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STRIKE IN EARNEST

Riotous Times Starts the Ball Rolling With The Miners

MAYOR TAKES STAND

And Refuses to Call out Troops Women Take a Hand

GLACE BAY N. S. July 7—Riotous scenes at the collieries, an assault on General Manager Duggan, the reading of the Riot act, the injury of several workmen, twelve arrests and the refusal of Mayor Douglas of Glace Bay to call out the troops at the request of the company, were the special features that marked the strike of the U. M. W. of A. in the employ of the Dominion Coal Company.

The strike assumed a violent form at No. 2 and 3 mines early in the day. An enormous crowd, composed of the strikers, their friends and women and children assembled at the collieries to wait for the men who were expected to go to work.

Nearly all carried sticks and stones which were thrown and a general riot started. General Manager Duggan and a posse of police charged the crowd to open up a way for the workmen to escape.

Mr. Duggan was struck and slightly wounded in the head and several women and children were knocked down and injured. The entrance to the collieries were fairly cleared and the rest of the workmen loyal to the company were allowed to go into the mine without further interference.

At colliery No. 3 tonight the strikers are in charge of the situation. A mob, assisted by women and children, attacked the men who wanted to work and prevented all but a few from entering the mine. The police were forced to draw revolvers and defend themselves.

During the day 2000 strikers surrounded the jail in which the prisoners arrested this morning were confined, and it was thought that an attempt would be made to storm the place and release the men. This however did not occur. The police are practically powerless to control the disorderly element. Yesterday the saloons were closed but today they are all open again.

A coal train from Dominion No. 3 mine was held up on its way from the pit today and derailed by the strikers. Manager Duggan has appealed to the town of Glace Bay, and the Dominion and Municipality of Cape Breton for protection for his men and property and each of these towns have sworn in special constables.

Mayor Douglas of Glace Bay has refused to sign a requisition calling out troops.

HALIFAX, July 7—Before daylight tomorrow morning a detachment of troops will be on their way to Cape Breton to quell the disturbance in the mining districts.

PRESIDENT POWELL BUSY

After leaving the Rev. Grant at Macleod President Powell visited the Royal Collieries, the Black Diamond, and the Standard Mines and spent two days about these mines. He has arranged to meet the operators at the Royal Collieries on Monday next.

President Powell visited us Thursday and left on Friday morning, having received a call to Hillcrest.

DEVELOPING THE TOWN

The Western Canada Trade Gazette has the following article on the Local Paper as a factor in the Development of the Town:—

Where there is a railway station and a fair collection of business houses, and residences, you may be sure to find a hustling individual who is locally known as "the editor." In many instances he combines many of the mechanical duties of the office with that of editing his paper. He is devoting his energies to the upbuilding of the town and district. Incidentally he is adding to the value of every town lot and every acre of farm land within the district.

Unfortunately in many cases a newspaper is not recognized as a financial asset of a town, for the town seldom realizes the amount of benefit it receives from a newspaper. With the large number of people who are looking to this province as their future home, the local newspaper is one of the most potent factors in determining their immediate location.

If a prospective settler sees a copy of a paper which contains a large number of advertisements, he forms a corresponding idea of the importance of the town. If there be only a few business houses represented in the ad. columns, the man who is not on the spot does not know of the existence of others, and therefore forms erroneous impressions of the business importance of the particular point under consideration. He may decide to go to some place else, which is a direct loss to the town.

The advantage of advertising in the local paper is one which is lost sight of sometimes by retailers through the marvellous successes in business by men who attribute their achievements largely to advertising, have to a great extent corrected this impression. No merchant would continue in business if he did not have his sign board out. He rightly concludes that the purchasing public would not know he was in business if he did not let them know it. If his advertisement does not appear in the local paper the same argument applies, but with added force. In the latter instance he is not only neglecting his opportunities but putting his own town in a bad light.

Do not say that advertising is not read. That has been disproven so long ago and so often that it is unnecessary to repeat the proofs.

Do not be afraid the newspaper man will get rich too quickly if you patronize him. It is characteristic of the business that the men engaged in it do not lay up hoarded wealth with alarming rapidity. They are always buying something that will enable them to get out a better paper, or improving their place of business. They improve their paper just as surely and as quickly as their papers are awarded with financial support. They are boosting their town and their district 365 days in the year and every year they are in business. They refuse to look on the dark side of anything. If there is a hard winter they get an interview with the inevitable old timer who recalls "that the best crop the country ever had was after a winter just like this." If the harvest does not come up to the expectations, the newspaper man discovers by the wishbone of somebody's goose that the coming winter will be exceptionally mild. Newspaper men are "all the time" boosters.

Mayor Douglas and wife of Vancouver stopped of the west bound train this morning to call on Mr. and Mrs. John Irving, Mrs. Irving being a neice of Mrs. Douglas.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO COMMITTEE SURPRISING

Put Not Your Trust in Princes Nor Any Son of Man

Report of Rev. Hugh Grant Not Consistent With His Previous Remarks

The Joint committee of District 18 met at Macleod on Tuesday last July 6th. The Rev. H. Grant of this city was selected to act as chairman, as it was the general belief that on account of him having been the chairman of the investigation board, and conversant with all the argumenst pro and con, an immediate settlement fair and equitable to both sides would be arrived at, but when the chairman sent his report to Secretary-Treasurer Carter it was a surprise. The finding is given as follows:

Fernie B. C. July 7

To the Joint Committee Representing the Western Coal Operators Association and District 18 of the United Mine Workers of America.

Gentlemen:

In the matter of the differential on pillars at the Hillcrest Coal and Coke Company's mines at Hillcrest, Alta, heard before your committee at Macleod July 6th, 1909, as chairman of the above committee I have the honor to report as follows:

During the sitting of the Conciliation board I examined the mine at Hillcrest and being somewhat familiar with mining it seems to me that the mine was in remarkably good condition after two months idleness. It ought to be, so far as mines go, a most desirable one in which to work. The evidence shows that there have been no fatal accidents in it. In his evidence before the committee Mr. Hill has shown that up to the present owing to conditions of cost of mining, he has not had adequate returns from his operations. These profits he expected from his pillars, but when he experimented in December he found that pillar coal cost more than room coal. Before the committee he made it plain that he did not desire to grind labor, and he made an appeal for justice so that he, as well as his employees, might have a just return for his outlay. We must remember that money is put into coal mines for profits, and unless profits are the outcome of operations money will seek some other channel in which it may adequately get its increase. When we view outside conditions at Hillcrest we find it requires a large outlay to put the coal in the cars and on the C. P. R. track. This acts as a handicap in competition in open market with other mines in the same competitive field, and these embrace not only local mines, but also eastern ones that enter into competition in the western market with our local mines. I believe the employees if they look at the matter squarely and justly will see that they ought to help Hillcrest company to overcome the handicap they are under in the costly handling of their coal after it is mined.

I believe they can give a reduction on the pillars without materially decreasing their earnings and at least they will have the satisfaction of knowing that they will be saving an industry that has been good to them in the past and which will, in the future, even under a reduction, give them very satisfactory returns for their labor.

Taking these things into consideration and after carefully weighing the interest of both parties my decision is that the price of pillar work at Hillcrest mines should be [illegible] cents per ton for mining coal and that props be paid for at the rate of 4 cents per lineal foot.

Yours very truly,
R. H. GRANT
Chairman of Joint Com.

Reviewing the report of the Investigation board closely we find that all the evidence goes to show that the men in Coleman are making higher wages than Bellevue. Therefore, if Bellevue operators could readily concede old rates, what argument can be brought forward in favor of such a huge reduction at Hillcrest, as suggested by Mr. Grant. Mr. Hill in one part of his evidence distinctly said that his mines at Hillcrest were producing a much better grade of coal than the other mines in the district, and therefore he could command a higher price for it than the other operators.

The fallacy of the reduction asked for by Hill is apparent in face of the above.

Mr. Hill also gets from 20 to 30 per cent. more house rent than any of the other companies.

The majority report signed by R. H. Grant, and F. H. Sherman, says:

"We are of the opinion that if the parties each make an earnest effort, they can easily settle the difficulties that may exist at Lille, Bellevue, Hillcrest and Coleman mines, in the same manner as heretofore by mutual agreement, or by the joint committee, and independent chairman, as provided for by all previous agreements between the parties. We therefore recommend that this course be adopted, and a definite settlement be made within 30 days of signing an agreement."

Where is the consistency of the chairman's contontion? Mr. Hill's remarks about what returns he expects is proven by what? By talk. Mr. Hill has not vouchsafed any books or authentic figures to prove his contention.

Mr. Grant's recommendation states that **"During the sitting of the Conciliation board I examined the mine at Hillcrest, and being somewhat familiar with mining, it seems to me that the mine was in remarkably good condition after two months' idleness."**

A short review is now in order:

Mr. Hill wants a reduction of about 20 per cent. on the earning powers of the men. Why?

Because his mine is producing better coal than the other mines in the district.

Because he can command a higher price for his coal than others.

Because he is getting 20 to 30 per cent more house rent for miserable shacks than the other operators are getting.

And because his mine needs very little repairing before work starts after its two months enforced idleness.

Is it any wonder the men grumble and refuse to go to work?

BOARD OF TRADE

The board of trade held an interesting and important meeting on Tuesday night. There was a large attendance. J. R. Pollock, the president was present after a long absence on account of the injury to his leg. The matter of the herd of cattle being allowed to wander over people's property was dealt with. The subject of fire wardens was discussed and a very strongly worded resolution was sent to the authorities about this all important matter. The matter of a celebration on August 2 in commemoration of the fire was taken up and the suggestion of the city council was adopted. Several other equally important matters were taken up. The board of trade is doing good work for our city and deserves the hearty support of all.

THE COON, COON, COONS

A troupe of coons occupied the boards at the opera house on Monday night. They called themselves the R. H. Douglas Coon Coon Coons and the Lord help them if they ever stick their ugly mugs into Creston again. The troupe consisted of two he's and a she. We are only surprised that the victims who attended did not demand their money back. The artists were punk, strictly punk. The vocalists had frog in the throat and hay fever and the buck and wing dancer had one Methodist foot. Nearly every spasm was awarded cat calls. Br'er editors, if this aggregation hits your town smite 'em before they get away with the dough. The manager asked us to give them a nice write up. Sure Mike, we know we are easy, but we are not quite so easy as all that.—Creston Review.

