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POLICE COURT

Two young men of the town who were consorting with women of the red light district were arrested last week and Magistrate Whimster fined them $25 and costs each. One of the women was fined $25 and costs for being an inmate. She was ordered to leave town at once, which order was carried out. The other woman was to appear but did not do so, and a warrant was issued for her arrest. She was too sick to appear, but will get the same as the other woman. This woman was since fined $30.00 and costs. Another man was up on the charge of being a frequenter, but the case was dismissed.

John Carruthers was fined $20 and costs, with the option of 20 days for carrying concealed weapons, and threatening to shoot. John decided to keep his change and took the 20 day fare, which he is now serving. The gun was confiscated by the court.

Ten of the women of the red light district were assessed $30.00 and costs on Thursday afternoon, which sum considerably fattened the treasury.

CRANBROOK RACES

Lovers of the fast horses will gather at Cranbrook in large numbers for the races on May 18 and 19. Purses to the amount of $2,400 have been hung up, and some of the best horses in the west will be there to compete for them. There will be reduced rates on the railways.

FOR BUSY READERS

Mephis, April 30.—Over five hundred people have been killed and more than eleven hundred injured in the series of tornadoes in Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia, which began Friday morning and are still being reported.

Millions of dollars in property have been destroyed by the windstorms.

Nearly every point which has been visited by the storms reports fatalities.

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Nelson suffered a $37,000 00 fire loss this week and was also without electric light and street cars for two or three days.

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The C. P. R. closed the Winnipeg shops on Saturday last, with the idea of getting ahead of the unions and forestalling a strike, which would involve 10,000 men.

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Twenty-eight men met death by the collision between the American liner St. Paul and the British cruiser Gladiator off the Isle of Wight on Sunday last.

WELL MERITED PROMOTION.

Mr. J. Richardson Roaf has been appointed to fill Mr. McEvoy's place on the Coal Co's staff. Mr. Roaf has been connected with the company for many years and his friends are pleased at his well earned promotion.

WILL BE WORKING SOON

Frank Mines to Start—No Work Since January

Frank April 30—Henry Gebo, former manager of the C.A.C. Co. coal mine and who organised the company at the opening, arrived in Frank yesterday in company with Governor Spriggs of Montana. It is announced that the company will be reorganised at once by Mr. Gebo. Inspector Heathcote, C. Chestnut, mine foreman and Mr. Gebo inspected the mine today and found it in good condition after having been closed for the last three months. It is said that mining will not commence for at least six weeks owing to repairs having to be made on the tipple and many other things to be done. Some forty men will start work at once. Mr. Moore, manager, will be leaving; also Mr. Pearson, mining boss.

Under the capable management of Mr. Samuel McVicar, who is well known, and with the popular Chas. Chestnut as mine foreman, the citizens and miners of Frank should feel very much relieved, and we are sure that things will run perfectly smooth.

The Canadian Collieries Co. of Lille are preparing to commence operations at Lille, several cars having been sent from Frank and now that the Bellevue mine belonging to the same company is working full time and since the arrival of Mr. H. Gebo the new president of the C.A.C & C. Co. of Frank, it is stated he has a contract for coal of six hundred tons per day. Things are looking brighter through the pass.

WON AT LAST.

R. P. Pettipiece has been elected to take charge of the circulation, editorial, news and correspondence columns of "The Trades Unionist" published at Vancouver, B. C. Harry Cowan, an old time printer and newspaperman is secretary of The Trades and Labor Council and J. H. McVety is president. Mr. Pettipiece should fill the bill, as he has been anxious and enthusiastic to obtain such a position.

WALKOUT AT COLEMAN

Interpretation of Scale Agreement Cause of Trouble

At a mass meeting of Coleman miners held on April 29, it was unanimously decided to quit work. The operators of the International Coal and Coke Co. started contract miners on company work with the intention of getting a *reduction on the pillar work*, which is now 55 cents per ton according to the old agreement. The operators desire the miners to work at the company's rate of $3.00 per day, when the agreement calls for 55 cents per ton on the work in dispute.

NELSON NEWS SOLD

The Nelson News has changed hands. F. J. Deane has sold out all his interest, including book debts and good will, to Mr. W. G. McMorris, who for the past year has had charge of the business office.

We wish the new proprietor all good luck, and also bespeak the same for Mr. Deane in his next field, whatever it may be.

DISTRICT OFFICERS ON THE MOVE

President F. H. Sherman was at Roche Percee, Sask., this week, attending the Conciliation Board which was appointed to set the mining rate and conditions of work for Saskatchewan.

John Angus Macdonald, District Secretary-Treasurer, was here on Thursday between trains, and was going to Coleman to look after the affairs of that place.

Our District officers are having a busy time of it these days, and are working hard and untiringly in the interests of the District.

CUSTOMS RETURNS

The following are the customs returns for the month of April, which show a substantial increase over former years:

	Free	Dutiable	Duty col.
1906	$1,755.00	$17,817.00	$4,376.87
1907	1,811.00	24,779.00	6,087.20
1908	11,305.00	64,548.00	17,627.98

Inland revenue is $2,845.32 for April this year.

BREWERY AT SANDON IN ASHES

Sandon, April 30.—The New Brewry of this city, owned by Twogood & Bruder, was burned to the ground this afternoon The fire started at 3 p.m. and it took only a short time for the complete destruction of the building. The origin of the fire is not stated. Loss $15,000. Insurance $6,000.

SOCIAL GATHERING

On Thursday evening the members of Fernie Male Voice Choir, along with a few of their friends were entertained by Mrs. Terry at her home on Pellat Ave. The choir is very much indebted to Mrs. Terry for the interest she takes in the society. The few hours spent under her roof were on the auspicious occasion passed away very pleasantly indeed. Mr. George May, the chairman of the choir, presided during the rendering of the impromptu programme which the conductor of the party, Mr. John Shortman very readily got up. The items on the programme were very creditably gone through by the artists. The chairman on behalf of the choir moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Terry for kindness, which was seconded by Mr. J. J. Hughes Mrs. Terry in response said she was very pleased to meet them all and would be glad to meet them again on some future occasion. This little speech caused the party to rise and sing "For she is a jolly good fellow and so say all of us." A few games were afterwards played. Thus terminated a very happy evening. Owing to pressure on space we must leave over the program which was an attractive one.

The Socialist party have decided to start open air meetings during the summer months, the first of which will be held at corner of Wood St. and Victoria Ave this Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

Easter Novelties

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FERNIE'S LATEST ENTERPRISE

Is The Fernie Brick Co.—Will be Best Equipped Yard in British Columbia

For some few weeks past considerable talk has been going the rounds relative to the brickyard about to be started at Fernie and with a view to a little information for verification a representative of the Ledger strolled to the field of operation possibly a mile to the south of our city. The visit was not in vain, for there, in full activity he found some twenty odd men busily engaged in making way for what is to be the scene of operation of the Fernie Brick Co. All kinds of machinery relative to brickmaking is on the ground and from the enthusiasm displayed it will be but a short time until the real article will be on exhibition and ready for market. Messrs. Todd and Wriglesworth, two of the directors, were on the ground and lost no time in giving explanation of the system to be adopted. These two gentlemen along with some other well known and enterprising citizens amongst whom is Mr. Mutz, have for some time been dealing with the feasibility of making brick that would be marketable and find ready sale and this part of the venture has been successful in so far as obtaining the proper kind of clay is concerned. To better satisfy themselves they have had samples of clay tested at Frank, Alta., Whitefish, Mont., and latterly at Waterloo, Ont. The samples of brick from the clay submitted has proved in every case to be of the finest and we have no hesitancy in saying that no finer brick can be produced in British Columbia. They have an abundant supply of clay and with the machinery for the purpose of brickmaking we see only a grand future for these enterprising gentlemen.

The yard outfit is supplied by Bechtel's Ltd., of Waterloo, Ont., and is most up-to-date in every respect. The capacity of the brick machine is only limited by the power used and will turn out 50,000 first class bricks per day. The bricks are taken direct from the machine to the dryer, which is patented, and in 24 hours 35,000 bricks are ready for the kilns, the dryer having a holding capacity of 180,000 bricks. When completed the yard will be one of the most compact in the west, everything being laid out in number one order.

The management of the plant is in charge of Mr. Freek, who came from Calgary highly recommended, having a wide experience and reputed to be one of the best brickmakers that could be procured.

Some four car loads of machinery is already on the grounds with more to follow, giving one a slight idea of the outlay in the business, and the capital involved. The site is alongside the G. N. railway on the west side, close in and easy accessible for loading brick on cars ready for shipment. To a close observer it will readily be seen that the parties in charge are keen business men and have things arranged to have this plant one of the foremost, if not the best in the west. Brickmaking will be commenced along the early part of June and with the prospects of orders ahead the new firm will be kept busy till away late in the fall. The market for this commodity is almost unlimited in the west and we can see for this enterprise a prosperous and glorious future. More anon.

WOULD NOT DO IT

From the Macleod Chronicle

That good old soul Billy Tuttle, once of Macleod, now mayor of Fernie, has received notice to appear at a court of revision on May 4th next, someone charging that he is not a British subject. If the charge is correct he has no right to the office of mayor, and more than that he must have committed perjury on several occasions in taking the oaths of office. Those who are quite familiar with Mr. Tuttle know that that gentleman would not wilfully commit perjury under any consideration, and the outcome is waited with interest.

GOVERNMENT SIDE OF IMMIGRATION QUESTION

(From the Toronto Globe.)

Ottawa, April, 1908,—Mr. W. D. Scott, Superintendent of Immigration, discussed yesterday with the Globe's correspondent the front page article "Time to Close the Gates," which appeared in a recent issue of the Globe. This contained the suggestion that no commissions should be paid on immigrants booked from countries other than those of Northern Europe. Mr. Scott, in explanation of the government's policy with regard to immigration, took occasion to correct a general misapprehension of what is being done.

"There seems to be a misunderstanding on the part of The Globe that the immigration policy of Canada is the policy of the 'open door.'" he said. "There was a time in the early stages of immigration effort when such was the case, and at the time it was supported almost unanimously in parliament, in the press and throughout the country. The attention of the people of the chief emigrating countries was thus drawn to Canada. But some years ago the government came to recognise that with the continuance of agressive immigration effort there must also be a measureable degree of restriction and exclusion. This idea was embodied in the terms of the immigration act in 1906, and has since been developed and enforced from time to time by such regulations under the provisions of that act as the circumstances seemed to require.

