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OUR CRITIC AGAIN SAYS

THAT the fire brigade deserve very great credit for the prompt response to the Fernie hotel fire. It is very seldom that you see so quick a turn out anywhere.

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THAT the traveller who was coming down the Fernie hotel stairs on the morning of the fire with a huge trunk which completely blocked the stairs for others, was a very amusing spectacle, although if the fire had not been under control he would have hindered others from getting out.

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THAT it was amusing to see chief Pennycuick at the oranges, after the trial of the youngsters. Bob Moorre should register a kick. But Bob is a good fellow, you can tell that by his smile.

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THAT the article on "Our Children" should be read and reread and acted on promptly.

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THAT Hughes & O'Brien of Coal Creek, the most adept money and subscription solicitors that ever graced the form of men, should be hired to help the Salvation Army lassies. The self denial fund would swell up quick then.

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THAT you should look up your subscription and if it has run out you run in and we will be very pleased to renew your acquaintance or sub.

* * *

THAT we have never had the chance to test the capacity of our vault yet. Just you help us.

THAT the two young ladies who are aspiring to attain the free trip to Mexico, given by the "Sunset" of Vancouver are certainly hustling. The winsome way they have of soliciting is simply irresistable.

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THAT the play "The Squaw Man" that is advertised for here soon is reported as only a third rate production. A play like the original "Squaw Man" could not appear here anyway. The opera house is absolutely inadequate to accommodate the production.

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THAT the Free Press will have Pat Mullen hung before he commits the crime. But of course it is only a typographical, and the "devil" will get blamed.

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THAT the writer under the head of Searchlight has his sympathies in his "wanderings over the plains of space." He is thinking of consulting the mighty unseen, but mightily felt spirits of the long ago, and finding out how many raps it will take to explain the above mentioned letter.

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THAT our large posters were much admired. George Meikle had quite a time trying to prove that we did not run them four on. Poor George.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Editor does not hold himself responsible for opinions expressed by correspondents in these columns.

May 5, 1908.

To the Editor of the Fernie Ledger,—Critic has left me wandering over the plains of space in search for the three raps which has apparently lead critic's reason astray. But I hope the mighty spirits with their three raps will keep at a respectable distance until the return of Critic's reason.

Yours etc.,
SEARCHLIGHT.

WILL RESUME WORK

Labor Conditions Picking Up in The Boundary Country

Greenwood, May 7—The British Columbis Copper Co. started operations on Wednesday last.

There will be work for 500 men at the mines and 200 at the smelter.

Ruling wages extending from $2½ to $4, will be paid. The class of men wanted are miners, muckers, carpenters, smeltermen and laborers.

The mines will operate as soon as a sufficient operating force can be gathered, the smelter when the ore bins are full.

This means the end of a long tie up of the big mines in southern British Columbia, which has lasted since November 12 last.

ROBBERY ENDS WITH MURDER

Denver, Col., May 9—Train robbers boarded the Denver and Rio Grande train No. 4 at Castle Rock early today, shot and killed express messenger Charles H. Wright aged 60, employed by the Globe Express company.

From the dead messenger the robbers took the keys to a small safe in the baggage car, which they opened and took the contents, all worth less than $100.

A big safe on the car contained a lot of money, the combination of which is known only to clerks of the company at the principal stations along the route, was tampered with, but the robbers were unable to enter it.

The robbery was discovered by Wm. Bysop, chief night clerk of the Globe company's office at the Denver union depot, who went to the car to get express matter.

FIRE DEMON AT WORK

Fernie Hotel Block the Scene of Conflagration—Fernie Drug Store's Heavy Loss.

A fire which but for the extremely prompt response of the brigade, and after their arrival a valiant and well directed fight with the flames, would have resulted in the entire demolition of the hotel Fernie, one of our best buildings, started at about 2.45 a.m. on Thursday morning. How the fire originated is a mystery and one which the fire chief is investigating very rigidly, as there were rumors afloat of incendiarism. The fire started at the rear of the Fernie and instantaneously seemed to run right up the walls at three corners of the new addition.

The alarm was given hurriedly and all the guests quickly aroused by the management who did all that was necessary to get their guests dressed and ready to move out in case it was not got under control. The stairs and hallways were sooned lined with people hurrying out from the smoke.

Two minutes from receiving the alarm the firemen were on the spot and had two well directed streams playing on the fire, which soon put it under control.

The loss to the hotel Fernie will be about $400 which is covered by insurance. The Fernie Drug store were the heaviest losers as most of their large stock was damaged by smoke and water. They estimate their loss at about $20,000, partly covered by insurance.

S. F. Wallace sent the fire brigade a check for $25 in recognition of the valuable and well directed efforts in so miraculously saving the hotel from total destruction.

LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

At a meeting of the Ladies Benevolent Society held at Mrs. Wilkes last Saturday, a resolution was passed thanking the Fernie Amateur Theatrical Society for a donation of $135.25 the proceeds from the play "Our Boys," which was put on some time ago.

The ladies also wish to thank all who assisted and attended the ball they held a short time ago. The proceedss of the ball amounted to $266.30, and the expenditure was $73.50, leaving a balance of $192.80. This society has done, and is doing good work and deserves to be helped in any way possible.

CONTRACT FOR BREWERY LET

The Fernie Fort Steele Brewing company has awarded the contract to build a new $200,000 modern brewing plant for the concern to Mr. Stanley, of Spokane.

NO HINDUS FOR CANADA

Ottawa, May 7—An arrangement has been made by the British and Canadian governments for the exclusion of Hindu immigrants from Canada.

Additional Locals

Mr. I. W. Moore was in town on Tuesday.

R. Moore and wife visited Michel this week.

Mrs. Lashley Hall is reported much better in health.

The fire laddies and our esteemed mayor have had quite a lively time breaking in their new team of horses.

The Methodist Ladies Aid have had a very successful year having increased the church treasury by some $700 dollars.

Mr. Gorden, wife, and child arrived in Fernie Tuesday. He was formerly in the jewellry business here, and will open somewhere in the Pass.

E. Hall, jeweller of C. C. Wright's, is visiting at Spokane and Washington points this week.

"W. R. Inman, M.O., consulting eye specialist, of Winnipeg and Vancouver will be in Fernie Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 8, 9, and 10. Twenty-nine years experience in Winnipeg and correcting over 50,000 cases of defective eyesight insures the most accurate results. If you have trouble with the eyes or need glasses accurately fitted at reasonable prices consult him early. Appointments made by letter or telephone at Bleasdell's drug store."

BIG SALE!

Ladies' Tweed Dress Skirts

16 Skirts, regular price $3.75	Now $2.75
8 Sktrts, regular price $5,00	Now $3.50
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COURT OF REVISION

A Large List of Names Added to Voters' List

The revision court was held on Monday at the court house at 10 o'clock, Magistrate Whimster presiding. There were 700 names to be added to the list.

There were 175 persons objected to, 85 taken off and 87 put back. Mr. L. P. Eckstein acted as solicitor for the Socialist party who were the principal objectors. He said that his clients had no wish to strike any person off the lists who were entitled to vote but simply to purge the lists.

Mr. W. R. Ross, M.P.P., Fernie riding, said he was as much interested as anyone in getting a clean list. The second person to whom objection was made was Thomas Allan who Mr. Ross said worked at the Fort Steele brewery, and who voted Socialist. He would not mind if Allan was struck off. A large number of persons to whom objection had been taken were persons non resident in the riding but were living at Vancouver, Victoria and such places. Mr. Eckstein said he could not see how a man who had left the district and who took no interest or part in the affairs of the town could come here and vote. Mr. Ross said that the act stated that where a person had not moved out of the province he was entitled to vote. He referred to our "Coleman friends," who came up and voted Socialist. Mr. Eckstein said he was not so sure of that, as he had affidavits in his office that large sums of money had been paid the "Coleman friends." Mr. Ross wanted to know who had paid them, but Mr. Eckstein said that he did not want to go into that question as the election was over. Ross also wanted to know why the Socialists did not object to Mr. F. H. Sherman being retained on the list as they knew he was non-resident in the district.

After the list furnished by the Socialists had been disposed of the objection to Mr. W. W. Tuttle was dealt with. Mr. Tuttle produced a naturalisation paper dated at Macleod, Southern, Alta, 15th June, 1896. This closed the business. The sitting occupied one hour.

LIFE WAS CRUSHED OUT

John Cattell Falls Under Engine and is Cut to Pieces.

Whilst takings cars of pipes and ties to No. 5 mine from the tipple a young man named John Cattell through some cause fell under the engine which with the trip of cars passed over his body, frightfully mangling it.

The deceased was a member of the local fire brigade and about 24 years of age, leaving a brother who resides in Fernie and a mother in the old country.

Deceased was also a member of the local Miners Union and the Socialist party.

The engine driver did not know that he was on the engine or that he had fallen under until signalled to stop.

The funeral was held at 2.30 on Friday afternoon. It was under the auspices of the Miners Union, Gladstone Local, and was a large cortege. The Socialist party rendered two of their songs "Out of the Dark," and "All for the Cause." The Fernie Male Voice party rendered "Lead Kindly Light," T. Biggs, secretary of the union, conducted the service, and J. Harrington gave a short address. The members of the fire brigade attended as did also the members of the carpenters union. The funeral procession was headed by the Salvation Army band.

