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ESERVE OF COAL

berta Government Will Provide

OMISED BY CUSHING

lement Hoped for by Tomorrow—Official Statement of Board of Trade Men.

(Special to The Daily Canadian.)

ernie, April 29.—It is now thought settlement will be reached in this rict tomorrow. The general opinion hat the Crow's Nest Pass Co. will wait for an investigation. They hold a board meeting in the morn and then will decide.

ankhead voted 126 against and 7 for resumption of work pending settle t.

on. W. H. Cushing, who attended conference at Fernie in a dual ca- ity, as a member of the Alberta gov- ment, and as representing the Cal- y board of trade, made two promises great importance.

The first, which has already been no- ed, was an undertaking that an Eight ur 'bank-to-bank' law would be sed at the next session of the Al- rta legislature, a promise which was er endorsed by Premier Rutherford. The second promise was of even great- importance, and, if fulfilled, will con- itute a new departure in government tivity in North America. He stated at the government of Alberta would ke immediate steps to open up and epare for operation coal seams in Al- rta which would provide a constant eserve of coal against the recurrence f any such emergencies as the present.

The following is the statement agreed pon for publication by the representa- ves of the boards of trade at Fernie: On the arrival of the delegates of the fferent boards of trade at Fernie, rep- sented by Hon. W. H. Cushing, of lgary; F. A. Starkey, of Nelson and rail; J. P. Fink and W. Reid, of Cran- ook; E. O. Kamm, of Moyie; W. ier, of Grand Forks, and D. J. Mathe- n, of Phoenix, it was found that the int conference of the operators and iners called for the 23rd inst. was to a closed meeting. It was thought st in the interests of all parties con- rned that if a speedy settlement of e difficulty could be effected in this anner, it would be the most satisfac- y plan of dealing with the whole mat- r, consequently it was resolved to sim- y await developments.

In the meantime all possible informa- on was obtained that the delegates ight be in a position to act if called pon.

However, on Thursday morning the onference dissolved without effecting settlement and from all information btainable the fault lies with the ex- cutive officers of the miners, there be- ng a serious difficulty between certain members thereof over the non-discrim- nation clause in the agreement. Such being the apparent cause there was nothing further that the delegates could do in the matter.

It is to be regretted that inflammatory notices and misleading information should be so glaringly published by a section of the press on occasions of this nature, and in this particular in- stance such statements as calling out the militia and assembling the mounted police were entirely uncalled for. The town of Fernie, where perhaps there are more coal miners idle at present than in any other place affected, certainly shows no necessity of any such action, and even the services of the local po- lice were not required at any time dur- ing the stay of the delegates.

Another misleading statement is that average pay of a miner is $1,500 per annum. This, on the face of it, should show that reports are often incorrect, though in certain cases miners working on contract under favorable circum- stances are often able to earn some months comparatively large amounts, it must be remembered that this work does not average these sums during a year.

It has been stated that the cause of the men leaving their work was that notices were posted at the mines to the effect that a reduction of wages would be made after 30 days. As a matter of fact, the notices were strictly legal and complied with the new act of conciliation, but in the then strained relations, was an error on the part of the opera- tors, and it has since been learned that the purpose intended—that of securing a meeting of the board of conciliation—would have been secured without this action. However, this could not have been the whole cause of the walk out, for why did the men at the mines which posted no notices leave their work?

Narrow Escape.

Charlie Stevenson, who drives an express wagon, had a narrow escape this morning. While driving along Front street, near the Brackman-Ker building, his team stopped short and Stevenson was thrown over on the pole. Before he could recover himself the horses started running, and for two blocks he was carried along in that position. At last he succeeded in getting back into the wagon and there he remained until it looked as if the team would run into a telegraph pole. Then he jumped out and the horses kept on running until they reached the Grove hotel. Neither the teamster nor the team suffered any serious injury.

Another Manufacturer.

New York, April 29.—Another American corporation is about to enter the Canadian manufacturing field so as to escape the Dominion tariff, the Standard Chain Co., known as the "Chain trust," having decided to build an extensive plant at Walkerville, Ont. The Standard Chain Co. of Canada, Ltd., will operate the new works, which are to be constructed at a cost of $200,000.

Historian and Diplomat.

Washington, April 29.—Mr. Bryce, the British ambassador, will deliver an address at the Jamestown Exposition on May 13th, in commemoration of the first permanent settlement of English-speaking people on the American continent at Jamestown.

Prices of Metals.

New York, April 29.—Silver, 66½c.; copper, 23¾c.; lead, $6.

London, April 29.—Silver, 30½d.; lead, £19, 18s., 9d.

Sixteen to One.

Odessa, April 29.—Sixteen bombs were dropped yesterday in a villa which Governor Kaulbars had rented for a summer residence.

CONSTRUCTION DELAYED

Work on V. V. & E. Is Discontinued—Improvements at Daly Reduction Works.

This week sees things in full blast around the above works in Hedley. There is ample water to keep all machines humming and a corresponding air of satisfaction is reflected in the faces of manager and heads of departments.

The over-hauling which has been given to different parts is having the desired effect in smoothness and increased efficiency.

A peep into the enlarged and rearranged assay office affords a sample of the improvements effected. The new addition in which the samples are prepared is laid out for much greater rapidity and accuracy. The floor is of cement with iron sampling area in the centre. Three grinders are at work, the last of which leaves the sample ground to almost impalpable fineness. Not a speck of dust from this room gets into either the furnace room or chemical laboratories. The old bucking board, now obselete, and other antiquated equipment used by Lamb in the furnace room has been rebuilt and can be regulated to a nicety. Ample muffle room is provided to do a large volume of work.

The capacity of the whole office has been increased from about 30 or 40 samples to 400 samples per day, and the cost to secure this improvement looks to be trifling in proportion to the benefit derived.

Two assayers, Messrs. Oake and Williams are busy on a big pile of samples. During the year Mr. Ross intends keeping the assay office going to its full capacity, for he is determined to know exactly what everything is worth.

In last issue, reference was made to a rumor that Milliken's gang of surveyors, who had been at work on the V. V. & E. since last summer, had received orders to disband. This was confirmed when on Friday night the gang appeared in Hedley on their way to Midway.

It is only a fortnight since Chief Engineer J. H. Kennedy was through, and at that time there was no intimation of any probability of a move of this kind; for while it is generally understood that their work is completed so far as location of the route from Keremeos through Hedley to Princeton is concerned, it has also been understood that most of their work for the past month or so has been that of marking time until construction on this portion of the route should begin, when there would be abundance of work for them in cross-sectioning and other engineering connected with construction.

The reason for the move is not apparent, and so far as known, nothing has been given out as to where they will be sent after reaching Midway. The whole circumstance certainly doesn't look good to dwellers in the upper Similkameen, some of whom interpret the move as indefinite postponement of construction.

During the railway discussion in the Commons in June, 1905, the representations made as to the time within which the company would have the road completed through the Similkameen, certainly gave no inkling as to any probability of so little progress being made at this length of time, and those who were led to make preparations as the result of the representations then made, many of them found to their cost, that they had been far too credulous.—Hedley Gazette.

SESSION'S ECHOES

Oliver Trapped by Third Party

QUOTE HIS OWN WORDS

Convicted Ballot Switchers Still In Government's Employ—Blunder In Subsidy Bill.

Ottawa, April 29.—The minister of the interior has been made the victim of a cruel conspiracy. Mr. Oliver became a minister when Mr. Sifton went out two years ago. Before taking office he held strong and independent views on immigration. He then declared that the Russian immigrant was a hindrance and not a help to the country. He objected to the payment of bonuses to steamship companies because they brought bad immigrants as cheerfully as good ones. He protested against the introduction of settlers having a different civilization from our own, declaring that they would control our civilization and abuse it. He asserted that the Galicians and the Doukhobors could never be citizens in the real sense, and the Slav population would be "a mill stone hung around our necks." Such were Mr. Oliver's sentiments in 1901, 1902 and 1903 as repeatedly and violently expressed with all the external appearance of sincerity.

But Mr. Oliver, as minister, continues to pay bonuses for European immigrants. He has made what he calls a "tacit" agreement to pay a price per head for Europeans sent hither in the future. He commended and continued, then praised, and cancelled, and finally commended the North Atlantic Trading company deal. He is bringing in Galacians and other Russians and paying out of the treasury for the privilege of obtaining them.

Now the third party in the House feel the same as Oliver did three years ago. They think that bonuses ought to stop, that undesirable immigrants should not be received. They proposed to put these ideas in the form of a resolution and ask the government to adopt it. Then they framed their plot. They went to Oliver's speech against bonuses and selected a passage in which his views and theirs was expressed. This passage they transformed into a motion. Mr. Oliver had said that the payment of bonuses was "a most undesirable expenditure and I would ask that it be not continued." He also declared that "the payment of bonuses and commissions had a tendency to bring the less desirable rather than the more desirable class of people." Mr. Lavergne moved "That the payment of bonuses on immigration has a tendency to bring in a less rather than a more desirable class of people, that it is a most unwise policy and expenditure and therefore should not be continued."

This was a clear case of theft. Not only the sentiments but the very words were those of Mr. Oliver. The plotters had carefully selected them with deep design. But Mr. Oliver did not recognize the views nor the language. He opened fire on Mr. Lavergne with great sound and fury, calling him a Little Canadian, a Sectionalist, a narrow minded person, charging him with bigotry, ignorance and smallness of soul. It was beautiful the wild western way the minister held the Nationalists up to scorn and contumely and tore their motion into fragments. The loyal outburst with which he closed was worth many times the price of admission.

Mr. J. E. Armstrong of East Lambton, who has taken a great interest in the European markets for Canadian farm products, has brought once more to the attention of the House the fact that Germany is getting the advantage in Canada of the British preference. Germany has practically shut Canadian goods out of her market because the British preference was not also given to Germany. The result is that while Germany buys of farm products $48,000,000 from the Argentine Republic, $28,000,000 from Australia and immensely larger quantities from the United States, Canada sends thither only $1,000,000 worth and is gradually losing that trade. At the same time the Canadian agent at Leeds reports to the government that immense quantities of German manufactureres are sent free into Great Britain where they are packed and shipped to Canada as British goods receiving preferential treatment. The preference duty is just one-half the surtax rate, so that Germany is regularly shipping goods to Canada under the most favored terms, while Germany imposes prohibitory duties on Canadian grain, fruit, meat products and other standard products. Mr. Armstrong insists that this condition should not be allowed to exist a month longer, and shows by conclusive evidence that the government policy and administration is allowing this country to be injured as to its exports and swindled as to its imports by its blundering over commercial relations with Germany.

