month of December on orders booked for shipping before the end of 1909. But few orders were taken during December for shipment to the end of the year, owing to the knowledge that some changes would occur in prices. The usual end-of-the-year mills shut-downs for repairs were made as short as possible, owing to the large demand for lumber and the fact that yard stocks in all mills were down to the minimun.

The end of the year found the quantity of logs in the water on the coast much less than at the corresponding period of 1908 or 1907, and prices for first class logs were firm in the vicinity of $10 per thousand.

AGRICULTURE

The large tracts of range lands continue to be subdivided into small farms and orchards, and, as a result the agricultural community has grown considerably. This movement entails the breaking up of the large herds of cattle and horses, but this is only a temporary loss, for when the smaller farms are fully developed they will support a greater number of live stock of better quality. There are probably more people entering upon dairy farming at the present than at any other time. During the year the output was probably ten per cent in excess of that of 1908, when it was $3,100,000. With all this development the province has not kept pace with its own requirments, and the importation of hog products, cattle, sheep, and dairy produce will probably prove to have been greater than ever before.

The same dependence upon outside sources is noticeable in other lines. The fruit crop of 1909 was to a large extent a failure, owing to the severe winter and late spring frosts, and notwithstanding the fact that there was a larger acreage bearing, the total yield was substantially less than in 1908. In the fall there was a record importation of apples, prices ranging from $2.75 to $3 a box.

The shortage in the yield was compensated for in some measure by the increased prices that prevailed, and the cultivators are not down-hearted. The winter so far has been mild and they look for a bumper crop next year. If they are disappointed, the increased area in bearing will give the province a record output. It will be many years, however, before British Columbia will be able to meet her own needs in this direction. On the other hand, the export trade is sadly crippled by prohibitive rates on the railways and the difficulties in the way of getting fruit to the prairie markets in the best condition.

There were bumper crops of oats, wheat and barley in the Fraser valley. Hops, an important industry in the Chilliwack district, were remarkably free from the flea beattle which caused such ravages in former years, and there was an abundant harvest. There was also a record output of roots, and a better than average hay crop. Poultry-raising shows a remarkable increase. Prices are extremely high, and the poultry-raiser has large profits. As in the case of dairy produce, the most of the eggs and poultry consumed in British Columbia come from other provinces and from the United States

THE OUTLOOK.

It is an established fact that enormous coal measures exist on Graham Island, and in the Peace River country, and on the North Thompson river, while tales of rich gold finds in the Peace river district have ample confirmation. British Columbia is clamoring for transportation facilities to tap these vast areas, and it would appear that the facilities sought are to be in some measure provided.

The year 1910 promises to be a record one in the matter of railway construction. Thousands of men will be employed advancing the lines of the Grand Trunk Pacific, and work will be started on the main line of the Canadian Northern, which will tap the center of the Province for the first time. The linking up of the coast and the Kootenay's by the Kettle Valley line will be another activity this year. Whatever may be said of the dream of shipping prairie wheat via Vancouver, the shipping industry is growing naturally, and the home fleet will be increased in 1910 by at least six vessels, the ships coming out for the Grand Trunk Pacific and Canadian Northern lines accounting for four of these.

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Located this 8th day of November, A. D. 1909.

Charles E. Webb, Locator.
Witness: E. W. Butts. 50-3

COAL AND PETROLEUM NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that (30) thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable Commissioner of Lands and Works for the District of East Kootenay, for a licence to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands, situate on Akimina Creeknear the South Kootenay Pass trail, Block 4593, Southeast portion of British Columbia:-Commencing at a post planted near the South Kootenay Pass trail about two miles from the head of Akimina Creek east of and adjoining G. A. Walther's coal and petroleum claim, said point being marked Paul W. Childer's Northwest corner post, thence East 80 chains; thence South 80 chains; thence West 80 chains and thence North 80 chains to the place of beginning, containing 640 acres more or less, being the same claim located by Frank Menefee on September 5, 1905 for which licence No. 753 was issued to him.

PAUL W. CHILDERS, Locator,
Alfred Braun, Agent.
Located this 27th day of November, 1909. 52-4

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Located this 8th day of November, 1909.

Charles E. Webb, Agent for
M. Wayne Twitchell, Locator.
Witness: E. W. Butts. 50-3

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ANNA R. Pentland, Locator.
Alfred Braun, Agent.
Located this 27th day of November, 5909. 52-4

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Charles E. Webb, Agent for
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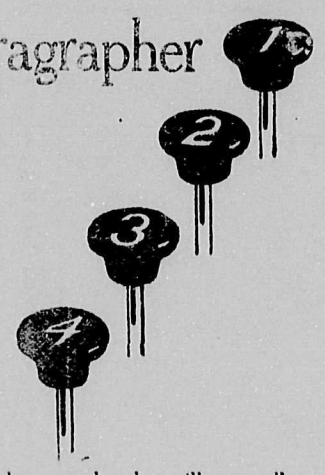

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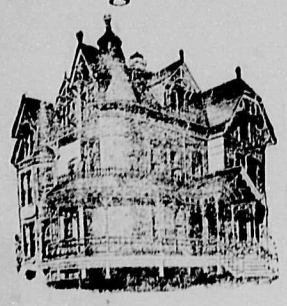

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LOCAL NEWS.