The pall bearers were John Wilde, Pete Atkinson, Wm. Dickenson, Alex. McLaughlin, Thos. Bullen, and W. McLaughlin. Wreaths were sent from the following: Two from the fire brigade, one from C. Waggett, the Socialist party, Mrs. Wm. Symonds.

At the inquest held on Thursday the verdict arrived at was that deceased came to his death accidentally, while riding on the trip. The following were the jury: C. Waggett, J. Lowe, A. H. Cree, W. J. Morrison, Walter Harwood.

CASE INVOLVING THE LEMIEUX ACT

Strathcona Coal Company Sued by Employees for Breach of Contract.

One of the first cases to be tried in the Alberta courts involving the Industrial Disputes Act, known as the Lemieux act, came up for hearing in the district court yesterday before his honor Judge H. C. Taylor. This was the case of 21 miners against the Strathcona Coal Company for a breach of a contract made under the Lemieux act. The company entered into a new contract for a smaller wage with three of the miners without complying with the provisions of the act. The judge held that the three men who signed this new contract must abide by it, but the agreement was not binding on the other miners. The United Mine Workers of America have taken up the question and will appeal from the decision of the judge with respect to the three men. It is understood that they will also enter an action in the supreme court against the Strathcona Coal Company for $20,000 damages for violation of the Lemieux act and breach of contract. H. A. Mackie appeared for plaintiffs and J. R. Lavell, of Strathcona, for the defendant company.

According to the evidence given at the trial the Strathcona Coal Co. entered into an agreement to pay the miners 33 1-3 per car for all coal mined. This agreement was entered into under the terms of the Lemieux act respecting the agreements of employers with workmen and was signed by the duly authorised and recognised officers of the miners' local union and was assented to by District 18 of the United Mine Workers of America. After working for some time on this agreement the company, under threats of closing the mine persuaded three of the miners, Hammond, Kingsley, and Smith to sign a new agreement whereby they were to work for 28 cents a car. The 30 days' notice of a change of agreement provided for by the Lemieux act was not complied with nor was the agreement signed by the authorised officers of the Miners' union. The United Mine Workers of America protested and asked that a conciliation board be appointed to adjust the matter. The company refused, so rather than strike the miners brought action against the company through the court, the miners claiming the balance of wages due them to make up the difference between the old and new rate of wages.

The defendant company claimed that the agreement entered into by Hammond, Kingsley and Smith was for all the miners and that the men should abide by it. They accordingly paid into court a sum equal to the amount earned by the men up to 28c per car.

After hearing the evidence Judge Taylor held that the new agreement made by Hammond, Kingsley and Smith, was binding on themselves, and that they should receive only 28c per car. He decided, however, that this new agreement was not binding on the rest of the miners. There was no doubt that the committee had exceeded their authority in making the agreement for 28c., so he gave judgment for the remainder of the plaintiffs for 33 1-3c per car.

H. MacKie, counsel for the plaintiffs, announced that they would appeal against the judgment of the court in the case of Hammond, Kingsley and Smith, on the ground that the new agreement was not any more binding on them than on the other miners as they were still members of the union and had no power as such, to make a new agreement for themselves.

It is understood that District 18 of the United Mine Workers of America will enter an action in the supreme court against the Strathcona Coal Company for violation of the Lemieux act and breach of contract.—Edmonton Ex.

BROKE FATHER'S RIB

Kingston, May 7—A prominent Kingston surgeon is suffering from a broken rib, as the result of a friendly boxing contest he had with his fifteen year old son on Tuesday. The doctor is a Y.M.C.A enthusiast and sent his son to the gymnasium to learn the art of self defence. He decided to find out how the lad was getting on, and summoned the boy to the shed, where he ordered him to put on the gloves. In a very short time the fond father found that his offspring was an adept, and a little while later he received a blow that cracked a rib. The dutiful son felt mortified over what he had done, but the father was so pleased over being disabled that he may buy the lad an automobile.

CHILD'S SEVERE BURNS

Healed by Zam-Buk.

The little girl of Mrs. Lewis Best of Catlisle P.O., recently fell against the stove and burned her forehead very badly. Mrs. Best says: "The burn was about the size of a fifty cent piece and was near the bone. It made my little girl's eye swell till it almost shut, and then she got cold in it. It began to run matter very badly, and I could not stop it, although I bathed it good every night and morning. At last I sent for some Zam-Buk which soon stopped the matteration and very quickly it healed the wound. I have never seen a burn heal so quickly, and I am sure Zam-Buk has no equal for curing cuts, or burns, and I shall always keep a box on hand in case of emergency."

Every home needs Zam-Buk! All diseases of the skin quickly yield to it. It is also an excellent remedy for piles, blind or bleeding, rheumatism, etc. All druggists and stores 50 cents a box, or post paid from the Zam-Buk Co., Toronto.

BRITISH COLUMBIA MAN INSURED FOR $250,000

Winnipeg, Man., May 7—The largest life insurance policy ever written in Canada was recently taken out by A. C. Flumerfelt, of Victoria, for a quarter of a million dollars in the Great West Company.

THE BEST CURFEW

Every family should have a curfew which should positively ring to-night and every night if needed. These curfews are inexpensive and can be home made. Take a piece of siding two feet long and whittle one end down to a handle, and then bend him over a barrel. Now take the piece of siding in the hand and use it for a clapper. Put it on hot. Divide the strokes even and see that none miss. Good for a boy or girl up to the age of sixteen, and applications are warranted to cure the most pronounced cases of street loafing that exist. The music the curfew makes is finer than singing "Where is my Wandering Boy Tonight."

BUY AT HOME

At the express office one day last week there were at least one dozen packages from eastern department houses addressed to prominent people in town; millinery goods, dry goods, clothing, etc. Some of these orders would cost $50 or $75; few of them less than $10. This was a shipment of one day only. One of the people to whom a parcel was addressed was heard complaining the other day that business was dull and money scarce. Strange, Isn't it? But then it is not to be expected that the eastern department stores will send back any of the thousands they get just to help out our circulating medium here. We might write them however, and see what they would do to help business affairs here. Nothing like trying.—Macleod Chronicle.

Some citizens of Fernie should watch this. How can we expect our town to grow if you deal outside. Buy only at home and boost your own town.

SOCIALIST CANDIDATE.

Montreal, May 6—Albert St. Martin, Socialist, has been nominated to oppose premier Gouin in St. James division for the coming provincial elections. Harry Hirschman, another Socialist, will run in St. Louis division.

NEW PASSENGER SERVICE

A new passenger train between this city and Cranbrook will be put on on the 14th of next month when the summer time table comes into force.

Hitherto a mixed train has been run between Medicine Hat and This will be superseded and the new train will leave Medicine Hat shortly after noon. It will be so arranged that connection can be made with the mid-day transcontinentals, reservations for berths for which will be made here.—Medicine Hat Times.

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, block 4593.

Commencing at a post planted at or near 5 miles east of 25 mile post of present C.P.R. survey adjoining block 4593 on the west, and being the N. W. corner post of Fred E. Goodall's claim, thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; to point of commencement making 640 acres more or less.

Located this 3rd day of December, 1907.

Harry Couillard, Witness
W. E. Coates, Jr. Agent
Fred E. Goodall, Locator.

Commencing at a post planted at or near 5 miles east of 25 mile post of present C.P.R. survey adjoining block 4593 on the west, and being the S. W. corner post of Mrs. Mary E. Goodall 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 3rd day of December, 1907.

Harry Couillard, Witness
W. E. Coates, Jr. Agent
Mrs. Mary E. Goodall, Locator.

Commencing at a post planted at or near a point 1 mile east of the 25 mile post of present C.P.R. survey adjoining block 4593 on the west, and beining the S. E. corner post of Leonard W. Baker 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 13th day of November, 1907.

G. C. H. Coleman, Witness
W. E. Coates, Jr. Agent
Leonard W. Baker, Locator

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One 7 x 11 O. S. Gordon Press
One 22½ inch Westman & Baker Cutter, Lever
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SETTLEMENT IN HALIFAX.

Halifax, May 4—A conference took place to-day between the Port Wood Coal Mine management and the men with the result that a temporary settlement was reached. Both parties to the dispute agreed to refer their differences to a board of conciliation, and the men will return to work to-morrow.

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Attendance for the month of April.

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Boys 195
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Percentage attendance 89.71
Pupils with perfect attendance. 142

The banner awarded by the principal for the best attendance in the intermediate and senior grade divisions has been won by division 3, Miss Perkin's division.

Division 1—

Percentage attendance 95.02.

Pupils with perfect attendance: Willie Bird, Peter Carosella, Clayton Dubois, Rheta Hamilton, Sarah Lancaster, Gladys McFarquhar, Helen Muirhead, Arthur Muirhead, Margaret Robertson, Elsie Woodhouse.—Rank- Senior class, Helen Muirhead Junior class Elsie Woodhouse.

Division 2, Miss Moody.

Percentage attendance 81.05.

Pupils with perfect attendance: Cecil Anthony, Evelyn Biggs, Theresa Carosella, Andrew Marshall, Lydia Munkwitz, Gladys Robertson, Arthur Stone, Edith Tutty—First rank, John Yokes.

Division 3, Miss Perkins.

Percentage attendance 94.15.

