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## C. P. R. OFFICIALS IN TOWN

General Manager Whyte Makes Cranbrook a Brief Visit.

## MACHINE SHOPS ARE NOW BUILDING

The Cranbrook Yards Will Be the Best on the Line--Other Railway News of Interest.

Last Friday evening General Manager Whyte, of the western division, arrived in Cranbrook in his private car, accompanied by J. A. M. Bakins, solicitor for the company. The party stopped over night and proceeded west the next morning to Nelson, where they met Superintendent Marpole, to hold a conference in C. P. R. matters affecting Nelson. Superintendent Macleod, of the Crows Nest line, accompanied the party to Nelson. While in Cranbrook Mr. Whyte was met by several prominent citizens of this city, and although no definite information was imparted they all had reason to feel encouraged by the manner Mr. Whyte spoke of the C. P. R.'s interest in this town, and the improvements to be made.

## The New Machine Shops.

Work on the Crows Nest railway machine shops is progressing now as rapidly as possible. The piling is all in place and the frame work is going up this week. The present structure will be 100 by 66 feet and so arranged that an immense amount of work can be done in the building. The necessity for having the shops at Cranbrook is becoming more pressing each week, as there is a vast amount of repairs accumulating, both east and west of this point. The completion of the building and establishment of the shops here, will give employment to a large number of men who will become permanent residents of Cranbrook, and add to the already increasing population.

## The C. P. R. Yards at Cranbrook.

The C. P. R. yards at Cranbrook are rapidly assuming an appearance of permanency, and this change is being brought about by the expenditure of thousands of dollars in improvements. The company is not doing anything by halves, but as fast as the work can be done is placing the Cranbrook yards in a first class condition. New buildings are going up on every hand, and what is more they are all of a most substantial character. What was a bunch of timber eight months ago, is today a gridiron of rails, and a small village itself in buildings. THE HERALD stated many months ago that the fact that Cranbrook was to be the divisional point meant much for the town, and the proof of the pudding is tasting its sweetness.

## Railroad Notes.

The track east of Cranbrook is being ballasted at a rapid rate.

About forty men have been employed at the west end loop most of the winter.

The force of men all along the line will be greatly increased by the end of the month.

From thirty to forty cars of freight a day is being handled between Cranbrook and Nelson.

Workmen are now engaged in building extensive stock yards. They will join the main track just west of the freight house.

Mr. W. McGreevy, formerly of the engineers force at Wardner, is in town. He has been confined in the Macleod hospital for the past two months.

The large number of men coming in by the way of Nelson and the lake to work on the Bedlington road is making a big traffic business for the steamer Moyie.

The large C. P. R. ice house at this point is being filled with ice from Crows Nest lake, and a train load of twenty-nine cars came in last night. The ice is of superior quality, and ranges from thirty-two to forty inches in thickness.

## Moyie Ore Shipments.

Moyie Leader--

Seven carloads, or 142 tons, constituted the ore shipments from Moyie for the week ending March 11th. The St. Eugene led with six carloads, 121 tons, and the Lake Shore added another carload, 21 tons, to their list. The sleighing is beginning to give out which is rendering it very difficult for getting out ore for shipment. But this will only have the effect of hurrying up the building of the St. Eugene railway, so that ore can be brought down from the mine regardless of the condition of the road or weather.

## The Lake Shore.

Work on the Lake Shore mine is progressing quite favorably. The tunnel is now in about 160 feet and there is a splendid body of ore in sight. Another tunnel about 100 feet below the present workings will soon be started and drive in on the ledge. This will create a considerable increase in the working force.

## North Star Lodge A. F. & A. M.

A Masonic lodge was organized in Fort Steele last week, with the above title. Following were the officers chosen:

W. M. .... W. R. Ross  
S. W. .... C. A. Procmier  
J. W. .... H. McVittie  
Sec. .... A. W. Blandell

## JUST A YEAR AGO.....

A Brief Reference to Cranbrook and The Herald Twelve Months Ago

This is No. 52, Volume 1, of THE CRANBROOK HERALD. In other words this issue closes the first year of THE HERALD'S existence. Twelve months, or fifty-two weeks ago, the first HERALD was issued, and many wondered at that time why any newspaper man should come to such a place to publish a newspaper. It could not be called a town then, for with all the courtesy of western life by which hamlets are called towns, and towns cities, there were not enough buildings or people to form even a village. When the publishers first arrived in town there were only four buildings aside from those of the Baker homestead. These were the Cranbrook hotel, occupied by Messrs. Ryan and Morrison, Mrs. Donahue's hotel, the C. P. R. storehouse, and G. H. Hilliard's blacksmith shop. THE HERALD building was under way, and lumber was on the ground for the postoffice block and the Fred Hazen residence. This was all there was to Cranbrook twelve months ago, except the numerous lot stakes that showed the people where they might make their selections for future buildings. No railroad, no residences, no business blocks--simply two hotels, a blacksmith shop and a warehouse, and the grandest site for a town in all the Kootenays, backed by geographical advantages and the fact that the C. P. R. intended to make it the divisional point for the Crows Nest line. With abundance of hope, and every confidence in the future of Cranbrook, the publishers brought their plant to this town and prepared to issue a paper. The plant used then was hauled over snow and ice and through mud by wagon from Kalispell, Montana. The building was only partially completed when the plant arrived, but enough of the floor was laid to offer a resting place for the type and machinery. On the 24th of the month the first paper was issued, and it was a great event in the brief history of "Beautiful Cranbrook."

The greater proportion of the population of the town at that time was employed at the Cranbrook Lumber Company's sawmill, and as the mill was located in the eastern part of the town and hidden from view by the woods, naturally there were very few people in sight as a rule. The Cranbrook hotel corner was the central point, and it was possible to drive up to any side of the building from any direction, as it was surrounded by prairie alone. The East Kootenay hotel, further east on the street, seemed at that time a long way off, but the two buildings served to show strangers the street line of Baker street, which was then, as now, the principal business thoroughfare. On the narrow porch or in the office of the Cranbrook hotel, men used to gather in the evenings and tell Jim Ryan how many kinds of a fool he was to engage in the hotel business on the prairie with nothing in sight. And Jim, with that pleasing smile of his, would chuckle to himself and say, "Cranbrook is all right. Just wait awhile," and the firm has been piling up coin ever since. Mrs. Donahue had just completed her place, and was ready to take care of the boarders as they came. The Cranbrook Lumber Company was already an established business. Archie Leitch, Sr., had already started to cut logs and saw lumber when the first shovel of dirt was turned over on the beginning of the Crows Nest line at Lethbridge nearly a year before. He kept piling up lumber and the people who saw stack after stack go up asked Mr. Leitch what he was going to do with it. "Do with it? Why, build up Cranbrook, what do you suppose?" and he has been hustling ever since to keep up with the rapidly increasing demand. It is said that Bob Hilliard used to take a run over to the hill and back to get up a perspiration, then rub a little coal dust over his face, pound the anvil until it could be heard by everybody on the flat, and then come up to the hotel and tell about how business kept up. But Bob has been pounding that anvil to good advantage since those days, and has many dollars laid away for a rainy day.