COAL CO. TEAM'S EASY WIN

The Coal Company team demonstrated last evening that they are yet some ball players, too many for the Scouts, whom they touched up for a win to the extent of 19 to 10. 'Twas a good game to watch, and several interesting oratorical stunts were pulled off. The game brought out about the largest crowd of the season, as both teams were out to win. Several very costly errors were piled up by Cons players which lost the chance of winning for the Scouts. Chas. Davey at second made several. Con. met with his usual hard luck behind the bat, getting three nasty stingers on his thumb in succession. Umpire Kastner gave the scouts one fierce decision in the last innings, when he called a foul on a good safe hit by Davey. The ball went twenty feet inside of the foul line past the third sack, and then rolled out but should have been a fair off. The teams were:

Scouts (10): Wrigleswortb ss; Walters p; Whelan c; Spilman 3rd; Davey 2nd; Hamilton c.f.; Henderson l.f., Jones 1st; Mills r.f.

Coal Company: Tuthill 2nd; Patterson 1st; Brown 3rd; Lepard r.f., Ellis ss; Quinlan p; Cunningham l.f., Kirkpatrick c; Gibson c.f.

Umpire Kastner.

Mr. Robert Bulloch, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Aggie J. Bulloch of Reston, Man., spent last Friday in the city, guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. Beck While here they were shown a few points of interest in and about the city. Both visitors expressed themselves in no stinted terms of the grandeur and beauty of Fernie scenery. Mr. Bulloch was much impressed by the unparralleled progress and commercial advantages of the new Fernie. They left for the coast on the evening train, where they will visit the A. Y. P. fair.

CITY PURSE IS FAT

Touched For a Few Extra Simoleons During The Week

TO RUSH NEW WORK

Contracts Let for Some Very Important Work

Minutes of Council July 8th, 1909.

President Mayor Herchmer, Ald. Gates, Johnson, McDonald, Barclay, Duthie, Cree.

Moved by Ald. McDonald and Barclay that the minutes of June 24th, 28 and July 2 be read and adopted as read —Carried.

Moved by Ald. Barclay and McDonald that the account rendered by the government agent, Alexander, of $10 for fighting fire in city park be paid. —Carried.

Gates—Johnson—That the request of the city clerk for increase of salary from $100 to $150 per month be granted, the same to take effect from June 1st, 1909.—Carried.

Johnson—Cree—That the request of R. Potter, city engineer, for increase from $135 to $150 be granted, same to take effect from June 1st, 1909— Carried.

Cree—Johnson—That a fire warden be appointed to patrol the city park property at the salary of $75 a month, the Elk Lumber company to pay half. And the provincial government be written to re dumping clearings from the park into the river.—Carried.

Barclay—McDonald—That the costs of the Whelan appeal be paid.—Carried.

Barclay—McDonald—That Broley & Martin be authorized to commence work on the water works this side of river.—Carried.

Johnson—Cree—That the power house site be surveyed by Mr. Cummings P. L. S.

Gates—Johnson—That the Mayor be authorized to take up the matter of bridge across the Elk river with government agent Alexander with a view to having the government pay half the cost of the same.—Carried.

Cree—Johnson—That by-law No. 89 be reconsidered and finally passed and adopted.—Carried.

Cree—Johnson—That the C. N. P. Coal Company be asked to allow the new Fernie Annex to be taken into the city limits.

Duthie—McDonald— That Kefoury Brothers be notified to commence building at once or remove temporary building.—Carried.

Barclay—McDonald—That a pound for stray cattle and horses be erected at the rear of the city hall.—Carried.

Gates—Johnson—That we go into a committee of the whole to consider sewer tenders.

Johnson—Cree—That T. B. Struthers, Ben Gigliotti and Waldorf hotel be given twenty four hours to remove temporary buildings out of the fire limits, otherwise the fire chief is hereby authorized to destroy the same —Carried.

Johnson—Cree—That the committee of the whole recommend that the tender of W. M. Dicken for the sum of $925 be accepted.

Gates—Johnson—That Wm. Dicken's tender for sewer connection to school be accepted at the cost of $925 including manholes. The contractor to supply all labor and material, same to be completed by August 31st, 1909. —Carried.

Council adjourned.

I. O. O. F. INSTALLATION

Installation of officers took place at Mt. Fernie lodge I. O. O. F. on Wednesday evening when P. G. Robert Dudley installed the following for the ensuing term:

N. G. J. Haines.
V. G.; J. McNichols.
Rec. Sec. J. W. Quinney.
Financial secretary: J. W. Cox.
Treasurer: R. Dudley.
Chaplain: J. Robertson.
Warden: F. Handley.
Con. G. Young.
I. G.: F. Vance.
O. G.: J. Lundy.
N. G. R. S.: Binns.
N. G. L. S.: J. Kenny.
V. G. R. S.: A. J. Buckley.
V. G. L. S.: (not appointed)

TROOPS OUT

HALIFAX, July 8—At 10.30 last night a requisition for troops for Cape Breton was received by telegraph and at 3.45 this morning 20 officers and a force of men from the garrison left *on a special train for Sydney and* expected to arrive there shortly after 9 this morning, the train being a heavy one. This force took two machine guns tents and camp equipment and two days' rations. There are 250 men from the Royal Canadian regiment, 200 Canadian artillerymen, 50 Canadian engineers and details from the army medical and the army service corps. Col. Wadmore of the R. C. R. is in command of the force.

GLACE BAY, July 8—This morning all was quiet at the collieries and no disturbances occurred. Crowds of the strikers gathered about the collieries fences but the miners not out on strike were not molested.

THE HOME BANK REPORT

The Home Bank has gained one million dollars deposits in the past year. It has bee na good year for deposits, and the Home bank has had its full share. Twenty per cent. increase in twelve months is noticeably large. In 1908 the Home Bank reported an increase in deposits when shrinkages had been general. This it appears, was to be taken as an evidence of the popularity of the Home Bank, and an indication of a much larger increase when the money of the public was seeking bank accounts as an investment and security.

The rest and reserve fund of the Home Bank has been steadily advancing. It now amounts to a sum equal to one-third of the paid up capital. In remarking on this feature of the report it might be said that the Home Bank's reserve fund has been built up at a sacrifice to the most conservative principles of banking. Carrying on operations with a limited capital, the management has every inducement to keep all its funds actively employed in those investments yielding the highest rate of interest. In setting aside a substantial reserve the management has withdrawn a considerable sum from ordinary banking operations and invested it in securities for the benefit of its shareholders and the general credit of the institution.

TROUBLE AT TABER

TABER, July 9—The miners refuse to be bound by award of Conciliation board. The compromise submitted by the company was turned down on a referendum vote by the employees. The board will hear evidence as to the *merits of the demands tomorrow.*

Secretary Carter was in Taber on Friday in connection with this matter.

HONORS FOR FERNIE MAN

Sergt. John Minton of the Kootenay Rifles has returned to town from Nelson where he had taken part in the rifle shooting matches on Dominion day. He brought with him the Nelson Agricultural and Industrial association cup, having won it at the British Columbia Rifle association meet. The ranges were 200 and 600 yards, and Minton succeeded in scoring 63 out of 70, shooting with a Lee-Enfield which was saved from the big fire. The Kootenay Rifles possesses some excellent shots, and it is the intention to enter teams for the next military matches at Calgary and other points, where they will undoubtedly give a good account of themselves and maintain the splendid shooting record of the regiment.

IMPROMPTU SMOKER

The Hon. Charles Murphy, K. C., secretary of state, was a visitor in our city on Wednesday. He came in his private car via C. P. R. and was accompanied by his sisters and some of their lady friends. Mr. Murphy has beeing seeing the west generally and has stopped at all the principal points en route. An impromptu smoker was tendered to the Hon. gentleman at the King Edward hotel on Wednesday evening at which Mr. Murphy gave a short outline of some of his official duties. His worship Mayor Herchmer presided in the chair in a very able manner. W. R. Ross K. C. made a neat speech, as did Mr. Reading, and the Rev. H. R. Grant. Mr. Murphy was much impressed by our progressiveness in general.

The Hon. gentleman only entered the government in October last, succeeding Sir Richard Scott as secretary of state.

BUILDING UP THE CITY

Vast Amount of Work Contracted For--A Fire Proof Town

The amount of building going on in this city shows no signs of decreasing. Apart from the many fine private dwellings now in course of construction, contracts have been let and in several cases active operations are now in order on buildings of a more public nature.

Work is being carried on at present on the Baptist church, which promises to be a neat, compact and commodious brick structure.

The Church of England have completed their basement, which is at present being used for church services.

Work is going on at a rapid rate on the fine new church edifice of the Methodists, and the Fernie brick used are making a splendid showing.

The post office looks as though the government intended to finish things up without further delay. The city hall building across the street daily assumes a more complete aspect.

The new government building calling for an expenditure of $100,000 will also help to make things busy in the building line for the remainder of the year.

Besides this two more bank buildings, the Bank of Hamilton and the Imperial bank, are completing arrangements to commence construction at an early date, and both these buildings will add materially to the importance and business-like appearance of Victoria avenue.

Although there seems to be considerable work, yet there are plenty mechanics here to handle it all, and carpenters and others say that the full up sign is still out.

NEW LOCAL OFFICERS

Gladstone Miners' Union Choose Officers For Another Term

The following is the official count of the balloting for officers on Monday last the 5th inst. for Gladstone local No. 2314:

President	
Addison	[illegible]
Howbrook	104
Smith	155
Glancy	53
Spoiled	11
Blank ballots	9
	437

Vice-President	
William Evans	185
J. Lyons	71
J. W. Gray	67
Walter Price	54
T. Kynaston	35
Spoiled	12
Blank	8
	433

Financial Secretary	
D. Reece	218
T. Biggs	204
Spoiled	6
Blank	12
	437

Recording Secretary	
D. Paton	330
R. G. Noble	84
Spoiled	6
Blank	16
	436

Checkweighman	
D. Paton	157
W. H. Evans	123
J. Wilde	119
Spoiled	2
	401

COPY OF THE AGREEMENT

Entered Into Between The Western Coal Operators' Association and District No. Eighteen Mine Workers of America

AGREEMENT entered into between DISTRICT NO. 18 OF THE UNITED MINE WORKERS OF AMERICA, of the First Part;

and

THE WESTERN COAL OPERATORS' ASSOCIATION of the Second Part.