When Mr. Emmerson made his remarkable speech on resigning his office, he stated that charges could be made against Conservative members and supported by evidence in possession of the House. Having so spoken Mr. Emmerson left the Chamber. The next day Mr. Borden read the statement and demanded a fuller explanation from the ex-minister, declaring that he himself was ready to assist an inquiry into any charges Mr. Emmerson might make. The opposition leader promised to repeat his challenge when Mr. Emmerson was next in his seat. That was nearly three weeks ago and Mr. Emmerson has not been in the House since.

Mr. Hyman is still missing. The government has a letter stating that he has sent more resignations to the Speaker, but at the time of writing the Speaker has made no announcement. Meanwhile Mr. Hyman was on his way to Canada, but before reaching the border changed his mind and returned south. It is said that he is going to Europe, but it is quite certain that even if his health is restored, he will not return to office.

It is also clearly understood that Sir Fred. Borden has about finished his career as a minister. He may be made High Commissioner or disappear in some other direction, but he will not again be a candidate in King's, Nova Scotia. The political climate in that country has become dangerous.

Confession of ballot box switching was recently made by James Farr, a deputy in the election steal of West Huron of 1899. In December last Farr swore that at the last election he switched thirteen ballots marked for McLean, placing in the box that number for the government candidate. Farr stated that on the day before the election W. L. Horton took him to the hotel in Goderich where Farr was introduced to O'Gorman, now one of the accused in the London conspiracy, and to another person who turned out to be Prichett, the chief instructor in ballot-switching. Horton gave the introduction and Prichett proceeded to put Farr through a course of ballot-switching.

This incident was recalled in the committe of supply on Wednesday by Mr. Bennett, who pointed out that Horton is now contractor with the government for dredging at Goderich harbor.

Mr. Aylesworth's blunder has made a rather fine mess of the address to the King respecting the increase in provincial subsidies. The address as passed by the house of commons and sent to the senate omits a clause adopted by the conference basing the annual payments to the western provinces on the population determined by the last census. With this clause out the basis becomes the population of 1901 instead of 1906. It makes a difference of half a million dollars to Manitoba with proportionate losses to the province farther west. The error was disovered by Senator Ferguson and now the whole work has to be done over again.

Cloud-Burst in Oklahoma.

Oklahoma City, April 29.—A cloud-burst over Capitol Hill, a suburb of this city, just south of the Canadian river, flooded that place today. Seven persons are missing and are believed to be drowned. Many persons encamped on the low lands near the river were caught unawares and had but little time to make their escape.

Back From Trial.

R. S. Lennie returned last night from Victoria, where he has spent the last several weeks at the trial before the full court of the case of Star vs White. He was joined at Vancouver by Mrs. Lennie and their children who have also returned to Nelson.

Speedy Trial.

John Riley, charged with theft at Nakusp, came up this morning in the provincial court, and the prisoner elected for a speedy trial, which will be held before Judge Forin on May 6th.

Recovering.

Charles Ganser, who a few days ago was severely injured through an explosion of dynamite, is slowly recovering at the General hospital. The burns were very painful, and now that the healing process has begun, the patient is suffering torture.

Gold by the Ton.

London, April 27.—The British steamer, Armeda Lee Castle, which arrived at Southampton today from Capetown, landed $5,303,200 in Cape gold, the largest consignment ever brought in a single shipment to England. The gold was transferred to London.

Nearly a Fire.

Last Saturday evening while a resident of Hoover street was burning some rubbish, the fire spread and if it had not been for the aid of a fireman who was passing at the time, a serious conflagration would have resulted.

Birth.

Born, at the Home hospital, Saturday morning, April 27th, to the wife of Bruce White, a son.

FAVOR PENSIONS

Speech by Conservative Senator

URGES CARE FOR AGED

Hon. D. Ferguson Criticizes Cartwright's Bill as Aid to the Wrong Class.

Senator Ferguson made a notable contribution to the debate on Sir Richard Cartwright's annuity bill. A summary follows:

Mr. Ferguson said the principle of state insurance was accepted by parliament in 1895, when the Civil Servants' Insurance Act was passed. Sir Richard Cartwright's draft bill proposed to extend that principle by authorizing the sale of annuities by the government to the amount of $400 to any one person. At the 31st of March, 1906, life and term annuities sold by the government in Great Britain were outstanding to the amount of $13,795,821. Although the Canadian insurance companies generally had authority to sell annuities, yet the reserve liability under that heading at the end of the year 1905 was less than $3,000,000. He could see no objection to the government selling annuities, but such sale would not to any perceptible degree cover the ground which would be cultivatetd by a system of old age pensions. He did not see any great boon to por men in this annuity scheme. If the business were to be done at cost, there would be a gain to the annuitant. But if the funds were invested, as proposed, in government securities the rate of interest would be only 3 per cent., while the insurance companies were earning an average of 4 1-2 per cent. on their investments. Fully 50 per cent. would require to be added from the general revenue to make the result as good as that obtained by the companies. That contribution would not be a gift, although it would always appear as such in the public accounts.

The question of old age pensions was engaging the attention of thoughtful men all over the world. Germany, Denmark, Australia and New Zealand have made the payment of such pensions the law of these countries. The question is being forced to the front on account of the unequal distribution of wealth. In the United States it is alleged that 95 per cent. of the wealth is held by about 5 per cent. of the population.

The great fallacy of the American Declaration of Independence—that all men were born equal—was never more apparent than today. Some had perverted moral natures. For these we provide courts to establish their degree of guilt and build reformatories, jails and penitentiaries to discipline them. Some are physically or mentally weak, for them we provide infirmaries, hospitals and lunatic asylums. He did not wait here to separate municipal or federal obligations, but spoke of the state generally. There were set apart men to defend hearts and homes. These were usually pensioned. Other men were set apart to administer justice; we provided ample retiring allowances for them, even providing that they may retire after a comparatively short period of service and with their full salaries, and without any contribution to any fund. The principle that ministers of the crown should receive pensions, without contributions to any fund, was assented to by the present government, although since temporarily abandoned by them. Long ago superannuation was provided for the civil service, the intention of the law being that such superannuation should be based on contribution. The act was abused by successive governments, and parliament repealed a good law, instead of courageously removing the abuses. Most of our banks pensioned their deserving servants when they were old. Some did this entirely out of the funds of the banks, others partly through contributions.

But the great bulk of our population did not come under any of these heads. They were those that follow mainly private pursuits, and did not engage in the scramble for wealth. They were found in every walk of life, and included many of those who labored to extend human knowledge, alleviate human suffering and promote the moral well-being of their fellow-men.

"Far from the maddening crowd's ignoble strife.
Their sober wishes never learned to stray:
Along the cool, sequestered vale of life
They kept the noiseless tenor of their way."

To these soldiers of labor who become disabled in the battle of life there should be a provision when such disagreeable and ill-matched visitors as age and want knocked at their door.

Another class remains to be considered. It is composed of those who, being animated by an inordinate love of gain, devote their lives, almost wholly, to the accumulation of money. These accumulations are made mainly by watering stocks, cornering the market, by unlawful combinations in trade, or by uncontrolled use of public utilities. This is the class who should mainly bear the burden of old age pensions. In doing so they would only be returning to the poor and aged laborer a part of his own.

Some objection had been offered to the old age pension by Sir Richard Cartwright. The first was that thrift would be discouraged. Wherever these pensions were adopted the opposite effect was visible. The shipwrecked mariner, seeing the light on the shore, doubled his efforts; and so the despairing son of toil, having the light of hope presented before him, finds his strength and courage renewed.

Then, again, Sir Richard says that conditions in Canada are unlike those of densely populated European countries, and that here a smaller number would require pensions in their old days. If so, we have les excuse for refusing to act, as our task will be the simpler and easier. The man who seriously thinks that the wage-earner of Canada on an average salary of less than $300 a year can pay the cost of rent and fuel, feed, clothe and educate his family, and at the same time lay by sufficient money to maintain himself and his wife in their declining years, must have a method of arriving at his conclusions which he (Mr. Ferguson) did not understand. The duty of the hour was

"To make a happy fireside clime
For weans and wife;
For that's the true pathos, and sublime,
Of human life."

But many who had accomplished this and surviving their children, or being neglected by them, have to pass the close of their days in want. That they are allowed to do so is a national disgrace.

AERIAL FLIGHT SOLVED

A. G. Bell Predicts Early Crossing of Atlantic in 20 Hours—Battleships Will Fly.

New York, April 29.—A London despatch to the Times quotes Dr. Alexander Bell, the inventor of the telephone, as saying last night that it was only a question of a brief period when the progress of aerial navigation will make it possible to have dinner in America and breakfast next morning in Europe, covering the distance across the Atlantic in considerbly less time than 20 hours.

"My expectation," said Dr. Bell, "is that an airship will be perfected capable of making 100 to 200 miles an hour. My opinion, however, is that the next step in aerial flight will make such improvements as will make possible the creation of aerial battleships.

"The actual problem of navigation of the air has already been solved by the Wright brothers. Naturally there will be developments along commercial lines, a feature of which will be a great increase in speed, but the most attention will be paid to adapting airships to the purposes of war. My belief is that America will be the first country to perfect aerial battlehips. This belief is based on inside information, and from the same source I get reliable statements on which I base my prediction of the early production of an airship of enormous speed.