"The impression that the bonus system is responsible for the congestion of labor and the presence of undesirables in some centres of population in eastern Canada is not warraated in any degree. The is and has been for several years past an outflow of people from Europe to both United States and Canada. The movement to the United States has not only not been encouraged by that country, but has been actively discouraged. But notwithstanding the requirement of an actual cash payment to enter the United States, a strict medical examination, and throughout a decided policy of exclusion, it was found that probably forty-five per cent of the million immigrants into the United States in 1907 where of the classes which in Canada to-day are deemed undesirables. It is clear, therefore, that as bonuses were not used to draw them to the United States neither were bonuses needed to attract the same classes to Canada. The favorable conditions of the labor market in both countries up to the end of last summer were the real cause, and so long as those favorable conditions existed no objections were raised in either country. It was a change in the labor conditions which constituted a large part of immigration undesirable, not any change in the character of the immigration itself. It was because the conditions which were necessary for their well being in Canada and the United States had ceased to exist that this class of immigrants became undesirable. And for this change in the conditions the immigration policy of neither country was responsible.

"So far as the payment of bonuses by the Canadian government is concerned, these are used as a means of encouraging only desirable immigrants, and in no sense can it be construed that they are, as at present adminictered, any assistance or inducement to the immigration of undesirables.

"Let me here make it thoroughly understood that assisted immigration is in no form a part of the immigration policy of the Dominion government At no time since the government took office has money been spent directly or indirectly, to assist immigrants to come to Canada, except, of course, in the case of the Doukhobors who were regarded as a persecuted people and were the objects of Canadian sympathy. Owing to the struggles for liberty which were then taking place in Russia, the action of the government was at that time endorsed by all parties. The government's policy and expenditure are simply directed to attracting desirable people. Thousands of dollars are spent for publicity, but not a cent for assistance. The publicity campaign carried on in European countries includes the circulation of printed matter setting forth Canadian conditions, advertising those conditions in the newspapers, the employment of salaried officers, and chiefly in the British Isles of farmer delegates from Canada, and the payment of bonuses to booking agents on the sale of ocean passage tickets to certain specified classes of immegrants to Canada. In connection with the payment of bonuses it should be distinctly understood that the only classes which the department attempts to secure for Canada or on which bonus is paid are those who come to the country to engage in farm work or railway construction, and female domestic servants. At no time for years past has there been a shortage of positions for those desiring farm work, and the scarcity of female domestics is so well known that I need say nothing in that connection. Not only does the department not encourage immigrants of occupations other than those already mentioned, but in its printed literature it actually warns such to remain away unless they have assured positions or sufficient money to maintain themselves until such time as work can

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The Country Mouse.

By TEMPLE BAILEY.

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Felicia packed into a little trunk her one white party dress, a pretty gray dinner gown, a half dozen shirt waists and an extra hat, and away she went to town to visit her cousin, Mary Barnes.

Mary's brother Roger met her at the station.

"Mary is planning no end of things for you," he told Felicia when he had settled her in the carriage. "She is going to give a luncheon and a tea and a theater party and a dance, and half of her friends are enlisted to make you have a good time. It will be a lively existence for you, little girl."

"Oh," Felicia leaned forward, "I shall love it! My greatest excitement for a year has been a church social or a sleigh ride, and I am longing for society."

"Mary spells society with a big 'S,'" Roger told her. "She is a slave to it, and she needs a rest. She is as thin as a wafer and as pale as paper."

"But think what a lovely time she has!" Felicia said, all pink and white with enthusiasm.

"Humph!" Roger said. "You don't know when you are well off, little Felicia."

But Felicia fell on Mary's neck when she reached the great stone mansion.

"I can stay two weeks," she said. "The school board gave me a vacation, and I am going to have the time of my life."

"Indeed you are," Mary said and carried her away to a delectable bedroom, where rose leaves drifted across the wall paper.

"I'll get into my kimono, and then we can talk," Felicia said joyously as she opened her little black bag. But Mary shook her head dubiously. "The girls are coming for luncheon in just a half hour. There are ten of them, and the table decorations are to be in pale pink, because that is your favorite color."

"What shall I wear?" Felicia asked. "I have a gray gown and a white one, and the white one is for evening."

"The gray will be all right with a ducky little knot of pink carnations and lilies of the valley. The florists are doing them that way now, and Roger can get you some."

Roger got the flowers, but the gray gown was not gorgeous, and beside Mary's shimmering chiffon creation Felicia felt depressingly shabby.

But the luncheon was exquisite, and the girls were friendly, and Felicia did not have much time to think of herself, for there was a tea, on immediately after, and she was carried off by Mary and Roger, wearing a long and splendid wrap of Mary's, for her own simple tailor made jacket was out of the question.

"No one will notice that it is mine," Mary assured her, "in the crush," so Felicia, feeling very elegant, swept through the crowded rooms and talked as fast as she could to dozens of people and came out breathless.

"Wasn't it awful?" Roger asked her. "I shouldn't have gone a step if it hadn't been for you."

"It was delightful, Felicia gurgled—"the pretty women, the lights, the music, the ices and everything."

"Humph!" Roger grumbled, and Felicia made a little face at him and said, "You're an unsociable bear, Roger," and Roger said, "Oh, it's such a waste of good material for you to spend your time with such people when you might be talking to me, Felicia."

Felicia opened her eyes wide at that. "Do you like to talk to me, Roger?" she questioned, and Roger laughed and said, "Yes, but you don't deserve it." And Felicia, feeling very much flattered, leaned back in the carriage and peeped at Roger now and then, while Mary mapped out the programme for the next day.

"We will go to the hairdresser's early, Roger, don't you think Felicia will look dear with her hair marceled?"

"I think Felicia looks dear with her hair any way."

"O-o-o-h," murmured Felicia from her corner.

Mary laughed and went on.

"There are the Deering luncheon and three teas and the art exhibit and the Colburns' dinner and a box party after, and then the cotillion."

"Oh, stop!" Felicia pleaded, looking at her cousin with startled eyes. "Do you expect me to do all that in one day, Mary?"

"She does," Roger asserted, surveying his country cousin with melancholy eyes. "and where, oh, where in all that programme will you have a minute to spend with me?"

"I am not worrying about that," Felicia told him, dimpling, "but what am I going to wear, Mary? What am I going to wear?"

"There's your white dress," Mary said slowly.

"But I can't wear that one dress to a luncheon and three teas and a theater party and a dance. What are you going to wear, Mary?"

"My pale blue broadcloth will do for the luncheon and the tea and the view. Then I shall wear white lace to the dinner and the rest of the evening."

"When in all that rush will you find time to change?" was Roger's question.

Mary leaned back in the corner of the carriage. She was very pale, and there were dark circles around her eyes.

"Oh, I don't know; I don't know," she said. "Sometimes I feel as if I were on a treadmill and no one would let me stop."

Felicia looked at her with startled eyes.

"Why, I thought you liked it," she gasped.

Mary straightened up at that.

"Oh, when I get into it," she said, trying to speak lightly, "it's not so bad, but I have felt the strain this winter awfully."

Between rushes that night Roger caught Felicia for a moment alone in the library. "Mary is dreadfully blue," he told her. "She broke her engagement with Bob Carruth in the summer, and she hasn't seen him since, and she misses him."

"What did she break it for?" Felicia asked.

"He wanted her to go south with him and settle in a little town where he could practice medicine, and she wouldn't give up society, and now I think she regrets it."

"Oh," said little Felicia, "if I loved a man I would go to the end of the world with him!"

"Would you?" Roger asked.

"Yes."

"Well, I am leaving for Japan next week," ingratiatingly.

Felicia gazed at him with intense indignation for a moment; then she turned her back on him. "Silly!" she said

When Felicia went to bed that night she was so tired that she could not sleep. The next morning she was as pale as Mary. For a week the two girls dragged their engagements, finishing up on Saturday night with another cotillion.

"Felicia wore her white dress. It was mussed, and she knew that she was not looking her best, but she was so tired that she did not care. Roger had sent her a bunch of violets, and her dance card was filled with names, but the fact gave her no satisfaction.

The fourth dance was Roger's.

"Enjoying it?" he asked briefly as he swung her out into the floor.

"Oh, I am so tired I shall drop," she said. "Can't I go home, Roger?"

She looked so like a little weary child that Roger laughed.

"Baby," he teased and then tenderly, "I'll hunt Mary up, and we will cut the rest of it."

In the carriage Mary collapsed. "I didn't dream I was so tired," she sobbed, with her head on Felicia's shoulder, and Roger, surveying the pair with twinkling eyes, said, "Let me prescribe."

"Well?" came back in muffled agreement.

"You pack your trunk, Mary," he planned, "and go home with Felicia. It's lovely in the country now, and I'll come up and bring Bob Carruth with me."

Mary sat up, with her face ablaze.

"Bob Carruth?"

"Yes. I had a letter from him yesterday. He's coming up for a visit."

Faint pink tinged Mary's cheeks.

"Do you think he will want to see me, Roger?" she asked wistfully, and Roger said gently, "I know he will, Mary."

So Felicia packed her little trunk, and Mary packed a larger one, and away they went to the country, where the trees were crimson and gold and brown and where the air was like wine. And there Bob Carruth and Roger followed them.

"So she is really going to marry him and live in a country town," Roger commented, and he and Felicia followed Mary and her lover along a path that seemed to end in a golden sunset.

"Yes," Felicia said.

"And you are going to marry me and come and live in the city," Roger ventured.

"I haven't promised yet," said little Felicia. "I am afraid that some day I should be saying, 'Give me again my hollow tree, my crust of bread and liberty.'"

"You aren't afraid of anything of the kind," Roger told her. "You know we would live happy ever after."

"Oh, well, if you are so sure," said Felicia as she tucked a confiding hand through his arm and looked up at him with happy eyes, "I guess I shall have to say yes, Roger."

The Bellbird.

The most remarkable thing in connection with the bellbird is its powerful voice. It utters a clear metallic note that can be heard at a distance of three miles. Its noise is like that produced by a blacksmith striking his anvil. Sometimes it repeats its notes in quick succession, sometimes at fairly long intervals. There is no mistake about the voice of this bird; it is loud and piercing and would be heard above the din produced by every inmate of the zoo raising its voice at once.

Except for a space of naked skin on the throat and around the eyes, which during the breeding season is of green color, this bird is pure white. The contrast between the sexes in the bellbirds is extreme, for, while the male is pure white, the female is brownish green. Darwin refers to the bellbird when he points out that "white is a very rare color in terrestrial species of moderate size and inoffensive habits."—Pall Mall Gazette.

In a Bad Way.

There is a Pennsylvania divine who is not averse to telling a good story at his own expense.

Once in addressing a mission meeting in Philadelphia which was attended mainly by sailors the good man had sought to adapt his remarks to his hearers by using nautical similes, and in so doing he ventured somewhat beyond his depth.

"And now what shall we do—what shall we do?"

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GOVERNMENT SIDE OF IMMIGRATION QUESTION

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be secured. It will thus be seen that the unemployed last winter were not those on whom bonus had been paid, neither did they belong to the classes for which the Immigration Department caters.