WHEREAS the benefits to be derived from an industrial contract depend altogether upon the fidelity with which it is carried into effect,

AND WHEREAS it is our earnest and sincere desire that any agreement made and executed by and between the representatives of the Miners in District No. 18, and the representatives of the Western Coal Operators' Association, be observed and carried out in its entirety and that all controversies arising under this agreement shall be agreeably and definitely settled.

IT IS THEREFORE MUTUALLY UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED that the following conditions and rates shall govern the parties hereto for a period ending March the thirty-first, 1911, and that the parties hereto will meet in conference thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of this agreement, to discuss a renewal thereof.

MANAGEMENT OF MINE

The right to hire and discharge, the management of the mine, and the direction of the working forces are vested exclusively in the Company, and the United Mine Workers of America shall not abridge this right.

SETTLEMENT OF LOCAL AND GENERAL DISPUTES

(A) In case any disputes or grievances arise under this agreement or any local agreement made in connection therewith, whether the dispute or grievance is claimed to have arisen by the Company or any person or persons employed, or by the men as a whole, then the parties shall endeavor to settle the matter as hereinafter provided. But before any grievances or disputes shall be submitted to the Pit Committee, the person or persons affected shall endeavor, by personal application to the Pit Boss, Overman or Foreman in charge of the work where the dispute arises, to settle the matter, and in the event of them agreeing their decision shall be final.

(B) In case of any local dispute arising in any mine, and failure to agree between the Pit Boss, Overman or Foreman in charge of the work where the dispute arises and any employee, the Pit Committee and Mine Superintendent or Mine Manager shall endeavor to settle the matter, and if they agree, their decision shall be final.

(C) In the event of the failure of the Pit Committee and the Mine Superintendent or Mine Manager to settle any dispute so referred to them, as well as in the event of other disputes arising, the matter in dispute shall be referred to the General Superintendent or General Manager of the Company and the Officers of District Number 18 United Mine Workers of America, for settlement, and if they agree their decision shall be final. Should they fail to agree, it shall be referred to a Joint Committee to be made up of three Operators appointed by the Western Coal Operators' Association, and three Miners appointed by District Number 18, United Mine Workers of America, for settlement. If they agree their decision shall be binding upon both parties. A majority of the full committee must vote in favor of any action before it can be declared carried.

In the event of a failure to agree, the Committee shall endeavor to select an independent chairman, and failing to agree upon an independent chairman, the Minister of Labor shall be asked to appoint such Chairman; the decision of the Committee thus constituted shall be binding upon both parties.

The Joint Committee shall meet every three months on the second Tuesday, or at any tome on the joint call of the President of the Western Coal Operators' Association and the President of District Number 18, United Mine Workers of America.

(D) In the meantime and in all cases while disputes are being investigated and settled, the miners, mine laborers and all other parties involved must continue to work pending investigation and until final decision has been reached; but where miner, miners, mine laborer, or mine laborers, has or have been discharged by the Company, he or they shall not remain in the employ of the Company while his or their case is being investigated and settled. If a claim be made within five days where a man or men has or have been unjustly discharged, the case shall be dealt with according to this article, and if it is proven that he or they have been unjustly dealt with, he or they shall be reinstated. If a claim is made for compensation for time lost, in cases where reinstatement has followed, it shall be left to the Joint Committee to decide what amount (if any) is to be paid.

(E) Any breach of this agreement by any of the parties hereto is not to void the said agreement, but the same is to continue in full force and effect. It is not intended, however, by this sub-section to abridge the right of the men to suspend work after the final settlement as herein provided, if any Operator or Operators refuse to be bound by any decision given against them under this article.

DUTIES OF PIT COMMITTEE

The Pit Committee shall be a committee of three in each Colliery or other plant covered by this agreement, selected by the employees working at such Colliery or other plant, from amongst their own number, except one member may be a Checkweighman, or an Officer of the Local Union, not necessarily an employee of the Company; this member must previously have been selected as Checkweighman or Officer from amongst the employees of aforesaid Colliery or other plant; due notice of such selection properly certified shall be given to the Company.

The duties of the Pit Committee shall be confined to the settlement of disputes between the Pit Boss or Foreman, and any employee working in or around the mines, arising out of this agreement, and all agreements made in connection therewith, the Pit Boss or Foreman and man or men having failed to agree.

The Pit Committee, in discharge of its duties, shall under no circumstances go around the mine for any cause whatever, unless called upon by the Pit Boss or Foreman, or by a miner or day man, who may have a grievance which he has first tried to, and cannot settle with the Boss.

Members of the Pit Committee employed as day men, shall not leave their places of duty during working hours, except by permission of the Pit Boss or Foreman, or in cases involving the stoppage of the mine.

NEW WORK

Whenever any new work arises, a price for which has not been provided for in this agreement, on the requets of the Company or the Miners, the Joint Committee of the Western Coal Operators' Association and District Number 18, of the United Mine Workers of America, shall meet within thirty days after the said request and arrange a price. Meantime, and until such price has been arranged, all men shall be paid upon the day wage scale.

EMPLOYEES NOT UNDER JURISDICTION

The following employees are not under the jurisdiction of the United Mine Workers of America:

Mine Manager or Superintendent, Overman or Assistant Overman, Fire Bosses, Boss Driver, Stable Boss, Master Mechanic, Electricians, Weighmen, Head Carpenter, Tipple or Breaker Foreman, Loader Boss, Night Watchman, Coke Oven Foreman, Outside Foreman, and all other Foremen, Timekeepers, Coal Inspectors and Head Lamp Men.

CONSTRUCTION AND EXTENSIVE REPAIRS

It is agreed that all men working on improvements and extensive repairs are not included in the jurisdiction of the United Mine Workers of America.

The erection of head frames, tipples, breakers, washers, buildings, coke ovens, scales, machinery, railroad tracks, and switches, etc., necessary for the completion of a plant, all being in the nature of construction work, and extensive repairs, or rebuilding of the same class of work are to be considered as improvements and extensive repairs and the employees thereon are to be excluded as above, when employed on such work only.

CHECK-OFF

The Company will give to the United Mine Workers of America full recognition and concede the check-off system; that is to say, upon the individual request in writing of any of the Company's employees the Company shall deduct such monies from their wages each month as is designated, for dues, assessments, fines and initiation fees; in other words, the Company will retain from the wages due employees any sum they may have given orders upon the Company for in writing, payable to such officers of the United Mine Workers of America, as may be designated in such orders.

PENALTY FOR ABSENCE FROM WORK

When an employee absents himself from his work for a period of two days, unless through sickness, or by first having arranged with the Pit Boss or Foreman and obtained his consent, he may be discharged. All employees whose absence would cause any stoppage of work must before absenting themselves, properly arrange with or notify the Pit Boss or Foreman, for any or all absences; otherwise they may be discharged; any employee who habitually, to the extent of five days per month, absents himself from work, may be discharged.

PENALTY FOR STOPPAGE OF WORK

If any employee or employees shall cause a stoppage of work in violation of this agreement, he or they shall be subject to discharge by the Company without recourse.

CHECKWEIGHMEN

The Company will grant the right to the Miners to employ check-weighers, and will grant the said checkweighers every facility to enable them to render a correct account of all coal weighed, and will allow the cars to be tared from time to time, and the machine to be properly tested from time to time, and will deduct from the wages of all contract miners such amounts as may be designated from time to time and will pay over the same to the Secretary of the Local Union for wages of Checkweighers.

PREFERENCE OF EMPLOYMENT

In case an employee is thrown out of employment, unless discharged, he shall be given preference over new men in other mines in the same camp operated by the Company.

MINIMUM RATE

When a miner's working place becomes deficient owing to any abnormal conditions preventing him from earning the minimum wage of ($3.00) per shift, and should the Company desire to continue to work said place or places, the Mine Management and Pit Committee shall examine said place or places and agree upon a rate to be paid the miner for such deficient work. Failing to agree upon such rate, the place, if worked, shall be worked upon the day wage scale **for miners.**

MINERS TAKEN TO DO COMPANY WORK

The Company shall pay the sum of three dollars ($3.00) per day for all miners taken from contract work to do Company work.

DELIVERY OF TIMBER

In accordance with the Coal Mines Regulation Acts of British Columbia and Alberta, the Company shall at all times deliver an adequate supply of suitable timber, rails, ties, planks and sheet iron at the nearest crosscut to the face of all raise workings, and in wet places where the regular pit cars go to the working face, without being handled by the Miner, they shall be delivered on the cars to the working face; in other places across the pitch, the timber, rails, ties, planks and sheet iron shall be delivered at the mouth of the room.

LOADING OF COAL FROM CHUTES

In pitching seams, where chutes are used, the Company will handle all coal placed in chutes by the Miners.

DOCTOR AND HOSPITAL ARRANGEMENTS

The matteg of Doctor and hospital arrangements is to be arranged between the employees and the management, and when so arranged, the Company agrees to make the collection for that purpose; this is subject in British Columbia to the laws of the Province.

In camps where Doctor and hospital arrangements have already been made and are satisfactory, the customs prevailing in such camps shall continue.

The Joint Committee shall at their first meeting provide rules for the mode of procedure for the making of arrangements between the employees and the management.

STORE

It shall be understood and agreed that the employees shall be at perfect liberty to purchase goods wherever they may choose to do so.

HOLIDAYS

The following days only shall be observed as holidays:

New Years Day
May First
Victoria Day
Dominion Day
Labor Day
Thanksgiving Day
District and International Election Day
Christmas Day

FUNERALS

In the event of an instantaneous death by an accident in the mine, or outside the mine, the miners underground and all other employees, except in the seam where the accident occurred, shall continue to work till the day of the funeral, when it is optional with them whether they shall work or not.