"I hope to be able to add much to what is known of aerial flight by experiments at Cape Breton Island this summer. My problem this year will be to propel my kites with a specially constructed engine of 15 horse-power weighing 120 pounds. I hope to get a machine of the 'heavier than air' variety that will support a man and the necessary equipment to operate it at low cost and at high velocity. Last December I constructed a vehicle that supported itself and a man in a ten-mile breeze; I now want to fly a machine carrying an engine at 10 or 15 miles an hour. If I can accomplish this there is hope that the aviators, or the men who are trying to solve flight on the bird plan will be able to avoid fatal accidents long enough to learn how to fly. Even a bird has to learn to fly and as with the bird, one of the first considerations is safety, so man must learn to go slowly before he goes fast. I am confident that it will not be long before flying machines will be everywhere. The developments of the next few months will be unprecedented but the most interesting point is that only very few know how near America is right now to solving a question which will revolutionize warfare throughout the world, I mean the construction of a practical aerial battleship."

Dr. Bell is in London to receive his degree of doctor of science at Oxford on May 2nd.

Board of Trade.

A special meeting of the board of trade will be held in the board rooms tomorrrow night at 8:30 to hear F. Starkey's report on the misson to Fernie. Mr. Starkey is of opinion that the visit of the board of trade delegates to Fernie was not wasted effort.

Trains and Boats.

Crow boat—Nine hours late.

Coast an Slocan train—One-half hour late.

Boundary train—On time.

Rossland train—On time.

Kaslo boat—On time.

DID USEFUL WORK

Dr. Hall Saved City from Delay

NEW MUNICIPAL CLAUSE

Member for Nelson Home from Capital—General Impression of the Session.

Dr. Hall, M. L. A., for Nelson, returned from the capital last night and is busy today shaking hands. Dr. Hall has many political opponents but no personal enemies.

Asked as to the results of the session Dr. Hall said he would not describe it as barren, but he thought the government had attempted altogether too much considering the very short time allowed for preparation between the elections and the opening of the house. After the departure of Premier McBride especially, the pressure of over work became noticeable.

Asked as to the circumstances of the passing of the Municipal Clauses Act amendments, in which Nelson is specially interested, Dr. Hall gave an explanation that throws a new light on the matter, and shows that the city owes a debt of gratitude to her member for preventing a year's delay in securing the extension of the borrowing powers necessary for the building of the new public school.

When he first saw Premier McBride on the subject he was shown a telegram from Mayor Gillett to the same purpose. The premier assured him that he would leave instructions to cover the matter.

But immediately after the premier's departure, A. E. McPhillips, chairman of the municipal committee, was also called away. From that time work in the committee accumuated to such an extent that Dr. Hall had reason to fear that Nelson's clauses would not be reached this session.

Finally, on the advice and with the support of Messrs. Garden and MacGowan, he introduced the clauses in the house himself, the rule requiring notice being suspended at his request. It was read a first time on introduction, and a special reference to the municipal committee resulted in the clauses becoming law, though only on the last day of the session. Dr. Hall has enjoyed the strenuous life of a parliamentarian, as his appearance shows. He will remain in Nelson during the summer and resume his practice.

The Late John F. Bradley.

The Orangeville Banner of a recent date contains the following mention of the latet John F. Bradley, who died two weeks ago at Orangeville, Ont. The deceased was the father of W. W. Bradley of this city: "The late John Bradley, postmaster at Orangeville, was a familiar figure about town. Of a genial disposition, he was a man who had many friends and made few enemies. He was an ardent devotee of the rod and gun, and until recent years was one of the town's most enthusiastic anglers and a hunter of more than ordinary skill. He was a member of the Methodist church and a prominent society man, being identified with the Orange Order, the Chosen Friends and the Independent Order of Foresters."

Oddfellows at Church.

Yesterday morning 75 members of Kootenay Lodge No 16, I. O. O. F., under comand of Noble Grand W. H. Watkins and Marshall Fred Squire, paraded to the Salvation Army citadel. There they were addressed by a brother Odd Fellow, Captain Johnstone, on the principles of the order, Friendship, Love and Truth, and the benefits of membership.

The order has just celebrated its 88th anniversary. At the close of 1905 it had 1,600,712 members, and during that year it paid in benefits $4,680,387.74. Kootenay Lodge has 160 members.

Accident.

While loading a stove on a boarding car this afternoon, Frank Dunbrack, employed with Knowler & Macaulay, met with a painful accident. The stove slipped back and fell upon Dunbrack, bruising his arm and forehead. The attending doctor put four stitches in the wound and otherwise relieved the sufferer.

Joe Bradshaw, C. P. R. conductor, will attend the convention of railway conductors at Memphis, Tenn., and will take his departure for that point tomorrow morning.

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PURGE THE PARLIAMENT.

We print today a statement by G. T. Blackstock as to the conduct and character of the average member of parliament. No discrimination between parties is made. Coming immediately after G. W. Fowler's charges, and H. R. Emmerson's admissions and counter-charges, they throw a very unpleasant light on the rank and file of Canada's lawmakers.

The defence offered by Mr. Fielding to the attack by Mr. Borden on the wholesale corruption pratised in the Dominion elections, namely that it had always been so, and probably always will be so, naturally recurs. An impartial analysis will lead any one to the conclusion that such a defence is not only unpardonable because of its cynical shamelessness but is absolutely without warrant in fact.

The men of the last generations in Britain and Canada might tolerate the private failings of a Palmerston and a Macdonald on account of their great abilities and their known devotion to the public welfare. But such defects never-the less detract from the fame of great men. When they are found in exaggerated form in men who have no other title to respect, either in ability or patriotic zeal, what defence can be urged for them?

We boast that the standards of conduct in Canada are steadily rising, especially in respect of temperance and of what is specifically called morality. The hard drinking and hard thinking men of 30 and 40 years ago probably reflected fairly faithfully the average of conduct of their day, and in respect of intelligence and honesty of purpose they were the real leaders of the people. But now the Canadian House of Commons seems to have gathered to itself, with very few exceptions, the most disreputable from each constituency, and the average of ability and of care for the public interest are lower than ever before in Canadian history.

It has become the established usage of democracies to credit to their rulers every blessing and to blame upon their rulers every ill. The government that accepts responsibility for bountiful harvests, for richness of mines and for expansion of trade and industry, can hardly complain if the people who endorse that claim insist upon holding them responsible for all the ills of the body politic.

How far is the present administration responsible for the deterioration of parliament?

The government of the day is the guardian of the honor of parliament; the prime minister is especially the custodian of the honor of his cabinet. As parliament is assumed to represent the highest intelligence and character of the country, so the cabinet is assumed to represent the highest intelligence and character of parliament.

The premier has therefore a grave responsibility in choosing the members of his cabinet council. They must be of wisdom and ability to frame statesmanlike policies and, individually, to ensure efficient administration of the departments of the public service. But it is at least equally important that their character be such as to claim and retain the respect of the parliament and the country.

In the second respect Sir Wilfrid Laurier has signally failed, and, doubtlessly in recognition of his failure, has pursued the most dangerous course conceivable. The reputation of his cabinet cannot be saved by suppressing all attempts at inquiry. Men, whom knowledge of the truth will injure, have no title to protection. It is the present urgent duty of Canadians of all parties to insist that their national council shall be filled with clean men.

The next few days will be a period of suspense in regard to the situation in the coal fields. The men have refused by overwhelming majorities to return to work pending a permanent settlement of the points at issue between them and the operators. The only hope now of preventing the strike from becoming a test of endurance, is with the conciliation board. The chairman of that board, Sir William Mulock, is expected to arrive in Fernie tomorrow night. The board will meet Tuesday night or Wednesday morning. How long it will take the board to come to a decision can only be matter of conjecture. But it must also be remembered that the finding of that board is not binding upon either party. It may yet fall to the lot of Mr. Lemieux to devise alternative means for securing the operation of the mines, which is urgently required by the whole of Western Canada.

The question of the extension of the city limits to include the suburb of Fairview will probably become a live issue in a very few days especially among the residents of Fairview, who will be the chief beneficiaries. For them it may mean increased taxation but it will certainly mean also improved fire and police protection. For the city it will mean increased assessed values but for a few years at least the revenue from them will certainly not suffice to meet expenditures that will become necessary. Needless to say, it will not affect the problem of school accommodation. The new building in Fairview is not even now more than sufficient for its needs.

Rev. W. M. Rochester, western secretary of the Dominion Lord's Day Alliance is reported in an interview at Winnipeg, to have declared that the attorney general of British Columbia has exceeded his authority in announcing that the Lord's Day Act will remain inoperative in British Columbia. Mr. Rochester was no doubt an eloquent preacher, and is no doubt an efficient organizer, but his presuming to dispute with the attorney general the interpretation of a legal enactment can only be described as impertinence.

DEGREDATION OF PARLIAMENT.

G. T. Blackstock Draws Comparisons With Earlier Period.

Toronto, April 29.—"I stood in a hotel some time ago whilst a lady was signing the register and at the same time I heard a torrent of the foulest oaths I ever had to listen to, oaths and blasphemies proceeding from some members of the House of Commons. So long as we allow that to go on, so long will we be on the greased skid of destruction." Mr. George Tate Blackstock, K. C., made this remark in the course of an address delivered before the Canadian Club on "Some Tendencies."

"Democracy works better in Great Britain than in any other country on the earth because it is an evolution and the old grandee system which governed at one time has been broadened out and has become democratic and you have an aristocratic governing body, while at the same time that body is in constant touch with the democracy." Mr. Blackstock went on and proceeded to point out how the House of Lords, although aristocratic, was yet democratic, because the poorest boy might by industry, perseverance and ability rise to a seat in that high body, and many had so risen.

"In 1873 the people of this country rose in their might and hurled from power the idol of their hearts because they believed he had betrayed his trust. Now what have we today? There sits in the House of Commons a man disqualified by seven judges, declared to have been guilty of almost every electoral corruption; and on the other side a man convicted and sentenced for voting twice. The first parliament of the Dominion contained such men as Sir John Alexander Macdonald, Sir George Cartier, Hon. Alex. Mackenzie, Hon. Edward Blake and other great men. When we compare that parliament with today's we are compelled to exclaim, 'How the mighty have fallen!'

"There are some men, such as Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. R. L. Borden, who are absolutely above all thought of wrong. They, however, are not the whole parliament. Now, how are we to wipe out this evil? By individual effort and by exercising our vote and our influence for the return of men of honor and uprightness." He concluded with an earnest appeal for individual honor and uprightness as the safety of this young and prosperous country.