C. R. Ward was at Creston Thursday.

Thos. Rader, of Jaffray, was in the city Tuesday.

R. Butchart, of Nelson, was in the city Tuesday.

B. L. Shaw, of Stetlers, was in the city Monday.

T. M. Gray, of Edmonton, was in town Monday.

A. E. Watts, of Wattsburg, was in town Tuesday.

E. L. Staples, of Wycliffe, was in the city Friday.

F. B. Scott, of Nelson, was in the city Wednesday.

D. O. Anderson, of Wycliffe was in the city Thursday.

A. Good, of Crows Nest, was in the city Saturday last.

G. D. Davidson, of Calgary, was at the Cranbrook Monday.

E. C. Marks, of Lethbridge, was at the Cranbrook Tuesday.

The band on Thursday night, played, "What will the harvest be."

P. Woods, of Cherry Creek, was in Cranbrook Tuesday on business.

C. D. McNabb, of Waldo, a prominent lumberman, was in the city Friday.

The small boy was particularly conspicuous by his noise. He was canned.

T. Galey, and R. B. Cram, of Calgary, were guests at the Cranbrook Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Granger, of Edmomton, were Cranbrook visitors Friday.

A. Lund, C. M. Pennock and Geo. Wilson, of Wardner, were in town Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Warnock, of Pincher Creek, were Cranbrook vititors Thursday.

John Macdonald, of Kimberley, spent several days this week in Cranbrook.

J. R. Johnson, of Creston, editor of the Creston Review, was in the city Monday.

J. W. Bennett, of Fernie, Scranton School correspondent, was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Wm. Williamson of Bear Creek is in the city visiting her daughter, Mrs. Will Dockery.

Frank Dickinson, has taken over the management of the International hotel at Kingsgate.

Tuesday was payday at the St. Eugene mine, and some $31,000 was distributed in wages.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. McVittie, of Fort Steele, were in town during the early part of this week.

R. A. Creech, of Vancouver, and E. L. Lithaugton, of Calgary, were at the Cranbrook Friday.

Gomer Jones, of Wardner, was attending a meeting of the Lumbermen's Association, Friday.

A. W. McKenzie, of Spokane, representing the Simonds Manufacturing Co., was in the city Friday.

W. A. Anstie, of Nelson, secretary of the Mountain Lumbermen's Association was in town Thursday.

J. B. Ross, of Winnipeg, a prominent lumberman, was transacting business at Cranbrook Wednesday.

John Breckenridge, of Calgary, president of the Crow's Nest Pass Lumber Co., was in town this week.

P. C. Ayres, manager of the North Star Lumber Co., was at Cranbrook Friday attending the convention of lumbermen.

J. A. Macdonald, of Lethbridge, T. E. Sine, of Revelstoke, and F. C. DeBois, of Fernie, were at the Cranbrook Friday.

It is said that Lester Clapp has purchased the cigar business of S. J. Mighton, and will take possession in a few days.

E. Dangerfield, of Calgary, F. O. Hyde, of Lethbridge, and T. Gray, of Vancouver, were guests at the Cranbrook Friday.

The municipal election is now a thing of the past. Get down to business, for there will be no more elections for a year.

D. C. Black, of Vancouver, J. Dow of Creston, and J. M. Everett, of Nelson, and H. Nathan, of Calgary, were guests at the Cranbrook Monday.

J. D. McBride will leave on Sunday next on a visit to California. He will be accompanied by his father Mr. A. McBride, of Calgary, and his sister.

Fred Smythe, editor of the Moyie Leader, was in town Monday. He received a telegram from Walla Walla, announcing the death of his eldest brother. He left for that city on the afternoon train for that city.

WANTED—First class planer man, charge of two machines, commence middle of March, apply stating wages
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ORE SHIPMENTS

Ore shipments for the first week of the year, in the Cranbrook district, make a fairly good start. The returns for the past week are as follows:—

St. Eugene,	340	340
North Star,	87	87
Total	427	427

BIRTHS

Born—At Wattsburg, on Wednesday January 5, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Hague, A daughter.

Born—At Cranbrook, Friday January 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dales, a son.

Born—At Cranbrook, Monday January 10, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McKowan, a daughter.

Born—At Cranbrook, Wednesday January 12, to Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Walkley, a son.

Born—At Cranbrook, Monday January 13, to Mr. and Mrs. G. Patmore, a son.

Renfrew Team Beaten

Renfrew, Ont., Jan. 12.—The National Hockey league season was opened tonight by a game between the home team and Cobalt in which the home team went down to defeat by the score of 11 to 9 after one of the most exciting and strenuous games ever seen in the town.