SUB-CONTRACTING

No sub-contracting shall be allowed in any mine operated by the Company, but this shall not apply to the employment of backhands.

EMPLOYEES TO CARE FOR MINE

In case of either local or general suspension of mining, either at the expiration of this contract, or otherwise, the engineers, firemen and pumpmen shall not suspend work, but shall, when mining is suspended, fully protect all of the Company's property under their care, and operate fans and pumps, and lower and hoist such men and supplies as may be required to protect the Company's property, and any and all coal required to keep up steam at the Company's plant; but it understood and agreed that the Company will not ask them to hoist any coal for sale on the market.

SINGLE SHIFT

The single shift system in rooms and pillars shall be adhered to as far as practicable.

WET PLACES

A working place in the mine where water drips from the roof in quantity sufficient to wet a man's clothing, or where standing water is sufficient to wet a man's clothing above his knees, shall be considered a "Wet Place"; a place where the use of gum boots will keep a man's feet dry shall not be considered a "Wet Place."

ROCK MINERS

Where a man is continuously engaged on rock work where hammer and steel are used, he shall be considered a Rock Miner, and paid Rock Miner's wages.

If an air drill be used the Driller shall be paid Machine Runners' wages, and the helpers paid Machine Runners' helpers' wages; the other men engaged shall be classed as miners or laborers, as may be.

Where a man is engaged on work in both rock and coal, if the amount of rock is greater than the amount of coal, he shall be classed as a Rock Miner, and where the amount of coal is greater than the amount of rock, he shall be classed as a Coal Miner.

BRUSHING

Where a man is engaged on continuous Brushing, either top or bottom, using the usual drills and tools, he shall be classed as a Coal Miner; if the Brushing be done by hammer and steel, he shall be classed as a Rock Miner.

Timbermen taking out rock while engaged in retimbering or repairing shall not be classed as Rock Miners.

RETIREMENT

Where any employee has drawn his time before the regular pay day, he thereby severs his connection with the Company, and any alleged grievance he may have ceases to be a question for consideration under this agreement.

CHINESE LABOR

The United Mine Workers of America do not in any way prohibit the employment of Chinese in or around the mines, but where such labor is employed they shall be paid the scale for such work with the following provision, i.e., that where they are now employed at Bankhead and Canmore present rates shall not be interfered with in any way by the United Mine Workers of America during the life of this agreement.

OIL

Present conditions to prevail.

PAY DAY

The Companies will pay the regular pay rolls at the several mines, for all wages earned during the previous calendar month, on the fifteenth of each month; if the said fifteenth be a Saturday, and if not, then on the first Saturday after the fifteenth, except in the case of the Fifteenth falling on a Sunday, when the Company will pay on the Fourteenth.

Any employee desiring to leave the service of the Company shall, on his request, be paid all monies due him within two days after his stoppage of work.

MARKET RESTRICTIONS

It is agreed that District No. 18 of the United Mine Workers of America will not in any way restrict or interfere with the marketing of coal or coke, to any person, firm or corporation.

DEFINITION OF SCHEDULE RATES

The schedule rates under this agreement are to be the minimum rates paid, but nothing in this agreement shall be construed to prevent the Companies from paying higher rates should they so desire.

It is also understood that where higher rates have prevailed no reduction shall take place.

TURN IN CARS

The Company shall, as far as practicable, supply each and every miner with an equal turn of cars.

BACKHANDS

The present practice of working miners, either as partners or with miners and laborers, as it exists in the several camps at the present time shall be adhered to.

With the following provisions:— That the clauses in regard to the same in the agreements expiring March 31st 1909 will remain in effect.

On all Company work the Company shall employ such class of men as the work requires, and at the rates of wages provided for in this agreement.

OUTSIDE WAGES

The outside scale of wages, which governed the parties hereto on March 31st, 1909, shall continue in effect during the life of this agreement, as per attached schedules.

INSIDE WAGES

The inside scale of wages which governed the parties hereto on March 31st, 1909, shall continue in effect during the life of this agreement, with the following exceptions: Machinemen are to be rated at $3.00 per shift, and Machinehelpers at $2.00 per shift, and schedule "D" of the agreement expiring March 31st, 1909, is annulled, as per attached schedules.

CONTRACT PRICES

The scale of contract prices, which governed the parties hereto on March 31st, 1909, shall continue in effect during the life of this agreement, as per attached schedules; and that the matter of dispute, in regard to the price on pillars at Hillcrest mine, be referred to the Joint Committee for settlement, said Committee is to be named at the signing of this Agreement, and render a decision thereon, immediately.

LOCAL CONDITIONS

As per attached schedules.

IN WITNESS whereof, the parties hereto have hereunto set the hands of their proper officers, this Thirtieth day of June, 1909.

THE UNITED MINE WORKERS OF AMERICA, DISTRICT NO. 18
William Powell, President
Clem Stubbs, Vice-President
A. J. Carter, Secretary.

THE WESTERN COAL OPERATORS' ASSOCIATION
Lewis Stockett, President
P. L. Naismith, Vice-President
O. E. A. Whiteside, Acting Secretary

WITNESSES AS TO ALL SIGNATURES:
T. E. James, Nat. Organizer
Hamilton B. Fuller,

OUTSIDE WAGES

	Per day	Hours
Bottom man	$2.62½	10
Slate Picker boys	1.25	10
Slate Picker Men	2.25	10
Car Oiler men	2.25	10
Car Oiler boys	1.50	10
Tally boys	1.25	10
Teamsters	2.62½	10
Blacksmiths	3.67½	10
Blacksmith helpers	2.62½	10
Carpenters	3.67½	10
Carpenter helpers	2.62½	10
Power House Engineers	3.67½	12
Power House engineers	3.15	8
Fan Men	2.62½	12
Hoisting Engineers	2.89	8
Tail Rope Engineers	3.36	8
Tail Rope Engineers	3.67½	10
Box Car Loader engineer	3.15	10
Tipple engineer	3.15	10
Locomotive engineer (outside)	3.15	10
Locomotive engineer helper or switchman	2.75	10
Firemen	2.62½	8
Firemen	3.67½	12
Railway Car Handler, (men)	2.36	10
Tipple Dumper (man)	2.62½	10
Tipple Dumper (boys)	1.50	10
Car Repairers	3.15	10
Breaker Engineer	3.15	10
Fan Firemen	3.15	12
Lampman (depending on number of lamps and skill of man)	$2.25-$3.15	12
Lampman	2.25-262½	8
Machinist	3.15-3.67½	10
Machinist Helper	2.62½	10
Ashman	2.25	10
Ashman	2.62½	12
Wiper man	2.62½	12
Coupler (man)	2.25	10
Coupler (boy)	1.50	10
Breaker Oiler	2.62½	11
Washer or tipple oiler	2.62½	11
Breaker picker boss	2.62½	10
Timber Framer (men)	3.15	10
Box Car Shovellers, (men)	2.62½	10
Breaker platform boss	2.62½	10
Breaker platform men	2.36	10
Breaker screen men	2.25	10
Rock bank (men)	2.25	10
Dirt bank (men)	2.25	10
Finisher after Box Car Loader	2.25	10
All other outside labor	2.25	10

BEE HIVE COKE OVENS

Levelling and drawing (6½ ton charge)	$1.00 per oven
Levelling and drawing (5 ton charge)	0.80 per oven
Loading into Box Cars (over 200 tons per month)	0.17 per ton
Loading into Box Cars (less than 200 tons per month)	0.16 per ton
Steam Locomotive engineers	$3.15 10 hours
Motormen	2.89 10 hours
Larrymen	2.25 10 hours
Plasterers	2.25 10 hours
Carters and cleaners	2.25 10 hours
All other laborers	2.25 10 hours

All charges to be large or small at the discretion of the Coke Oven superintendent.

BELGIAN COKE OVENS

Ram Engine Man	$3.15	10
Chargers	2.62½	10
Clayers	2.62½	10
Drawers	2.62½	10
Loaders	2.36	10

BRIQUETTE PLANT

Engineer	3.67½	12
Briquetter	3.78	12
Briquette Helper	3.15	12
Tar Melter	2.62½	12
Laborer	2.62½	12

SCHEDULE OF WAGES

for the Employees of the Coal Department of the Alberta Railway and Irrigation Co.

OUTSIDE DAY WAGES

	Per Hour
Top Cagers	.24
Dumpers	.24
Car trimmers	.24
Greasers (boys) ..according to age	.10-.17
Screen engine tender	.24
Box Car Loader, Engineer	.30
Slate Pickers (boys) according to age	.10-.17
Tally boys	.12½
Timberman	.24
Blacksmith	.35
Blacksmith helper	.24
Leading carpenter	.35
Carpenter helpers	.24
Car repairers	.28
Machinists	.30-.35
Machinists' helpers	.24
Hoisting Engineers	.35
Haulage Engineer	.30
Leading Fireman (man holding certificate	.30
Firemen helpers and ash wheelers	.24

Inside Wages

The following wages are on the basis of an eight-hour work day.

	Per Day
Shot Lighters	$3.00
Brattice men	3.00
Brattice Men Helpers	2.50
Timbermen	3.00
Timbermen Helpers	2.50
Tracklayers	3.00
Tracklayers' helpers	2.50
Motormen	2.75
Motormen's Helpers	2.50
Locomotive engineer	2.75
Locomotive switchman	2.50
Drivers	2.75
Drivers, in wet places	3.00
Drivers, Spike Team	3.25
Couplers (men)	2.50
Couplers (boys)	1.50
Switchboys	$1.25 to $1.50
Doorboys	1.00
Rope Riders	2.75
Main and tail rope riders	3.00
Pushers	2.50
Buckers	2.50
Loaders	2.50
Miners	3.00
Miners, in wet places	3.50
Rock Miners	3.50
Timber Handlers	2.75
Laborers	2.50
Cagers	2.50
Machinemen	3.50
Machinemen helpers	3.00
Pumpmen	2.50
Hoistmen	$2.75 to 3.00

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Copy of The New Agreement

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COAL DEPARTMENT OF THE ALBERTA RAILWAY & IRRIGATION CO.