"The business of a booking agency in Europe is carried on as a separate private enterprise. The agent works under license from his government. He secures the agency for as many systems of transportation as he can, receiving from the lines over which he sells a small commission on each ticket sold. He probably holds agencies for transportation to all parts of the world. The greater the commission received on the ticket sold the greater his eagerness to sell such tickets. On a ticket to Australia he would get a higher commission than on one to Canada, and consequently if he could use any influence in favor of Australia it would naturally be used.

"But to look at it in the more intimate relation of the United States as a competitor, there is naturally a larger movement to the United States than to Canada; therefore it is easier to sell a ticket to the former country, the commission from the steamship companies being the same, $1.75. But if the agent receives in addition to his steamship commission, a bonus of $5 per ticket from the Canadian government, he will naturally exert all the influence he can to induce the immigrant to come to Canada. Some years ago the Canadian bonus was $1.75 per head; and although there was the nominal condition that the immigrant should pass a medical examination, and that he was one who was likely to become a settler on the land, the bonus was paid without much consideration as to the character or the calling of the emigrant.

"In April, 1906, in order to meet the demands for labor in all parts of Canada it was decided to stimulate a movement of farm laborers, railway construction men, and domestic servants. A bonus of $5 was offered British booking agents on those classes only, and shortly after the provisions of the immigration law regarding the exclusion and deportation of undesirables were passed and put into operation. There are some 2,000 booking agents in the British Isles, and the change in the bonus system, accompanied by a generally more aggressive publicity campaign, has produced the results desired. Not only have more people come in the last two years, but there has been a larger proportion of the farming. To such a degree has this been the case that it has been commented on in the British parliament as being contrary to the true interests of the mother land, there being in an issue of one newspaper in the southwest of England over a column of want ads for farm laborers. So that, not only has the immigration policy, including the bonus system, been successful in attracting a much larger number of the class desired, but it has been successful in the face of an increasing need of the same class in Great Britain itself.

"Independent of the general stream of immigration resulting from the policy and action of the government there was another parallel influx created by the great English charitable associations, who, being aware of the demand for labor in Canada, which until last fall had been growing from month to month, saw the opportunity of benefitting the unemployed who were their care, and at the same time of helping to meet the demands for unskilled labor in Canada. A large number of people were through the efforts of those institutions assisted to come to Canada. They did not come as the result of any effort on the part of the Canadian Immigration Department and unless strictly farmers, farm laborers, railway construction men or domestic servants no bonus was paid. As a matter of fact bonuses were only paid on a very small percentage of the tickets of persons who came under such auspices. Even before the change in the labor conditions last fall these immigrants were carefully checked at the port of landing. Those evidently ineligible were excluded. Others who were passed at the port and were afterwards found to be subject to deportation was deported. The change in the labor conditions altered the whole aspect of things. Many who had come out in the latter summer months and secured employment immediately on arrival were thrown out of work by the closing of the factories in which they were employed. Some were of an improvident disposition, and in any case none of them had the chance of putting money by. So they were face to face with a Canadian winter, and without any provision for it. Hardship followed, and they became objects for the charitable consideration of the people in the centres of population in which they were located.

These circumstances have been made the ground for a general attack upon the government's immigration policy, the government and their policy being held responsible for that for which they were not in any way responsible, and against which they had used every reasonable precaution by announcements in their literature and through the medium of their agents. The break in the labor market was not contemplated by either the emigration societies or the steamship companies, and it was found that, not withstanding, the changed conditions in Canada, there was a continuation of the flow of immigration during the fall and winter months. The department therefore felt that it was necessary to take a strong stand and under the provisions of the immigration act a regulation taking effect January 8, 1908, was passed, requiring every immigrant to have $50 in his possession, unless he was coming to stated employment or going to friends who were able to care for him. The transportation companies, and no doubt, the charitable associations, felt this a great hardship, but in view of the altered conditions of the country, the department considered that it was absolutely necessary to take such action, the result of which has been to decrease the ocean port immigration during the winter months of January and February from 10,223 last year to 6,501 this year.

Mr. Bruce Walker, who as assistant superintendent of immigration in London up to the end of last year had had the opportunity of studying conditions in Great Britain and especially the operations of the charitable associations, made a report, upon which the government felt it necessary—in the further carrying out of the restrictive side of their policy—to pass a regulation providing for the prohibition from landing of immigrants coming on assisted passages unless they were first approved by the government agent in Great Britain. The regulation providing that the immigrant must have $50 on arrival remained in force until February 15, when the amount was reduced to $25 It was intended that this regulation should expire on April 1, but it has since been deemed advisable, under existing conditions, to continue it in operation, so that it still stands as a requirement until the end of the year, the department believing that, in the circumstances, it is not in the interests of anyone that any person should land in Canada who is dependent upon his labor for his support unless he either has work in sight, has friends upon whom he can depend, or has money in his pocket with which he can support himself for a reasonable time. The booking agent still has the bonus to induce him to influence the particular class of workers Canada wants, but there is no inducement for him to prefer Canada to the United States in respect of the other classes. These provisions together with the exclusion of assisted immigrants unless approved by our agents in England, fairly illustrate the government's immigration policy at the present time, and give no warrant for the suggested that it is the policy of 'the open door.'

"Regarding immigration from the continent of Europe, the agreement with The North Atlantic Trading Company expired on November 30, 1906. Under that agreement bonuses were payable on immigrants from certain countries only, namely, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Finland, Russia, Germany, Switzerland, and Austria-Hungary. During the years 1900-02 and the first half of 1903 bonuses were paid to The North Atlantic Trading Company on immigrants from Northern Italy of the agricultural class, payment being actually made on 72 farm laborers and domestic servants. From November 30, 1906, there was no bonus on continental immigrants, but in April, 1907, a regulation was made to provide for the payment of $2.50 on the same classes upon which bonuses were payable on the British Isles. In January last this amount was increased to $5. The regulation also contained the provision that bonus was only to be paid on tickets sold to citizens of the country in which the booking agent operated, and further, that the agent himself must have been selected by the assistant superintendent of immigration in London. The purpose of this was to guard, as far as possible, against complications with the governments of the several countries which were opposed to emigration. By paying only on tickets sold by selected booking agents, the Canadian government are secured as to the character and responsibility of the persons selling passages, and offence to the governments of the countries from which the people emigrate is expected to be avoided.

"Booking agents have been selected in only the following countries: Norway, Denmark, Holland, Belgium, France, and Finland. It will be observed that these do not include Austria-Hungary or Russia proper, to the citizens of which the writer in the Globe desires to have the gates shut. No bonuses have been payable or have been paid by the department on citizens coming from those countries since November, 1906.

"There have been difficulties in carrying out the policy of deporting undesirables. It was found that in the case of an undesirable coming from a country other than that of his citizenship the country from which he came could not be required to receive him, and the transportation company which brought him could not be compelled to take him back to the country of his citizenship. So a regulation was passed on January 8, 1908, to provide for the exclusion of undesirables arriving under such circumstances. This regulation was found to be chiefly applicable on the Pacific coast to Japanese arriving from the Sandwich Islands and Hindoos arriving from Hong Kong, but it is also applicable on the east coast to people from southeastern Europe or western Asia, who in many cases were or became undesirable. This regulation was set aside by the court in Vancouver a few days ago as not being in proper form, but it was immediately re-enacted in an amended form, but to the same effect, and is now in force.

"While the policy of the government is strongly aggressive as ever in the direction of securing the settlement of the land by desirable people it is at the same time just as strongly restrictive and exclusive in regard to undesirables, to those who are not likely to become good and permanent citizens of the country, or to those for whom conditions as they are to-day do not offer such fair and reasonable opportunities for their well being as they should have. The policy of exclusion and restriction is the counterpart of our policy of aggressive attraction. With the territory and resources Canada possesses it must be admitted that her pressing need is more people to occupy the one and develop the other; but while that is so, she needs only the people that are suited to meet her requirements. Others, who are unsuitable, are liable to become a burden upon development and not an aid to it.

"When it is considered that the immigration of last year amounted to 277,376, an increase of 62,000 over the previous year and of 260,541 over 1896, and when the sudden change in labor conditions last fall is remembered it is not a matter for wonder that there was some congestion of labor in the centres of population in eastern Canada during the past winter. The fact that there was so little disturbance of labor conditions shows the stupendous absorbing power of Canada, that the need for this immense number of immigrants existed, that without an accession to her population her progress must have been seriously affected, and that if her progress is to be maintained immigration effort must be continued."

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THE RIGHT TO WORK

We have heard several citizens complaining of the action of the city council in hiring Hindus for road construction when so many white men are out of employment.

The city fathers are not entirely to blame, however. When the ancient waggoner's cart got stuck in the mud and he knelt down and prayed Hercules to assist him Hercules told him to put his shoulder to the wheel and make an effort himself. Some short time since we advised the unemployed to petition the government and endeavor to force them if possible into opening public works. So far no such steps have been taken. The Hindu element were starving. The city decided to help them. If the city feeds them it might as well have something in return, so they were put to work.

But what about the white unemployed? What about those men who have been in the country and this city for several years, who are now spending several hours a day travelling backward and forward to Coal Creek and all over the lumber camps seeking an opportunity to earn a living? Are the city fathers interested in them? No not they. But if the unemployed would put their shoulder to the wheel they would soon make themselves of interest to the city fathers.

The local miners union has assessed its membership five per cent to help keep the unemployed. A large number of their members have also property taxes to pay to the city. They are therefore not only helping to keep their own craft brethren but are forced to keep an undesirable element imported here for the express purpose of breaking down the present decent standard of living. And these corporation mouthpieces—hireling newspapers— will rave about Trades Unions being like little boys on a berry patch, and some of the public, who believe they get the truth from such sources, echo the cry. Verily a mighty thorny berry patch Fernie is at this present writing, and few and insipid are the berries to be gathered thereon.

One of the most potent arguments against the Right to Work bill recently defeated in the Imperial House was that it would be establishing a dangerous precedent The city council has established this dangerous precedent. Let the unemployed take advantage of it. If they can find Hindus work they can and should be forced to find Europeans work.

The Asiatic nuisance forsooth. The Asiatic calamity would be a more appropriate term.

WHENCE COMES CAPITAL?

Capital advances money to labor. So the university economists say. It might be pertinent to ask where does capital come from. In an otherwise world of cause and effect it cannot stand out alone the one effect without a cause.

We do not choose to go into all the intricacies of this problem here but shall call attention to the admission of Thomas E. Ryan before a special jury in New York city investigating the Metropolitan traction deals. "We understand then," asked a juror "that the roads only cost about five per cent. of the capital issued. They were built with bonds." "They were built with bonds," replied Ryan. "The Union Pacific Railroad was built with bonds and got a land grant worth $250,000,000 from the government besides."

"And the Atchison the same," questioned another juror. "Atchison the same," said Ryan.