Pupils with perfect attendance: Violet Barwell, Sarah Benson, Annie Bullock, Elon Bebb, Russell Colton, Tony Carosella, Sadie Clapp, Albert Dicken, James Easton, James Graves, Dominie Guzzi, Fred Handley, Walter Hughes, Edward Jackson, Herbert Letcher, Frank Letcher, May McGrew, Murray McLeod, Allen McLeod, Norman McBean, Annie McDonald, Harold McFarquhar, Violet Marshall, James Patterson, John Pollard, Margaret Sherwood, Ernest Stone, James White.—First rank, Samuel Halton.

Division 4, Miss M. MacKenzie.

Percentage attendance 89.00.

Pupils with perfect attendance: Willie Benson, Edith Biggs, Hazel Burkitt, Clara Cody, Millie Condie, Dorothy Dicken, Russell Dudley, Bay Gould, Tom Graves, Mary Hollinshead, Phyllis Hughes, Evaline Jarvis, Albert McBean, Postel Mayers, Susie Miscisco, Doris Smith, Roy Smith, Mary Sojko, Alice Wilde, Nellie Dillington.—First rank, Evaline Jarvis.

Division 5, Miss Lawson.

Percentage attendance 00.01.

Pupils with perfect attendance: Lizzie Anderson, Hilda Atkinson, Ivy Bullock, Marjorie Carmichael, Angelo Carosella, Phyllis Chambers, Mary Clowers, Paul Courtney, Hayden Evans, Ivy Gaythorp May Geddes, Edna, Gaska, Olive Goole, Elsie Jarvis, Mary Lascelles, Jean Linn, Mildred McBean, Annie McInnis, Agnes McLachlan, Maggie McLachlan, Walter Mc. Mannus, Annabelle Mills, Rosie Mongetee, Fred Moresk, Ada Minton, Mary Rouchcauld, George Softer, Joe Tabihak.—Rank, class A, Lizzie McDougall, class B, Ada Minton.

Division 6, Miss Robinson.

Percentage attendance 88.76.

Pupils with perfect attendance: Eva Barwell, Florence Bird, Mervin Buckley, Ethel Dewsbury, Thomas Dewsbury, Tudor Evans, Olive Gaythorpe, Irene Gaythorpe, Mike Hoven, James Halton, Winnie Hollinshead, Clifford Gould, Bella Lynn, Annie Lynn, Rebecca Sangala, Louis Sangala, Gladys Betty Mader, Sarah Rhodes, Steve MacInnis, Willie MacFarquhar, Shuter, Alice Stone, Peter Tabahac, Wilbert Vance, Harvey Wallace, Edna Wallace, Mary Wetanovec.

Division 7, Miss G. MacKenzie.

Percentage attendnce 88.09.

Pupils with perfect attendance: Hubert Broley, Bertie Brouillette, Felicia Carosella, Aubrey Clapp, Gladys Jennings, Eva Ingram, George Larner, Andrew Mader, Herman Mayers, Antonio Montpetit, Alfred Munkwitz, Arthur Riches, Ethel Rhodes, Clifford Robertson, Cecilia Shulaika, George Wilkinson, Elsie Wilson, John McInnis, Angus McLeod.—1st rank, class A, senior, Clifford Robertson, junior, Ralph Smith; class B, Arthur Riches.

Promotions From I Reader to II Reader.

Division 4, Teacher, Miss M. M. MacKenzie.

Exceptionally good results were obtained by this class in their examination which were held last week. Thirty-five of the pupils average 70 per cent. or over on all their papers, and Evaline Jarvis and Edith Biggs—the first two pupils—each obtained over 90 per cent; fifty-two pupils were promoted.

Evaline Jarvis, Edith Biggs, Willie Barr, Hazel Burkitt, Mary Minton, Freda Yokes, Annie Williams, Bertha Whalley and May Newnak, equal, Duncan Crave, Postel Mayers, Arthur Woodhouse, Bay Gould, Tom Graves and Edgar Harper, equal, Alice Kerr, Dorothy Dicken, Kate Ewings and Edith Horn were equal, Nellie Dinnington, Phyllis Hughes, Billy Corsan, Gussie Ambrose, Christine Marshall, Alice Wilde and Ray Smith were equal, Doris Smith, Willie Clawers, Joe Smolarchick and Michael Valpiola were equal, Susie Miscisco, Albert McBean, Mary Sojko, Jennie Guidosh, Ethel Lanfear, Robert Minton, Clara Cody, Victoria Kefowry, Max McDougall, Ernest Dickinson, Mary Hary Hollinshead, Millie Condie, Annie Barratt, Russell Dudley, Joseph McDougall, Frances Carlson, Rosie Carosella and Annie Wearmouth, equal, George Letcher, Willie Benson, Herbert Rhodes, Bernard Hickman.

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The 1908 edition is out of that most useful and valuable booklet, "5,000 facts about Canada," compiled by Frank Yeigh of Toronto, who is widely known throughout the Dominion as an authority on things Canadian. Nearly 25,000 copies were sold of the 1907 edition, the demand coming from every part of the continent and the British Empire. The idea worked out, that of a concrete fact in a sentence, is an excellent one, the data being arranged under such self-indexing titles as area, agriculture, banking, commerce,, finances, mining, railways, wheat fields, etc. The wealth of material contained in small space is a revelation to even a well informed Canadian of the standing and resources of the country. The book is published at 25 cents a copy by The Canadian Facts Publishing Co., 667 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, Canada, or may be had from newsdealers.

CAPT. HOBSON WAXES WARM

Says Japan Means to Have War With U.S.—Appeals for Larger Navy.

Seattle, May 7—"Don't discount the yellow man. He can shoot just as fast and straight as the white man and he likes it. He wants conflict—war—fighting. War is a relief to him. It is the means of expressing the inherent medieval spirit in him—the barbarism. I hope that our mission in the Eastern Hemisphere will be peace, but there is but one way this can be accomplished, and that is to give us the power that lies in a great navy, with the best guns and the best fighters on earth to man them."

Capt. Richmond Pearson Hobson in a wholly informal speech delivered at a luncheon in his honor at the Rainier club, gave expression to a more intimate knowledge of the fighting Asiatic than at any other time during his stay here The sentence quoted in the foregoing came in the middle of his talk when the fighting blood of the hero of Santiago was warmed as he worked his way along his topic, until his face was flushed, his teeth set in a bulldog like grip and his fist clenched tight as he spoke his convictions.

LUMBER PRICES

Nelson, B. C., April 30—At a meeting of the British Columbia lumbermen, both from the coast and the mountains, held here it was decided to adhere to the lumber and shingle price lists now in force and delay the usual spring raise in the schedule until later in May when the result of this year's crop in the northwest provinces will be more assured. It was after considerable argument that this course was decided upon, as a number of holders of extensive limits laid great stress upon the marked increase in the value of British Columbia stumpage during the past year, due to the British Columbia government's action in withdrawing staking privileges last December; to the increased cost of present logging, the lumber so convenient to the water being logged so extensively last season, and also the government's action in withdrawing hand logging licenses. Should the G.T.P. contractors continue to hire men in such great numbers as they are now doing, wages are more apt to increase than otherwise. In view of these facts, these license holders considered that as a due protection to their interests the prices should be made stiffer and the sooner the better. However in view of the present slackness in all kinds of business the raise has been temporarily postponed.

SOCIALIST WINS.

Paris, May 6—Mlle. Leanne Lalee, independent Socialist candidate for member of the municipal council, scored a great victory at least as far as balloting is concerned. Voting took place yesterday and when the ballots were counted it was found 990 had been cast for Mlle. Lalee, while her opponent, Paul Escudier, received 350. A legal opinion, however, is that the law will not permit Mlle. Lalee to take her seat. She intends if she is unseated to appeal to the courts if necessary, and take the question to the council of state.

The Radical and Radical Socialist parties were heavy gainers throughout France in the municipal elections. The gains were made at the expense of the extreme Socialists and Reactionary Nationalists. The latter party alone lost 45,000.

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PLOT TO KILL LORD KITCHENER

Calcutta, May 7—The police are investigating the native plot revealed here to murder Europeans by means of bombs and the more they go into the matter the more serious and widespread does it appear.

Documents seized at the house where the bombs and explosives were being manufactured reveal that it was part of the plot to kill Lord Kitchener, commander-in-chief of the British forces in India, and other high officials.

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Presidents and secretaries whose names do not appear on this list are requested to forward them to this office for insertion.

Continued inquiries reach us for the foregoing information.

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DIVIDEND No. SIX

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend at the rate of Six per cent. per annum upon the paid up Capital Stock of the Home Bank has been declared for the Three Months ending the 31st of May, 1908, and the same will be payable at the Head Office and Branches of the Bank on and after Monday the First day of June next.

The transfer books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May, both days inclusive.

By the Order of the Board.

James Mason, General Manager.

Toronto, April 15th, 1908.

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W. S. STANLEY, Mgr.

SATURDAY, MAY 9TH, 1908.

LAW AND THE WORKER

During last March when the industrial disputes investigation act was rushed through the Dominion house it appeared to us that its principal purpose was to head off the then impending coal strike in the Pass.

We are all cognizant of the methods resorted to at Calgary during the joint convention to block proceedings until the act was passed.

Some of us were afraid at that time that the act boded no good for the worker. Our fears now seem to be justified. One trade union official has been convicted under this act, James McGuire, president of Cobalt miners union for inciting men to strike, the part invoked being section 60, the penalty imposed half the maximum, $500 or six months hard labor. The case was appealed. It was sustained in a modified form.