Inside Day Wages

	Per Hour
Bratticemen	.37½
Bratticemen Helpers	.31¼
Timbermen	.37½
Timbermen Helper	.31¼
Drivers	.34⅜
Drivers (wet places)	.37½
Drivers (boys)	.18¾ to .31¼
Tracklayers	.37½
Tracklayers' helpers	.31¾
Miners	.37½
Couplers	.31¼
Couplers (boys)	.18¾
Switch boys	.15⅝ to .31¼
Grippers	.31¼
Pipe Fitters' helpers	.31¾
Pumpmen	.40
Cagers	.37½
Pushers	.37½
Pick carrier boys	.15⅝ to .31½
Clutchmen	.37½
Trappers	.15⅝ to .31¼
Roller men	.31¼

CONTRACT PRICES

THE INTERNATIONAL COAL & COKE COMPANY LTD.

No. 2 Seam

Mining rate to be .55 per gross ton.

YARDAGE—Levels to be 10 ft. wide, 7 ft. high on the low side, and thickness of coal on upper side; $1.75 per lineal yard.

Parallel airway to be 6 x 10 feet; $1.75 per lineal yard.

Crosscuts between levels 6 x 8 feet; $1.50 per lineal yard.

Room crosscuts to be not less than 8 x 8 feet, not to be driven moen than 25 ft. from one side, no tracks; $1.00 per lineal yard.

TIMBERING:—Entry timber, maximum to be 12 in. in diameter, at butt, and 14 ft. in length; $2.00 per set, with lagging.

Room timber, maximum to be 10 in. in diameter at butt, and 16 ft. in length, $1.00 per set; if required to set timber of larger dimensions, to be paid for in proportion, or be set by the Company.

PROPS: All props, exclusive of those used to set brattice or chutes, .05 per lineal foot.

TRACK LAYING: All tracks to be laid by the Company, except a pair of temporary rails to the face, which should be laid by the miner without charge.

CHUTES: .30 per lineal yard, 5 planks 2 x 12 in., two posts every 8 ft. with cross pieces. This includes sheet iron.

BRATTICE: .05 per lineal yard for each foot in height.

BRUSHING: 6 ft. wide, .50 per inch per lineal yard; 12 ft. wide, .10 per inch per lineal yard.

Seam No. 4

No powder.

Mining rate to be .50 per gross ton.

YARDAGE: Levels not less than 12 ft. wide, by thickness of seam; $1.00 per lineal yard.

PARALLELS. Thickness of seam not less than 10 ft. wide; $1.00 per lineal yard.

Crosscuts between levels: Thickness of seam not less than 8 ft. wide; $1.00 per lineal yard.

Crosscuts between room: Thickness of seam not less than 8 ft. wide, not to be driven more than 25 ft. from one side, $1.00 per lineal yard.

Timbering: Same as No. 2 seam.
Props: Same as No. 2 seam.
Tracklaying: Same as No. 2 seam.
Chutes: Same as No. 2 seam.
Brattice: Same as No. 2 seam.
Brushing: Same as No. 2 seam.

WEST CANADIAN COLLIERIES LIMITED

Lille Mine in No. 1 Seam

Gangway to be driven by special contract.
Breasts "Up to the Pitch" 20 ft. wide.
For mining coal $5.70 per lineal yard.
Building brattice, .30 per lineal yard.
Building chutes .30 per lineal yard.
Brattice of 1 in. boards built air tight from floor to roof.
Chute building to include laying of sheet iron.
Work "Across the pitch" including handling coal, laying and building brattice:
Breasts, 20 ft. wide, $6.00 per lineal yard.
Pillars, 30 ft. wide, $7.50 per lineal yard.
Tracks in pillars to be laid by Company.

Bellevue Mine No 2 Seam

Gangway to be driven 11 foot collar, 14 ft. spread and 7 feet clear above rail, $14.00 per lineal yard.

Chutes to be driven 7 x 10; $5.50 per lineal yard.

First length of chute and battery, $5.00 if not built by Company.

Monkey gangway; to be driven 6 x 6 from outside end, by car, $3.50 per lineal yard.

Crosscuts: To be driven 6 x 6 both sides, $3.00 per lineal yard.

Breasts: To be driven 9 x 20. "Up the pitch" including timbering, chute and air tight brattice, $10.00 per lineal yard.

Breasts of greater dimensions to be paid for in proportion.

No. 1 Seam, Bellevue

The mining price on pillars "Up the Pitch," including setting of 5 rows of props, where necessary, .45 per cubic yard.

Supplementary Contract

As approved by Joint Committee, July 8th, 1908. Other contracts now in force between the Company and District 18 U .M. W. of A.

THE W. H. McNEILL CO., LTD.

No. 1 Seam

Breasts 20 ft. wide, 4 ft. high, $5.77½ per lineal yard.

Pillars: 30 ft. wide, 4 ft. hiflh, $6.30 per lineal yard, increasing or decreasing thickness of seam, to be paid for proportionately at .75 per lineal yard per foot, down to a minimum thickness of 3 ft. including dirt or rock.

Skips: $2.62½ per lineal yard, 10 ft. wide, 4 ft. high, increasing or decreasing thickness of seam, to be paid at rate of 25c. per foot per lineal yard, down to a minimum thickness of 3 ft. including dirt or rock.

No. 2 Seam

Breasts: 20 ft. wide, coal to be paid in proportion at $1.05 per foot per lineal yard, for each foot in thickness.

Pillars: 30 ft. wide, coal to be paid for in proportion at $1.31¼ per foot per lineal yard, for each foot in thickness.

Skips: 10 ft. wide, coal to be paid for in proportion, at .52½ per foot, per lineal yard, for each foot in thickness. Rock in this seam to be paid for at .10 per inch per lineal yard.

No. 3 Seam

Prices to be the same as No. 1 seam. The basis of measurement to be a maximum thickness of seam at 5 ft., instead of 4 ft. as in No. 1 seam.

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No. 4 Seam

Breasts 20 ft. wide, $6.30 per lineal yard, 4 ft. thickness increasing or decreasing thickness of seam to be paid proportionately at .75 per foot per lineal yard.

Pillars: 30 feet wide, 4 ft. thickness, $6.30 per lineal yard; increasing or decreasing thickness of seam to be paid proportionately at .75 per foot per lineal yard, down to a minimum thickness of 3 ft. including dirt or rock.

Skips: 10 ft. wide, 4 ft. thickness, $3.15 per lineal yard, increasing or decreasing thickness to be paid proportionately at .25 per foot per lineal yard.

The following prices to prevail in all seams:

Chute building 50c per lineal yard, to be built according to present practice, 4 ft. 4 wide, unless otherwise ordered by the Pit Boss. First length of chute, 16 ft. $2.50.

Bulkheads according to present practice, $2.50. All retimbering and replacing broken timbers in breasts to be done by contract work 8 in. or 10 in. timber at .05 per foot.

Gob or brattice building in breasts, .30 per lineal yard.

All horizontal breasts driven over 200 ft., to be paid 50c per yard extra, up to 300 ft.

Chutes to be driven 12 ft. wide at present rates.

Gangways to be driven by special contract.

Carey Seam

Gangway: 6 ft. collar, 10 ft. spread, 6 ft 6 in. high in the clear, as driven at present, and including coal, rock timbering, and laying of track, per lineal yard $12.50.

Breasts up the pitch. Twelve feet wide, and 7 feet thickness of coal, including timbering, chute and stairway, and brattice building, per lineal yard $6.75.

Breasts across the pitch: 12 ft. wide, and 7 ft. thickness of coal including timbering, brattice, tracklaying and hanodling of coal per lineal yard $6.25.

Pillars: 30 ft. wide, and 7 ft. thickness of coal, including timbering, and handling of coal, per lineal yard $10.00.

These prices are based upon the present system of working. If seam is more than seven feet, or less than seven feet, to be paid for proportionately.

THE BANKHEAD MINES LTD.

No. 2 Seam

Gangways: 7 ft. collars, $5.50 per lineal yard which includes single timber, and $1.00 per set for square sets, of three pieces lagged. All coal to be forked and the slack and other refuse to be loaded in separate cars from the coal.

Counter Gangways: $5.00 per lineal yard, which includes single timber, .50 per set of two pieces lagged; $1.00 per set of three pieces lagged. All coal to be forked, and the slack and rock to be loaded separately from the coal.

Breasts (Up to Pitch) 30 ft. wide, with airway on each rib and coal chute and gob. All coal, when required to be forked, and the slack and other refuse gobbed, and put into coal chute, $8.00 per yard, and .50 per yard for building chutes, when vein is from 8 to 10 feet thick. If less than 8 ft. or more than 10 ft. to be paid proportionately.

Pillars: 30 ft. wide. All coal to be forked, and slack and other refuse gobbed, by working pillars on a slant, and gobbing slack and other refuse behind wing boards, wherever practicable. Price $6.50 per yard, where vein is from 8 to 10 feet thick; if less than 8 ft. or more than 10 ft., to be paid proportionately.

Chutes: 12 ft. wide, $4.50 per lineal yard, building chute and stairway 50c. per lineal yard, and placing of bulkheads $2.50.

Crosscuts: Between breasts, 6 ft. wide, and the height of the vein, including single timber, $4.50 per lineal yard.

No. 4. Seam

Main Gangway "A" Level: 12 ft. wide, which includes single timber lagged. All coal to be forked, and the slack and other refuse to be loaded in separate cars from the coal. $8.50 per lineal yard.

Main Gangway "B" Level: 10 ft. wide, which includes single timber lagged. All coal to be forked, and the slack and other refuse to be gobbed, or loaded in separate cars from the coal, as required. $7.00 per lineal yard.

Counter Gangways: 10 ft. wide, which includes single timber lagged. All coal to be forked, and the slack and other refuse gobbed, or loaded in separate cars from the coal, as required. $6.00 per lineal yard.

Chutes: 10 ft. wide, $4.50 per lineal yard, building chutes and stairway, .50 per lineal yard, building bulkheads $2.50.