When the Standard Oil took over the Union Pacific through Harriman, their agent, about ten years ago they used little of their own money in the transaction. After acquiring the stock they issued bonds which they deposited in the banks as a security for a loan, wherewith to pay for the stocks. These bonds were then sold to the investing public and the capitalists had their railroad, but what did they pay for it. To all intents and purposes practically nothing. What enormous risks capitalists run. Nor is the evidence of Ryans isolated and singular. We are continually hearing similar expressions from all classes of men. Ex-president John Mitchell opposed a motion at the mine workers convention calling all workers to withdraw their money from the bank because he said it would stagger industry. Where does capital come from? Well, in short, from the difference between what the laborer produces and what he receives in wages.

Time for a Change

It is time he had a full dinner pail. How soon will he? "God knows."

PRESENTATION

An interesting little event took place April 27th in one of the rooms of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co., Ltd. office, when the staff under the chairmanship of Mr. Hurd, general manager, assembled to bid good bye to Mr. McEvoy, who leaves its employment to join a new enterprise in the Calgary district of which the Ledger gave particulars last week. On the invitation of the chairman, Mr. Roaf, who succeeds Mr. McEvoy as chief engineer of the M. F. & M. Ry. made the presentations, which consisted of a handsomely fitted suit case along with choice pieces of jewellry for Mrs. McEvoy and their little daughter, Dorothy. In presenting the gifts, Mr. Roaf in a few well chosen words referred to the long connection of Mr. McEvoy with the company and the high respect and esteem in which he had always been held by those associated with him. Mr. McEvoy suitably replied and assured those present that he would always look back with pleasant memories of the days spent in Fernie.

The local Odd Fellows celebrated the 89th anniversary of the founding of their order by attending divine service in the opera hall last Sunday; Mount Fernie Lodge No. 47 and Esther Rebekah Lodge No. 20 marched to the opera house preceded by the Salvation Army band. The Baptist minister, the Rev. I. W. Williamson preached a very suitable and acceptable sermon. The turnout was an imposing spectacle upon our streets and reflected credit on both lodges. The singing was a feature of the service, the rendering of solos being well done, also the singing by the Male Quartette. After the service they marched to the Coal Co's grounds where a group photo was taken by that successful photographer, Mr. Simmonds. We will reproduce a scene of the march next issue.

J. Moe and wife, of Nelson, passed through Fernie Thursday morning on No. 5.

MALE VOICE CHOIR

Are you interested in music? If so, do you know of the existence of a male voice party here? There is, and a good one at that. Their practices are held in the school house (kindly lent for the purpose) on Sunday afternoons at 3.30 p. m. and on Tuesday evenings at 7.30 p.m. We would give an invitation to those who are musically inclined especially a few good first tenors. There are upwards of 46 members and would like to have more.

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ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Wood entertained a number of their friends with a most enjoyable bridge party Thursday night.

J. R. Wilson, of the Bank of Commerce staff, has been removed to the Penticton branch. He will be much missed in amateur sports here, being one of the best all-round athletes in Fernie.

Rev. Mr. Williamson went to Spokane Wednesday, accompanying Mr. Murdock McLean, who has just left the hospital after a severe attack of typhoid fever and pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Cook left Wednesday on the eastbound train for Bow Island, were they will spend some time. He was lately in Mr. Bleasdale's drug store.

Mr. C. W. Sheppard, employee of Messrs. Whimster & Co., hardware merchants, is leaving next week and going to Hosmer to take charge of the tinsmithing, plumbing and heating department for Messrs. Bennett brothers of that town. His many friends wish him a successful future.

An exciting incident was witnessed at the C.P.R. station on Saturday evening, the 25th ult. When No. 6 was leaving the station a man tried to jump on the rear portion, when the train was moving at a pretty fast speed. He missed his footing but luckily for the man he managed to catch hold of the rail at the rear, but his feet were in danger of being dragged under the train. T. E. Oakley, chief clerk of the freight shed, seeing the man's imminent danger, succeeded in getting hold of the man, but he could not let go. He managed, however, to get his feet on the platform, but the train had to be stopped. His name is unknown, but he is apparently an Englishman who was trying to to get a free ride.

IN THE MATTER OF the estate of Damiani Assunta Passerini, late of Fernie, B. C., deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Damiani Assunta Passerini deceased, who died on or about the 10th day of March, 1908, are required on or before the 9th day of May, 1908, to send by post prepaid or deliver to Mr. L. P. Eckstein, of Fernie, B. C., solicitor for the administrator, their christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts and the nature of their securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after suh last mentioned date the said administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice, and that the said administrator will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by him at the time of such distribution.

Dated this 2nd day of April, 1908.

L. P. ECKSTEIN,
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W. W. CORY,
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Dated this 25th day of April 1908. 4t

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The District Ledger

Official Organ of District NO. 18, U. M. W. of A.

FERNIE, B. C., MAY 2ND, 1908

OUR CRITIC AGAIN SAYS

THAT he does not see the drift of the Free Press editorial skit on the unemployed. Are the police to arrest a man because he is unfortunate enough to be out of work. That might be the Free Press editor's idea. But he is entitled to just one more idea yet.

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THAT he would like to see a subscription started for the erection of a good band stand for our band.

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THAT as the summer is now on us, it is time we had some place for our band to play. It is the best band in the Pass and he would like to see it helped out.

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THAT the curfew law is a very wise thing to have enforced in our town. The younger generation are better indoors at a respectable time.

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THAT the new members of the police force are doing their duty under the direction of the mayor, in a very commendable way. This is such a sudden change that he thinks to celebrate the event he will buy a new summer hat. The mayor informed him that he is not going to have any men on the force in future that will not do their duty. The old system is going to be entirely wiped out.

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THAT while not wishing to take any credit to himself, he sees that a great number of the evils he has been remarking about from time to time are being looked after. This fact shows that the "critics" have not been altogether bare of fruit. By the roasts that some people try to hand him he must have touched a tender spot somewhere. That is precisely what he is trying to do.

LETHBRIDGE

No. 3 shaft of the A. K. & I. Co. is working very slack at present. Three days is all that has been done during the last two weeks, and there is not much sign of improvement for some time to come. Quite a number of the younger members of local union No. 574 U.M.W. of A. have quit the mine and started work with the different grading outfits that are at work on the new cutoff between Lethbridge and Macleod.

Local Union No. 574 will hold their second smoking concert of the season in the Labour Temple on Saturday, the 2nd of May, to commence at 8 p.m., open to union men only.

Thursday, the 23rd of April being St. George's Day, a smoking concert was held in Oliver's hall, under the auspices of the Sons of England Benefit Society and was a rousing success. C. F. P. Conybeare, K.C., D.C.S., occupied the chair and during the evening delivered a very stirring address on "Englishmen and their National Day."

Mr. R. Livingstone of the colliery department of the A. K. & I. Co. has been appointed mine inspector of Lethbridge and district and will shortly take over his new duties. Mr. Livingstone is a young man of undoubted ability, who has worked himself up from the ranks, and in his new position he will carry the best wishes of those whose lot it has been to work with him in the past.

There has been considerable rain fall during the week which is fully appreciated by the farmers of this district.

Everything points to a good crop for the year 1908, as there is not one report of winter killed wheat from the surrounding districts.

The attendance report of the principal of the Central school for the month of April showed that there were 592 pupils enrolled, as against 446 for the same month last year, the average attendance being 494 and 369 respectively, an average of 83 per cent in each case

A considerable number of dwelling houses are being erected at the present time, but work in the building line is not bright enough yet to warrant mechanics coming here as there is abundance of men who follow the various building trades.

COAL CREEK

At the concert held at Coal Creek on Friday last the following artists took part: R. H. Nesbitt, T. Biggs, R. Sampson, Geo. Dingsdale, Joe Simpson, the Puckey Bros., Miss Cissy McCourt, Maggie Smith, Edith Biggs, Joan O'Brien, Adelaide Jones. Sid Earp also gave a song and clog dance which were very good. Pat Miller was the accompanist.

Geo. O'Brien was chairman and filled the position in his usual capable manner. This was one of the best concerts ever held at Coal Creek.

BAYNES

Miss Jennie Adolph came in on Saturday from Brandon, where she has been spending the winter.

Mr. Rance and family left for Kalispel, Montana, on Wednesday. He has been with the Great Northern at Baynes the past year as section foreman.

The Kootenay River Land Co. disposed of six tracts of their land last week to parties from Washington and Oregon.

We are having ideal weather here now. The wild flowers are in bloom, the birds are singing sweetly and everything betokens that spring is here in all its glory.

The shipments of lumber for Baynes are much heavier now than at any time during the past six months.

Mr. P. McConnel's family, of the Island Hotel, will leave for Vancouver this week, where they will make their future home. Mr. McConnel will remain at the hotel as central for the Cranbrook Telephone Company.

Dr. Gladuin left for Vancouver this week.

Mr. Curry, of Spokane, was a business caller on D. W. Hart last week.

The Kootenay River Land Co. is building a large log club house for the entertainment of summer visitors and those who are interested in looking over the land.

Little Miss Marguerite Griffith entertained a party of her young friends on Friday afternoon in honor of her fourth birthday. All had amost enjoyable time, and Marguerite has won the reputation of being a fine hostess.

HOSMER

On Friday, April 24th, 36 cars, all loaded to their full capacity with building material for the Hosmer mines, were side tracked at Hosmer, and during the month of April the freight receipts for the place will exceed $30,000.

The contract for the building of 22 more dwelling houses here has been allotted to Mr. Spafford, of Calgary. Steps will be taken at once, and the completion of these houses at an early date is desired by a number of men who have their families here and expect to occupy the houses when they are finished.

The secretary of the Hosmer School Board has received a communication from H. C. Young, Minister of Education, instructing the Board to proceed at once to have a two roomed school erected, to be completed by the beginning of the next term. The school attendance is increasing daily. The present number of pupils registered at the school is 48, and the present accommodation is insufficient for more than two-thirds of the school population.

F. MacFarlane, representative of the Kelly & Silkstone Tailoring Co., of Toronto, was in the city on April 29th and registered at the Pacific Hotel.

Mr. Wm. Taylor has lately been left in charge of a large force of men working nights for the construction of the tipple and at the present time both day and night forces are at this work.

Mr. S. Slinn, manager of the boarding house for the Hosmer mines, has recently let the contract to Contractors Digby and Walde, of this place, for a three storey building. The contractors have already begun their work of excavation. The size of the building is to be 30 feet by 60 feet, and to be used as a bakery when completed.

The Queen's Hotel is completely filled, and Mr. Gourley, the manager, expects to have an addition put to it in the near future.

E. R. MacFarlane left here on Sunday morning for Cranbrook, where he has been visiting relatives, returning to the city on Tuesday. Mr. MacFarlane speaks highly in favor of Cranbrook, and says the city is lively in every respect. The work of seeding is going on very rapidly, the lumber mills are preparing to resume their operations, and men no longer walk the streets vainly looking for work. The prospects for a busy summer all through this district are good at the present time.