LAND NOTICES.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, B C., to purchase 40 acres of land: Commencing at a post planted at the City of Nelson's S. E. corner post, on Kootenay river, thence 20 chains south, thence west 20 chains, thence north 20 chains, thence east 20 chains to point of commencement.
Nelson, B. C., April 24, 1907. E. J. CURRAN.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands in Kootenay district: Commencing at a post marked Bruce White's N. W. corner post, situated at the northeast corner of P. R 30 about a mile east of Slocan river, thence south 25 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence south 60 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence west 60 chains to point of commencement, containing 440 acres, more or less.
Located March 18th, 1907. BRUCE WHITE.

I, the undersigned, after 60 days intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following land: Commencing at a post marked S. E. C. of Lot 1253, thence west 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.
Located March 27th, 1907. M. S. MCNAUGHT, N. F. MCNAUGHT, Agent.

I, the undersigned, after 60 days intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described land: Commencing at a post marked N. E. C., situate at the mouth of Cove creek on the west shore of Slocan lake, thence west 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement
Located March 27th, 1907. N. F. MCNAUGHT.

Sixty days after date I purpose making application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land: Commencing at a post placed about one and half miles east of Silver Tip Point, on Whatshan Lake, near Christie creek marked "F. W. G. H's. S.E corner," running thence 80 chains west to join land located by F. L. Hammond, as agent, thence 80 chains north, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.
Dated the 9th day of April, 1907.
F. W. G. HAULTAIN, Per F. G. FAUQUIER, Agent.

Sixty days after date I purpose making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land: Commencing at a post placed at the southeast corner of F. W G Haultain's application to purchase, marked "K. F's. S.W. corner," running thence 80 chains nor h, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.
Dated the 9th day of April, 1907.
K. FAUQUIER, Per F. G. FAUQUIER, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, to purchase the following described lands adjoining the Arrow lakes in West Kootenay: Commencing at a post planted at the N. W. corner of J. H. Porter's pre-emption, and marked E. W's S. W. corner post, thence 20 chains north along lake shore, thence 20 chains east, thence 20 chains south, thence 20 chains west to place of beginning, containing 40 acres, more or less.
April 18, 1907. EVELYN WATSON.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands, situate in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post marked J. L. Porter's N. W. corner, thence south 80 chains, following the eastern boundary of H. Selous' application to purchase; thence east 40 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 40 chains to point of commencement, containing 320 acres more or less.
Dated this 11th day of March, 1907.
J. L. PORTER.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands in Kootenay district: Commencing at a post marked J. B. Annable's northeast corner post, said post being on the south side of the Lower Arrow lake, about two miles below Burton City; thence south 80 chains; thence west 20 chains; thence south 20 chains; thence west 20 chains; thence north 32 chains and 20 links, more or less to the lake shore; thence easterly along lake 40 chains, more or less, to the place of beginning, containing 105 acres, more or less.
Dated this 5th day of November, 1906.
J. B. ANNABLE, per K. L. BURNET, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase about 175 acres of land, situate near the Pend d'Oreille river, West Kootenay district, and described as follows: Commencing at a post marked G. E. Thomson's N. W. corner post, situated on the south boundary and 20 chains from S. W post of Lot 7194, thence south about 70 chains, thence east about 25 chains to a point on the west boundary and 20 chains from S. W. post of Lot 7741, thence north 70 chains and thence west 25 chains to the place of beginning.
28th March, 1907. G. E. THOMSON, A. G. LANG, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, B. C., to purchase 240 acres of land, in Fire Valley, described as follows: Commencing at a post planted 20 chains west of Walter Bull's N. W. corner and marked J. W. Holmes' Jr. N. E. corner post, and running south 40 chains, thence west 60 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence east 60 chains to place of beginning, and being a portion of Section 35, Township 71, West Kootenay.
March 5th, 1907. J. W. HOLMES, JR. J. E. ANNABLE, AGENT.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase 320 acres of land in Fire Valley district of West Kootenay: Commencing at a post marked E's S. E. corner, and running north 80 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to place of beginning, and being the west one-half of the S. E. one-quarter and the east one-half of the S. W. one-quarter, and the west one-half of the N. E. one-quarter, and the east one-half of the N. W. one-quarter of Section 31, Township 71, G. I.
March 30th, 1907. JOHN ENNEST.

TIMBER NOTICES.

(Timber Limit No. 2)

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land, situated on Kooskanax creek, in West Kootenay district:
Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of Timber Limit No 10247, and marked H. D. Lea's southwest corner post, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.
Located March 28, 1907. H. D. LEA, Locator.

(Timber Notice No 3)

Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of No. 2 limit, and at the northwest corner of timber license No. 10246, thence north 160 chains, thence east 40 chains to west line of timber license No 10245, following line of No. 10245 and 10244, 160 chains, thence following line of timber license No. 10246 40 chains to point of commencement.
Located March 28, 1907. H. D. LEA, Locator.

(Timber Notice No. 4.)

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated on Kooskanax creek in West Kootenay district, and about five miles from Upper Arrow lake:
Commencing at a post planted on the north side of creek and about half a mile from creek, and marked H. D. Lea's southeast corner post, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement
Located March 31, 1907. H D LEA, Locator.

(Timber Notice No. 5.)

Commencing at a post marked H. D. Lea's southwest corner post, thence north 80 chains, following the east line of No. 4 location, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.
Located March 31, 1907. H. D LEA, Locator.

(Timber Limit No. 6.)

Notice is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land, situated about six miles from the Upper Arrow lake on Kooskanax creek, in West Kootenay district:
Commencing at a post planted and marked H. D. Lea's northwest corner post, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.
Located March 31, 1907. H. D. LEA, Locator,

(Timber Limit No. 7)

Commencing at a post planted and marked H. D. Lea's north-ast corner post, thence south 80 chains following the west line of No. 6 limit, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, hence east 80 chains to point of commencement.
Located March 31, 1907. H. D. LEA, Locator.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated on Corn Creek in the Goat creek division in Southwest Kootenay, B C.
"A"—Commencing at post "A" planted about 120 chains west from southeast corner of Block No. 1086, and marked "W. L. Beckwith by I J Lucia, agent, northeast corner post," about two chains north of the stream, then west 160 chains, then 40 chains south, then east 160 chains, then 40 chains north to post of commencement.
Dated March 6th, 1907. W. L. BECKWITH, by I. J. LUCIA, Agent.

"B"—Commencing at post "B" planted on the south fork of Corn creek, about 60 chains from where the stream empties into the Main stream, marked "W. L. Beckwith by I J Lucia, agent, northeast corner post," about three chains east of stream, then 160 chains south, then 40 chains west, then 160 chains north, then 40 chains east to point of commencement.
Dated March 7th, 1907. W. L. BECKWITH, by I. J. LUCIA, Agent.

"C"—Commencing at post "C" planted 80 chains south of northwest corner of Block "B" marked "W L Beckwith by I. J. Lucia, agent, northeast corner post," about ten chains west of stream northeast corner, then 160 chains south, then 40 chains west, then 160 chains north, then 40 chains east to post of commencement.
Dated March 8th, 1907. W. L. BUCKWITH, by I. J. LUCIA, Agent.

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Located April 20, 1907.
GEO. B. GARRETT, Locator, WM. CLOUGH, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, to purchase 640 acres of land in West Kootenay, described as follows: Commencing at a post planted about eight miles up Mosquito creek and joining E. Cross' application to purchase, and marked C. M's S. E. corner, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to place of beginning.
Feb. 16th, 1907. C. MARSHALL, J. E ANNABLE,

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described land located in Fire valley district of West Kootenay: Commencing at a post planted at the S. E. corner of John Bangs' pre-emption, thence south 80 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 40 chains to place of beginning, containing 320 acres.
Located March 14th, 1907.
D. A. MCPHEE, Locator. J. J. KELLY, Agent.

Take notice that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at the southeast corner of lot 6305, thence west 10 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence north 20 chains, thence west 10 chains to point of commencement, containing 40 acres, more or less.
Dated April 16th, 1907 P. J. BRADLEY, W. W. BRADLEY, Agent.

I, the undersigned, after 60 days intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described land: Commencing at the N. E. C. of Lot 7589 G. I., thence west 40 chains, thence north 20 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 20 chains to point of commencement, containing 80 acres more or less.
Located March 28th, 1907. W. A. MILLS.

Take notice that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land situated in the West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of Lot 222, on the south side of the West Arm of Kootenay lake, thence 80 chains west to southwest corner of said lot, thence 20 chains south, thence 80 chains east, thence 20 chains north to place of commencement, containing 160 acres.
April 2nd, 1907. CHARLES ROBERTSON, per ERNEST W. ROBINSON, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, B. C., to purchase the following described land, situated in the West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted on the west side of Kootenay lake, near Rhinoceros point, and marked J. McKinnon's S. E. corner post, thence west 80 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence east 80 chains more or less to lake shore, thence along lake shore to point of commencement.
Signed J McKINNON.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for permission to purchase 100 acres, more or less, situated in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted midway on the north boundary of Lot 7611 and adjoining S. W corner of Lot 3053, thence north 16 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence north 24 chains, thence east 20 chains to point of commencement.
Located March 20th, 1907. T. J. SCANLAN.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted on the east side of Lemon Creek at the mouth of the first north fork and marked "R. Cooper's southeast corner," running 80 chains west, north 40 chains, east 80 chains, and south 40 chains to place of commencement.
Dated March 20th, 1907. R. COOPER, J. T. TIPPING, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post marked "L. A. Tipping's southwest corner post" and planted near H. D. Curtis's land, about half mile from Slocan City, running north 40 chains, east 20 chains, south 40 chains, west 20 chains to place of commencement
Dated March 14th, 1907 L. A. TIPPING, J. T. TIPPING, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described land located in Fire Valley district of West Kootenay: Commencing at a post planted at the S. W. corner of John Bang's pre-emption, thence 60 chains south, thence 40 chains west, thence 60 chains north, thence 40 chains east to place of beginning.
RICHARD KEFFE, Locator. J. J. KELLY, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, at Victoria for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of lot 395, group 1, thence south 26 chains, thence east 60 chains, thence north 26 chains, thence west 60 chains to point of commencement, containing 155 acres, more or less.
Nelson, March 27th, 1907. ANNIE L. WADE. P. WADE, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria to purchase the following described land: Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of L 6893, 40 chains, more or less, to the N. W. corner of L6893; thence south following the west boundary of L6893, 10 chains, more or less, to place of commencement, containing 40 acres, more or less.
Dated this 6th day of December, 1906.
H. H. PITTS, Locator.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works Victoria, B.C., for permission to purchase the following described lands in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of lot 7701, group 1, and running 20 chains to the southeast corner of lot 7702, thence 20 chains north, thence west 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, then east 20 chains to point of commencement, containing 40 acres more or less.
Located February 11th, 1907.
PHILIP WADE, Locator.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, to purchase 480 acres of land, in Fire Valley, West Kootenay, and described as follows: Commencing at a post planted at Walter Bull's northwest corner and marked A. S's S. E. corner, and running north 80 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 20 chains to place of beginning, and being the west one-half of the N. E. quarter of Section 26, and the west half of the S. E. one-quarter of Section 35 in Township 71 G. I.
March 30th, 1907. W. H. WRIGHT.