Breasts (Up the Pitch) 30 ft. wide, including timbering, chute, air tight brattice, and stairway. All coal to be forked and the slack and other refuse to be gobbed in front of wing boards, and the coal to be put into chute. $9.00 per lineal yard for the coal and timbering, and .50 per lineal yard for the building of the chute and stairway.

Crosscuts: Between breasts: 6 ft. wide, and the height of the vein, including single timber lagged, $5.00 per lineal yard.

Pillars: 30 ft. wide, including necessary timber. All coal to be forked, and slack and other refuse gobbed behind wing boards, and the coal put into the chute. $—— per lineal yard.

The above prices are based on the seam being 9 ft. thick; if more or less than 9 ft. to be paid for proportionately.

No. 5 Seam

Main Gangway "A" level:—10 ft. wide, including single timber lagged. All coal to be forked, and the slack and other refuse to be loaded in separate cars from the coal, $6.00 per lineal yard for the coal. Brushing $3.50 per lineal yard; taking down cap coal, when same exists, .50 per lineal yard.

Counter Gangways: 10 ft. wide, which includes single timber lagged. $6.00 per lineal yard. All coal to be forked, and the slack and other refuse to be gobbed, or loaded in separate cars from the coal as required.

Chutes: 12 ft. wide, $4.50 per lineal yard, building chute and stairway .50 per lineal yard; building bulkhead $2.50.

Breasts: (Up the pitch) 30 ft. wide, including timbering, chute, air tight brattice, stairway, and the cap rock; all coal to be forked and the slack and other refuse to be gobbed in front of wing boards, and the coal to be put into the chute. $9.00 per lineal yard for the coal and the rock and .50 per lineal yard for the building of the chute and stairway.

Crosscuts: Between the breasts, 8 ft. wide, and the height of the vein including single timber, lagged, $4.50 per lineal yard.

Pillars: 30 ft. wide, including necessary timber, building of chute, and taking up of old chute in breast, all coal to be forked, and slack and other refuse gobbed behind wing boards, and the coal put in the chute; $8.00 per lineal yard, based on the seam, including the cap rock, where necessary to be taken down, being 8 ft. thick, if more or less than 8 ft. thick, to be paid for proportionately, and if pillars are more or less than 30 ft. wide, to be paid for proportionately.

The above prices are based on the seam, including the cap rock, being 8 ft. thick, if more or less than 8 ft. to be paid for proportionately.

No. 6 Seam

Gangways: 12 ft. wide, including single timber lagged, all coal to be forked, and the slack and other refuse to be loaded in separate cars from the coal. $8.00 per ilneal yard.

Counter Gangways: 10 ft. wide, including single timber lagged, all coal to be forked and the slack and other refuse to be gobbed or loaded in separate cars, as required. $6.00 per lineal yard.

Chutes: 10 ft. wide, $4.50 per lineal yard; building chute and stairway .50 per lineal yard; building bulkhead $2.50. Where the chute is built above the bottom of the seam, except for the first length, .50 per yard, for the extra work of lifting the coal up into the chute.

Breasts: 30 ft. wide, including timbering, chute, air tight brattice and stairway; all coal to be forked, and the slack and other refuse to be gobbed, and the coal put into the chute. $9.00 per lineal yard for the coal, and .50 per lineal yard for the building of the chute and stairway.

Crosscuts: Between breasts, 8 ft. wide, and the height of the seam, including single timber lagged, $4.50 per lineal yard.

The above prices are based on the seam being 8 ft. thick, if more or less than 8 ft. to be paid for proportionately.

All seams: Pushing and dumping coal over 200 ft. and up to 300 ft. .50 per lineal yard.

It is understood that the coal, in all places, is to be mined with the use of as little powder as possible.

HOSMER MINES TUNNEL

	Per day	Hrs.	Wet. Per day.	Places Hrs.
Machine Runners	$3.50	8	4.00	8
Machine Helpers	3.00	8	3.50	8
Muckers	2.75	8	3.00	8
Drivers	2.75	8	3.00	8
Miners (Rock)	3.50	8	3.75	8
Outside labor	2.50	10	....	..
Blacksmiths	3.50 to 4.00	10	....	..
Timber framers	3.50	10	....	..
Track layers	3.00	8	....	..
Brattice men	3.00	8	....	..
Hoistmen	2.89	8	....	..
Firemen	2.75	8	....	..

Which rates are to apply only to the present rock tunnels. The tunnels are to be driven continuously, with three shifts of eight hours each, seven days per week, except the shift from midnight Saturday to 8 a.m. Sunday, which will be discontinued for the purpose of changing shifts. The shifts to commence at 8 a.m., 4 p.m., and midnight.

COAL DEPARTMENT OF THE ALBERTA RAILWAL & IRRIGATION CO.

All coal to be paid for on screened basis, one ton being considered 2000 pounds.

Pick Mining

Pillars and stumps, 66 cents per ton.

Machine Mining

Runners (rooms)	.13 per ton
Runners (narrow work)	.19 per ton
Scrapers (rooms)	.09 per ton
Scrapers (narrow work)	.14 per ton
Loaders (rooms)	.50 per ton
Loaders (narrow work)	.77 per ton

Loaders, bone coal over four inches thick, 42c per running yard in entries and rooms.

Loaders, square booms in entries .20 per set.

Loaders, round booms, in entries, .40 per set.

Loaders, room crosscuts, $1.50 per lineal yard.

Loaders, lifting bottom, .75 per lineal yard, for each foot in depth.

Loaders, laying rails in entries, .50 per pair.

Loaders, cutting through faults, entry width and height, .77 per lineal foot.

Loaders, unweighed coal, entry width and height, .77 per lineal foot. Loaders, room necks each $4.00.

Loaders, entries, where necessary to use dynamite, on account of water, the Company to furnish dynamite free, 10c per ton extra. Machine runners, cutting through faults, entry width and height .19 per lineal foot.

Machine runners, unweighed coal, entry width and height, .19 per lineal foot.

Machine scrapers, cutting through faults, entry width and height, .14 per lineal foot.

Machine scrapers, unweighed coal, entry width and height, .14 per lineal foot.

Other prices and conditions to remain as existing March 31st, 1909.

THE HILLCREST COAL & COKE CO.

Mining: Rate to be .50 per gross ton.

Yardage: Levels to be 10 ft. wide, 7 ft. high on low side, and thickness of coal on upper side, $1.75 per lineal yard.

Parallel Air ways: To be 6 ft. x 10 ft. $1.75 per lineal yard.

Crosscuts between levels: To be 6 x 8 ft. $1.50 per lineal yard.

Room Crosscuts: To be no less than 8 x 8 ft. $1.50 per lineal yard.

Room Crosscuts: to be no less than 8 x 8 ft., not to be driven more than 25 ft. from one side. No tracks. $1.00 per lineal yard.

Timbering: Room timber, maximum to be 10 in. in diameter, at butt, and 16 ft. in length, $1.00 per set. If required to set timbers of larger dimensions, to be paid for in proportion, or be set by the Company.

Entry Timber: Maximum to be 12 in. in diameter at butt, adn 14 ft. in length, $2.00 per set with lagging; if required to set timber of larger dimensions, to be paid for in proportion, or set by the Company.

Props: All props, exclusive of those used to set brattice, or chutes, 5c per lineal foot.

Track Laying: All track to be laid by the Company, except a pair of temporary rails to the face, which shall be laid by the miner without charge.

Chutes: 30c per lineal yard, 5 planks 2 in. by 12 in. 2 posts every 8 ft. with cross pieces; this includes sheet iron.

Brattice: 5 cents per lineal yard for each foot in height.

Brushing: 6 feet wide, 5 cents per inch per lineal yard, 12 ft. wide, 10c per inch per lineal yard.

The above prices are based upon the present method of working.

INTERNATIONAL COAL & COKE CO., LTD.

Local Conditions

Dockage for loading rock in coal: All conditions to remain as at present.

The Company will deliver workmen's house coal at $2.50 per ton.

Brushing: Present prices paid, and conditions at Coleman, to remain during this agreement.

WEST CANADIAN COLLIERIES—LILLE AND BELLEVUE MINES

Local Conditions

The Company will deliver to their workmen, run of mine coal at $2.50 per ton, and screened coal at $3.00 per ton.

The Company will sell to its employees 40 per cent. dynamite at $10.00 per box (50 lbs.) and Monobel powder at $15.00 per box (50 lbs.)

Fuse, caps, and other supplies to be at present rates.

Dockage: All miners agree to deliver their coal as free from rock as possible: Serious or repeated contravention of this clause shall be taken up with the Pit Committee, and if found to be through the negligence of the miner, he may be discharged.

All other local conditions to remain as at present.

THE W. H McNEILL COMPANY, LIMITED

Local Conditions

Mine run coal $2.50.
Dynamite .25 per pound.
Monobel .30 per pound.
Other conditions to remain as under the agreement ending March 31st, 1909.

BANKHEAD MINES LIMITED

Local Conditions

Penalties for Loading Impurities:—The men are to deliver their coal as free from slack and rock, or other impurities, as it is practicable, and in case of a miner failing to do so, he shall be warned for the first and second offences, for the third offence he shall be fined one dollar, for the fourth offence he shall be fined Two Dollars, and for continued and aggravated cases, it shall be taken up with the pit committee, and if found to be through the negligence of the miner, he may be discharged.

Supplies, Etc.:—The Company will deliver coal to thier employees residing at Bankhead at the following prices:

Nut coal $3.00 per ton.
Stove or Egg Coal, $4.00 per ton.
Briquettes, $4.00 per ton.
House rents to remain as at present.
Electric light, .50 per 16 c.p. light per month.
30 per cent. dynamite .25 per pound.
Monobel powder .30 per pound.
Caps: To remain as at present.
Fuse: To remain as at present.
Wash House: $1.00 per month.
Company men to furnish their own tools, which the Company agrees to take back when they leave.
All other conditions to remain as at present.

THE HOSMER MINES LIMITED

Local Conditions

House rents to remain as at present.
Mine run coal: $2.50 per ton delivered.
Screened coal: $3.00 per ton delivered.
Water (outside tap) $1.00 per month.
Water (inside tap) $1.50 per month.
Electric lights .50 per 16 c.p. light per month.
Sanitation: $1.00 per month for each house.
Wash House: $1.00 per month.