THE HERALD started out with few advertisements, beside that of the town site. They were the Lumber Company, the two hotels, G. L. Hilliard and J. H. Sibbald, the contractor, and those advertisements represented every business establishment in the town. Looking over the columns of the first paper, one can find many items that are of special interest today. There is a note telling of the first religious service held in Cranbrook on the previous Sunday, by Rev. Duncan, of Fort Steele. The services were held in the dining room of the East Kootenay house. Maurice Quain was in town at that time superintending the construction of the telephone line from Swansea through Cranbrook to Fort Steele. Another item tells the public that "R. E. Beattie, formerly of Manitou, Manitoba, will in the near future have a full stock of drugs and chemicals." G. H. Miner had just arrived, and was preparing to open his hardware store. Another item states that "about one-half of the male population of Cranbrook visited Steele last week in attendance at St. Patrick's day ball," and one wagon held the crowd. In the personal column a local says: "Among the prominent guests of the Cranbrook hotel last week were the following: Maurice Quain, Ottawa; R. Shaw, Fort Steele; H. Melton, Palmer's Bar; E. H. Small, Wardner; G. H. Miner, C. Martin, Winnipeg."

The difference in Cranbrook a year ago and now is evidenced by reading the paper. It is now impossible to keep track of the many people who visit Cranbrook, and no longer is a stranger noticed from the fact that he is a stranger. A year ago there were just five ladies in the town--Mrs. Angus Morrison, Mrs. R. L. Pratt, Mrs. Eyre, Mrs. Donahue and Miss Lizzie McPhee. Today the town is full of them. A year ago the mail was brought over from Steele by any one who happened to be coming and thought of it. Today Postmaster Beattie has the best equipped office in East Kootenay, and mail arrives nearly every day. A year ago all freight was brought in by wagons and passengers by stage. Today long freight trains haul in the goods and visitors arrive in passenger coaches from the east and the west. A year ago the line through Cranbrook was being surveyed. Today thousands of dollars have been expended in permanent improvements by the railroad company in the way of depot buildings, warehouses, freight sheds, round house, etc. A year ago everything that was used in the way of merchandise had to be purchased in other towns, as there was not a store in Cranbrook. Today no town in East Kootenay has larger or finer stocks of goods. A year ago no business was done with neighboring districts and mining camps. Today the outside trade with Cranbrook amounts to thousands of dollars a month. A year ago a register was hardly needed at the hotels. Today, with five large hotels and several boarding houses and restaurants, it is necessary to telegraph ahead if one wishes to be sure of a room. A year ago the idea of securing appropriations from the government for public buildings was considered preposterous. Today the money is ready for a school house and government building.

## The Freight Tonnage.

The first train arrived in Cranbrook on August 21, and since that day the freight tonnage for this point has rapidly increased. There is not a week but what shows a substantial increase over the previous one, which is a most excellent criterion by which to judge of the business done in Cranbrook. In fact, so heavy has been the business, and so rapid the increase, that the company is now enlarging its freight house at this point to twice its former size, in spite of the fact that it is one of the largest on the road. This condition emphasizes the statement that Cranbrook is a great distributing point, in fact as well as in name.

## Great Increase in Postoffice Business.

The Cranbrook postoffice was opened on September 1. Prior to that time all Cranbrook mail came by the way of Fort Steele, and was very heavy owing to the construction of the railroad going on at this point then. Yet, notwithstanding the heavy mail received at that time, due to a temporary cause, the weekly receipts have increased so rapidly that today there is at least four times as much mail matter received here, and this increase is based on a permanent business foundation. Postmaster Beattie also has charge of the distribution of mail for tributary postal points, such as Fernie, Wardner, St. Eugene Mission, Swansea, Moyie, Creston, North Star and Sullivan mines and Wild Horse. "Straws show which way the wind blows," and the amount of mail matter received in a town is a strong indication as to the volume of business transacted. Postmaster Beattie says this increase has been steady, which shows that it compares with the steady growth in the town.

## Three Mails a Week.

Cranbrook is advancing rapidly in the way of government recognition. The latest step in this direction is the granting of three mails per week, or rather giving mails on each of the regular trains which means three mails each week from the east and the same from the west. This is a change that is much appreciated by the people of Cranbrook and is probably due to the efforts of Mr. Bostock, who promised when he visited here recently to secure this improvement as soon as he could after his return to Ottawa.

## Hello, There!

Have you used Goldsworth's Tea? Every package guaranteed.

FORT STEELE MERCANTILE CO.

## BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Revelstoke has been incorporated. G. W. McDowell will erect sampling works at Nelson.

The Great Northern hotel, Kaslo, was destroyed by fire on the 7th inst. Postoffices are soon to be established at the town of Gladstone and at the McRae landing on Christina lake.

Rossland is receiving her eastern Canada mail by way of the States and Spokane, thus saving two days' time as compared with old regulations. A fire at Dyea, recently, destroyed the Palace and the Northern hotels, the Senate saloon, the court house and the office of the Chilcot Tramway company.

Nelson Miner: T. G. Proctor, manager for the Kootenay Valleys Company, returned last night from a trip to Cranbrook, Fort Steele and Wase, where he let the contract for fencing a large acreage of the company's lands in East Kootenay.

Grand Forks will shortly boast the possession of the handsomest and most modern hotel in Southern British Columbia. The Yale, now under construction, will be ready for occupancy within 60 days. The total cost is estimated at \$50,000.

The water jackets for the furnaces at the Hall Mines smelter have arrived and will be placed in position as soon as possible. It is expected the lead furnaces will be blown in about the end of next week.--Nelson Miner, 9th.

The directors of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax at a meeting held in Halifax a few days since, definitely decided to build in Rossland. The structure will be three stories in height and will be erected on the northwest corner of Washington street and Columbia avenue.

## BOARD OF TRADE MEETING.

It Was Largely Attended and Considerable Work Was Done.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of trade was held Tuesday evening at the office of the townsite company. Vice President Smith was in the chair and Mr. Robinson officiated as secretary.

Several health measures were discussed and it was decided that it would be far better for the community to use pits for closets instead of the box system, and that the few wells in use on the flat should be closed.

The question of a site for the school house and the government building was discussed, and the opinion of those present seemed to be in favor of a location in the south part of town. Messrs. McInnes and Smythe were appointed to confer with the townsite company relative to the matter.