We have yet to hear of an employer being convicted under the act. Yet it seems to us that several have been guilty of its infringement.

When, during the flurry in metals, the smelters closed down and refused to reopen unless the men accepted a reduction, they were guilty of a graver offence under this act than McGuire was. Then we had the idiotic order of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. management that a miner must wait until he received permission before he could put up timber, not only a violation of this act, but a violation of common sense and practical mining and the Provincial mining act.

The International Coke and Coal Co. attempted to introduce some of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co's. duplicity contrary to the provisions of the act, but the prompt action of the miners put a stop to such proceedings.

And what about No. 9 mine at Coal Creek?

Let us take a look at the act, sec. 56: It shall be unlawful for any employer to declare or cause a lockout or for any employe to go on strike on account of any dispute prior to or during a reference of such to a board of conciliation, and investigation, under the provisions of this act, sec. 57—employers and employees shall give at least thirty days notice of an intended change affecting conditions of employment with respect to wages and hours; sec. 58, any employer declaring or causing a lockout contrary to the provisions of this act shall be liable to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, for each day or part of a day that such lockout exists.

Now let us see what a lockout means under this act. Sec. 2, article 5: Lockout (without limiting the nature of its meaning) means a closing of a place of employment or a suspension of work, or a refusal by an employer to continue to employ any number of his employees in consequence of a dispute, done with a view to compelling his employees, or to aid another employer in compelling his employees to accept terms of agreement. So says the law. How stands the Coal Co. in regard thereto?

The management decided to change the system of working in No. 9 mine, employing the pillar and stall in lieu of the long wall system heretofore employed. The men in narrow work places were paid a day wage of three dollars, and coercive intimidating methods used to force the men to turn out a large tonnage.

This cowardly line of action not having its desired result, the mine was closed down ostensibly because it could not be made to pay.

The management however, continued negotiations as to fixing a price. The men made an offer to get the coal for 75c per ton and $2.50 a yard cutting price on narrow work. The company replied that 60c and $1.50 was all they would pay. It is therefore obvious that the management are desirous to operate No. 9 mine else why should they offer a price. Are they then violating the sec. 56 which expressly forbids a lockout? Are No. 9 men locked out according to the meaning of this act?

In our humble opinion a definite statement to that effect could not make it any plainer.

Apart from the above proceeding officials of the company have told men asking for employment that No. 9. mine is ready to be opened whenever they say the word. And saying the word means accepting 60c per ton and no dead work in rooms, a price not sufficient to maintain a worker in decent comfort in this country. It appears to us that indirectly, and perhaps it could be proved directly too, although according to the act it is not essential, the coal company have closed a place of employment "with a view to compelling their employees to accept terms of employment." What are we going to do about it?

NOW WORKERS, USE YOUR VOTES

United at the Polls we must stand next Polling Day

REGARDING OUR CHILDREN

The cases of youthful depravity which were brought out at the trial of a number of small boys for stealing from the basement of the Waldorf hotel, shows to what an extent the youthful offenders have gone.

Magistrate Whimster very wisely let the self admitted young criminals go on suspended sentence, after giving them a real good straight talking to. We think, however, if he had also ordered their parents to give them a right good, old fashioned hiding it would have had a little more lasting effect on the memories of the boys. We were glad to see the boys released on suspended sentence, not because they did not deserve punishment, but because we think that it is not to the best interests of a boy's future to start him off with a reformatory training, where he is bound to meet with boys who are worse than himself and will naturally follow that style quicker than any other. As regards to who is responsible for the disgraceful condition of the youngsters we certainly affirm that the parents are. We consider that the trouble lies more with the fathers than anyone else. If there is a selfish creature on earth it is a man. Most men seem to consider their duty is done when they have provided the money necessary for the keep of his family; they consider their home practically in the light of a boarding house, and confine themselves to a newspaper as soon as supper is over. Their child comes in to tell him of their childish joys or sorrows and instead of laying down their paper and paying attention to the child, the father will hurry the children off out of his way. The children are naturally the keenest of critics and feel hurt at the non-attention of their father and wander somewhere else for sympathy.

If on the other hand the fathers would make their children more their companions, and show some interest in the plays and help to supply them with games and amusements inside their own homes and yards less children would be up for petty crimes, and later on less older criminals would appear in the prisons.

It is maybe hard to admit, but in nine cases out of ten it is the father who is the criminal, for he neglects his offspring. When the boy is arrested and placed in the dock for some petty offence, who do you find there to plead for him? In nine cases out of ten it is the mother who appears, and tearfully pleads for her wayward boy. The father is seldom willing to go, and does not like to lay off and lose his pay.

The children should not be allowed out on the streets to play at all. If they wish companions they should be encouraged to bring their companions to their house or inside their own premises and visa versa.

The children of to-day that we meet on the streets right here in Fernie, as well as other places, are cheeky and boisterous in the extreme, and in some cases that we can relate, when complaints have been made to the parents, they said: "Oh, my boy would not do that, he is brought up properly." And we venture to say that they did not know where the child was for one hour during the day.

This is a very serious question and means more than some people imagine to the future generation, as anyone who thinks on the matter can see the deteriorating influences of children running wildly on the streets.

CANADIAN BISLEY TEAM.

Ottawa, May 7—The Canadian Bisley team for 1908 will consist of 12 representatives from Ontario, three from Quebec, two each from British Columbia and Alberta and one from Nova Scotia. It is announced that Lieut. Col. Labell, of Montreal, will command the team. The two British Columbia men are staff sergeant F. A. Richardson, of the 5th regiment, Vancouber, and Capt. W. Hart McHarg, of the 6th D.C.O.R., Vancouver.

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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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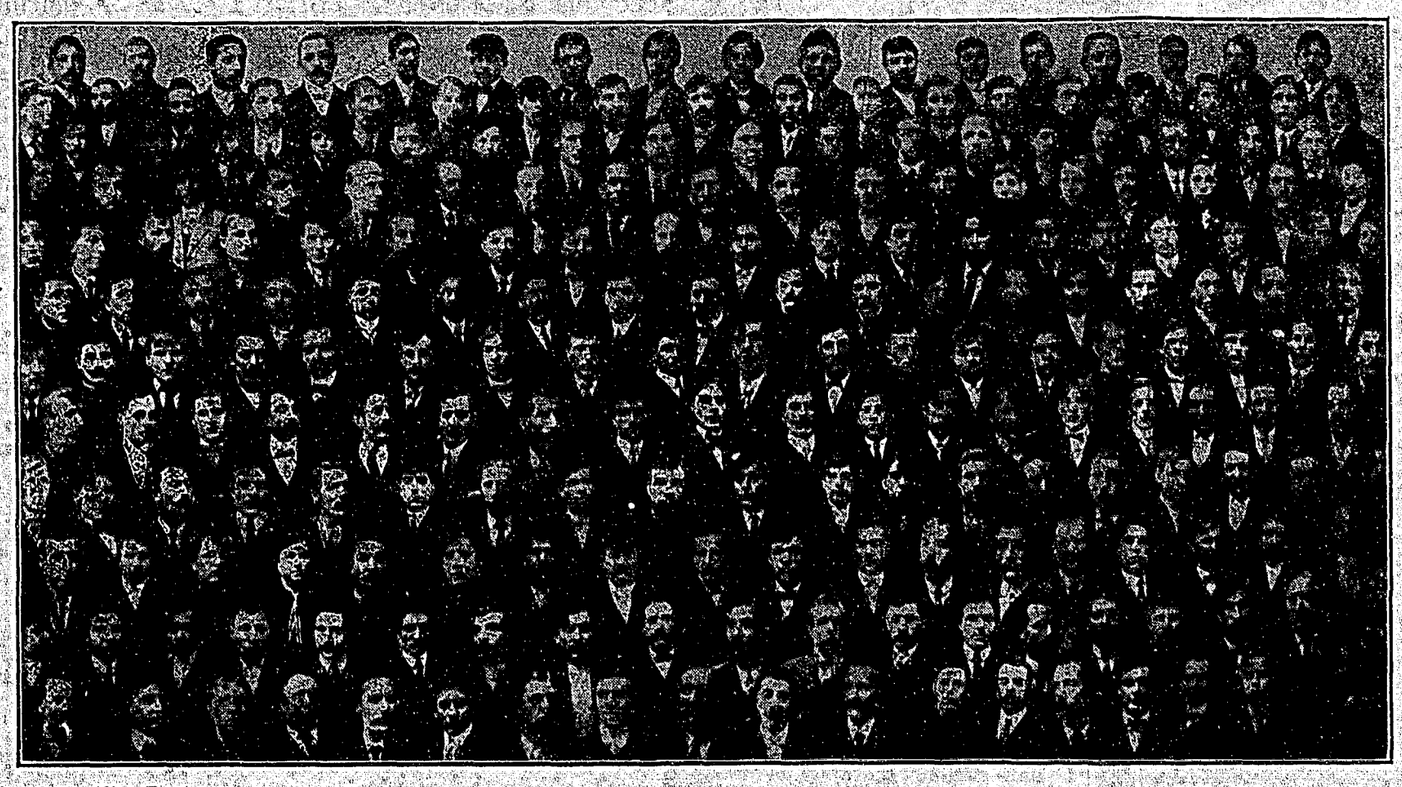
A FEW OF OUR MEN



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Members of Michel Local No. 2334, U.M.W. of A.