Notice is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for the right to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post marked "M. J. Cameron's N W. corner post" planted at the S.W. corner of the K. and S. block, No. 863, running east 120 chains; thence south 1,000 feet, more or less to the C.P R. line, thence west 120 chains to the Arrow Lake; thence north 1000 feet following the shore of the Arrow Lake to the point of commencement.
Dated this 11th day of February, 1907.
M. J. CAMERON, J. M. CAMERON, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands in Kootenay District, about three-quarters of mile from Thrum's siding: Commencing at a post placed at the S. W. corner of L 6893, group 1, West Kootenay District; thence westerly following the north boundary of L 4598, 40 chains; thence north 10 chains; thence east 40 chains, more or less, to the N. W. corner of L6893; thence south following the west boundary of L6893, 10 chains, more or less, to place of commencement, containing 40 acres, more or less.
Dated this 6th day of December, 1906.
H. H. PITTS, Locator.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works Victoria, B.C., for permission to purchase the following described lands in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Arrow Lake at the southwest corner of lot 7701, group 1, and running 20 chains to the southeast corner of lot 7702, thence 20 chains north, thence west 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, then east 20 chains to point of commencement, containing 40 acres more or less.
March 22nd, 1907. (Signed) EVA CULL, ROBERT ROBINSON, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, to purchase 640 acres of land, situated on the west side of Arrow lake, and described as follows: Commencing at a post marked J. H's N. E. corner and planted at the southeast corner of Lot 7692, Group 1, West Kootenay, and running west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to the lake shore, thence north along the lake to place of beginning
March 8th, 1907. J HAIGHE, J. E. ANNABLE, Agent.

60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, to purchase 160 acres of land in Fire Valley district of West Kootenay, described as follows: Commencing at a post marked W. H Wright's S. E. corner, and running north 80 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 20 chains to place of beginning, and being the west one-half of the N. E. quarter of Section 26, and the west half of the S. E. one-quarter of Section 35 in Township 71 G. I.
March 30th, 1907. W. H. WRIGHT.

Notice is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for the right to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post marked "M. J Cameron's N W. corner post" planted at the S.W. corner of the K. and S. block, No. 863, running east 120 chains; thence south 1,000 feet, more or less to the C.P R. line, thence west 120 chains to the Arrow Lake; thence north 1000 feet following the shore of the Arrow Lake to the point of commencement.
Dated this 11th day of February, 1907.
M. J. CAMERON, J. M. CAMERON, Agent.

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Dated this 6th day of December, 1906.
H. H. PITTS, Locator.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works Victoria, B.C., for permission to purchase the following described lands in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of lot 7701, group 1, and running 20 chains to the southeast corner of lot 7702, thence 20 chains north, thence west 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, then east 20 chains to point of commencement, containing 40 acres more or less.
Located February 11th, 1907.
PHILIP WADE, Locator.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, to purchase 480 acres of land, in Fire Valley, West Kootenay, and described as follows: Commencing at a post planted at Walter Bull's northwest corner and marked A. S's S. E. corner, and running north 80 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 20 chains to place of beginning, and being the west one-half of the N. E. quarter of Section 26, and the west half of the S. E. one-quarter of Section 35 in Township 71 and a portion of Sections 1 and 2 in Township 69, Group 1.
March 5th, 1907. A. SIPES, J. E. ANNABLE, Agent.

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March 5th, 1907. E. M. SHAW, J. E. ANNABLE, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works Victoria, to purchase 640 acres of land in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted about 6 miles from the mouth of Mosquito creek and about one mile west of the said creek and marked "H. H. P's S.W corner," and running north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to place of beginning.
March 16th, 1907. H. H. ROSS, J. E. ANNABLE, Agent.

60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, to purchase 240 acres of land located in Fire Valley and being a portion of Sections 15 and 16 in Township 69 and described as follows: Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of the southeast quarter of section 15 Township 69 and marked J. G. S. S. corner, thence north 40 chains; thence west 60 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence east 60 chains to place of beginning.
November 23rd 1906. JOSEPH GIBSON, J. E. ANNABLE, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, to purchase 640 acres of land, situated on the west side of Arrow lake, and described as follows: Commencing at a post marked J. H's N. E. corner and planted at the southeast corner of Lot 7692, Group 1, West Kootenay, and running west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to the lake shore, thence north along the lake to place of beginning
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60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, to purchase 160 acres of land in Fire Valley, West Kootenay district, and described as follows: Commencing at a post marked W. H Wright's S. E. corner, and running north 80 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 20 chains to place of beginning, and being the west one-half of the N. E. quarter of Section 26, and the west half of the S. E. one-quarter of Section 35 in Township 71 G. I.
March 30th, 1907. W. H. WRIGHT.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for permission to purchase the following described lands in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of Lot 222, on the south side of the West Arm of Kootenay lake, thence 80 chains west to southwest corner of said lot, thence 20 chains south, thence 80 chains east, thence 20 chains north to place of commencement, containing 160 acres.
April 2nd, 1907. CHARLES ROBERTSON, per ERNEST W. ROBINSON, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, B. C., to purchase the following described land, situated in the West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted on the west side of Kootenay lake, near Rhinoceros point, and marked J. McKinnon's S. E. corner post, thence west 80 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence east 80 chains more or less to lake shore, thence along lake shore to point of commencement.
Signed J McKINNON.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for permission to purchase 100 acres, more or less, situated in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted midway on the north boundary of Lot 7611 and adjoining S. W corner of Lot 3053, thence north 16 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence north 24 chains, thence east 20 chains to point of commencement.
Located March 20th, 1907. T. J. SCANLAN.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted on the east side of Lemon Creek at the mouth of the first north fork and marked "R. Cooper's southeast corner," running 80 chains west, north 40 chains, east 80 chains, and south 40 chains to place of commencement.
Dated March 20th, 1907. R. COOPER, J. T. TIPPING, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post marked "L. A. Tipping's southwest corner post" and planted near H. D. Curtis's land, about half mile from Slocan City, running north 40 chains, east 20 chains, south 40 chains, west 20 chains to place of commencement
Dated March 14th, 1907 L. A. TIPPING, J. T. TIPPING, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described land located in Fire Valley district of West Kootenay: Commencing at a post planted at the S. W. corner of John Bangs' pre-emption, thence 60 chains south, thence 40 chains west, thence 60 chains north, thence 40 chains east to place of beginning.
RICHARD KEFFE, Locator. J. J. KELLY, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, at Victoria for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of lot 395, group 1, thence south 26 chains, thence east 60 chains, thence north 26 chains, thence west 60 chains to point of commencement, containing 155 acres, more or less.
Nelson, March 27th, 1907. ANNIE L. WADE. P. WADE, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria to purchase the following described land: Commencing at a post marked "H. H. P's S.W corner," and planted at the southeast corner of lot 3832, about one mile west of Slocan river, and running east 40 chains to Lot 331, thence north 40 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence south 40 chains to place of beginning.
March 9th, 1907. MILDA HAUCK, PAUL HAUCK, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works Victoria, B. C., to purchase 120 acres of land situate in Fire Valley, West Kootenay, and described as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of Lot 7815, and running north 60 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence south 60 chains, thence west 20 chains to place of beginning.
March 4th, 1907. W. W. BRADLEY, J. E. ANNABLE, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, to purchase 320 acres of land in West Kootenay, described as follows: Commencing at a post planted up Mosquito creek, about eight miles from the mouth and marked E. Cross' S W. corner, thence north 80 chains, thence 40 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 40 chains west to place of beginning
Feb. 16th, 1907. E. CROSS. J. E. ANNABLE, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for permission to purchase the following described lands in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted at the S.E. corner of Wm. Lovett's purchase L7696 and marked "E. M. S's N.E corner," and running south 60 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 60 chains, thence east 40 chains to place of beginning and containing 240 acres.
March 5th, 1907. E. M. SHAW, J. E. ANNABLE, Agent.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works Victoria, to purchase 640 acres of land in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted about 6 miles from the mouth of Mosquito creek and about one mile west of the said creek and marked "H. H. P's S.W corner," and running north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to place of beginning.
March 16th, 1907. H. H. ROSS, J. E. ANNABLE, Agent.

60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, to purchase 240 acres of land located in Fire Valley and being a portion of Sections 15 and 16 in Township 69 and described as follows: Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of the southeast quarter of section 15 Township 69 and marked J. G. S. S. corner, thence north 40 chains; thence west 60 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence east 60 chains to place of beginning.
November 23rd 1906. JOSEPH GIBSON, J. E. ANNABLE

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ake notice that thirty days after date I in- d to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of nds and Works at Victoria, B. C., for a special me to cut and carry away timber from the owing described lands in Ainsworth division: ommencing at a post marked Chas. F. Walms- 's southwest post, thence north 80 chains, nce east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, nce west 80 chains to point of commencement, said land being situated on the east side of cade creek, about 2½ miles south of the Lar- u river.
ocated March 12th, 1907.
CHAS. F. WALMSLEY, Locator.
P. SHERAN, Agent.