The matter of fire service was presented and discussed.

Messrs. Moffat, Laidlaw and McVittie were named as a committee to confer with the proper authorities relative to Cranbrook's share of the road appropriation.

The question of a constitution and the election of new officers were discussed briefly, and laid over until another meeting.

A letter from the townsite company was read, setting forth that the company would arrange a roadway at once to Baker hill and also clean up the street in front of reserved lots on Baker street and build sidewalk in front of them. The meeting then adjourned.

## Building Notes.

Parrot Brothers new building is about completed.

J. Grier is building a neat verandah on his residence.

The C. P. R. freight house is being enlarged to twice its present capacity.

N. Hanson is having a laundry building put up in the rear of the Cosmopolitan hotel.

The second story has been added to the post office building, and carpenters are now finishing the interior.

The store building erected by V. Hyde Baker for Schofield & Co. is completed, and the firm is now getting the stock in place.

The frame for J. Leask's new two-story building on Baker street is now up, and the work of finishing is being pushed rapidly forward.

## They All Like the Cosmopolitan.

The popularity of the Cosmopolitan hotel is evidenced by the large number stopping there each day, and the class of people who seek quarters there. Last Monday the register showed among a long list of names those of the following prominent gentlemen: W. Blakemore, manager of the Crows Nest Coal Company; Bullock Webster, in charge of the provincial police; W. Tuttle, of the Royal hotel at Fernie; Judge Forin, of Nelson; N. McLeod Curran, manager of the North Star mine; G. B. Brown, of Winnipeg; G. R. Dixon, of Hamilton.

## Clean Up Your Premises.

The town health committee, acting in conjunction with Commissioner Armstrong, is preparing notices to be served on all property owners and renters urging the necessity of prompt work in clearing up their premises as soon as the weather is soft enough to permit it. The work is an important one and the health of the community will depend to a great extent the next few months on how well it is done.

## By the Way!

Have you used Goldsworth's Tea? Every package guaranteed.

FORT STEELE MERCANTILE CO.

## THE LION AND THE BEAR

Diplomacy Saves Threatening Trouble in the Old World.

## THE FRENCH HONOR QUEEN VICTORIA

Heavy War Claims Presented--Canada Wins the Hockey Tournament.

LONDON, MARCH 11.--The British lion and the Russian bear came to uncomfortably close quarters this week over the Chinese imbroglio. The newspapers had already begun to talk of a serious crisis and grave outlook, but the diplomatic switchman again succeeded in warding off a collision on the subject of the Northern railroad, a conflict being averted by a Russian backdown, according to the jingo, and by a compromise, according to more impartial observers. The real explanation of the affair appears to be that Russia made a protest against the British railroad contract, partly as a feeler, and partly a warning. If the British premier had shown weakness, Russia would have persisted, but in any case, Russia by her protest elicited a ministerial statement in the house of commons, that the conditions of the loan did not constitute foreign control. Thus Russia obtained a pledge that no such interpretation would be placed on the contract in the event of default, which is a further substantial concession on the Russian claims in Northern China. On the other hand Lord Salisbury scored in securing a withdrawal of the Russian protest.

## Honors to the Queen.

BULOONE SUR-MER, MARCH 11.--Immense crowds awaited the arrival in the harbor of the special steamer bearing Queen Victoria, while the town and all the vessels in the port were decorated with bunting and the route from the quay to the railway station was lined with troops. A brilliant gathering of military and naval officers and prominent civil officials boarded the steamer and were introduced to the queen, who, speaking in French, cordially thanked them for the welcome extended to her. Several superb baskets of flowers and a number of engravings representing the last visit of Her Majesty at Bulogne in 1855 were presented to the royal visitor. As the queen's special train drew out of the station an artillery salute was fired.

## Heavy War Claims.

WASHINGTON, March 11.--The department of state has received claims to the amount of \$21,000,000 on account of property destroyed in Cuba belonging to American citizens, and also on account of injuries sustained by citizens for which pecuniary indemnity is sought.

## Canada Won.

NEW YORK, March 11.--In the International hockey game tonight between Victorias of Montreal and the team representing all New York, the visitors won by 5 to 4. It took an extra period of 35 minutes to decide the winners.

## A Big Mining Deal.

JUNEAU, Alaska, Feb. 27, via San Francisco, March 11.--The property of the Pande Basin Gold Placer Company is reported to have been leased for five years to P. P. Voorhes who is said to represent a New York syndicate. The rental is fixed at \$2,500,000. In Pande basin is a lake out of which early last January was drained 61 feet of water to make a tunnel in order to leave exposed gold bearing sand on the beach. A mining expert named Turner reported, it is said, to the New York syndicate represented by Voorhes, that the sand would yield \$3 to the ton, and that there was then on that average at least \$7,000,000 in sight. Many mining men here are incredulous over the deal.

## Constable Suicides.

CADZARY, N. W. T., MARCH 11.--Constable Baldwin, of the N. W. M. P., committed suicide this morning at the barracks here by shooting himself with a revolver. An inquest is being held.

## War on American Beef.

BERLIN, MARCH 11.--The testimony in the Miles-Eagen beef dispute at Washington has furnished the Agrarian press here with welcome material for the war on American meat. Some of the comments are extremely uncomplimentary to the American packers.

## Gen. Gomez Removed.

HAVANA, MARCH 11.--The Cuban military assembly, in public session this afternoon, impeached General Maximo Gomez and removed him from his command as general-in-chief of the Cuban army. The chief cause was the acceptance of the United States' offer of \$3,000,000 and the agreement to disband the Cuban army.

## Stenographer Cannot Hold His Notes.

VICTORIA, MARCH 11.--The full court today gave judgment on the appeal from the decision of Mr. Justice Drake in Pender vs. War Eagle, refusing to order stenographer Jones to deliver a transcript of his notes in the case, which he withheld on account of the department disputing the amount of his claim for pay.



ONE YEAR OLD.

THE HERALD is now one year old. Next week it starts on its second year. During the past twelve months it has never let an opportunity pass to say something that might prove beneficial to the town and the people. The publishers have never indulged in wild, speculative guesses about the future of the town. They have been conservative in their work, and in consequence have nothing to retract after the end of twelve months. What they have said would be done has been done as rapidly as conditions would permit. They have maintained that Cranbrook was the natural center of this territory, and must necessarily secure a vast amount of outside trade, and the results show that they were right. They maintained that Cranbrook would naturally be selected as the headquarters for firms doing business throughout Southeast Kootenay, and the fact that this town is now the headquarters for nearly every company of the kind in this district shows that the stand was well taken. THE HERALD has always held to the policy that the growth of Cranbrook did not mean that other towns in the district would suffer, but that all would grow and enjoy prosperity. THE HERALD believes in Southeast Kootenay and is liberal enough in its hopes and desires to wish for prosperity for every town in the district. It has labored for the good of the district as a whole, and Cranbrook in particular, and will continue to do so in the future.