DEATH BY DROWNING

Michel, May 7—Henry Normandeau, an aged trapper who has been living near the old Loop hotel here, now closed, was found dead near a pool of water near Michel creek, about a mile and a half below McGillivery. The body was lying face downwards in the water, and alongside was a fishing rod and tackle. The provincial police and coroner A. J. Murray investigated the matter and decided that the deceased came to his death by accidental drowning. The body was brought here and buried in the Michel cemetery. The deceased who was a French Canadian had lived here for years.

A CORRECTION

In reporting the church parade of our local Odd Fellows last week, Mr. Simmonds, photographer was credited with taking the "group photo" in front of the Coal Company's offices, whereas Mr. Courtney, photographer, took the group. Mr. Simmonds took a picture of the street parade—hence the mistake.

EMPIRE DAY AT COAL CREEK

The Coal Creek Literary and Athletic Association is going to hold a monster sporting day on Monday, May 25th. $400 will be distributed in prizes and sports of all kinds, including foot races, jumping, quoit pitching, football, pole vaulting, boys and girls races, potato and obstacle races, etc.

Mr. Geo. O'Brien and Mr. Hughes inform us that this will be the event of the century. They also guarantee mountain climbing. Special trains will be run from here. Watch for posters for further particulars.

PAT MULLEN CAUGHT

Pat Mullen, who was wanted by the authorities for a murder committed last September at Michel, was captured at Great Falls, Mont., on Monday.

LETHBRIDGE

A shocking tragedy occurred on Friday last when Melo Lezely, a Servian, murdered Mrs. Baceda, a lady of the same nationality and then committed suicide, in broad daylight, on the road between Stafford and Lethbridge, within sight of at least half a dozen men who were too slow in getting to the scene to prevent the terrible occurrence.

The body of Mrs. Baceda was buried in the Catholic cemetery on Saturday with full rites of the church. Local Union 574, U.M.W. of A, followed the hearse to the grave. The murderer was buried the same day in unhallowed ground, being denied the rites of the Catholic church.

The city council has decided to purchase a plot of land to be used as a cemetery. The land can be irrigated and it is the intention of the council to turn the water on and make a beautiful place

The laying of the corner stone of the new public schools will probably be done under the rites and ceremonies of the Masonic order. It is understood that the grand lodge of Alberta will conduct the exercises. The estimated cost of the schools when completed is $00,000.

Chief Parry, of the city police force, has sent in his resignation to the council. No reasons for the step was given, but it is understood that Mr. Parry has purchased some fruit lands in B. C. and intends going on to the land to clear and cultivate it.

A smoker was held in the Labor temple on Monday evening last, May 4, under the auspices of the Liberal Association, W. A. Buchanan, president of the association in the chair. Effective addresses on the policy of the government were delivered by Senator De Veber and W. C. Simmons, our worthy representative at Edmonton, who also severely criticised the action of the Conservative members at Ottawa, in obstracting the measures of the government and formulating charges which they were unable to prove.

TABER

Mr. Barns, city policeman, has resigned and left for his homestead.

Mr. J. Eastman is now city policeman. There were several applicants for the position.

Messrs. Untrod and Duggins spent several days last week looking over coal property at McGrath in the interests of the new coal Co. of that city.

Things are very quiet at Taber just now. Since January about 500 workers have left Taber. The Bullock mine have only worked three and a half days in 5 weeks. The Taber mine has done one day in three weeks.

Messrs. Miller and Gilbert pull out on Tuesday for their homesteads; also Joe and Walter Sheldon.

Mr. Doodson, secretary of Local Union No 1959, will leave on Tuesday next for Winnipeg.

MERRITT

N. W. Fessler, better known as Shorty, and James Mallam returned from the coast on to-days train, greatly improved in health.

Shorty although an old timer in this district, it was his first visit to Vancouver. It was reported that the first few days he was in town he saw a motor car approaching he sought cover behind a telegraph pole for safety.

Mr. T. J. Smith, president of Diamond Vale Coal Co., was visiting here this week. When seen he reported himself pleased with the progress being made, and intends to push development as fast as possible.

The Diamond Vale have purchased a new team and waggon for their store. They have also started to drive 1,000,000 feet of logs down the Coldwater river to their sawmill, which they intend to take out as soon as possible for mine timber and lumber for the cottages they are about to erect for the married miners. There is also a large demand for building operations in Merritt.

Mr. G. McIntyre of the Coldwater hotel is building a verandah round the same.

Dr. Lutill is building a large mosquito net around his hospital so that his patients may recline with comfort.

Dr. Lutill is holding weekly classes in first aid to the injured for the benefit of the miners who wish to sit for the examination, when the board sits here in June.

Highland and High are building a shoe store for Dan Frazer.

A. Kallen is building a verandah and cellar to his cottage.

W. Brolin has purchased an acre lot from G. B. Armstrong, agent, and is going to build himself a cottage.

Charles Brooks has moved into his new residence.

The Diamond Vale football team played the return match with Middlesbro at Diamond Vale on Saturday, April 25, and beat by 1 goal to 0.

The Diamond Vale team also played the Coal Gully Neversweats on Thursday, April 30 and suffered defeat by two goals to one.

D. Nebrews and H. Charter for the Diamond Vale team deserve great praise for the way in which they played. Nebrews scored the goal for the Vale.

WOODPECKER

Mrs. Sherman and family moved out on Monday from Woodpecker to their homestead four miles south of the track.

Mr. James Blair left here on Friday night last en route for Michel, B.C.

Messrs. Samuel Mason and John Jenkins left here for Rossland, B.C.

Mr. Thomas Irvine has just returned from Lethbridge, where he went on urgent business.

Mr. William Lowe and family moved out to their homestead at Purple Springs on Friday, where he intends to pursue poultry farming.

Mr. John Dunn is up at Kimball, Alta., where he is rounding up some stock which has been lost for some time.

The mines in this district are very quiet at the present time owing to lack of orders.

A writ has been issued against the Reliance Coal Mining Co., of Taber, by 32 employees under the provision of the Mechanics Lien Act claiming wages to the amount of $1,637.30. In the event of their recovering judgment and the money not being paid they ask the usual remedy—that the interests of the company in the land comprising the mining property, together with all buildings, machinery, plant, etc., be sold to satisfy their claims.

The Board of Trade of Taber held a meeting on Friday night in the Fire Hall. The president and vice-president being away from home, the chair was taken by Mr. Gleisher. Mr. Simons, government contractor, gave some information re the new bridge which is about to be built across the river west of Taber. This bridge is to be about 850 feet long and will cost approximately $100. There are about 15 men started on this work already building bunk house and boarding house. There was also some discussion re the telephone service. It was desirable to have a telephone service instituted between Taber and Lethbridge. Some discussion took place re the coal crisis in this district. There being no coal operators present, it was decided to hold a special meeting on the 15th inst. and to invite the coal operators to attend so that this matter could be thoroughly discussed.

MICHEL

A public meeting was held in Michel on Sunday last to consider the advisability of opening a co-operative store, and about one hundred persons attended to voice their sentiments in the matter. After a lengthy discussion it was unanimously decided to start up at once and form a society to carry into effect the object. A committee was appointed to interview each householder and ascertain to what extent they may be prepared to invest in such an undertaking. Up to date the application for shares have already surpassed the anticipations of the promoters, and according to the outlook there is sure to be a large store opened up in the near future. It has been a long-felt want in Michel, and the people seem to realize that the time has arrived when they should awaken to their own interests. The town has seen too much of a one store business not to appreciate the scheme of a co-operative system when worked in a thorough and honest manner.

SANDON

To The District Ledger, as per request. I will give you the latest from Sandon.

We have had a bad spring in the snowslide and landslide business. We were cut off from communication with the outer world for several days except by handcar. The C.P.R. has resumed its old schedule of three days per week, and at this writing we have been informed, not authoritatively, however, that the K & S. railway is going to cut us out altogether. They have had some very bad slides this spring which took out several bridges, and as the road has not been on a paying basis hence the above mentioned.

Our town is in total darkness except by candle and lamp light, because of a landslide which cut out the water main of the electric power house, but it will only be of short duration.

We also had a visit of the fire fiend which destroyed one of our leading industries, the famous New York Brewery, owned by Twogood & Bruder.

We also had a visit of la grippe, and our most prominent citizens are the victims. W. M. Bennett, of the Reco Hotel, is the worst sufferer. He has been laid up for a week. A. Schillard also had a day or two on the shelf, and several others less severe.

Yours, I.A.

BANKHEAD

The cricket match which was postponed between Banff and Bankhead a week ago owing to the weather was played on May 2nd on the Bankhead Grounds. The game commenced at 3 o'clock, Bankhead being the first to bat. The last wicket fell for 35. Banff went on batting next, and it was not until they had reached a score of 59 that the last man's wicket fell. In the second innings Bankhead made a better show by scoring 58 runs, making a total score of 93 for the two innings. Banff were not able to have their second innings at the bat owing to a heavy fall of rain. According to the laws of cricket, when a game is not played out, it is decided on the first innings. Therefore Banff won by 24 runs.