The following are the officers of the Hosmer football club:

Hon. Pres.—Robt. Drinnin.

Pres—W. Reid.

Hon. Vice Pres—P. D. Thompson, R. L. Thorne, H. B. Fuller, P. Miller.

Vicce Pres—H. McDonald.

Man. Com—P. Reid, P. Stuart, W. McFegan, D. Bothwick, A. Tendron, W. Kay.

Vice Capt—W. McFegan.

Capt—H. Allen.

Sel Com—P. Oaker, A. Hartwill, D. Bothwick.

Sec—A. J. Pratt.

The company have rightly done their share in uplifting this new enterprise by granting them a very suitable location, which will be directly opposite the Queen's Hotel. The work of clearing and properly preparing the grounds will be taken in hand at the very earliest date, and not a stone will be left unturned in the making of this club a credit not only to Hosmer but to the whole of the South East Kootenay.

BANKHEAD

The match between Banff and Bankhead, which should have been played on Saturday, did not come off owing to a fall of snow on Friday night. The game will be played in the near future.

The challenge which was given out in this paper a week ago by the Lanks has been taken up by the Scots, and the match will be played in the near future to $1,000. No date is fixed yet.

The Bankhead mines are still running half time.

The I.O.O.F. held their 98th anniversary on Sunday, April 26th. Mr. Hagyeth, of Banff, addressed the meeting. There was a good number out.

Mr. Galloway has left for the Coast. Mr. Galloway will be missed by the Bankhead brass band. He was one of their best players. A few of Mr. Galloway's friends spent the whole day showing him different points of interest around the district.

Mr. Robert Muir has left for Scotland, but is expected to return.

Mr. Pyatt, the barber, has gone on a trip to one of the Southern States to visit his family. He will be back by the 20th of May to wait upon boys.

CRICKET LEAGUE

A meeting of delegates was held at Calgary on April 1st to form a cricket league. The following delegates were present: Hillhurst, Mr. Maurice Carr; St. John's, Mr. Stagg; Sheep Creek, Mr. Josephs; Calgary, Mr. Bryant. Mr. Carr presided.

Moved by Mr. Josephs that the entrance fee to the league be $5, and if greater expenses are incurred that each club shall pay an equal share towards defraying expenses.

Moved by Mr. Bryant that Hillhurst, St. John's, Sheep Creek, Banff, and Bankhead as one team, and Calgary constitute District No. 1 of the Southern Alberta Cricket League.

Moved by Mr. Josephs that any cricket clubs that form a district south of High River constitute District No. 2.

Moved by Mr. Josephs that no member shall play for more than one club in the league, and shall stay with the first he plays for this season.

Moved by Mr. Josephs that no game be won by default.

Moved by Mr. Bryant that the standing of clubs in the league be decided by points.

Moved by Mr. Stagg that each win counts five points, and a draw two points each in league matches.

Moved by Mr. Bryant that all clubs in District No. 1 play home and home matches, and should another district be formed then the teams play off for the winners of said District, then the winners of District No. 1 and the winners of No. 2 or any other District play off for championship of Southern Alberta and champions then have the right to challenge Calgary cricket club for the Van Wart challenge cup.

Moved by Mr. Bryant that a copy of the scores of each match be sent to every club, each score book to be signed by scorers.

Moved by Mr. Josephs that in the event of a club failing to bring their own scorer or umpire the league shall be empowered to appoint official scorer or umpire, and said official's expenses to be paid by that club and no less than three days' notice be given by that club.

Moved by Mr. Bryant that the league appoint official scorers and umpires for the finals of the league and the challenge match expenses of officials to be paid by the league.

Moved by Mr. Stagg, seconded by Mr. Bryant, that Mr. Carr be president of the league. Mr. Jephson was elected secretary of the league.

Mr. Stagg, Mr. Josephs and Mr. Bryant were appointed executive committee of the league.

SCHEDULE OF GAMES

May 23—Hillhurst v. Sheep Creek.
25—Calgary v. St. John's.
30—Hillhurst v. Calgary.
June 6—St. John's v. Sheep Creek.
13—Sheep Creek v. Hillhurst.
20—St. John's v. Calgary.
27—Calgary v. Sheep Creek.
27—St. John's v. Hillhurst.
July 11—Calgary v. Hillhurst.
11—Sheep Creek v. St. John's.
18—Sheep Creek v. Calgary.
18—Hillhurst v. St. John's.

The home team is mentioned first in each instance.

BYE-ELECTION

There are indications that Mr W. R. Ross, M.P.P., will receive a cabinet appointment in the B.C. government in the near future and in order to be prepared for eventualities a convention is to be called at the Miners Hall, Fernie, on Sunday, May 10th, 1908, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of nominating a candidate and mapping out a campaign.

The candidates will be selected according to the constitution of the Socialist party of Canada. All unions of organised labor in this district are invited to send delegates who must have credentials signed by the president and secretary of their respective unions.

Fraternally yours,
THE ELECTION COMMITTEE,
S. P. of C. Local 17.

COLEMAN

Fred Smith who runs the box car loader, was injured on the 25th, and had to be carried to the hospital. He was not hurt as bad as was at first supposed, and commenced to work again on the 28th.

The Lawn Tennis Club are hard at work preparing their ground for the coming season. It will be ready for business in a few days.

Mr. Oliphant, who has recently returned from England, was unfortunate enough to have a horse killed on the track a few days ago.

Mr. Adam Paterson, formerly of the Pacific Hotel, has taken over the dining room of the Union Hotel.

Mr. J. Oliphant, an old timer in Coleman, has returned from his trip to England with his newly made wife. The boys of Coleman wish him much happiness.

The International Coal & Coke Co. are laying off men every day. Their output has averaged over 2,000 tons per day, which has got to be curtailed to 1,400.

The Football Team are practising and getting in form to carry off the honors of the Pass this season.

A meeting of several of the townspeople was held on Monday night to consider the raising of funds for a bowling green. A committee was selected to canvass the town and report on Thursday night.

The Odd Fellows of Coleman marched to church last Sunday, when about ninety took part in the parade. The Rev. Mr. Webb gave a very eloquent sermon on the power of thought, which was greatly appreciated by the Odd Fellows assembled in church.

The Coleman Local S. P. of C. held their regular meeting on Sunday night. Speeches were made by several members. New members are being enrolled steadily and the members are confident of doing much good along these lines. If some of those who are going around speaking on Socialism would call at Coleman, their efforts and help would be appreciated.

Last week, while Mr. Ed. Tompkins was bringing a cow down from Mr. Good's ranch, it became obstinate, and held up a portion of Slav town. The Slav boys turned out armed to the teeth with sticks and rocks. After much trouble they won the day, but not the next. The following day they were arrested and fined $8 for cruelty to the animal.

There is a co-operative store also in town run by the miners. This store paid a dividend of 25 per cent. to all the share holders after running five months. All the people who trade at the store are very well pleased with the efficient manner in which it has been run and are showing their appreciation of the fact by pointing out to other men who do not belong to it the benefits received from co-operation. The committee who are directing the affairs are an energetic crowd of miners and are endeavoring to make it during the coming year more successful than ever. It is the intention of this society to establish branches in the near future in some of the nearest towns, and after working these up to still branch further until they have branches in most of the mining camps of Alberta and British Columbia.

The contract for the Coleman Miners' Hall and Opera House is let to Mr. Disney, builder and contractor, of Coleman. Mr. Disney is now on the ground and making preparations for an early start. The contract for the heating apparatus has been let to Mr. J. Hill, also of Coleman, who will install steam heat throughout the hall, offices and basement. The hall will be built on the main street and will be quite an addition to the town. It will have a seating capacity for about 700 people, the body of the hall to hold 500 and a gallery to hold 200. The stage will be an important feature. One of the drawbacks in most of the halls through the Pass is the small stages, and the Coleman people felt that if there was an opportunity to get good companies by having a large stage they would have them. The stage will be 22 feet by 42 feet, and we think this will enable most of the shows travelling along the Pass to show off to advantage. This hall will belong exclusively to the miners, who feel that they are just as capable of running things in a business like manner as any of the people they formerly allowed to do business for them who used to pocket the money as well as the honor. The miners here have their own hospital board, who see to the running of it, and it is being worked at less expense to the men than the miners in other camps pay for treatment in a private hospital, and after this there is the satisfaction of being able to say it is the miners' hospital.

NOTICE

Headquarters of A. Guthrie & Co., at Fernie, will be closed not later than June 1st. All bills, statements of account, or claims of whatever sort or nature, should be turned in before May 15th and will be promptly paid. Bills received after that date are liable to delay in payment."

Yours truly,
C. I. SUTHERS.

MERRITT

The Diamond Vale Coal Co. are making regular shipments of coal. The large hoist installed is working satisfactorily and has a capacity of five tons. The large trestle and tipple are nearly completed, and have all the most modern improvements. The company are also sinking down to the next seam of coal and doing considerable development work at the first seam. They are also busy seeding their farm, putting in all kinds of roots and vegetables for the boarding house and local markets.

Mr. G. B. Armstrong is building a large warehouse to his store, space demanding it for his increasing trade.

Rick Frazer, of the Nicola Herald, has moved his press here with additional new machinery. Rick is going around all smiles. He belongs to the same school as Jim Grier and Lowery, of the Greenwood Ledge, and is also a personal friend of Peck McSwain. He left on Tuesday's train as delegate to the Conservative Convention held at Vernon.

The Diamond Vale boys played Middlesborough a game of football on Saturday, April 18th. Result—Middlesborough, 3; Diamond Vale, 1.

The Church of England held a very successful bazaar here last Monday, with all the usual good things on the stalls, baby show and Limerick competition. Over $200 was cleared, which shows great credit for the ladies.

There was great excitement and fun here last Tuesday at the election of of school trustees. The union boys were determined to elect two of their members, which they did with large majorities. The candidates and number of votes recorded were as follows:

McDonald, carpenter.....20
McIntyre, hotel keeper.....18
Wade, union man.....60
Cleasby, magistrate.....35
Voght, farmer..... 4
Brooks, union man.....29
Armstrong, store keeper.....3
Jackson.....11
Eastwood, butcher.....10

The two union men are Socialists, and at the Dominion election they say they will go more solid.

U. S. Thomas has moved into his fine new house.

The Diamond Vale football club elected the following new officers last Monday: Hon. President, T. J. Smith, managing director Diamond Vale Coal Co.; hon. vice-president, Dr. Tutill; vice-president, B. P. Little, M.E.C.E. Diamond Vale Coal Co.; captain, E. Towe; secretary, F. Beban; treasurer, D. Nekrew.

The different committees dealing with the arrangements for the celebration to be held on May 25th are sparing no efforts to make it a success. The finance committee report $1,000 in the treasury.

A lawn tennis court club was formed here last week, the admission to which is $5.00; ladies free. President, Ben Browitt; vice-president, H. Lawes; Secretary, P. Haron.