And, in this connection, we might add that as THE HERALD is doing what it can for advancing the best interests of Cranbrook, it would be well for the people of Cranbrook to see that every resident is a subscriber to THE HERALD. As a rule the people have been loyal in this respect, while the business men have shown that they appreciated the work of THE HERALD and have been steadfast in their support. Let the good work go on. It is good business for all concerned.

## CRANBROOK AND NELSON.

"Everything tends to show at this time that Cranbrook and Nelson will be the two leading towns of the Kootenays." This remark was made recently by a gentleman well posted in both East and West Kootenay. The rapid development of Nelson as a trade center for West Kootenay shows that he is right of the town, and the wonderful growth of Cranbrook the past year, would indicate that he is also right in his prophecy of East Kootenay. The conditions that govern Nelson and the conditions that govern Cranbrook are quite similar. Both enjoy great advantages from a geographical standpoint, which makes each town the natural center of its respective territory. Each town enjoys exceptional railroad advantages that will be increased within a very short time. Each place is the natural and actual distributing point for its territory at the present time, and so far as can be seen now neither town has a rival in its respective field. Both towns are growing, and growing rapidly. Nelson, already ten or twelve years old, is a thriving city of 5000. Cranbrook, hardly one year old, is a hustling, busy town of over 700 people. The growth of Nelson has been due to her advantageous position, and this comparison is made to show the striking similarity between the two towns, and also to show that any statement made as to the growth and prosperity that is to come to Cranbrook is based on a legitimate foundation.

Cranbrook is conceded to be the natural center of South East Kootenay. It is doing the business of its territory now, and will continue to control that business for all time to come. Business makes towns, and Cranbrook has the business. The town has continued to grow better from the time it was first started. There has been no let up, and no boom. But just as sure as any followed night, and night followed day. Cranbrook has moved ahead week after week, with her population increasing, her business increasing, and the confidence of the people increasing. Conditions control in the making of towns, and all the conditions have been favorable to Cranbrook. That is who she is such a good town today, and that is why everyone acquainted with East Kootenay knows that she is bound to be a great commercial city.

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

Fort Steele is the only railway center in British Columbia without a railroad.

Cranbrook has just started. The next twelve months will be hummers in this town.

Cranbrook has made a great stride for twelve short months, but the next twelve months will see a much greater growth and increased prosperity.

The best evidence of confidence in a town is the money invested. Thousands are being invested in Cranbrook in permanent improvements at this time, and there is more to follow.

Each citizen of Cranbrook has one duty that should not be neglected. That is to renew his subscription to THE HERALD if he is a subscriber, and to subscribe at once if he is not one now.

The number of railroad men who will be permanently employed in Cranbrook within six months time will form a large, healthy payroll. Already it is a big feature, and the number is constantly increasing.



## The Herald

Has the best equipped office in the Kootenays. Its facilities for turning out first-class Job Printing are complete. Send in an order and become convinced of the fact.



## HISTORY REPEATING ITSELF.

"I am lonesome," said Susie to Robbie. "I have a play-house—a pretty play-house—down under the old oak tree. And my toys and dolls are all down there, and oh! there are the prettiest leaves! And Robbie, I found two sparrow's nests too—old nests that dropped from the eaves. And I fixed them up on some tiny shelves, and oh! everything is so nice! Won't you go down there and play with me?"

If you will, I'll kiss you twice.

"I am lonesome by myself in the play-house. And everything is so nice! I think you might go play with me, Robbie. If you will, I'll kiss you twice."

Then with boyish contempt he answered (she was six and he was eight), "I don't care anything for your play-house, and the sight of dolls I hate. And your leaves and bird's nests are nothing if they do look so pretty and nice! So I don't think I care to go with you, even though you would kiss me twice."

Then her little lips quivered with anguish and the child's heart swelled with pain.

While the tears ran down the soft little cheeks.

He saw it, then answered again:

"Why, Susie, you know I was joking. Don't cry, little sweetheart, Sue; Let me get my rocky-horse and new toy gun. And I'll play all day with you."

II.

The years had passed by all swiftly with their melody of pleasure and pain. And one day I heard these low love words in the spot by the shaded lane:

"I am lonesome," said Robbie to Susie. "Won't you come and play with me? I have built us a house, a pretty new house, down under the old oak tree. And 'tis fixed all snug and neatly, 'tis cozy and cheerful and warm. If you'll go I'll love you forever and protect and shield you from harm."

"I am lonesome by myself in the new house. And 'tis cozy and cheerful and warm; I think you might go and live with me, Susie. And I'll love you and shield you from harm."

Then with woman's perverseness she answered the lover's plea of the man: "I don't believe I'll go to your new house; I really don't see how I can. And your neat, new rooms are nothing, if they do look so cozy and warm; So I don't think I care to go with you, even though you would shield me from harm."

Then the man felt the thrill of anguish, the man's heart swelled with pain; But she smiled as she looked toward him, then softly answered again:

"Why, Robbie, you know I was joking. I am always your sweetheart true; Let us set the wedding day, Robbie, And I'll go and live with you."

—Finis Garrett, in Nashville Banner.

## New Stationery Store.

I carry a complete line of

Stationery, Cigars, Tobacco, Novelties.

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Opposite Cranbrook hotel.

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Promptly Attended to.

JAMES GREER,

Contractor and Builder.

Plans and specifications furnished on application. Estimates made on buildings. Our work will be satisfactory in every respect. That is better for you and better for me. Call and see me if you are figuring on building.

Cranbrook, B. C.

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## A FRONTIER DUEL.

BY MAJ. ALFRED R. CALHOUN.

THE plagues of the mining camps in the far west were the bullies and desperadoes who, ignoring honest industry, lived by gambling or even worse.

These fellows always go armed, carry themselves with a swagger and figuratively drag their coat tails on the ground at all times in the hope that some one will give them an excuse to shoot.

Fairplay is a very good name for a town or camp, and Fairplay, Col., is today a thriving, law-abiding place, but, like all western towns, it had to pass through all the stages of social evolution from the absolute barbarity of its beginning to the high civilization of the present.

There are many men not yet beyond middle life who distinctly remember the first hut erected in Fairplay, and who retain a vivid recollection of the first hotel, the Great Western, which was composed of three rooms, one canvas, one log and the other unplanned boards. Though this establishment claimed to furnish accommodations for man and beast, it had no stable for horses, and all its lodgers had to sleep in bunks in one room, while bread and bacon constituted the bill of fare, with now and then sugared coffee.