At half time Renfrew led by 5 goals to 4, and the home crowd was happy. In the second half Cobalt tied the score after a minute's play but Renfrew then once more drew ahead. Then came the disaster, for in the next seven minutes play the Cobalt people scored five times, leaving Renfrew four goals to the bad, and with only 14 minutes of playing time left.

Encouraged by the crowd, Renfrew went at the almost impossible task and speedily put in two goals. The third took seven minutes and lost the match, for Cobalt came to life again and scored once more, making the final 11 to 9 in their favor. The result was a great disappointment to the Renfrew people.

BAPTIST CHURCH

"Jacob, the Prince; A Self-made Man," will be the subject of a series of four special Sunday evening sermons in the Baptist Church by the pastor, Charles W. King. Living issues of interest to thinking men will be discussed in the review of this heroic character. Following are the sermon subjects:

Jan. 16th. "He Makes a Start."
So do you.

Jan. 23rd. "He Finds the Way into the New Kingdom."
Have you?

Jan. 30th. "He Has His Ups and Downs."
And you have yours.

Feb. 6th. "He Wrestles, and Wins a Crown."
And so may you.

Strangers always welcomed. Seats free. Good singing. Bring a friend.

Is Trustee.

Premier McBride has at last received official notification that he is a trustee of the Minto cup and entitled to act as such. The following letter from the premier has been sent:

"To H. Ryall, secretary of the New Westminster Lacrosse club:

"Dear Sir—I have just received a telegram from A. F. Sheldon, private secretary to the governor general, confirming my appointment as trustee of the Minto cup and I am therefore in a position to act in that capacity.

"RICHARD McBRIDE."

The Westminster men express great satisfaction that a western trustee has at last been appointed and that they are no longer entirely at the mercy of the Ottawa men.

Great Britian Neutral.

London, Jan. 10.—The officers of the British warships now in Central American waters have been instructed by the government to observe the strictest neutrality towards affairs in Nicaragua. Accordingly the foreign office places no reliance upon reports cabled here from New York to the effect that British officers have been interfering in the revolution.

HANLEY—KAY.

At the Presbyterian manse on Monday, January 10th, Kenneth Martin Hanley and Francis Agness Kay, widow of the late James Ferguson, of Michel, were married by the Rev. C. O. Main. They will reside at Michel.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Parishioners of Christ Church Parish, men and women are earnestly requested to attend The Annual Parish Meeting, to be held in Christ Church, Monday January 17th at 8 p. m.

E. P. FLEWELLING, Pastor.

Lumbermen's Convention.

There was a large gathering of lumbermen at Cranbrook this week, attending the annual convention of the Mountain Lumbrmen's Association, which was held in the committee room of the Cranbrook hotel on Friday.

As was anticipated there was a large influx of lumbermen from all parts of the province.

As the convention was private, we cannot give to our readers any particulars as to the business transacted, but the citizens of Cranbrook can and will fully appreciate the fact that the convention was held in Cranbrook.

The lumber situation, all over the province, is particularly bright at the present time, and there is every indication of increased activity from all quarters, with better prices ruling.

Every line of business will be benefitted by the activity and stabtility of the lumber industry.

It is reported that the principal points that will come up for discussion, will be the market conditions, grading, inspection, finished sizes, and insurance legislation.

A grand ball, on Friday night, was tendered the visiting lumbermen by the local lumbermen of the Kootenay The Auditorium was handsomely decorated by a committee of ladies. There were about 175 couples in attendance, and was a most enjoyable event. Supper was served at the Cranbrook hotel.

Nolan's orchestra of Spokane, furnished the music for the dance.

COMMUNICATED

Cranbrook, January, 14 1910.

Editor Prospector:

I desire to thank those of the rate-payers of Cranbrook who so kindly, and staunchly supported me in the recent election, and beg to say that their efforts were highly appreciated, and tho full success did not crown their efforts, it was the entering wedge towards municipal reforms in the near future.

Once again thanking you, I remain, yours respectfully,

JAMES FINLAY

Cranbrook, Jan. 14 1910.

To the Candidates, in the recent election, who represented the Citizens Interests.

We, a majority of the rate-payers of Cranbrook, desire to thank the Candidates, and the committee in charge of the Citizen's Ticket, during the recent municipal election for their splendid fight in our interest. The many exposures made during the campaign, will we are sure result in our interests being better observed during the coming year, and tho they succeeded in returning to power a majority of their candidates.

CITIZENS COMMITTEE

THREE KINGS

Brussels, Jan. 12.—The report is confirmed that King Edward and Emperor William will go to Ostend to meet King Albert of Belgium.

An application from the Canadian Alpine club has been received by the provincial government asking for a grant of $1,000. The decision will be announced later.

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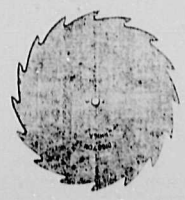

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