After the match the two teams sat down to a good spread at Mr. Higgins house, which had been provided by the home team. There was a meeting held afterwards by both teams to consider the advisability of joining the Alberta Cricket League. President Morgan, of the Bankhead team, was the chairman. Moved by H. Lang, seconded by Simmonds, that the two teams become one and that it be called the National Park Club. Moved by Baker, of Banff, seconded by Hall, that an executive committee to fix dates with other teams in the league be elected; also that this committee act as selection committee; he committee to be comprised of president, secretary, two representatives from Banff and two from Bankhead. Executive committee: President, C. Hall; secretary, J. Higgins; Banff representatives, H. Simmonds and Baker; Bankhead representatives, H. Morgan and H. Lang.

SCOTS VERSUS LANKS

A great match was played on May 3rd on the Bankhead Football Ground between the Lanks and the Scots. The weather was not very favorable, but there was a great crowd out to see the game. The two teams were evenly matched, and at half-time the score was 1—1.

The Lanks, in the second half, were the first to score. It was a treat to see the way they used the clogs. At the latter part of the game the Scots played in fine style, scoring a goal in the last few minutes, thus making it a draw. They then decided to play a quarter of an hour more each way, but nothing was added to the score. Therefore the game was called off for the boys to attend church. Hurrah for Scotland!

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A convention of the Liberals of Kootenay will be held at Nelson, B. C., on
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For the purpose of selecting a candidate to contest the riding in the next Dominion Election in the interests of the Liberal party.
The convention will open at 2 p. m. and all liberals are invited to attend, but only accredited delegates will be allowed to vote.
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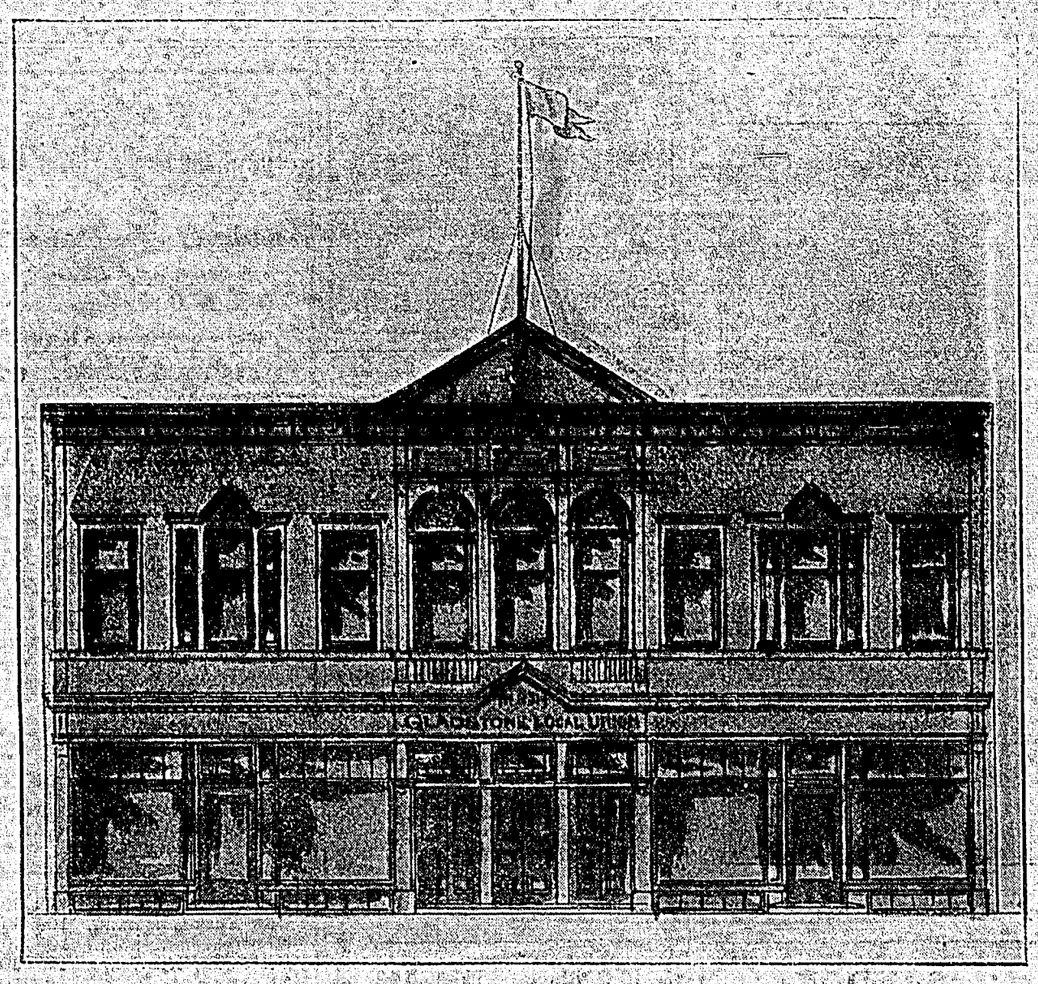


Showing front of Hall when completed

We print here two cuts reproduced from the plans.

The hall will be an up-to-date building in every particular, and add greatly to the appearance of our city.

It is being built by the Gladstone Local No. 2314, U.M.W. of A. and is a tribute to their members. Besides the hall for the miners, and the reading rooms, billiard hall and two stores, the opera house with a seating capacity of 800 will be a great boon to the citizens of Fernie.

The building is being built of brick, with a concrete foundation, and built by day labor, union help and under the careful supervision of Mr. T. Chippendale, who is looking after the entire job in conjunction with the building committee, of which T. Biggs is the secretary.

The building will cost $35,000, and will be finished in the latest and most up-to-date style. Each floor will have all sanitary arrangements.

The size of the building in all will be 60x114 feet, two stories, containing two stores 21x45, with large cellars. A crush lobby entrance to the theatre will be 16 feet wide and run right to the theatre door, with the box office on one side. The theatre will be at the rear of the stores on the ground floor and will be 58x59 feet, with a seating capacity in the orchestra pit or main hall of 592, and a gallery to hold 228. There will be two large boxes at either side on level with gallery. the ladies and gents dressing rooms, with storage rooms for trunks will be under the stage in basement.

The stage proscenium will be 17 feet high and 25 feet wide and the stage proper 25x50. Height of stage in rear for scenery 35 feet.

Under the opera house will be a large billiard room.

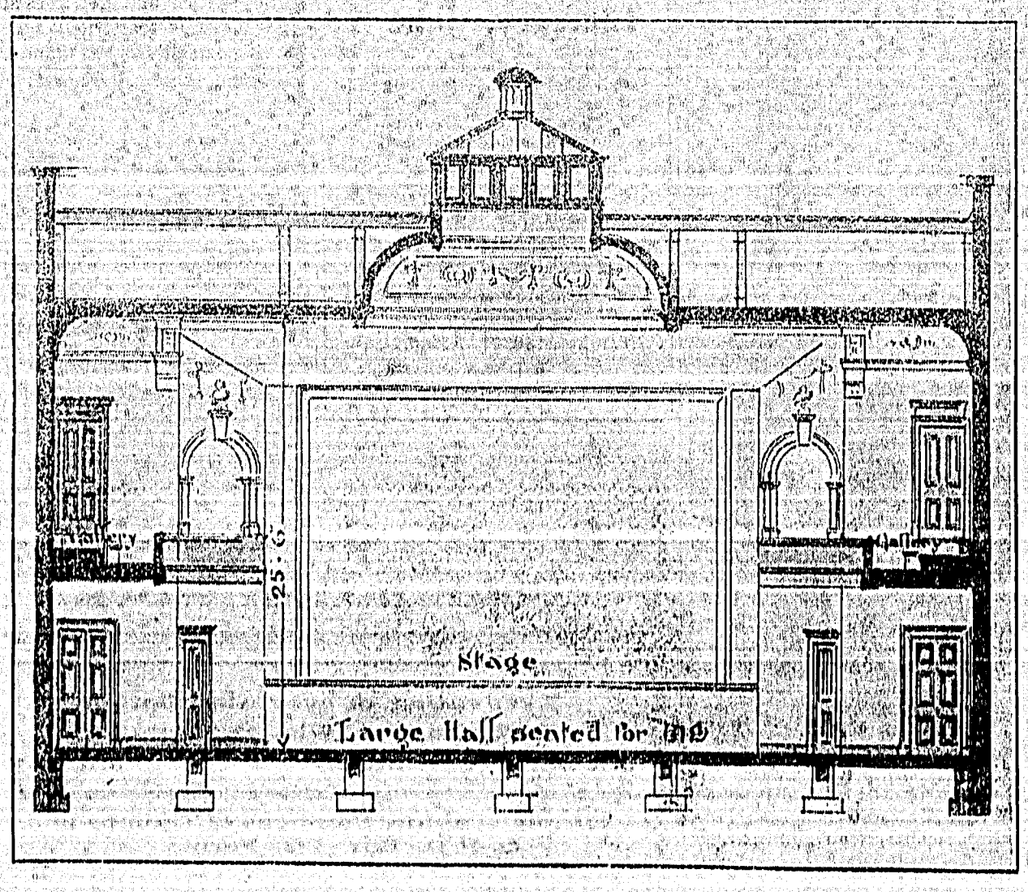
Two light wells will be on each side at the division between the stores and opera house and the opera house will be lighted by a huge dome in the centre.

The exits have been carefully thought out and consist of the main crush lobby leading directly onto the street, two leading from the gallery to the lane at the rear, and a large door in the middle of the stage.