The "extras" were composed wholly of bad cigars, strong chewing tobacco and whisky of a kind so much viler than the ordinary fluid that one drink of it has been known to produce all the effects of delirium tremens on a man unaccustomed to it, and it always produced a homicidal mania in those who indulged in it as often as once a week.

The bar of the Great Western was the rendezvous, the headquarters, for all the miners and teamsters in the vicinity, and you may be sure that it was a constant resort for the gamblers and desperadoes who always swarm about a new mining town like flies about a sugar hogsheld in July.

For the accommodation of the latter class, with whom he was in full sympathy, and with an eye to his own gain—he had only one eye—the landlord of the Great Western had fitted up a place for playing faro, and a number of pine tables on which those so inclined—and it was surprising how many were so inclined—could play that alluring but most uncertain game called poker.

At this time there were only two women in Fairplay, viz., Mrs. Chamberlain, the wife of the principal miner superintendent, and Lizzy Chamberlain, her daughter.

Some men, with wives and daughters at home in the states, rather blamed Mr. Chamberlain for subjecting his family to the hardships inseparable from such a life, but, had they known that the devoted wife and daughter insisted on accompanying him and sharing his trials, they would not have been so hard in their judgment.

Arthur Lyons, a fine young fellow of four and twenty, was Mr. Chamberlain's assistant, and as he boarded with his employer it was pretty generally conceded that he had "the inside track" so far as Lizzy was concerned, and that their marriage was only a question of time.

There was, however, in Fairplay, one man who emphatically refused to believe that Lizzy Chamberlain looked kindly on Arthur Lyons, and this man was known as "Red" Snively, the first name being given to designate his complexion and the sanguine color of his hair.

Red Snively wished to be known as "The Mountain Terror," and he tried hard to have the name attach to himself, but as the majority of the miners looked upon him as a nuisance rather than a terror the name did not stick to any great extent.

Red Snively was a swaggering, ever-armed braggart. He was supposed to be a silent partner in the Great Western hotel, and it was a matter of notoriety that all the gambling features of the establishment were under his immediate charge.

He claimed Missouri as his home, and when he became confidential—which was always the case when the game was going against him—he would hint that he was forced to come west "owin' to a little cuttin' scrape" he had over a game of cards.

With the brazen effrontery of his class, Red Snively made himself very objectionable to Lizzy Chamberlain by his disgusting attentions; so much so, indeed, that she dreaded to venture out unless accompanied by her father or Arthur Lyons.

On one occasion the latter told Red Snively very emphatically that his conduct was disagreeable to Miss Chamberlain, and that it must be stopped, and this was said with such calm emphasis that the bully was not left in any doubt as to the young man's meaning nor of his determination to enforce his request.

In addition to its many other uses the Great Western was the post office at which the weekly—more often the monthly—mail was delivered.

One rainy afternoon after the mail had come in Arthur Lyons went up to get some ever-welcome letters and papers from the east.

While he was leaning against the damp bar waiting for the mail behind it to look over the addresses of the parcels that had come by post, he felt a heavy hand on his shoulder, and at the same time he heard Red Snively saying, in a mocking, bantering tone that meant mischief:

"Come, Lyons, join me and we'll drink to the health of the beauty of Fairplay."

As Arthur shook the fellow's huge hand from his shoulder, he said, very quietly:

"I do not drink."

"You don't, eh?" sneered Red Snively.

"I do not."

"Then I'll drink for two."

The barkeeper handed Red Snively a bottle and a glass. Half filling the latter, he raised it toward his lips, but, stopping as if he had suddenly changed his mind, he shouted, with an oath:

"No gentleman ever drinks alone!"

and with this he threw the contents of the glass into Arthur Lyons' face.

The unexpected explosion of a bomb could not have caused greater consternation than did this unwarranted act.

Men leaped from the tables and sought places of safety, for such an insult they felt must be followed by immediate shooting.

Red Snively expected to use his pistol, for he drew it, but before he could fire, Arthur Lyons seized the arm that held the pistol with his left hand, and with his own right he planted a blow between the ruffian's red eyes that caused him to fall as if a bullet had been sent through his brain.

"No more fighting here," shouted a number of men, rushing in between Arthur and the man whom the landlord of the Great Western was helping from the floor. "If there's to be shootin' let me done fair and square outside under the rules of the code, and not in a crowded bar where innocent men may get popped over."

"I agree to that!" roared Red Snively, who had now recovered himself.

"Landlord, you'll act as my second."

"I'll do that and take your place if you go down," replied the landlord, who was only little less of a brute than the man he was championing.

"And I'll act for this gentleman," said a tall man, who had been sitting unnoticed since he reached the place, a few hours before, with the mail-carrier. He had a long, black beard, his hat was slouched, and his coat collar turned up so that but little of his face could be seen, but there was that in his voice and bearing that convinced the lookers-on that he was no ordinary person.

As the stranger took his place beside Arthur, who acknowledged the offer by a courteous bow, he drew from under his coat two revolvers and he held them with the peculiar grip of a man who knew how to use them.

"Have you a good pistol?" asked the stranger, as he took Arthur's arm and led him out of the hotel in the direction Red Snively had taken.

"I have not," replied Arthur.

"Then take this. It is loaded, and has a fine hair trigger. Are you a good shot?"

Arthur took the pistol the stranger handed him and replied:

"I am not, and so you must place this man so close to me that his superior skill will not result to my disadvantage."

"Leave the whole thing to me, and do not interfere, no matter what I propose," said the stranger, pressing the young man's arm.

"You appear to be a gentleman, and I will do as you say," replied Arthur.

The crowd in the bar came out in the rain to see the duel, all taking care to be out of range.

"I propose," said the landlord, "that we place our men at ten paces with revolvers, we seconds'll toss up for the word, and then they're to fire and keep firing till one or the other goes down."

"I'll do nothing of the kind," replied the stranger, in tones that evinced coolness and determination; "this bully," pointing to Snively with his revolver, "is a good shot; my man is not. I propose they shall shoot across a pocket handkerchief, or let only one pistol be used; we'll draw lots to see which man shall take it. Are you agreed?" he asked, turning to Arthur.

"I agree to whatever you say—"

"But I don't!" shouted Red Snively. "This ain't to be a murder, but a duel."

"A murder!" cried the stranger, striding toward the bully. "Do you dare to speak of murder?"

"I want a fair fight," replied Snively.

"A fair fight is impossible without an equality of skill and force. You would not fight, you cur, if you did not feel that you had all the advantage on your side," said the stranger, with stinging contempt.

"Mebbe you'd like to change places with your man," said the landlord of the Great Western.

"That is exactly what I proposed to do from the first," said the stranger. "This is my fight," he added, turning to Arthur Lyons. "I have been searching for this murderer for a year, and now, after a hunt of 10,000 miles, I have him under my pistol, and no man can fire at him till I have squared my account."