J. Grahame is meeting with success in his prospect for the B. C. Amalgamated Co. The diamond drill is working satisfactorily for this company, having got down to bed rock.

Howell John has got his new house about completed.

Mrs. J. Addie arrived from England on Wednesday's train. Mr. Addie met her at Spence's Bridge.

Fred Paige has moved his blacksmith shop from Lower Nicola.

A man named Mike Maraljo was fatally injured at Canmore on Sunday by a cave in.

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SOCIALISTS MEET IN FERNIE

On May 23rd—First Inter-Provincial Convention Called in Canada

The fair city of Fernie has been the choice of the Socialists in Alberta and British Columbia and the first inter-provincial convention of the Socialist party of Canada will be held on May 23rd.

The honor conferred on this city is not wholly undeserved, and it reflects the high opinion of the great young political movement in the two sister provinces, of the untiring work of the Fernie Socialists, who have never faltered when carrying the banner of revolt against the blood reeking economic sysytem called Capitalism.

The growth of Socialism in Canada has been phenomenal. Canada of all countries; the country extolled to the heavens as the panacea for the poverty and over population of the older lands. To the uninitiated, the growth of the Canadian Socialist movement seems peculiar, for on the surface of things Canada should be least affected, but the stubborn fact remains, Socialism has taken root on Canadian soil and will spread until Capitalism is choked out of existence. Socialism is the antitheses of Capitalism! One or the other must die. Capitalism is old and decrepit; it is time to ring down the curtain.

The movement in Canada has been tried in the fires of adversity and has proved its fitness to survive, and one, looking backward to the early trials of that little band of workingmen on the Pacific coast who first inaugurated the organisation, wonders how they ever accomplished what has been done.

In British Columbia the progress has been most marked and all owing to the fact that Capitalism was more intensified than in the other provinces; the issue was clean cut, the Capitalist and the Laborer, with a never ending conflict of interests between them. With the development of the Kootenays and the building of the Crows Nest Pass railway (which was built by the workers in return for "overalls and tobacco,") the Socialist movement spread, finding adherents in every camp from Revelstoke to Crows Nest, and Fernie especially, including Coal Creek and Michel, became strongholds of Socialism.

It is in the order of fitness that this city should have been chosen for this convention for in the last analysis the "new idea" which is spreading so rapidly over Alberta, the germ of "divine discontent," travelled from Fernie, securely packed in a commodity called "labor power," the peddlers of which descended from the mountains to the plains, teaching their associates the mystery of "surplus value;" and "the people heard them gladly."

And now the untiring efforts of those men, many of whom have fallen by the wayside, some lie in unmarked graves, others scattered to the four winds of heaven, has borne fruit, and in the fullness of time when the present order of things will have succumbed to the "eternal change," history will record that in the city of Fernie, British Columbia, on May 23rd, 1908, a number of working men assembled to discuss the ways and means of making this 'vale of tears', a land of promises"—fulfilled.

We hope to see those stalwarts, Comrades Hawthornthwaite, Williams and McInnes, whose uncompromising stand for labor has been noted and remembered by the workers of all Canada; that a great welcome shout will greet them, we feel assured; in addition, we expect to see that "cheery old grouser," Comrade E. T. Kingsley, editor of the Western Clarion, and the father of the Canadian Socialist movement.

From Alberta will come new blood; but equally as staunch as "the old guard," artisans, farmers, miners and the lowly "common laborer;" mayhap rough unlettered men, as were a few historic men of the first century, and as alike, filled with a faith that will remove mountains. These men will come to voice the sentiments of comrades enrolled under the red flag symbolising a common brotherhood. They are numerous today! tomorrow they will be a multitude working out their destiny as a class.

"Their blood red banner streams afar,
Who follows in their train!"

OBSERVANT.

PREVENT THE FOREST FIRES

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." The protection of a forest from fire is one of the best possible illustrations of the old saying; for often a few minutes spent in thoroughly extinguishing a camp fire or a quarter of an hour passed in putting out an incipient blaze may mean, and often has meant, the saving of many thousands of dollars' worth of timber. This is the main idea of the patrol system carried on in the Ontario and Quebec forests for years past; what is aimed at is to discover the fire in its early stages and put it out then, before it has a chance to reach large proportions.

Small forest fires do a tremendous amount of damage which is not realized. Such fires, burning in the dead leaves and other litter of the forest ("surface" fires) or consuming the soil itself ("ground" fires) wound the roots and bases of the trees and these wounds give an entrance to fungi and insects.

In places in the Riding Mountain forest reserve, in Manitoba, it is found that, among the poplar trees, three out of every four are affected with rot in the "butt" log—i.e., the log nearest the stump—a condition which is due to the fact just mentioned, as the reserve has been repeatedly burned over in years past.

Most to be feared, of course, are the fires which consume the entire forest, the "crown" fires. Evidence of many of these can be seen in mile after mile of the wooded districts of Canada, where charred black trunks are all that is left of what was once a thick, green forest. Occasionally even more serious disasters occur, as in the well-known Miramichi, N.B., fire of October 1825, where 160 lives were lost and a quarter of a million pounds sterling were lost in property consumed.

WHOOPING COUGH.

"In February our daughter had the whooping cough. Mr. Lane of Hartland, recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and said it gave his customers the best of satisfaction. We found it as he said, and can recommend it to anyone having children troubled with the whooping cough," says Mrs. A Goss, of Durand, Mich. For sale by all druggists.

HARD COAL IN B. C.

The New York Tribune says: "Most Americans who read about the great mountain of anthracite coal revealed by a landslide near Albert Canyon, in the Canadian Northwest, were doubtless surprised at this report, and many may question its accuracy. There is good reason, however, to accept it at face value. Geological surveys conducted by the Canadian government and various private parties have disclosed the fact that on the eastern slope of the Canadian rockies in British Columbia, there exists an undeveloped coal field probably much larger than the entire state of Pennsylvania. If only a fraction of the deposits prove to be high grade and accessible, the vast northwestern districts of both Canada and the United States would be greatly benefited. In combination with the enormous water power of mountain streams out there, the coal supply may, at some not distant day, fill those grain, cattle and timber lands with flour mills, packing houses, canning factories and lumber mills.

FREE BOOKS FOR B.C. SCHOOLS

Vancouver, B. C., April 30—All arrangements have been made by the provincial government for the distribution of free books and supplies among different schools in British Columbia.

Hon. Dr. Young, minister of education, stated yesterday that orders had been placed with Gage and Co., Toronto, and Morang & Co., of the same city for the standard readers and arithmetics. It was the intention to supply all material used in the lower grades in the reading, arithmetic and writing.

VILLAGE WAS OVERWHELMED

Thirty People Killed in Snowslide in Quebec Village

Buckingham, Que., April 28.—A terrible disaster occurred early yesterday morning at Notre Dame De La Sallette, a little hamlet about eighteen miles northeast from Buckingham, by which over thirty people lost their lives. The hamlet is situated on Lievre, at the foot of a hill, and about 5 o'clock in the morning, when most of the villagers were in their beds, a tremendous landslide occurred. An enormous mass of earth and snow rushed down the mountain side and engulfed several houses with all their occupants. Owing to the remote location of the hamlet and the fact that it has neither railway, telegraph nor telephone communication, details of the catastrophe are very hard to get. Requests have been sent to Buckingham for twenty-five coffins, and these have already been sent.

The news of the terrible disaster was brought to Buckingham by Mr. Brasseau, hotel keeper of Poupore, a nearby village. He states that a considerable portion of the mountain, which is on the opposite side of the Lievre river to Notre Dame De La Sallette, suddenly became detached and was hurled down the steep side, crossing the river and completely burying several houses in the village with all their occupants.

Immediately upon receipt of the news at Buckingham all the doctors in the place with a large force of men responded to the call for aid, and drove to Notre Dame De La Sallette, while a procession of wagons took twenty-five coffins to the scene.

It is now known that seven houses were overwhelmed and all their occupants killed. The face of the hill for a height of sixty feet fell over to a length of about half a mile along the Lievre river, precipitating the mass into the river and for about 500 yards on the other side of it, smothering everything in its way under yards of earth, several families having been completely wiped out. The known dead are, as far as can be learned:

Adelard Murray, aged 37.

Mrs. Joseph Murray and following children—Hermidas Murray, aged 12; Wilfred Murray, aged 11; Florence Murray, aged 8; Ina Murray, aged 6; and Adelard Murray, aged 5.

Mrs. August Lariviere, aged 32, and her four children.

Mrs. Napoleon Charron and the following three children—Amanda, aged 3; Adelard, aged 2; and Joseph William, aged 6 months.

Cleophas Deslauriers, aged 33, and the following children—Damien, aged 11; Wilfrid, aged 8; Albert, aged 7; Lucien, aged 3; Albertine, aged 18 months; and Floretta, aged 6 months.

George Morrisette, aged 9.

Mrs. Emma Lapointe, aged 79, and her five grandchildren as follows—Daniel, aged 19; Edward, aged 14; Arthur, aged 12; Angus, aged 8; and Henry, aged 6.

Mrs. Paul Desjardins and her stepson Florinand, aged 12, and her son Elias, aged 12.

THE TOMORROW MAN

Occasionally one meets the type of individual who is continuously putting off until to-morrow the things he should have done today. His motto is "wait." Some of these chaps always feel inclined to put off things until the last moment. Just why they do this is hard to fathom. Undoubtedly they are afflicted with a chronic type of laziness, or perhaps it is a feeling of indifference—a disregard as to whether a thing is to be done promptly.

A business man does not keep such a person in his employ very long. It does not pay. There are hundreds of bright, energetic persons who are continually watching for an opportunity to demonstrate their ability to make good. The men who are putting off until tomorrow the duty they should have done to-day are usually those who make possible for these intelligent youngsters to get their opportunity.

The man who expects promotion cannot afford to be dilatory. No man wishes to be at the bottom all his life. But if he does not develop a capacity for leadership, it is likely that he will remain there. To get out of the rut one must thrive; and the man who has an aim in life is the more likely to reach the goal than he who is evading responsibility.—Exchange.

HAYWOOD IS FIRED FROM OFFICE

For Many Years Secretary of Western Federation Miners—Result of old Feud

Denver, April 30—William D. Haywood, for many years secretary-treasurer of the Western Federation of Miners, has been ousted from the executive board of the organisation by the members of that body. The announcement of this action appeared in a statement published in the official organ of the federation, the Miners' Magazine, today. This statement said:

"To whom it may concern This is to inform you that the executive board of the Western Federation of Miners has decided to terminate the services of William D. Haywood as representative of the Western Federation in the field, the same to take effect on the 8th day of April, 1908.

C. E. MAHONEY,
Vice President."

This means that Haywood is no longer in the employ of the federation, even as organiser, which position he has held since December, when Ernst Mills was named to supersede him as secretary-treasurer. The only connection Haywood now has is as a member of the Silver City, Idaho Lodge, which is affiliated with the parent body.