A smaller hall for the miners and other unions, etc., size 21x42 will be over the store on the left side. This hall will have an ante room 10x14 and a reception room 10x10. Over the store on the right will be a large reading room 21x42.

The painting, decorating, plastering, plumbing, tinsmithing and upholstering will be done by contract, tenders for which will be called later. The plans were prepared by Messrs. Campbell and McLaren of Vancouver who won the $100 prize.

The miners expect to have the hall completed and ready for opening not later than November the first.



Showing the Opera House and Stage. The seating capacity has been altered to 800 and the stage enlarged from original plans.

SURVEYOR SHOOTS HIMSELF

Fredericton, N. B., May 5—W. R. Flewelling, deputy surveyor general of New Brunswick, committed suicide by shooting himself in the mouth and breast, in the basement of the departmental building this afternoon. No cause is known for the act as Mr. Flewelling was apparently a man of quiet habits. The new audit of the provincial accounts was to have been begun to-morrow and Mr. Flewelling had today asked the auditor, Mr. Dunlop, to postpone it for a day because of the absence of the chief game commissioner of the city. The suicide left a letter to Premier Hazen, which was handed to that gentleman in the legislature tonight. He opened it immediately and hastily left the house and conferred with the governor Tweedie and the cabinet. None of the gentlemen would reveal the contents of the letter. Flewelling had been an employee of the government for over thirty years and was a son of the late Hon. W. P. Flewelling.

THAW LEAVES ASYLUM.

New York, May 4—Harry Thaw was taken to Poughkeepsie from the asylum this morning by Dr. Baker and an attendant. A postponement of one week will probably be asked for on the Habeas corpus writ.

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NOME MINERS' UNION

To all wage earners:

The capitalist press and steamship companies, in order to further exploit the working class, will spread and are now spreading false reports as to the conditions at present existing in this country.

They desire to flood Seward peninsula with unemployed working men in order that they may reduce wages, winter and summer, below outside prices, and are endeavoring to show that work will be plentiful and wages high this coming season. Employment sharks in the States are likewise circulating such reports.

As a matter of fact prospects were never worse and conditions here are an exact counterpart of those outside. But little money has been in circulation since last December; the banks have issued clearing house script which is used instead of United States currency; no important discoveries have been made this winter, while some of the largest mines employing the greatest number of men have been worked out. Miners and prospectors returning daily from other diggings report nothing doing and thus swelling the army of unemployed, which consists of at least seventy-five per cent. of the laboring population.

The Western Federation of Miners by thoroughly organising the camp and strictly enforcing the closed shop, have been thus far partially able to maintain the winter scale of wages.

The employers and transportation companies, knowing these facts, are trying to allure workers here, as has been stated, to so reduce wages as to compel them to work for what in reality amounts to their board. To prevent such a calamity to the working class the Western Federation of Miners warns all working men to keep away from this country during the coming summer.

North, east, south and west of the peninsula most unfavorable reports as to the alarming conditions from a miner's standpoint are constantly arriving. In fact, every working man who arrives here is one more out of work and he himself is his passage money out of pocket.

And once here, how are you going to get out? Hundreds here are daily asking themselves the same question.

Take heed, therefore, of this warning, fellow workers; and stay away from the Seward peninsula during 1908. If you have contemplated coming here, change your mind and stay where you are.

Published by authority of Local 240 of the Western Federation of Miners.

150 PEASANTS DROWNED

St. Petersburgh, May 6—A ferryboat carrying 150 peasants returning from church capsized in the river Dneipor at Bikhoff. One hundred and twenty were drowned.

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AWFUL CRIME

Lethbridge Man Murders Woman and Commits Suicide.

Lethbridge, Alta., May 5—A horrible crime was committed here at 11.30 Saturday morning when Melia Zagaly, a Servian miner, shot Mrs. Mike Barcedi, an Italian woman, on the road between the town and the mine. He shot her three times and then cut her throat, severing the jugular vein. He then shot himself three times. The man used to board with the woman and had given her money to keep for him. She refused to give it back when he asked for it on the road. The woman's nine year old boy was with her and had the money. The woman had eight children and her husband works in the mine and is very respectable. The murderer came here a few months ago and was engineer on the screen engine.

BIG LUMBER DEAL

Vancouver, May 7—M. J. Scanlon, the largest individual lumber operator in the United States next to Weyerhauser is here closing a deal for the purchase of forty-seven limits in the Harrison Lake district, sixty miles from Vancouver. He is paying five hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars for the timber. He announced today that next year he would construct two mills, one at Harrison and one at Vancouver, to jointly cut three hundred and fifty thousand feet of lumber per day, and to cost three quarters of a million dollars for the plants. Scanlon already owns one hundred miles of limits in the same district.

A CHANCE FOR SOME TO BE FREED

New Westminster, May 7—W. P. Archibald, Dominion prison parole officer, is in the city on his annual trip of inspection to the British Columbia penitentiary, where he is taking up any differences between the prisoners and those in charge, and is also considering any applications that may be made by those incarcerated for release on parole.

The particulars of each case, together with recommendations will be laid before the minister of justice at Ottawa to be dealt with. Mr. Archibald says that the parole system has met with great success in Canada, and that it is seldom that a man who has been paroled does not live a sober, steady and industrious life from the time he is liberated.

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DAILY CANADIAN ENDS

Nelson's Evening Paper Goes out of Business.

In its issue on Saturday the Daily Canadian, one of the evening papers published in Nelson, announces that it retires from the journalistic field. Editorially the Daily Canadian says:

"With this issue the Daily Canadian ceases publication as a newspaper. A small issue will be printed next week for outside circulation to fulfil certain legal contracts, but as a newspaper to-day's is the last issue.

The Daily Canadian has now for nearly two years, served the people of Nelson and vicinity as a medium of news and fair comment. It was established in protest against what seemed to its founders unfair and misleading reports of political events. As the danger of such reports is unlikely to recur the necessity for the publication of this paper no longer exists.

The Daily Canadian has aimed constantly to furnish its readers early, accurate and fair reports of all public events, chiefly those of special interest in this city and province. It is gratifying to recall many unsolicited testimonials as to the lucidity and absolute fairness of The Canadian's reports.

In politics, imperial, Dominion and British Columbian, it has been a consistent and loyal advocate of the cause of Conservatism. It stood always for maintaining and strengthening the imperial connection and for spontaneous performance by Canada of all the duties and the fulfillment of all the responsibilities incidental to that connection. It has advocated the development of Canada on the lines laid down by Sir John A. Macdonald and it has from the first appeal of R. Borden, supported his demand for the cleansing of the civil service and the immediate abolition of the spoils system and the conservation of all the national wealth for all the people of the nation.

In British Columbia politics The Canadian has supported the administration of the Hon. Richard McBride and his colleagues, believing that the maintenance of his government was essential to the stability, efficiency, and progressiveness of the administration of the province.

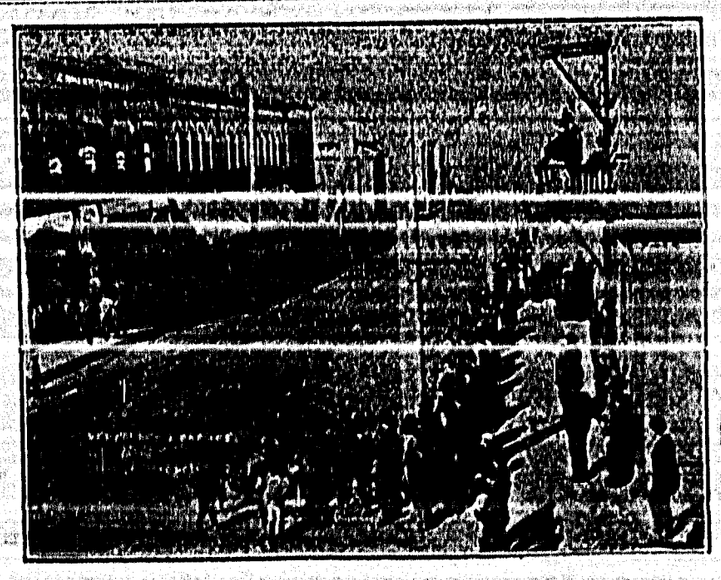
In regard to the local affairs of the city of Nelson The Canadian has been on the side of progress. Its watchword for the city has always been "Forward," and for the attainment of that it has urged, and done its most to promote harmonious co-operation of all citizens for the public welfare.

In spite of some unfavorable circumstances, the degree of support accorded has been most gratifying and sincere thanks are here extended to those who have given the paper their steady, generous and loyal support.

With the purpose for which it was founded now accomplished The Daily Canadian takes leave of its readers, wishing them and the city of Nelson continued prosperity."

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.



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IMPORTANT LEGAL CASE

Washington, D. C., May 7—According to the view of the department of justice and administration officials generally, the most important legal case in the recent history of the government is that which was presented to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals by Edwin W. Sims, district attorney of Chicago. The case started on Thursday, and the decision as to whether the $29,000,000 fine imposed by Judge Landis upon the Standard Oil Company was justified will be awaited with intense interest by members of congress and by the president and officers of the department of justice.

If the big fine is sustained it will mean a body blow for the oil monopoly, as it will pipe out the profits of one branch of the big concerns for two or three years at least. There is a great principle at stake, aside from the enormous fine, and the government is anxious to uphold its position that every shipment of goods involving rebate is a separate offence whether made under a general contract or not and whatever be the time of payment.