"Who are you?" demanded Snively, his countenance purple and his thick lips trembling with excitement.

"I am George Pierce, the twin brother of Henry Pierce whom you murdered in St. Louis one year ago."

The stranger threw off his cloak and false beard, and stood before the cowed desperado—Hyperion facing a Satyr.

"Stand back, men, and let us have it out. Coward and murderer though this Snively is, I will give him a chance for his vile life."

The men dropped back and Snively suddenly raised his pistol and fired.

He was in the act of cocking his pistol again, when the young stranger raised his arm.

A crack, a puff of silvery smoke and a crimson spot in the center of the man's forehead, who lay dead before the bar-room door.

One hour after this George Pierce shook hands with Arthur Lyons and rode away from the mountain camp, the preserver of one man's life and the avenger of another's.

Soon after this the landlord of the Great Western had to fly the camp, and was subsequently lynched in Nevada.

Arthur Lyons is today one of Colorado's most prominent citizens, and he often tells his children of the early days of Fairplay and of the duel he came near fighting on account of their mother.—N. Y. Ledger.

## LIGHTNING'S STRANGE FREAK.

How It Tore a Scottish Army Officer's Clothing to Fragments.

A most remarkable example of the terrible effects of a lightning stroke is described in the London Graphic. Maj. Jameson, formerly of the Scottish Rifles, accompanied by his father and mother, went into a meadow to pick mushrooms. Maj. Jameson was some distance in front, and there was a single clap of thunder and flash of lightning, which frightened Mrs. Jameson, and she and her husband went into a wood and returned to the house, expecting that Maj. Jameson would follow.

About half an hour later Maj. Jameson was found by a game keeper, lying on his face in the field quite dead. Around him, in a radius of several yards, were his clothes and boots, which had been torn and scattered about in an extraordinary manner. The lightning appeared to have struck Maj. Jameson on the right side of the head, tearing the cap he was wearing to pieces, and burning his hair off. It then passed inside his collar, down the front of his body and both legs, into his boots, which were torn to atoms, and then passed into the ground, tearing a hole about 18 inches in circumference and three inches deep.

The deceased man's collar was torn into 100 pieces, none larger than a sixpence, the front of his jacket was rent into ribbons, and the jacket and undershirt were literally torn to shreds, and the knickerbockers he was wearing were stripped off and scattered on the ground. Maj. Jameson's stockings and gaiters were similarly torn in pieces, and on the boots the lightning had a remarkable effect.

## PROFESSIONS IN THE WEST.

In the Good Old Days a Man Had Several.

In the life of a modern business community a man must beware of too much wisdom, says the Chautauquan. The specialist is the man who succeeds and having once set his hand to an occupation one dare never leave it under penalty of failure in what he has chosen as his life work. In the west all this was different. Versatility was a necessity. The successful man must know how to do many things. The gleanings of any one field of activity were too small to afford a living of themselves. This fact was accepted by the citizens of the country, sometimes with a grim humor which marked the west.

A young lawyer in a western town had out a sign which read: "John Jones, attorney-at-law. Real estate and insurance. Collections promptly attended to at all hours of the day or night. Good Ohio cider for sale at five cents a glass." A storekeeper had on his window the legend: "Wall paper and marriage licenses," thus announcing two commodities for which there was a very small demand. One of the prominent citizens of such a town was a gambler, a farmer, a fighter and a school teacher all in one. There seemed to the minds of the inhabitants of the country nothing incongruous in this mixing up of occupations, it being taken for granted that a man would endeavor to make a living in the ways for which he seemed best fitted.

## CHINESE QUICK CALCULATOR.

Mathematics in the Shop of a Colorado Curio Dealer.

Charlie Chan, a Chinese curio dealer of Colorado Springs, Col., is a mathematician whose ability to solve the most intricate of problems with almost lightning capacity, by use of a Chinese abacus, has just come to light, says the Boston Transcript. Some eastern tourists made purchases of Chan the other day aggregating \$389.52. These purchases ranged from 5 cents to \$35. The Chinaman took his rack and before the tourists were aware he was counting had the correct result.

This excited the purchasers to ask questions about the mode of calculation, and to give Chan sums to do. The party found that the merchant from the Orient had marvelous talent in handling figures. College professors were told of the prodigy, and to satisfy themselves went to his shop to put him to a test. Problems, ponderous and intricate, were given to him, but he proved equal to them all and displayed a dexterity in handling his beads and an accuracy in computation that caused the professors to pronounce him a wonder. Chan is regarded as the wealthiest Chinaman in Colorado and is a successful business man of 35 years of age. He proudly traces his ancestry back for 2,000 years. His musical talent is also remarkable.

## Trees That Grow Plumes.

This is the asaf, which grows in the southern districts of Nubia. It yields a gum known to dealers as gedaref, or sennar gum. Dr. Schweinfurt tells us that when the wind blows among its branches it produces a sound very much like that of a flute. These musical properties are due to the fact that the base of the thorns, with which its branches are plentifully provided, is perforated by an insect in search of the sticky sap. The wind blowing in these little holes transforms the thorns into miniature flutes.

## A Curious Superstition.

Among the superstitions of the Seneca Indians was one most beautiful one. When a young maiden died they imprisoned a young bird until it first began to try its powers of song, and then, loading it with caresses and messages, they loosed its bonds over her grave, in the belief that it would not fold its wings nor close its eyes until it had flown to the spirit land and delivered its precious burden of affection to the loved and lost one.

## Steam Power.

The steam power of the world may be reckoned as equivalent to the strength of 1,000,000,000 of men, which is more than twice the number of workmen existing.

## MOYELLE!

This is the name of the new town at the foot of Moyie Lake.

Lots are being sold rapidly, and arrangements have been completed for a number of new buildings that will be erected without delay.