COAL DEPARTMENT OF THE ALBERTA RAILWAY & IRRIGATION CO.

Local Conditions

Dockage—A loader will be fined 25c for each offence for sending out dirty coal, and after the third offence he may be discharged. When fined, his number will be placed on the dock board on the bankhead. The placing of his number on the dock board will be considered as due warning.

Abnormal Conditions:—An abnormal condition shall be considered as a condition where the seam is faulty, or thins out to a point less than 48 inches in thickness.

Inside Day Wages:—To be computed from the time at which the first workman in the shift leaves the surface, to the time when the first workman in the shift returns to the surface.

THE HILLCREST COAL & COKE CO., LTD.

Local Conditions

The Company will deliver coal to miners living within the limits of the townsite of Hillcrest Mines, at $2.50 per ton for run of mine coal, and screened coal, when possible, at $3.00 per ton.

The Company will sell to its employees 40 per cent, dynamite at .25 per pound, Monobel powder at .30 per pound. Fuse, caps, and other supplies as at present rates.

Dockage:—Same dockage clause as at Coleman mine.

House rents to remain as at present.

All other conditions to remain as at present.

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THE SENIOR POLLARDS

Vancouver Daily News-Advertiser, June 12, 09: It was a very friendly audience which greeted the Pollard graduates at the Vancouver Opera House last night and a good deal of curiosity was evinced as to what sort of a production these former wonder children would give. Regular patrons of the theatre have established quite a Pollard cult and the cleverness of "those dear Australian children" is a popular theme, but time rolls on and the children must grow up, and the very clever comedy which opened at the opera house last night is composed of former stars of the big juvenile production. It is only a few months since the Pollards paid Vancouver a farewell visit before returning to Australia, and now Eva Moore, Ada Hind and Teddy McNamara are here as grown ups. It was difficult to recognize Miss Moore last night in the charming role of Dora McAllister. There was something besides the name which convinced the audience that they knew her, for it was not until the second act that they knew their favorite, for—let it be whispered—Miss Moore played boy's parts with the juveniles and we did not recognize in her the haughty young lady in dainty muslin, but when she got into male attire, ah! then we knew her. Widow O'Brien is the title of the Pollard production and a very merry interlude it is, providing plenty of laughter interspersed with very catchy songs. The bulk of the fun making fell on Alfred Goulding, who as Widow O'Brien, proved himself a first class comedian. He created a very happy spirit and his appearance on the stage was the signal for an outburst of mirth. He sings several songs,—but a mock ballad he rendered was so absolutely eccentric in its rendering that it brought down the house. Eva Moore showed a decided talent for the heroine role of musical comedy. She has a very fascinating stage presence, and sings in a charming manner. All her numbers were given excellently, and particularly "Ma Chreie," a little love song. Ada Hind delighted everybody as Jora O'Brien and seemed destined for a musical comedy career. Teddy McNamara came in for an ovation when he made his first entrance and added to the gaiety of the evening considerably. He also had an eccentric song which he sang well. Local allusions crept into the Pollard version of "Fairy Tales" sung by Alfred Goulding, Jack Pollard and Harold Fraser. Included in the cast of graduates are Jack Pollard, Charles Chester, Willie Pollard, Horald Fraser, Fred Pollard, Frank Cherry, Frank Chester, Eva Pollard, Emma Davis and Ma Pollard, and this splendid organization is to be complimented upon so successfully inaugurating their operatic career. At Fernie opera house Tuesday and Wednesday 13th and 14th of July.

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DIFFERENT VIEWS

The report of Chairman Grant on "pillar work" at Hillcrest mines came as rather a surprise to the miners of this district, and to many as a severe disappointment. The chairman has thus put himself on record as saying that the men heretofore producing coal at 50 cents per ton, shall now do the same work for 40 cents per ton. The cause is alleged to be that Mr. Hill, the proprietor, is not getting what he considers adequate returns for the money he has invested, although in proof of his contention on this point he produced no authentic records, as far as we are aware.

To say the least, it is peculiar that the chairman should throw in his lot with the great majority of capitalists, who, when dividends are not up to expectations, look not within nor without, but first of all hack a corner from the pay sheet of the men who are the real producers. Railroad rates for transportation may be excessively high—good and well; market conditions may for the time being be against speedy and profitable sales—but first of all the axe must fall on the means of subsistence gained by the man who works hard at a most objectionable occupation for his livelihood.

We regret exceedingly that Rev. Grant has seen fit to place his influence for the time being at the disposal of coal operators to whom the lust of wealth apparently is the centre and circumference of their sphere of activity.

A STRANGE QUESTION

The city council have had quite a procession of by-laws going through the usual formal manouvres since they assumed office, most of them quite necessary, and ranging in financial results from $15,000 up, away up. Very well. It was necessary to secure the consent of the people for this expenditure.

To give a concrete instance. The park by-law calls for an expenditure of $15,000 spread over a period of thirty years. The city council at the last meeting authorized by increasing the salaries of two officials, the expenditure in the same thirty years of $23,400, without considering interest.

True, the present occupants of the office are not guaranteed employment for that length of time but precedent is established by the action of the council. We are not questioning the wisdom of the increases, although $50 a month jumps should be seriously considered, but simply state the case to show that City Councils are to a certain extent the possessors of powers in money matters, which, if desired for other purposes, must needs be obtained by the suffrage of the electorate.

CALL OUT THE TROOPS

The U. M. W. of A. in the collieries of the Dominion Coal Company in Cape Breton are out on strike for recognition of their union and for the adjustment of other grievances.

Despatches indicate that a certain amount of trouble, some violence, and a few petty injuries have resutled to date. The fact is mentioned several times that a large proportion of the members of the "mobs" are women and children and friends of the strikers, so the dangerous and militant nature of the array is plainly seen.

As was to be expected from past experiences, the authorities of the Coal Company have at once assumed the role of the martyr, and have resorted to the manly practice of calling out the troops to protect their property, and if needs be to shoot down a few boisterous demonstrators, the life of one of whom is worth more than the combined coal wealth of all their collieries.

Coal operators seem to be privileged in many ways. In this country mine ventilation is not to be compared with the standard maintained in old country collieries; time after time the press is filled with the accounts of the most heart rending scenes at mine accidents, where scores upon scores of fathers, husbands and sons are hemmed in like rats in some mine, and nothing but disfigured remains and charred bodies are brought to the pit mouth, out of the band of workers who entered in the enjoyment of life a few hours previously.

Yet, if these same men dare to strike against what they consider as unfair conditions in the pursuit of their hazardous occupation, and if, in the course of such strike, the strikers themselves, their friends, and in many cases their wives and children grow demonstrative, perhaps to a degree, dangerously so, they are on the least provocation charged with bayonets or shot down at the instance of the men who, probably for years they have served faithfully at an occupation singularly dangerous and prolific of a terrible death roll.

Small wonder is it that workers generally, and unionists in particular, fail to catch the spirit of jingoistic enthusiasm which it was sought to arouse over the "Dreadnaught" scare and other similar schemes for naval and land force enlargement.

The memories of the Homestead riots are not easily erased and the possibility of such a hellish exhibition of the power of capital is too great to tempt union men to trust implicitly in the powers that be.

District 18 U. M. W. of A. has troubles of its own, but it will watch with a keen interest the struggle of their fellows on the far eastern coast of this land. Let us hope that candor and equity will sway the more impetuous element in the union ranks, and above all, that the doings of sympathizers and too-ardent friends will not be scapegoated on the shoulders of the union and laid to their account, as is too often the case.

An old saying is that the camera never lies. It does though—sure. The Toronto Globe of July 3 showed the remarkable growth of Fernie by exhibiting two snap shots from the sleepy end of the Flyer. Prominent in them are old temporary buildings and blank space. Come west, Globe, come west!

MILLION DOLLARS DEPOSITS GAINED BY HOME BANK

TORONTO, July 1—The annual meeting of the Home Bank of Canada was held at the head office, 8 King street west, yesterday afternoon. The statement submitted for the fiscal year ending May 31st, 1909, showed that deposits had increased, roundly, one million dollars; the reserve had been maintained at a sum equal to one-third of the paid-up capital; dividends had been paid at the rate of six per cent. per annum quarterly; nearly fifty-six thousand dollars have been carried forward into the Profit and Loss Account for next year.

The statement for the year ending May 31st is as follows:

Profit and Loss Account

Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 31st May 1908,	$ 30953.32	
Net profits for the year after deducting charges of management, accrued interest, full provision for bad and doubtful debts, and rebate of interest on unmatured bills	83957.98	
	$114911.30	
Premium on capital stocks received during the year	32077.90	
	$146989.20	
Which has been appropriated as follows:		
Dividend No. 7, quarterly at rate of 6 p.c. per annum	$ 13492.29	
Dividend No. 8, quarterly, at rate of 6 p.c. per annum	13689 13	
Dividend No. 9, quarterly, at rate of 6 p.c. per annum	13980 10	
Dividend No. 10, quarterly, at rate of 6 p.c. per annum	14249 03	
	$ 55411 55	
Transferred to Rest account	35948 55	
Balance carried forward	55629 65	
	$146989 20	

The Bank's Liabilities

To the Public:		
Notes of the Bank in circulation		$ 625505.50
Deposits not bearing interest	$1026261.56	
Deposits bearing interest	4838244.20	
		5864505.76
Balances due other banks in Canada		3221.86
Balances due agents in Great Britain		19070.94
		$6512303.56
To the Shareholders:		
Capital subscribed $1,067,800.00, paid up	$1000958.68	
Rest	333653.00	
Dividends unclaimed	389.37	
Dividend No. 10 (quarterly) being at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum,—payable June 1, 1909	14249.03	
Profit and Loss account carried forward	55629.65	
		$1404880.73
		$7917184.29

The Bank's Assets

Gold and Silver Coin	$ 60121.00	
Dominion Government	[illegible]	
		$ 680081.50
Deposit with Dominion government as security for Note Circulation		42000.00
Notes and Cheques of other Banks		222073.36
Balances due from other Banks in Canada		170512.81
Balances due from Agents in Foreign Countries		166688.25
Railway, Municipal and other Bonds		336594.05
Call loans secured by Bonds, Stocks and Debentures		1468391.28
		$3786372.25
Current Loans and Bills Discounted	$3867456.55	
Overdue Debts, (estimated loss provided for)	25136.77	
Bank Premises, Safes and Office Furniture	270115.66	
Other Assets	28102.56	
		$4130811.54
		$7917183.79

Those Present

Among those present at the annual general meeting were:—E. O'Keefe, Thomas Flynn, E. C. Gooderham, W. Parkyn Murray, Lieut.-Col. J. I. Davidson, Lieut.-Col. J. Mason, F. E. Luke, George F. Burns, Wm. Crocker, C. B. Powell, Colin Burgess, Edward Galloy, H. C. Funck, L. H. Baldwin, A. W. Thomas, Isaac Moody, J. Cooper Mason, J. O. Patterson, R. B. Street, H. T. Kelly, K.C.; W. T. Kernahan, W. H. Partridge, J. M. Clark, K.C.; John Kennedy, Swan River, Man.; T. J. Healey, Widmer Hawke, H. W. Evans, H. G. Hopkirk, John Batho, C. E. P. McWilliams, E. Flanagan, Wm. Lavoie, Paris, Ont.; L. J. Applegath, George F. Clare.