—Commencing at a post marked Chas. F lmsley's northwest post, thence south 80 ins, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 ins, thence west 80 chains to point of com- ncement, the said land being situate on the side of Cascade creek, about 3½ miles south ardeau river.
ocated March 12th, 1907.
CHAS. F. WALMSLEY, Locator,
P. SHERAN, Agent.

—Commencing at a post marked Chas. F. lmsley's southwest post, thence south 80 ins, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 ins thence west 80 chains to point of com- ncement, the said land being situate on the side of Cascade creek, about 4½ miles south ardeau river.
ocated March 12th, 1907.
CHAS F. WALMSLEY, Locator,
P. SHERAN, Agent.

otice is hereby given that thirty days after I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Com- ioner of Lands and Works, at Victoria, a special licence to cut and carry away tim- from the following described lands in West otenay, that is to say: Commencing at a t planted 40 chains east of the northeast ner of block 812, (post marked 812 K. S.) nce running east 80 cnains, thence south 80 ains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 ains to location post No. 1, containing 640 es of land, more or less.
Dated at Creston, B.C., this 22nd day of March, A.D., 1907.
GEO. HUSCROFT,
J. C. SCHERMERHORN.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I tend to apply to the Hon Chief Commissioner Lands and Works, at Victoria for a special ense to cut and carry away timber from the llowing described lands in West Kootenay: ommencing at a post planted on the east line Lot 812, two miles south of the southern oundary of my Timber License No. 10, thence ast 40 chains, north 80 chains, west 40 chains, orth 80 chains, west 40 chains, south 80 chains, ast 40 chains, south 80 chains to place of com- encement, containing 640 acres, more or less.
April 8th, 1907. P. LUND.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for a special licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described piece of land in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted 20 chains from the east shore of Upper Arrow lake and adjoining block 398 on the south and marked "Chas. Ehl's" northwest corner, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.
Dated the 4th day of March, 1907.
CHAS EHL.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after ate I intend to make application to the Honor- ble Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works at Victoria, B. C., for a special license to cut and rry away timber from the following described nds in West Kootenay district:
commencing at a post planted about two miles nd a quarter up a southern tributary of the ittle Slocan river, on the creek commonly nown as Boulder creek, and a quarter of a mile om the Forks, and marked A. L. Stewart's uthwest corner post, thence north 80 chains, ence east 80 chains thence south 80 chains, hence west 80 chains to place of commencement.
Dated 1st day of April, 1907.
A. L. STEWART, Locator.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I ntend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Com- issioner of Lands and Works for a special ense to cut and carry away timber from the llowing described lands in West Kootenay dis- ict;
Commencing at a post planted about two and quarter miles up a southern tributary of the ittle Slocan river, on the creek commonly nown as Boulder creek, and about a quarter of mile from the Forks, and marked A.L Stewart's ortheast corner post, thence south 160 chains, hence west 40 chains, thence north 160 chains, hence east 40 chains to place of commencement.
Dated this 1st day of April, 1907.
A. L STEWART, Locator.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I ntend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Com- issioner of Lands and Works for a special ense to cut and carry away timber from the llowing described lands, situated in the valley of Big Sheep Creek, commencing 3¼ miles north of the International boundary line, joining the elson and Fort Sheppard Railway Company's and grant in the district of West Kootenay:
No. 1.—Commencing at a post planted at the northeast corner of A. D. Christie's pre-emption, claiming 40 chains south along the east boundary of A. D. Christie's pre-emption, thence east 80 chains, to Nelson and Fort Sheppard survey line, thence north 80 chains, thence west 100 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 40 chains to point of commencement.
Located March 23rd, 1907. J. P. SWEDBERG.
No. 2.—Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of location No. 1 on the east boundary line of A. D. Christie's pre-emption, claiming 160 chains south along the east boundary line of I. R Cranston's pre emption, thence 80 chains east. to the Nelson and Fort Sheppard survey line, thence 160 chains, north, thence 40 chains west to point of commencement.
Located March 23rd, 1907.
J. P. SWEDBERG, Locator

Take notice that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works at Victoria, B. C., for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in West Kootenay:
Commencing at a post planted 20 chains west of the northeast corner of Lot 812, and at the southeast corner of Lot 7786, thence east 20 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence west 120 chains, thence south 40 chains to place of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.
Dated March 9th, 1907. PETER LUND, Locator

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands situated on the west side of Big Sheep Creek Valley, commencing about 4¼ miles north of the international boundary line, and about one mile west of Big Sheep creek in the district of West Kootenay:
No. 1.—Commencing at a post planted about one mile west of Big Sheep creek, known as the northeast corner post, claiming 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains north, thence 80 chains east to point of commencement.
No. 2.—Commencing at a post planted at the northeast corner of location No 1, known as the southwest corner post, claiming 80 chains north, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west to point of commencement.
No. 3.—Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of location No 2, known as the southeast corner post, claiming 80 chains north, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains east to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.
Located April 15th, 1907.
J. P. SWEDBERG, Locator,
K. T. ENGELSKIEN, Agent.

Take notice that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for a special licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described land, in West Kootenay: Commencing at a post planted at Kokanee Siding, on Sand Point, on south side West Arm of Kootenay river about 12 miles east of Nelson, B. C., marked "C. F Walmsley's N. E. corner post," thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains north, thence 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.
Located March 16th, 1907.
CHAS. F. WALMSLEY,
P. SHERAN, Agent.

Take notice that I intend thirty days after date to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated east of Dog creek, in the district of West Kootenay: Commencing at a post marked "The Boundary Lumber Company's northwest corner post" planted about a mile east of the Columbia and Western railroad, and about three miles south of the Big Tunnel, thence 40 chains south, thence 60 chains east, thence 40 chains south, thence 100 chains east, thence 40 chains north, thence 80 chains west, thence 40 chains north, thence 80 chains west to point of commencement.
Dated 4th March, 1907. J GENELLE,
Agent for The Boundary Lumber Co.

Take notice that I intend thirty days after date to apply to the Hon the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated on Dog creek, in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted on the east side of the Columbia and Western railroad, on or about ten chains east, and marked "The Boundary Lumber company's post," and about a mile and a half south of the Big Tunnel, the northwest corner, thence running south 160 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence north 160 chains, thence west 40 chains to place of commencement.
Dated March 4th, 1907. J GENELLE.

Take notice that I intend, thirty days after date, to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated on Sandy creek, in West Kootenay district: Commencing at a post planted on the west side of sandy creek and called J. P. S's southwest corner post, thence running east 80 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence south 120 chains to place of commencement.
Dated this 9th day of March, 1907.
J. P. SWEDBERG, Locator.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands situated on the west side of Big Sheep Creek Valley: Commencing about three and a half miles north of the International boundary line and about one and a half miles west of the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway company's land grant in the district of West Kootenay:
No. 1—Commencing at a post planted two miles west of Big Sheep creek, known as the southwest corner post, joining J. R. Cranston's timber claim No. 1, claiming 80 chains north, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west to point of commencement.
Located March 21st, 1907.
No 2.—Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of location No. 1, known as the northwest corner post of location No. 2, claiming 80 chains south, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains north, thence 80 chains west to point of commencement.
Located March 21st, 1907.
No. 3 —Commencing at a post placed half a mile west of location No. 2, known as the southeast corner, claiming 80 chains north, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains east to point of commencement.
No. 4 —Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of location No. 3, known as the northeast corner, claiming 160 chains south, thence 40 chains west, thence 160 chains north, thence 40 chains east to point of commencement.
Located March 21st, 1907.
J. P. SWEDBERG, Locator.
K. T. ENGELSKJEN, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days from date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in West Kootenay district:
Commencing at a post planted on the north bank of 10-Mile creek, about one mile and a half from Slocan lake, marked E Strand's northwest corner post, thence east 160 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence west 160 chains, thence north 40 chains to point of commencement.
Dated this 21st day of March, 1907.
E. STRAND, Locator.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land in West Kootenay:
Commencing at a post planted about six miles from the mouth of Goat creek and where it flows into the Slocan river and about six chains from the creek upon the south bank, and joining C. B. Hittle's location on the west line and marked F. Batie's southeast corner post, thence west 160 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence east 160 chains, thence south 40 chains to point of commencement.
Located March 28th, 1907.
JEFF. BATY, LOCATOR.
per C B. HITTLE, Agent.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land in West Kootenay:
Commencing at a post planted about six miles from the mouth of Goat creek and where it flows into Slocan river, and about 15 chains from the creek, upon the south bank and marked C B Hittle's southeast corner post, thence west 160 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence east 160 chains, thence south 40 chains to point of commencement.
Dated March 28th, 1907.
C. B. HITTLE, Locator.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, at Victoria, for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in West Kootenay, that is to say: Commencing at a post marked E. Huscroft's and Schermerhorn's post No. 2, running thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement post No. 3, containing 640 acres of land, more or less.
Dated at Creston, B.C., this 22nd day of March, A.D., 1907.
GEO. HUSCROFT,
J. C. SCHERMERHORN.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, at Victoria, for a special licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in West Kootenay, that is to say: Commencing at a point 80 chains east of the northwest corner of E. Huscroft and Schermerhorn's post No. 1, running south 40 chains to post No 2, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to place of commencement post No. 2, containing 640 acres, more or less.
Dated at Creston, B.C., this 22nd day of March, A.D., 1907
GEO. HUSCROFT,
J. C SCHERMERHORN.

ENCOURAGING LEARNING

A. C. Flumerfelt Again Stimulating Study of Conditions and Means of Development.

Sir,—Some little time ago I took the liberty of addressing to the press a letter in which I propounded a series of questions and solicited answers thereto, the chief object being to induce the people of British Columbia to carefully examine into and thoroughly acquaint themselves with the vast resources and magnificent possibilities of this province.