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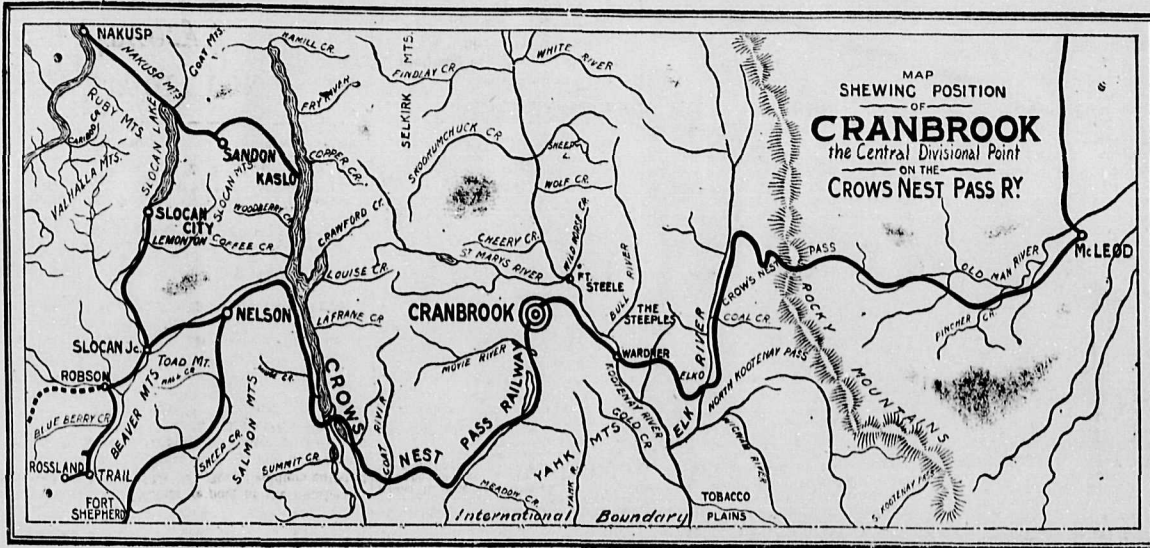


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### LOCAL NOTES

Picked Up About the City by Asking  
Questions of Many People.

Fifteen loaves bread \$1 at North Star  
Bakery.

A full line of magazines at Crossley's  
Book Store.

The exterior of the Cranbrook hotel is  
being painted.

Georgia Minstrels Friday and Saturday  
of next week.

The regular session of the county court  
was held at Fort Steele this week.

The Georgia Minstrels at Leask's hall  
Friday and Saturday of next week.

Ryan & Morrison have moved their  
barn to a lot in the south part of town.

Don't forget the Georgia Minstrels  
Friday and Saturday, March 24 and 25.

Miss Fletcher will remove from Fort  
Steele to Cranbrook and open dressmaking  
parlors.

If you want to enjoy a good entertainment  
see the Georgia Minstrels at Leask  
hall Friday and Saturday of next week.

A sweat bath at McFarlane's barber  
shop will positively remove all skin  
diseases, blackheads, pimples, etc.

The C. P. R. water pipe is being  
covered and everything will soon be ready  
for pumping water in the new tank.

The Nelson papers say that the extension  
of the Crows Nest Pass road from  
Kootenay Landing to Nelson will not be  
built this year.

A movement has been started to unseat  
Hon. Fred Hume, of the Nelson  
riding, on the ground of alleged corruption  
during his recent campaign.

The Cheap Cash store has been opened  
on Durick avenue, opposite the depot.  
It is full of goods and the prices are  
attractive. They keep nearly everything.  
Call and see them.

Don't put off that insurance against  
fever. See McVittie & Hutchinson.

Fred Kiser, the well known brewer,  
has sold his interest in the Fort Steele  
brewery to his partner, L. Sick. Mr.  
Kiser has been in poor health for some  
time and will go to San Jose, Cal., for  
the summer to recuperate.

Howard's celebrated hard water toilet  
soap at Toronto Clothing house. Call  
and get a free sample cake.

W. T. Kaake is making extensive im-  
provements in the Commercial hotel.  
The interior is being painted and  
papered and new furniture is arriving  
for the parlor and bedrooms.

I still have some lots more of the  
Scottish Thany suiting left. Call and see  
them.

Messrs. Smythe and Moffat attended  
the installation of the Masonic lodge at  
Fort Steele last week, and represented  
Cranbrook at the banquet given by  
George Shier, of the International hotel.

Overcoat made to order cheap to clear  
to make room for spring goods.  
John Leask.

Miss Fletcher and Mr. Rogers, of Fort  
Steele, experienced an exciting runaway  
last evening when they started to return  
to Fort Steele. Both parties were thrown  
out and Miss Fletcher had one wrist  
slightly sprained.

See those sewing machines at Miner's  
hardware store. The Expert and El-  
dridge B, the best made. Prices and  
terms to suit.

"Hill, the Clothier" will move this  
week from the Commercial hotel block,

to the vacant room in the McInnes  
block, which has been finished for his  
use. Mr. Hill will have one of the finest  
store rooms in the city.

No hotel in East Kootenay should be  
without a crematory stove. For conven-  
ience and sanitary perfection, they can-  
not be equalled. Call at Miner's hard-  
ware store and see one.

There is to be a general exchange of  
pulpits in the Presbyterian churches of  
this district next Sunday. Rev. Ball, of  
this city, will preach in Fort Steele,  
Rev. Duncan, of Fort Steele, will preach  
in Fernie, and Rev. Dunn, of Fernie,  
will preach in Cranbrook.

Now is the time to insure against ty-  
phoid and mountain fever; \$3.00 a year,  
\$15.00 a week indemnity; also against  
accidents connected with railway and  
stage. Write for particulars to M. A.  
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Tomorrow, the 17th of March, is St.  
Patrick's day. There is no special pro-  
gram prepared for the day in Cranbrook.  
At Moyie, a dance will be held at Camp-  
bell & Clark's hotel, and at the close of  
their invitation to the public they say,  
"Nothing is too good for the Irish."

Last Thursday while Colonel W. N.  
Brayton was on his way to Nelson he was  
taken sick on the train. His condition  
became serious by the time he reached  
Nelson and at the present time he is at  
the Queen's hotel with a severe attack of  
pneumonia. The physician in charge is  
of the opinion that the chances for re-  
covery are doubtful.

### COUNTY COURT.

A Brief Session Was Held Yesterday With  
Judge Forin Presiding.

A brief session of the county court was  
held at Fort Steele yesterday, Judge  
Forin of Nelson presiding. There was  
not a great deal of business and that was  
pushed along vigorously. Quite a num-  
ber of C. P. R. cases were continued on  
the ground that the company would make  
a satisfactory settlement with all the  
claimants within a few days.

The appeal in Carter vs McLain was  
dismissed.

The case of Barnes vs Lauzon was dis-  
missed.

Court was adjourned until May 16th.

### Wanted.

A good gardener to manage a garden.  
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### Moyie.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Elmer can now lay  
claim to being the parents of the first  
child born in Moyie. A fat and plump  
nine pound, black haired girl baby ar-  
rived at their home in the Lake Shore  
addition last Monday morning about  
four o'clock. Mother and child are do-  
ing nicely.

Mr. Neiderstalt is making some altera-  
tions in his brewery and intends to be  
better prepared than ever for turning  
out beer.

A gravel train is now at work between  
Moyie and the foot of the lake distrib-  
uting gravel along the line for ballast.  
A large gang of men is following up in  
the rear putting the ballast in place.