Fortunately for the government the supreme court has this winter decided several cases which have a direct bearing on the main contention of the Standard Oil Co. in the Chicago suit, which resulted in the imposition of the sensational fine. The government has been sustained invariably and some of the most important points made by John P. Miller and other attorneys of the Standard Oil Co. during the trial of the Chicago case has now been specifically overruled by the supreme court.

The result is that on appeal to the circuit court of appeals next week the principal point at issue will be not so much the constitutionality of the Elkins law or the question whether it was repealed in whole or part by the Hepburn law. The real issue will be, first, as to whether there was a separate offense every time a shipment was made, and secondly, whether the fine of $29,000,000 was excessive and an abuse of discretion so that it became cruel and unusual punishment, which is prohibited by the constitution of the United States.

District Attorney Sims' brief in behalf of the government, which covers 400 printed pages has just been received at the department of justice and it is being studied with a great deal of interest not only by the administration officials but by lawyers generally. No such fine was ever before imposed anywhere, and there is much curiosity as to whether Judge Landis will be sustained in the view he took of the different offenses committed by the Standard Oil Company and the necessity of fixing the maximum fine on each count of the indictment.

In the trial of the Standard Oil case in Chicago an ingenious general and special demurrer was filed which caused the government a good deal of concern.

John P. Miller, attorney for the oil trust, urged that the effect of the Hepburn law of June 29, 1906, was to extinguish all penalties for offenses committed under the Elkins law, which it was supposed to repeal. The offenses had been committed and indictments found under the Elkins law so that if this contention of the Standard Oil people had been sustained it would have put an end to the prosecution at once.

Judge Landis overruled the demurrer in an elaborate opinion, but as he was only a district judge no one knew how the matter would be viewed by the upper courts. In February last, however, in the case involving the Great Northern Railroad, the United States held that the Hepburn act did not repeal the Elkins law in the way claimed for it by Mr. Miller and other counsel for the Standard Oil Co.

The opinion of Judge Landis was therefore sustained and that particular question is not now before the court of appeals and will be presented to it only incidentally.

The indictment which was returned Aug. 22, 1906, contained 1,903 counts. At the trial the court directed an acquittal on some of these accounts because of material variance between the indictment and proof. There were left 1,462 counts, and Judge Landis after careful consideration inflicted the maximum fine of $20,000 on each count.

The Standard Oil people take the ground that the facts shown at the trial do not constitute 1,462 distinct offenses, but, on the contrary, that all of the transactions between the Standard Oil Company and the Chicago and Alton railroad are not a series of separate offenses, but are related parts of a continuous course of conduct, so that they amount to only one continuous offence, involving a single fine.

It is easy to see that if this contention is adopted by the court it will be impossible to reach a great company like the Standard Oil concern. Twenty thousand dollars to a trust of that character would mean but little more than the usual "$5 and costs," to a common drunkard in an average police court.

The whole purpose of proceedings at Chicago in the first place, and at other places where similar prosecutions are still being conducted, was to pile up fines to such an extent that it would paralyze the financial standing even of such a powerful octupus as the Standard Oil Co.

The position taken by the government is that if the view of the Standard Oil Company should be maintained it would make of the Elkins act but little more than a license law. The logical outcome of this as stated by district attorney Sims, would be that there could be but one punishment for all separate acts of shipping property at a forbidden rate and that congress intended the same punishment to be invoked upon a small shippee who violated the law in a single instance as upon a great corporation which violated it in thousands of shipments day after day and year after year.

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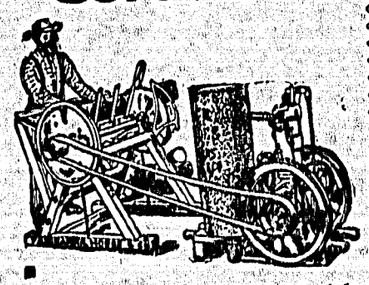

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J. Young of Lethbridge was in Fernie Wednesday.

Captain Johnston of the Salvation Army visited Fernie this week.

J. McMillan, superintendent of C.P.R. telegraph was in our city this week.

Mrs. George Gorden will leave for Berlin, Ont., to-day, to visit her relatives.

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H. L. Edmonds of the Bank of Commerce, and Mrs. Edmonds visited Elko this week.

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Percy Bent of Cranbrook came here on Wednesday to work on the new post office building.

H. G. Lockhart, of Lockhart and Gillespie, returned from a visit to Calgary on Wednesday.

Fernie Eagles will send a representative to the grand Aerie which meets in Seattle next August.

Wm. Lacy, constable, went to New Westminster asylum escorting another inmate this week.

All manufacturing, engraving and repairing done promptly and satisfactory at A. C. Liphardt's.

John Kitchener whose knee was hurt on Wednesday last, is reported doing well at the hospital.

An impromptu dance was held at the Waldorf Thursday evening, and a good time was had by all present.

There has been quite an extensive fire burning in the woods to the northeast of the town for several days.

Dave Eckersley, the popular dispenser of good things at the Napanee was visiting at Cranbrook this week.

A grand masquerade ball will be given under the auspices of the Michel Football Club at Michel on Friday, May 22nd inst.

George Bralley, who has been working at W. A. Ingram's barber shop is going to Hosmer to open up a business for himself.

The Michel Owls will visit Elko on the 25th inst. They will probably be reinforced by Hosmer, Fernie and Coal Creek en route.

Miss Ada L. A. Murcutt, traveller, writer, lecturer, will deliver a series of lectures in the opera house commencing Tuesday the 19th inst.

W. R. Smith of the G.N.R. was in Fernie Monday.

Rochon's chocolates are the only chocolates.

Mrs. and Miss McNeish went to Jaffrey Wednesday.

T. H. Hale went to Calgary on business on Tuesday last.

F. R. Morris, chief of police of Cranbrook was in town this week.

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R. W. Drew, general freight agent of Nelson was in Fernie this week.

R. M. Wood, real estate agent of Hosmer visited our city Thursday.

L. E. Herchmer, pro. constable of Marysville is visiting here this week.

Mrs. Brown, organiser of the Pythian Sisters, worked up a local lodge of that order this week.

Rev. Mr. Hall will leave Monday to attend the Methodist convention which meets at Victoria next week.

Dan Mooney, who has been working on the G.N.R. construction left for Havre, Mont., this week.

Rochon's Candy Kitchen for afternoon teas, dinners and suppers. A quart of Rochon's ice cream is the best for dessert.

H. C. Kennedy, assistant general manager of the G.N.R. was in Fernie on Sunday, accompanied by J. R. Davis, assistant engineer.

A box car on Wednesday's east bound local jumped the track 3 miles east of Michel, causing much inconvenience and delaying traffic till after five o'clock.

A lawn tennis club has been organised by the members of the snow shoe club. They have secured the tennis court formerly used by the staff of the Coal Co.

The city flag was flying at half mast for the last few days as a tribute to the memory of the late John Cattell who was an active member of the fire brigade.

Mr. W. W. Tuttle, A. J. Fisher, J. R. McEwing, A. J. Mott, F. J. Watson and Mr. Fletcher were nominated as delegates to attend the Liberal convention meeting at Nelson June 4th.

Mr. David Hobson, Jr., late of Cannock, now residing at Seattle, Washington, U.S.A., requests us to publish that he has passed an examination entitling him to be a member of the Master Horseshoers and Blacksmiths Association. Mr. Hobson was a former resident of Fernie.

There have been several burglaries reported this week. A Great Northern car containing engineering supplies was broken into Tuesday evening and drawing instruments etc. stolen. The Victorin hotel was entered through the upper sash of the office window and some tobacco stolen. Mr. Courtney reports an attempt to enter his house Monday night about 12 o'clock.

A cantata entitled "The White Garland," will be given at the Methodist church on Tuesday evening by the Sunday School children.

Joe Owen, who suffered the loss of his house in the Fernie Annex a short time ago, left on Thursday for England, going round by the States.

A temporary building is being erected at the corner of Victoria Avenue for Mr. Suddaby pending adjustment of his claims by insurance companies.

The Rev. Mr. Hall has been invited to remain another year in pastoral charge in the city by the unanimous vote of the church. He has been granted a leave of absence to get a much required rest.

Mr. Barber, expert machinist, representing the Mergenthaler Co., Ltd., of Montreal, who supply the Monoline typesetting machine has been in Fernie this week, adjusting the Monoline used in this office.

The result of the visit of the representative of the Vancouver Fire Insurance Underwriters to our city, and seeing the effectiveness of our fire brigade and water supply has been to considerably reduce the rate on fire insurance.

Rev. Lashley Hall returned on Thursday from Cranbrook where he had been attending the district meeting of the Methodist church of the E. Kootenay district. Sunday night will be his last service in Fernie for the time being.

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.

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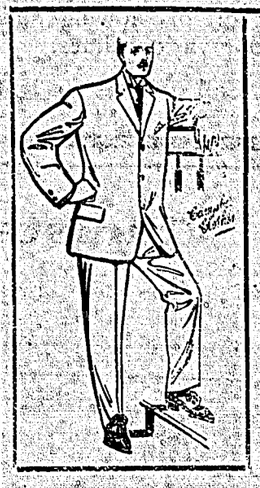

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