Shortly after Haywood's acquittal in Boise, Idaho, of the charge of complicity in the murder of former Governor Steunenberg, he was shorn of power as a member of the executive board of the federation. For some time he has been in the east lecturing on Socialism and soliciting membership for the federation. He was paid for his work as solicitor, but was not supposed to spread the Socialistic propaganda. It is apparent that Haywood's activity in that capacity has not met with the approval of the executive board.

BABY'S TEETHING TIME IS A TROUBLESOME TIME.

When baby is teething the whole household is upset. The tender little gums are inflamed and swollen. The poor little child suffes and often crys day and night, wearing the mother out and keeping the rest of the family on edge. In the homes were Baby's Own Tablets are used there is no such worry. The Tablets allay inflammation, sooth the irritation, and bring the teeth through painlessly. Mrs. S. Williams, St. Joseph, Ont., says: "My first baby suffered terribly when cutting her teeth and the doctor could do nothing for her. I got a box of Baby's Own Tablets and they did her so much good that I cannot say enough in their favor. You may be sure that I always keep the tablets in the house now." Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents per box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

ACCEPT REDUCTION.

St. John, April 30—The longshoremen have decided to accept 30 cents per hour for the summer season. Last summer it was 40 cents.

The Modesty of Women

Naturally makes them shrink from the indelicate questions, the obnoxious examinations, and unpleasant local treatments, which some physicians consider essential in the treatment of diseases of women. Yet, if help can be had, it is better to submit to this ordeal than let the disease grow and spread. The trouble is that so often the woman undergoes all the annoyance and shame for nothing. Thousands of women who have been cured by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription write in appreciation of the cure which dispenses with the examinations and local treatments. There is no other medicine so sure and safe for delicate women as "Favorite Prescription." It cures debilitating drains, irregularity and female weakness. It always helps. It almost always cures. It is strictly non-alcoholic, non-secret, all its ingredients being printed on its bottle-wrapper; contains no deleterious or habit-forming drugs, and every native medicinal root entering into its composition has the full endorsement of those most eminent in the several schools of medical practice. Some of these numerous and strongest of professional endorsements of its ingredients, will be found in a pamphlet wrapped around the bottle, also in a booklet mailed free on request, by Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y. These professional endorsements should have far more weight than any amount of the ordinary lay, or non-professional testimonials.

The most intelligent women now-a-days insist on knowing what they take as medicine instead of opening their mouths like a lot of young birds and gulping down whatever is offered them. "Favorite Prescription" is of KNOWN COMPOSITION. It makes weak women strong and sick women well.

Dr. Pierce's Medical Adviser is sent *free* on receipt of stamps to pay expense of mailing *only*. Send to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., 21 one-cent stamps for paper-covered, or 50 stamps for cloth-bound.

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The following testimonial proves once again the superiority of "Nature's Healing Balm," Zam-Buk. Mrs. L. Spalding of 505 Erie St., Stratford, Ont., says: "Some time back I met with a peculiar accident while descending the stairs with a child in my arms. I slipped, falling heavily on my left arm and elbow, receiving a flesh wound. My arm was inflamed, swollen and very painful. I tried different preparations, but the wound kept discharging and refused to heal. About this time my brother suggested using Zam-Buk. I acted upon his advice. Zam-Buk thoroughly cleaned the wound, stopped all discharging and soothed the pain and in four weeks the wound was nicely healed. I have had perfect use of both elbow and arm ever since and owe this good luck to the wonderful healing balm Zam-Buk and would advise others to use nothing else." Zam-Buk cures cuts, bruises, burns, eczema, festering wounds and all skin diseases—of all druggists and stores—50c. box or post-paid from the Zam-Buk Co., Toronto. Send for sample and enclose 1c. stamp for postage.

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INTERNATIONAL COAL COMPANY PROSPER

Annual Report Shows Aggregate Dividends of Five and a Half Per Cent.

The annual report of the Inter natiotional Coal & Coke Co., Ltd operating collieries at Coleman, Alta., has just been issued and makes highly satisfactory reading for the shareholders. It is signed by A. C. Flumerfelt, the president, and runs as follows:

"The net profits for the year after paying all operating effpenses at head office and mine, amount to $251,049.21 (being 8.9 per cent. on the outstanding capital) which sum has been derived from the various departments of the company's business, together with the sale of coal and coke, receipts on account of lots sold from the company's townsite and returns from water and electric light supplied by the company to the people of Coleman.

On the 1st of February, 1907, a dividend of 1 per cent on the capital stock of the company was paid; a similar one on the 1st of May, which was increased by 1½ per cent. on the 1st of August and 2 per cent. on the 1st of November, making in all 5½ per cent, aggregating $154,000, and as you will see by reference on the opposite page, the handsome sum of $97,049.21 was carried to surplus account for the year.

Coal produced—for the year under review—was [illegible] tons, of which 61,998 tons were sent to the company's ovens and produced 39,151 tons of coke, all of which fou)nd a ready sale, the balance being marketed as coal.

The total amount of the pay roll for 1907 was $437,723.19; average number of men employed, 465; days worked 236; the average tonage being 1575. During the year there were some additions made to the plant (expenditure under this headd being $45,943.57) which included coke ovens, additions to haulage plant, a Bradford breaket, snowsheds and a thoroughly well equipped wash house for the men, all of which were deemed necessary in the company's best interests and approved by the board."

THE MOST COMMON CAUSE OF SUFFERING.

Rheumatism causes more pain and suffering than any other disease, for the reason that it is the most common of all ills, and it is certainly gratifying to sufferers to know that Chamberlain's Pain Balm will afford relief, and make rest and sleep possiblr. In many cases the relief from pain, which is at first temporary, has become permanent, while in old people subject to chronic rheumatism, often brought on by dampness or changes in the weather, a permanent cure cannot be expected; the relief from pain which this liniment affords is alone worth many times its cost. 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by all druggists.

A popular contributor to a certain weekly paper recently died, and a visitor to the office the day after the funeral found the editor and his staff talking about their loss disconsolately.

"It has been a sad loss, friends" the visitor said. "A sad loss indeed." He sighed and looked about the room. "And I am pleased to see," he went on "that you commemorate the melancholy event by hanging up crape."

The editor frowned.

"Crape?" he said. "Where do you see any crape."

"Over there," said the visitor, pointing.

"Crape be blowed," said the editor hotly. "That isn't crape. It's the office towel."

WESTERN CANADA TURF ASSOCIATION

The annual race meet of the Western Canada Turf Association will be held at Blairmore, Alberta, on May 21 and 22, 1908. $2000 in prizes. It is under the management of the Pass Turf Association. The following is the programme:

THURSDAY, MAY 21.

1 mile, 2.19 pace and 2.24 trot, purse, $200; ½ mile heats, open, purse $200; ¼ mile dash, open, purse, $175; ½ mile pony heats, 14½ and under, purse $125; 1 mile dash, open, purse $200; ½ mile squaw race, purse $25.

FRIDAY, MAY 22.

1 mile pace and trot, free for all, purse, $300; ½ mile heats open, purse $200;; 1 mile novelty, open, $50 each ¼, purse $200; ½ mile dash, open, purse $150; 1½ mile dash, open, purse $200; 1 mile Indian race, purse $25.

WORKERS HAVE BRAINS AND VOTES

By Robert Hunter

Probably a million union men throughout the country are unemployed. Millions of non-union men are also unemployed.

The other day in New Jersey the Standard Oil Company wanted workmen. Two gangs of Poles and Italians came to take the jobs A battle ensued and these starving men stoned each other, would have killed each other—for the sake of a job.

A few days ago in New York, James Farley, the strike breaker, advertised for scabs. Thousands answered the advertisement. Before three offices they fought each other for admission. The police tried to maintain order, but it was impossible. In despair and rage, the unfortunate men turned upon the police.

Let us look at the other side.

There is a strike on the street railway line of Chester, Pa. The mounted police are in charge. A crowd of strike breakers from New York tried to start a car. They barely escaped with their lives. In the evening thousands of enraged men and women charged the mounted police.

Others of the New York men are going to take the place of strikers at Pensacola, Florida. A regiment of infantry and two gatling guns are there to intimidate the strikers, and to protect the strike breakers.

Let any man calmly ask himself is this civilisation or is it savagery?

We have outlawed bull fighting and cock fighting. We are too humane to see animals tortured. But what about our human brothers?

A few thousand unemployed are taken from New York to fight a few thousand other men in Pennsylvania and Florida. They stone each other; they face gatling guns; regiments of soldiers and mounted cossacks strike terror to their hearts.

A Democratic mayor in Pensacola and a Republican mayor in Chester offer their fellow townsmen who have helped to elect them, gatling guns and cossacks.

Hungry women and children stand behind the scabs; hungry women and children stand behind the union men.

The scabs and the unionists ought to be brothers, but are tearing each other to pieces; with gatling guns and soldiers on the side of the scabs.

Cock fighting and bull baiting are pastimes compared to this human warfare.

And the most monstrous thing of all is that working men are themselves responsible.

They have brains and votes.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

"I'm sorry I never met that man Biggs," remarked the stranger within the gates. "He was a man without a fault, pure in all his thoughts, beloved and respected by all men and——"

"Say," interrupted the astonished native, "where did you get you information?"

"From his tombstone," explained the stranger, as he winked the other eye.

TO PREVENT A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN

Take Dr. Williams Pink Pills When the First Symptoms are Noticed and Save Yourself Much Suffering

Are you troubled with pallor or loss of spirits, waves of heat passing over the body, shortness of breath after slight exertion, a peculiar skipping of the heart beat, poor digestion, cold hands or feet or a feeling of weight and fullness? Do not make the mistake of thinking that these are diseases themselves and being satisfied with relief for the time being.

This is the way that the nerves give warning that they are breaking down. It means that the blood has become impure and thin and cannot carry enough nourishment to the nerves to keep them healthy and able to do their work.

There is only one way to prevent the final breakdown of the nerves and the more serious diseases which follow. The blood must be made rich, red and pure, and Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is the only medicine that can do this promptly and effectively. Every dose of the medicine helps make new blood and strengthens the weak or worn-out nerves.

Mrs. David J. Tapley, Fredericton, N.B., was cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills after suffering from nervous breakdown which resulted in partial paralysis of the face. She says: "The trouble came on quite gradually, and at the outset I did not pay much attention to it. Then it grew more serious, and there was a general breakdown of the nerves, which was followed by partial paralysis of the face, one side being completely drawn out of shape. I was under a doctor's care for a couple of months, and one treatment after another was tried without benefit. By this time I was confined to bed, and the doctor told me he could not cure me. Almost in despair I was persuaded to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. The improvement was slow but the building up of a run down system naturally is slow. Slowly but surely this medicine did its work, and after a time I was able again to come downstairs. From that on the improvement was much more rapid and now I am as well as I ever was in my life. My friends look upon my cure as almost miraculous. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills did for me what the best medical treatment failed to do—they gave me back good health.