### The School Site Question.

The meeting called by the school trust-  
ees was held last evening. The recom-  
mendation of the trustees to accept the  
offer of the townsite company for the  
block on the north side was presented,  
and also the information regarding the  
probability of securing a block on the  
hill south of town. It was decided to  
adjourn the meeting until the trustees  
could hear from Commissioner Arm-  
strong and the C. P. R. land commis-  
sioner. The people generally seem to  
favor the south side location.

### ABOUT PEOPLE

Living In or Visiting Cranbrook. Whom  
We All Know or Should.

W. F. Gurd visited Nelson last week.

Jake Fink was in Wardner this week.

Joseph Mitchell visited Nelson last  
week.

Harry McVittie came over from Steele  
Tuesday.

T. Stewart of Wardner, was in town  
yesterday.

Harry Cummins returned from Elko  
yesterday.

Archie Leitch, Jr., returned last night  
from Winnipeg.

Governor Hanson spent several days  
in town this week.

G. B. Brown of Winnipeg, was a Cran-  
brook visitor Monday.

Manager Curran of the North Star  
mine, was in town Monday.

A. Moffat and daughter, Miss Daisy,  
visited Fort Steele yesterday.

Charles Edwards, of Fort Steele, was a  
Cranbrook visitor yesterday.

C. D. Blackwood, of Nelson, was a  
Cranbrook visitor Saturday.

William Tuttle, of the Royal hotel at  
Fernie, was in town last week.

R. Larenda, of Montreal, is among  
the late arrivals in Cranbrook.

James Ryan and A. H. McVittie were  
Fort Steele visitors Wednesday.

Col. Baker is expected to return to  
Cranbrook some time next week.

A. P. Brenner, proprietor of the  
Moyie hotel, was in town Monday.

Miss Lester, of Prescott, Ont., is visit-  
ing her sister, Mrs. John Hutchinson.

S. A. Jackson, of Brockville, Ont.,  
was looking over Cranbrook Monday.

William Dutton the well known  
Crows Nest contractor, was in town this  
week.

Mrs. Wilson has recovered from her  
serious illness and is able to be about  
again.

Elmer Musgrave has returned from  
the Mission hospital much improved in  
health.

R. G. Shier, proprietor of the Interna-  
tional hotel at Fort Steele, was in town  
Tuesday.

M. Philipps, the well known magis-  
trate of Tobacco Plains, was a Cranbrook  
visitor yesterday.

Mr. Fernie, of Fernie, was in town  
Monday evening on his way home from  
a visit to the coast.

Mr. Schofield arrived in the city this  
week to look after the opening of the  
London & Liverpool store.

Messrs. Ross and McDonald, of Gore  
Bay, and Mr. Tate, of Macleod, are look-  
ing over Cranbrook today.

C. B. Cumpston, chief dispatcher, has  
taken the rooms in the depot building  
with his mother and niece.

Manager Blakemore, of the Crows  
Nest Coal company, was in town this  
week on his way to Nelson.

H. H. Dunbar, of Macleod, will have  
charge of the new store opened here by  
the London & Liverpool Trading com-  
pany.

Charles Estmere of Kimberly was in  
town last evening enroute to Spokane.  
He reports matters in good shape in Kim-  
berly.

P. J. Russell, general manager of the  
Nelson branch of the Parson Produce

company, spent several days in the city  
this week.

William Lanktre left this morning for  
Wardner to take charge of the Fort  
Steele Mercantile company's store at  
that place.

Mr. M. McEarchern has moved his  
family to Cranbrook, and they are com-  
fortably domiciled in their home on  
Baker hill.

Leroy Sage will return to Cranbrook.  
He has been in business at Creston but  
will come back to Cranbrook to live  
permanently.

A. McDonald, formerly of Cranbrook,  
returned here Monday night. He has  
been engaged in building section houses  
west of here for the C. P. R.

Mr. Bullock-Webster, chief of the  
Kootenay department of provincial  
police, was in town Monday evening on  
his way to Steele to attend county court.

T. Starbird, of Windermere, was in  
town yesterday on his way to Nelson.  
He has spent a year in the Windermere  
district and says everything points to a  
big rush there this year.

A. Swallow, the contractor and  
builder, who has lived in Cranbrook and  
Wardner, but for the past few months  
engaged in the hotel business at Creston,  
intends moving to Creston to engage in  
business.

### Good Morning!

Have you used Goldsworth's Tea?  
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### Telegraphic Notes.

Germany may secure some of the  
Spanish islands.

Sewer rats attacked two sleeping  
children in Boston, Mass., one day last  
week while the mother visited the gro-  
cery store, and inflicted wounds that  
proved fatal.

W. W. Ogilvie, the great flour miller  
of Montreal, objects to the new tax of  
one and a quarter per cent on the value  
of machinery imposed by the city of  
Montreal, and threatens to remove his  
plant.

The official report of the number of  
deaths of United States soldiers enlisted  
for the Spanish war and the causes  
thereof from May 1, 1898, to February  
28, 1898. It shows: killed in action, 329;  
died of wounds, 125; died of disease,  
5277; total, 5731.

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At the North Star Bakery. Full weight  
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### NOTICE.

In the County Court of Kootenay, holden at  
Fort Steele.  
In the matter of CHARLES McNALLY, de-  
ceased, and in the matter of the "Official Ad-  
ministrator's A.C."

Dated 27th day of February, A. D. 1899.  
Upon reading the affidavits of James F. Arm-  
strong, Deputy Coroner, and of James F. Arm-  
strong, Official Administrator, it is ordered that  
James F. Armstrong, Official Administrator for  
the County Court District of Kootenay, shall be  
administrator of all and singular the goods,  
chattels and credits of Charles McNally, de-  
ceased; and that this order be published in two  
consecutive weekly issues of the "Herald," a  
newspaper published at Cranbrook in the said  
county.

Signed J. A. FORIN, J.  
Creditors and other claimants should file their  
claims with J. F. Armstrong, Official Adminis-  
trator, Fort Steele, B. C.

### NOTICE.

In the County Court of Kootenay, holden at  
Fort Steele.  
In the matter of LUTHER H. KINGDON, de-  
ceased, and in the matter of the "Official Ad-  
ministrator's A.C."

Dated 27th day of February, A. D. 1899.  
Upon reading the affidavits of William O'Neil,  
Alexander Moffat and James F. Armstrong,  
it is ordered that James F. Armstrong, Official  
Administrator for the County Court District of  
Kootenay, shall be administrator of all and  
singular the goods, chattels and credits of  
Luther H. Kingdon, deceased; and that this  
order be published in two consecutive weekly  
issues of the "Herald," a newspaper published at  
Cranbrook, in the said county.

Signed J. A. FORIN, J.  
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