I was delighted to receive thirty-eight replies, all of which indicated thought; some gave evidence of wide knowledge, while a few showed great care and research. The essay signed "Raglan"—which recently appeared in the local papers—was considered by the committee entitled to the prize, and the information contained in said essay is, in my opinion, so valuable that I am distributing copies by the thousand all over the English speaking world.

Feeling encouraged with the result of my former letter, I once more venture to trespass upon your valuable space to supplement what has already been done, in the hope that many more persons will become actively and devoutly interested in the below-referred to subjects, which affect us all and are, or should be, the peculiar care of every British Columbian. Let me ask, Mr. Editor, what one can do to emphasize the fact that this is a most important and momentous period in the history of Canada, more particularly in respect to British Columbia. From my viewpoint there are now cast upon the residents of this province burdens and responsibilities greater perhaps than ever before have been borne by so small a people numerically, and if we are to lay the foundation wisely, broadly and in strength, with a view to permanency and with a justified hope of success, great care should be exercised by the government and people to secure these objects so necessary to provincial progress, and which, if realized, will make this the banner province of the great Dominion of Canada. I believe the geographical position, the physical conditions and the varied resources all indicate that this is the ultimate destiny of our province.

Who of us has a definite policy to propose and a definite plan for working it out? Do we know and realize our country, or are we waiting, Micawber-like, for "something to turn up"? Are we alive to the situation, or are we drifting as straws on a swiftly-flowing river? Can we see the trend of events, or are we unwilling to be alert, and do we refuse to know and see? Let us study ourselves, analyze our aims and aspirations, but above all, let us one and all know our country, and with a loyal unselfish fidelity to an unalterable fixedness of purpose, which will admit of no modification until the result is achieved, be instant in season and out of season in assisting and urging forward development of British Columbia for the enduring, never-ending benefit and welfare of its whole people.

I, for one, Mr. Editor, stand ready to do all and whatever I can and earnestly desire to see many others equally ready. I appeal to those interested in the mining and the timber industry, to financial and business men, professional men and manufacturers, labor men and capitalists, and in order to engage the attention of those who possess valuable information which should be made public, I outline below seven questions and offer a prize to the value of $50 each for the most complete answers. The prizes may be taken in money, a handsome piece of silver suitably engraved, or donated to any of the public charities, at the option of the winner.

Mining and Smelting.—Give a description, by districts, of the various coal and mineral areas; an account of the work now proceeding; detail production for 1906; value of same; average number of hands engaged; practical suggestions for developing and increasing this most important industry.

Timber.—State specifically the variety, quality and quantity; present cut; where marketed; what economies can be effected by the utilization of the by-products; what plan to be adopted and by whom, looking toward the conservation or renewal of our great forest wealth for the use of future generations.

Fisheries.—Where and how are fish taken; the kind and quality of labor employed; are our salmon being exterminated; can this industry be materialy increased, and can greater financial results be obtained by saving the portions of fish now destroyed; to what extent has deep-sea fishing contributed to the provincial wealth; what are the possibilities of development and extension, and the probability of permanency.

Agriculture.—(Fruit Culture, Dairying and Poultry.) The acres of arable land; kind of products and value of same; which is the most profitable; market conditions; total imports for 1906, in quantities and dollars; number of persons now deriving a livelihood from the soil.

Manufacturing.—Can B. C. become a manufacturing country; what goods and articles can we readily manufacture;, and to what markets can the same be sucessfully shipped; kinds of value and present production; number of persons employed; average compensation received.

Finance.—Official statistics show $54,750,000 produced within the province for 1906; tabulate the sources; what proportion remains in B. C. trade channels; estimate the foreign and outside capital invested in the province, and interest and dividents paid on same. It the time opportune in respect of internal finance to introduce a plan similar to that presently obtaining in France.

Labor and Capital.—What practical course can be adopted to harmonize these interests; is co-operation feasible; if so, suggest a plan of application or some other practical profit-sharing scheme, bonuses or pensions based on service or otherwise. Would a general insurance (life, accident or sickness, as in Germany) be favorably received by men and corporations; state the underlying cause for the great unrest and strained relations now existing between labor and capital, on the American continent.

No paper should exceed 3,000 words, and no one person should reply to more than one question.

Communications must be signed or accompanied by the card of the writer. The competition will be open until the 1st of July next, and replies may be addressed to 'British Columbia,' P. O. Drawer 690, Victoria, B. C., with memo. on face of envelop indicating which question the enclosure is to answer.

It is my intention to secure the co-operation of one or more gentlemen familiar with the various subjects referred to ,to determine the winners and award the prizes.

Once more, Mr. Editor, I apologize for trespassing upon your space with a communication of such length, but the importance of the subjects must be my excuse. A. C. FLUMERFELT.

Victoria, B. C., 24th April, 1907.

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If you want to buy or sell anything, go to the Old Curiosity Shop. A new line of Japanese Goods now on sale. All kinds of Dinnerware in stock. Patterns.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, at Victoria, for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Yale district:
No. 1.—Commencing at a post planted about 10 chains east of main Kettle river and about one mile more or less north of C. P R. Block No. 3637, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's S. E. corner post No. 1, thence 80 chains north, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains east to the point of commencement.
Dated March 22nd, 1907.
No. 2.—Commencing at a post planted about 10 chains east of main Kettle river about 80 chains north of Boundary Lumber Co's Location No. 1, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's S. E. corner post No. 2, thence 80 chains north, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains east to the point of commencement.
Dated 22nd March, 1907.
No. 3.—Commencing at a post planted about 30 chains east of main Kettle river and about 80 chains north of Boundary Lumber Co's location post No 2, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's S. E. corner post No. 3, thence 80 chains north, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains east to the point of commencement.
Dated March 22nd, 1907.
No. 4.—Commencing at a post planted about 10 chains east of the main Kettle river and about 80 chains north of Boundary Lumber Co's location post No. 3, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's S. E. corner post No 4, thence 80 chains north, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains east to the point of commencement.
Dated March 22nd, 1907.
No 5.—Commencing at a post planted about 15 chains east of main Kettle river and about two miles north, more or less, of Boundary Lumber co's Location No. 4, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's S E. corner post No 5, thence 80 chains north, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains south. thence 80 chains east to the point of commencement.
Dated March 23rd, 1907.
No. 6.—Commencing at a post planted about 25 chains east of main Kettle river on C P. R. line block No. 2714, and about 80 chains north of Boundary Lumber Co's location post No. 5, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's S. E. corner post No. 6, thence 80 chains north, following C. P R. line block No 2714, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains south. thence 80 chains east to the point of commencement.
Dated March 23rd, 1907.
No. 7.—Commencing at a post planted about 15 chains west of the main Kettle river on C P.R. line block No. 2714, and about 80 chains north of Boundary Lumber Co's location post No. 6, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's S E corner post No. 7, thence 160 chains north, following C. P. R. line block No. 2714, thence 40 chains west, thence 160 chains south, thence 40 chains east to the point of commencement.
Dated March 23rd, 1907.
No. 8.—Commencing at a post planted about 20 chains west from river bank and about 3 miles south, more or less of the last east branch of the east fork of the main Kettle river or about 18 miles north, more or less, of C. P. R. Block No. 2714, on east fork of Kettle river, marked Boundary Lumber Co's N. W. corner post No 8, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 8 chains west, thence 80 chains north to the point of commencement.
Dated March 25th, 1907.
No. 9.—Commencing at a post planted about 20 chains west from river bank, on the east fork of Kettle river, and about 80 chains south of Boundary Lumber Co's location post No 8, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's N. W. corner post No. 9, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains north to the point of commencement.
Dated March 25th, 1907.
No. 10.—Commencing at a post planted about 20 chains west from river bank on the east fork of Kettle river, and about 80 chains south of Boundary Lumber Co's location post No 9, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's N. W. corner post No. 10, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains north to the point of commencement.
Dated March 25th, 1907.
No. 11.—Commencing at a post planted about 15 chains west from river bank on the east fork of Kettle river, and about 80 chains south of Boundary Lumber Co's location post No. 10, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's N. W. corner post No. 11, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains north to the point of commencement.
Dated March 25th, 1907.
No. 12.—Commencing at a post planted about 12 chains west from river bank on the east fork of Kettle river, and about 80 chains south of Boundary Lumber Co's location post No. 11, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's N. W. corner post No. 12, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains north to the point of commencement.
Dated March 25th, 1907.
No. 13.—Commencing at a post planted about 12 chains west from river bank on the east fork of Kettle river, and about 80 chains south of Boundary Lumber Co's location post No. 12, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's N W. corner post No. 13, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains north to the point of commencement.
Dated March 25th, 1907.
No. 14.—Commencing at a post planted about 10 chains west from river bank on the east fork of Kettle river, and about 80 chains south of Boundary Lumber Co's location post No. 13, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's N W. corner post No. 14, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains north to the point of commencement.
Dated March 25th, 1907.
No. 15.—Commencing at a post planted about 10 chains west from river bank on the east fork of Kettle river, and about 80 chains south of Boundary Lumber Co's post No 14, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's N. W. corner post No. 15, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains north to point of commencement.
Dated March 25th, 1907.
No. 16.—Commencing at a post planted about 8 chains west from river bank on the east fork of Kettle river, and about 80 chains south of Boundary Lumber Co's location post No. 15, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's N. W. corner post No 16, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west. thence 80 chains north to the point of commencement.
Dated March 25th, 1907.
No. 17.—Commencing at a post planted about 5 chains west from river bank on the east fork of Kettle river, and about 80 chains south of Boundary Lumber Co's location post No. 16, and marked Boundary Lumber Co's N. W. corner post No. 17, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains north to the point of commencement.
Dated March 25th, 1907.
No. 18.—Commencing at a post planted about 5 chains west of the river bank on the east fork of Kettle River and about 80 chains south of Boundary Lumber Co's location post No. 17 and marked Boundary Lumber Co's N.W. corner post No. 18, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains south, thence 80 chains west, thence 80 chains north to the point of commencement.
Dated March 25th, 1907. J. GENELLE,
Agent for Boundary Lumber Co.

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Examination for Assayers for Licence to Practice in British Columbia.