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TAKE NOTICE that I, John Mott of Elko, B.C., intend to apply to the superintendent of provincial police for a transfer of my hotel license for the Hoffman house at Elko, B.C., to William Stanley McEwen of Elko aforesaid.

Dated this 4th day of April, A. D., 1908.

JOHN MOTT.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of lands and works for a license to prospect for coal and Petroleum on the following lands situate in the district of southeast Kootenay, British Columbia, in block 4593.

1. Commencing at a post planted at or near one mile east of 25th mile post of present C.P.R. surveyed line and being the northeast corner post of Miss Dolly Moore's claim, thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; to a point of commencement, making 640 acres more or less.

Located this 21st day of March, 1908.

Awrey Rice, Agent.
Miss Dolly Moore, Locator
Nathaniel Babcock, Witness.

2. Commencing at a post planted at or near one mile east of 31st mile post of present surveyed line of C.P.R., and being the south east corner post of Ruben Steves' claim thence west 80 chains thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; to a point of commencement, making 640 acres more or less.

Located this 26th day of March, 1908.

Awrey Rice, Agent.
Ruben Steves, Locator.
Nat Babcock, Witness.

3. Commencing at a post planted at or near 21st mile post of present C.P.R. surveyed line and being the northwest corner post of Frank Lewis claim thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; to a point of commencement, making 640 acres more or less.

Located this 19th day of March, 1908.

Awrey Rice, Agent.
Frank Lewis, Locator.
Nat Babcock, Witness.

4. Commencing at a post planted at or near W. Darby's northwest corner post and being the southwest corner post of Andy Goods' claim, thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; to a point of commencement, making 640 acres more or less.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1908.

Awrey Rice, Agent
Andy Good, Locator.
Nat Babcock, Witness.

5. Commencing at a post planted at or near the northwest corner of Frank Lewis' claim and being the southwest corner post of Peter Bakos claim thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; to a point of commencement, making 640 acres more or less.

Located this 19th day of March, 1908.

Awrey Rice, Agent.
Peter Bakos, Locator.
Nat Babcock, Witness.

6. Commencing at a post planted at or near the northeast corner post of Miss Dolly Moore's claim and being the northwest corner post of A. A. Sparks' claim thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; to a point of commencement, making 640 acres more or less.

Located this 21st day of March, 1908.

Awrey Rice, Agent.
A. A. Sparks, Locator.
Nat Babcock, Witness.

7. Commencing at apost planted at or near A. A. Sparks north west corner post and being the southeast corner post of Joe Jean's claim thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; to a point of commencement, making 640 acres more or less.

Located this 21st day of March, 1908.

Awrey Rice, Agent.
Joe Jean, Locator.
Nat Babcock, Witness.

8. Commencing at a post planted at or near F. Jawins, southeast corner post and 4 miles east of 30 mile post of present C.P.R. surveyed line, and being the southwest corner post of Harvey Murphey's claim, thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; to a point of commencement.

Located this 26th day of March, 1908.

Awrey Rice, Agent.
Harvey Murphey, Locator,
Nat Babcock, Witness.

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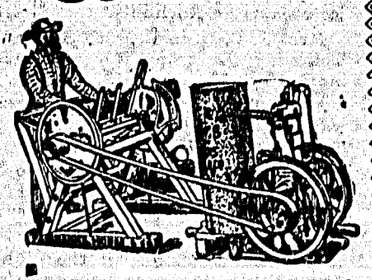

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News of the City

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Score cards for bridge parties, for sale at this office.

Lost—A Cocker Spaniel pup. Finder suitably rewarded on notifying phone No. 119 or Ledger office.

Board and room wanted—By 2 respectable workmen. Terms must be moderate. Apply No. 25. Ledger office.

For Sale—1 Frame House, 4 rooms with furniture and Singer Sewing Machine; also 28 young chickens. Situate opposite Queens Hotel, No. 143. The owner offers the above very cheap and easy terms can be arranged.—Frank Passerni, owner.

Girl wanted to help with light house work. Apply Ledger office. 2t

Chickens for sale—30 chickens, young. Apply to C. Carter, box 440, Fernie. 2t

Eggs for hatching, White Wyandotte, "Regal" Strain," $2.00 for 15—Stanley, 35 Gemmel St.

Furnished Room, 35 Gemmel St.

Rhubarb roots for sale now. Cabbage and Cauliflower plants ready 15th of May. Bedding out flower plants by 1st of June. John McLachlan, West Fernie Greenhouses.

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Ice cream sodas, all flavors, at Rochon's.

D. Bell of Cranbrook was in town Thursday.

Hugh McHughes' housekeeper has left for the coast.

F. B. Debois went to Taber on Wednesday evening's flyer.

Ice cream in quarts, pints and bricks at Rochon's.

Mrs. C. W. Davey left for Spokane Wednesday evening on the flyer.

If you want a ring made we can make you any design in our shop. A. C. Linhardt.

Mr. A. Macdonald, of Winnipeg, wholesale grocer, visited Fernie this week.

Sam Graham of Bellingham, Wash., is in town on a short visit to friends.

The most complete stock of ice cream and soft drinks in B.C. at Rochon's.

Dan Alton, of Edmonton, well known along the Crow, was in town Wednesday.

George Stevenson of the Western Canada Wholesale Co. went to Calgary Wednesday.

The assessment roll shows an increase of 152,425.00 over last year. This is very good.

Vanilla, Maple Walnut, Strawberry, Lemon, Chocolate, Orange ice creams at Rochon's.

Mrs. E. C. Oben went to Spokane Thursday morning to visit her mother who is ill there.

A. W. Wright of the Ledger staff was in Cranbrook on Sunday on Typographical Union business.

Mr. McEvoy, late of the Coal Co's staff left via Banff Thursday to join the German Development Co.

Neill McKellar, one of the old time Fernie boys is back again after spending the winter at his home in Dutton, Ont.

The local Odd Fellows held an At Home in their hall Thursday evening. We understand it was well attended and a success.

The Bachelors of Fernie gave an At Home and Ball at Cork's opera house last night. It was one of the most brilliant and successful social events of the season.

Constables Sampson and Clark went to New Westminster with Mr. Crosby and a man from Elko, Wednesday morning for the asylum at New Westminster.

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N. E. SUDDABY

Crushed Fruit dishes at Rochon's Pollyshine, David Hiram, Sundaes, Maple Fudge, Chocolate Sundae.

Mr. Ingram of the Club Cigar Store has moved into his new premises on the west side of Victoria Ave., next the Royal hotel.

The Ladies Aid Tea of the Methodist church will be held at the home of Mrs. A. W. Wood on Tuesday from 3.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The Rev. I. W. Williamson will preach in the Baptist church Sunday evening at 7.30 p.m. Subject: "The last words of great skeptics."

Wednesday, the 29th, was the anniversary of the big fire here. Truly the town has grown "good looking and well dressed" since then.

Geo. Cody moved the Fernie Cartage Co's old barn from the old site opposite the side of post office to its new location on Victoria Ave.

We notice a number of the boys out with their lacrosse sticks and think the time opportune for organisation and arrange for a game for Victoria Day with some of the neighboring towns.

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HIRING HINDOO LABOR

We received some complaints from union men this week in regard to the hiring of Hindoo men on the city dump On enquiry from Mayor Tuttle we were informed of the following reason for the hiring of the Hindoos: The Hindoos came to the Mayor and asked for work, as they were unable to obtain any. The Mayor sent them to all the places he thought it was likely they would get a job, but they could not obtain work. They came back practically starving, and begged for something to do that they could obtain a few meals. The Mayor could not see them starve, and gave them an order for food, for which they were to work when called upon. The dump had to be attended to, so the Hindoos were given two and a half days' work to help them obtain a living.

This should relieve the idea that there was any intention to hire them in preference to white union rate payers of our city who are idle at present, and the Mayor states that he had no intention to do so, but he will not see any man starve if in his power to prevent.

While we understand that the Mayor was placed in an awkward position, we trust that some other means will be available at future times, so that four union men who are helping to support the city in every way, and a lot of them who are tax payers, will get any work that has to be undertaken by the city. The kick was not raised because the men were Hindoos, but because there are so many idle rate payers in the city at the present time who are members of unions.

Mrs. J. Barber was elected president of the Ladies Aid of Christ church; Mrs. R. Reading, vice president; Mrs. Fred Johnson, secretary. They have to report a very successful year.

A nominating convention of the East Kootenay Liberal party has been called to meet at Nelson on June 4. Fernie is entitled to send 6 representatives, Fort Steele 2, and one each to Fort Steel Junction, Jaffrey, Elko, Morrisey mines, Carbonado, Morrissey, Coal Creek, Sparrow, Michel, The Loop and Crows Nest. We have not space to give a full list of representation further this week.

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HOW'S THIS.

We offer one hundred dollars reward for any one case of catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm. Walding, Kinnan and Marvin, wholesale druggists, Toledo, O.

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Take Hall's Pills for constipation.

TO ARCHITECTS

Architects and draughtsmen are invited to submit sketch plans and estimates of cost for addition to the Fernie Public School building. Plans must show four class rooms with proper means of ingress and egress, and scheme of heating ventilation and lighting. Basement under whole of addition, containing heating system, lavatories, etc. Estimates not to include the cost of heating system, plumbing or excavating.

Preference will be given to plans showing an addition, which, while making a harmonious unit in connection with the present building is capable of extension to make at least a twelve room school apart from the existing structure. Fire proof materials to be used as far as possible.

Satisfactory plans will be paid for or architect given supervisory functions during construction. All plans submitted at owner's risk. The school board does not bind itself to purchase or use any plans that may be submitted. Plans and estimates to be in the hands of the secretary not later than May 12, 1908. Further information may be obtained from the undersigned.

G. H. BOULTON,
Sec. Fernie Public School Board.

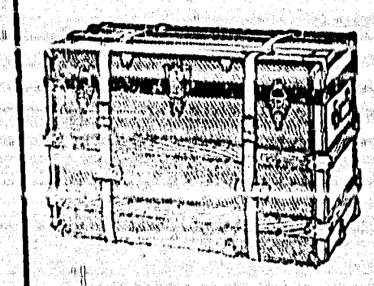
IN THE MATTER OF the estate of Edward Van Buyten, late of Fernie, B. C., deceased:

Notice is hereby given that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Edward Van Buyten, deceased, who died on or about the 9th day of February, 1908, are required on or before the 23rd day of May, 1908, to send by post, prepaid or deliver to Mr. Eckstein, of Fernie, B. C., solicitor for the administrator, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts and the nature of their securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and that the said administrator will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by him at the time of such distribution.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1908.

L. P. ECKSTEIN,
Solicitor for the Administrator.



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