An Examination for Assayers will be held in Victoria on the 27th May and following days.
Entrance for any examination must be made in writing to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners, at least ten days before the date set for beginning of examination, and must be accompanied by the prescribed fee ($15)
Any additional information desired may be obtained from Herbert Carmichael, secretary, board of examiners, Victoria.
RICHARD McBRIDE,
Minister of Mines.
Department of Mines,
Victoria, B. C., 15th April, 1907.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Wattsburg Lumber company has applied to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor in council, under the provisions of the "Rivers and Streams Act," for the right to improve Rykerts creek, in the district of West Kootenay, British Columbia, by removing the obstructions therefrom and straightening the banks thereof, and to construct dams, booms, slides and chutes, and make such other improvements as may be necessary for the driving and rafting of logs and the fluming of timber thereon The lands to be affected are goverment lands and Lots 251 and 252, Group 1, Kootenay district, and the tolls that are proposed to be charged, if any, are such as may be fixed by a judge of the county court of West Kootenay.
Dated this 27th day of March, A. D. 1907.
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Certificate of the Registration of An Extra-Provincial Company.

"Companies Act, 1897."

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the "Kreo Silver Lead Mining Company, Limited," has this day been registered as an Extra-Provincial Company under the "Companies Act, 1897," to carry out or effect all or any of the objects of the company to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.
The head office of the company is situate at Phoenix, Territory of Arizona, U. S. A.
The amount of the capital of the company is three million dollars, divided into six hundred thousand shares of five dollars each.
The head office of the company in this province is situate at Kaslo, and W. E. Zwicky, mining engineer, whose address is Kaslo, B. C., is the attorney for the company.
The time of the existence of the company is twenty-five years from the eighteenth day of October, 1906.
The company is limited.
Given under my hand and seal of office, Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 22nd day of March, one thousand nine hundred and seven.
[L.S.] S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The purposes for which this corporation is formed are to buy, hold, lease, sell, work, explore, develop and operate mines and mining claims, and all kinds of mining property; to locate and procure patents for mining claims; to buy, erect, construct, or otherwise acquire and sell mills, smelters, concentrators or other reduction plants, and to run and operate the same in the reduction of all kinds of ore, and the extraction of mineral therefrom; to acquire in any manner all kinds of real estate necessary for the economical and expeditious operation of its mining and smelting and reduction business, and other business incident thereto; to buy and sell and otherwise acquire and dispose of any and all kinds of personal property, machinery, tools and merchandise, for the convenient and practical operation of its business in any branch thereof, and to that end to establish and conduct stores and merchandising establishments, for the purchase and sale of all kinds of goods and merchandise; to acquire in any lawful manner telephone and telegraph lines and rights of way; to operate and conduct such lines in any manner necessary or convenient for the operation of its mining and smelting and reduction business or any branch incident thereto; to build, construct, equip, operate and conduct railway and tram lines wherever necessary an i convenient, to the proper operation of its said lines of business; to buy and sell or otherwise acquire and dispose of the stock of other corporations which may in its judgment contribute to the success of its operations, or which in its judgment may be for the benefit of its stockholders, to acquire in any manner and to dispose of water rights, ditches, flumes, pipe lines or other aqueducts, which may be necessary or convenient for supplying water to the various plants of the company, and to acquire in any manner and to establish and operate plants and lines for operating, heating or lighting the property or plants of the company, and to acquire in any lawful manner, and to dispose of townsites, or any portion thereof, and to hold, operate, sell, and dispose of water, light and heat for the purpose of lighting, heating or furnishing water to said townsite or townsites, and each and every portion thereof, and generally to do any and all things and to acquire and hold and dispose of all kinds of property, and to manage, operate and conduct any and all kinds of plants and business which in the opinion of the directors and stockholders may be necessary for the convenience and successful operation of its business as a mining and smelting and reduction company.

NOTICE

In the matter of an application for the issue of a duplicate of the Certificate of Title of Lots 3 and 4, Block 23, Lot 9, Block 50, and Lot 12, Block 50, Nelson City (Maps 266 and 266A)
Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to issue a duplicate of the Certificate of Title for the above lots at the expiration of one month after the first publication hereof in the name of Frank Jacoby and Emil Pohli, which Certificate of Title is dated the 4th day of January, 1907, and numbered 4267A.
H. F. MACLEOD,
District Registrar.
Land Registry Office, Nelson, B.C
4th April, 1907.

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NOTICE.

In the matter of an application for the issue of a duplicate of the Certificate of Title for an undivided ¼ of lot 4857, group 1, in the district of Kootenay (except part 12.5 acres thereof.)
Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to issue at the expiration of one month after the first publication hereof a duplicate of the Certificate of Title for the above mentioned lands, in the name of Malcolm McCormick, which Certificate is dated the 19th September, 1907, and numbered 764A.
Land Registry Office, Nelson, B.C. April 2nd, 1907.
H. F. MACLEOD,
District Registrar.

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TREMONT.

F. Edwards, Waverly, J. McIntosh, Vancouver; J. Ogg, F. Funyell, Rosebery; R. Dunsmith, Revelstoke; T. Rouger, J. Lasure, Arrowhead, H. E. Blackmore, Rossland.

BARTLETT.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

Police Court.

One plain drunk before the police magistrate this morning was fined $5 and costs.

Liberal Leader Home.

J. A. Macdonald, K. C., M. L. A., returned from the coast last night and went through to Rossland.

Metals.

The London quotation of lead has risen three points since Friday. Silver has also advanced two points on both markets.

Famous Case Recalled.

Among the through passengers from the coast to the East last night was Judge Richardson, now of Toronto. Judge Richardson is 81 years of age and has been on the retired list for some years. In 1885 he was a member of the supreme court bench of the North West Territories, residing at Regina. He presided at the trial of Louis Riel, for high treason, and imposed the sentence of death on the famous rebel leader.

Fire in Fairview.

A cottage belonging to Chris Creamer in Fairview, and occupied by J. K. Smith, was burned to the ground yesterday morning. It was a one-story frame dwelling, and the whole structure was in ashes within half an hour from the time the first alarm was sounded. There being no hydrants in that district there was no possible chance of getting water on the building, so the neighbors lent a willing hand and saved a portion of the contents. But even then Smith is a sufferer to a considerable extent, having no insurance. It is supposed that the fire originated in the pipe which served as a flue in the kitchen.

Should Be Annexed.

The fire at the Smith residence in Fairview yesterday morning conclusively established the desirability of that suburb seeking annexation with the city at once. As the residents there are now situated they are absolutely without fire protection, and the whole district may at any time be wiped out, and nothing can be done to check the progress of a conflagration. This is not only a source of constant danger to the residents of Fairview, but a menace to the city as well, for a fire might start in Fairview and gain so much headway that it could not be checked before it swept all over the city. In the interests of all, the question should be dealt with at once.

An Assumed Name.

The peculiar circumstances surrounding the death of Thomas May, have led to the discovery that the name May was an assumed one. His right name was Thomas Timms. It was only by accident that his identity was established after death. It appears that May, or Timms, dropped dead in a hotel in Cornwall, England. He was a stranger at the hotel, and immediate search was made amongst his papers for some letter or paper by which he could be identified. The only thing was a letter, which was signed by a woman at Rochdale. The letter was signed, "Your loving sister, ——"Then followed the box number. The police at Rochdale were communicated with and they discovered the woman who wrote the letter. She arrived in Cornwall the following day and identified the dead man as her brother. Then it was that the discovery was made that May's right name was Timms. The name May was assumed when the deceased joined the army, and had been adhered to after he secured his discharge. A brother of John Miles, of Miles' Ferry, is a neighbor of May's sister in Rochdale, and it was he who communicated the death to John Miles in Nelson.

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DOLL CARTS AND CARRIAGES, 85c, $1.00 and up.
WHEEL BARROWS, 95c, $1.75, $2.25 and $3.50.
BOATS.....25c and up
SAIL BOATS.....75c to $1.50
SAND PAILS.....15c, 20c and 40c
SAND SHOVELS.....10c each

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Phone 34.

PERSONAL.

Joseph Patrick and family have arrived from Montreal.

George S. Kellaway, formerly of Nelson, but now of Calgary, is back in the city on a short visit.

Sam Thomas is recovering from a severe attack of the grippe and is now able to walk around.

Harry Small, the well-known commercial traveller, came in yesterday and is registered at the Hume.

Mrs. Nilson intends to spend a few months at Elmore, Man., for which point she will leave tomorrow morning.

Mrs. Johnson and daughter will leave for Milwaukee in the morning, where they will spend several months visiting friends.

W. A. Macdonald, K. C., returned Saturday evening from Vancouver where he had been attending to professional matters.

Macdonald & Taylor, the horse dealers who brought in two carloads of horses last Friday, will leave for Crystal City, Man., in the morning.

Mr. Justice Clement passed through the city last evening en route to Grand Forks. He will return before Wednesday, in time to open the assize court.

W. H. Faulkner, a prominent real estate man of Winnipeg, who has been in the city for several days, will leave for the Prairie Capital tomorrow morning.

W. Spier, manager of the Eastern Townships bank at Grand Forks, passed through the city Saturday evening, returning from attendance at the meeting of the board of trade delegates at Fernie.

James McPhee has returned from Okanagan Landing, where he has spent the past three or four months. Mr. McPhee had charge of the work of installing the dynamo and wiring in the new steamer built at Okanagan Landing.

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Carbonate, near Park,	175
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The Assize Court.

There will be only one criminal case tried in the assize court which opens Wednesday before Mr. Justice Clement. That is the case of Mannarino, charged with murderous assault on his uncle at Sirdar. Jas. A. Dale, charged with murder, and Sam Rovelli, on the same charge, will be tried at the Greenwood assizes on May 11th.

Debate Tonight.

This evening at 8 o'clock at the Churchmen's Club a debate will begin on a subject that is engaging general attention in Nelson, "That it is in the interest of the city of Nelson to expend $60,000 for a new public school building." The affirmative will be taken by Dr. E. C. Arthur and R. J. Clark, the negative by J. Fraser and another. Ald. Selous was expected to take part as he is generally recognized as the leader of the opposition to the bylaw, but it is understood that he has declined the struggle.

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