The Report of the Directors

On motion of J. M. Clark, K.C., seconded by Mr. John Kennedy, the president, Mr. Eugene O'Keefe, took the chair, and the general manager, Lieut.-Col. James Mason, acted as secretary.

Mr. Eugene O'Keefe, the president, presented the report of the directors:

"The directors have pleasure in submitting to the shareholders the fourth annual report, giving the result of the bank's business for the year ending May 31st, 1909, together with the balance sheet of the bank at that date.

"Rates for money ruled lower, but the results of the year's business and the progress made by the bank were satisfactory.

"Four quarterly dividends amounting at the rate of six per cent. on the paid-up capital have been paid and provided for, a sum has been added to the rest, sufficient to make that account equal to one-third of the paid-up capital, and $55,629.65 has been carried forward to the credit of the profit and loss account.

"The connection established in the North-West referred to in the last annual report is proving to be a valuable one, three new branches have been opened there, and some three hundred and fifty farmers have already become shareholders. The number is steadily increasing, and while in most cases their holdings are but limited in extent, the bank should in time derive much advantage from having a large body of shareholders of so valuable a class in that important section of the Dominion.

"The expectations regarding the crops in the Northwest mentioned in the last annual report were fully realized, and the prospects for the current year promise fair results.

"The usual examination by the directors of the treasury and securities was made, and the branches inspected."

The President's Address

In moving the adoption of the report the President, Mr. Eugene O'Keefe said:

"When we had the pleasure of meeting you a year ago at our last annual meeting we stated that the crop prospects of the Northwest and in different parts of Ontario were promising, and if expectations were realized, the financial stringency, which then prevailed, would have passed away before we met aglan. I think it is now safe to say that this has taken place, and confidence once more restored. The outlook for the present season in the North west and Ontario, according to the latest crop reports, is encouraging, and we may naturally look for a good harvest. Last year the harvest was satisfactory in practically all sections of the northwest, and there are now 11,100,000 acres under cultivation, an increase over last year of 700,000 acres, although owing to unfavorable conditions in the earlier part of the season, lesser wheat has been sown and coarser grains taken its place.

"As there was not the same demand for money during the past year, there was naturally a depreciation in the rate of interest secured for good loans, and particularly for call loans on the collateral security of stocks, bonds and debentures. Banks generally found some difficulty in keeping all their funds employed in desirable loans, and consequently we had at times a considerable amount of uninvested funds on hand, but following the same conservative policy, that we have on former occasions referred to, we deemed it more advisable to carry a larger proportion of uninvested funds and to accept only loans that were unquestionably good.

"Our paid-up capital now amounts to a little over $107,000 since last year, and our shareholders, who numbered 502 last year, now number 891.

"Our deposits have increased by nearly $1,000,000, of which $732,000 has been added to the savings accounts, and $240,000 to the current accounts, an increase to the total deposits of about 20 per cent., a very satisfactory result, we consider. Our circulation is also somewhat in excess of last year.

"We have added to the Rest account $35,948, making it $333,653, equal to 33 per cent. of the paid up capital, and transferred the balance, $55,629.65, to profit and loss account.

"We have opened during the year, branches at Sunderland, Ont., Lyleton, and Crystal City, Man., and Sintaluta, Sask. The total assets show an increase of $1,182,220.76."

An Enthusiastic Director

Mr. John Kennedy, vice-president of the Grain Growers Company of Winnipeg, and a director of the Home Bank, was present at the meeting, and described the nature of the organization of which he is the vice-president. In each of the three northwest provinces there are voluntary organizations of the farmers called Grain Growers' Associations, organized for the purpose of obtaining for their members the full market price for their grain. There are between twenty and thirty thousand farmers members of these organizations, and the number is rapidly increasing, and the expectation is that in time they will embrace practically all the farmers of the West, now numbering some 130,000.

The Grain Growers' Grain Company is an incoporated institution, with its headquarters in Winnipeg. The par value of the shares of this company is $25, and no one can hold more than four shares. The stockholders who must be farmers or associated with farming, number about 7000. This company handles the grain of the members of the Grain Growers Association, advancing a certain portion of the price and the remainder when the grain is sold. Mr. Kennedy stated that they had handled some 8,000,000 bushels of grain in the season just closed and were more than pleased with the treatment they received at the hands of the Home Bank of Canada. The company was particularly fortunate he considered, in having its dealings with the Home bank, and the bank found in the company a safe and profitable customer.

The bank, when asked to open a branch, found a great many of the neighboring farmers stockholders of the bank, and also members of the association, and they would naturally prefer to do their business with what they now call the Bank of the Farmers to the North-West.

Mr. Kennedy is of the opinion that it will be only a question of time when the Home Bank will be represented throughout the North-west, and a profitable and flourishing business established.

A resolution moved by Mr. L. H. Baldwin and seconded by Mr. W. T. Kernahan was adopted providing for an increase of one thousand dollars to be added to the sum appropriated for directors fees.

On a motion by Mr. Edward Galley, seconded by Mr. H. G. Hopkirk, the thanks of the shareholders were tendered to the president, vice-president and directors for their careful attention to the affairs of the bank.

On a motion by Mr. H. T. Kelly, K.C., seconded by Mr. H. W. Evans, the thanks of the shareholders were tendered to the general manager and the other officers of the bank for the efficient manner in which they have respectively discharged their duties during the year.

Messrs. W. T. Kernahan and Wm. Crocker were appointed scrutineers, and

Directors for 1909.10

reported the following gentlemen duly elected for the ensuing year:—Messrs. Eugene O'Keefe, Thomas Flynn, E. G. Gooderham, Lieut.-Col. J. I. Davidson, W. Parkyn Murray, John Persse, John Kennedy and Lieut.-Col. James Mason.

At a meeting held immediately after the close of the annual meeting of shareholders, Mr. Eugene O'Keefe was re-elected president, and Mr. Thomas Flynn re-elected vice-president of the bank.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between William R. Ross and J. S. T. Alexander, under the name of Ross & Alexander has been dissolved as at June 1st, 1909.

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"Found an ideal spot, Elko." Eight passenger trains daily. For scenery it makes Switzerland look like the sunset blush on a snow bank. For big game we supply the balance, and it's at Elko Teddy Roosevelt will complete his bag before returning home. For fishing see the 1st book of Isaac and the 2nd chapter of Walton. We have the goods and the crowds are coming this way and the residents are getting along like weeds in a flower garden, and hanging on to their real estate like a bull pup to a root.

There's room for millions more.

George Hanbury, manager of the Elko baseball team left for Winnipeg, a small prairie town west of Rat Portage, where he will purchase sufficient asbestos to cover the Elko diamond to keep the boys from burning it up.

Wm. Hammill of Roosville was a Fernie visitor this week.

Dick Roo is spending his vacation at Roosville.

D. V. Mott and a large party of ladies and gentlemen from Fernie came down to Elko to spend the summer, but contracted cold feet and returned on Sunday evening's train. D. V. must have felt very bad alright because he returned our double bited axe and cross cut saw in a gunny sack tied up with crape.

W. A. Weaver and Billy Parrot, two dry goods peddlers from the coast were in Elko this week with a full line of finishing braid, knitting needles, corset jewellery and ladies hose. Both gentlemen are well known in the Pass and are both newly married men.

Dr. Marr of Corbin City passed through Elko to Mosquito Flats, Waldo B. C. The doctor has our sincere sympathies in this the days of his misery and mosquito battles.

Jim Bates, the popular game warden of Cranbrook, riding an ivory handled mustang, passed through Elko this week in search of one C. J. Lewis.

Our baseball boys went down to Waldo on Sunday and won another victory. It was Elko and Waldo that was playing, nothing from Spokane, not even the cotton in their socks. E. H. H. Stanley of Baynes Lake, who plants flowers and great big bouquets all around the Waldos, asked us not to say anything, so we are not going to say another gosh darned word.

Miss Rhoda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Campbell, arrived from Nelson, B. C. where she has been attending school, and will spend the vacation with her parents in Elko.

C. J. Lewis came down on Wednesday on Jim Hill's coffee mill and met Jim Bates the game warden from over the river—then the ducks began to quack.

The steel bridgemen completed their contract with the C. P. R. at this point and left for Wardner.

Report says a boy in Fernie drank half a pint of coal oil and almost died. We were also pleased to learn that no blame was attached to W. S. Keay of the Canadian Oil Company or J. D. Rockefeller.

Some time ago the police in Elko received word from the government agent to notify the residents of Elko not to use water from the Elk river without it being boiled. Now we would like to know how much longer the government officials are going to allow that horse that was drowned in Coal Creek to remain there. The man that owns that horse must have a lead pipe cinch or he would have had to remove and bury it before this. Facts are stubborn things.

The man that pays the fiddler has a right to call the tunes.

People who have no love to spare always have plenty of surplus sorrow to distribute.

McKenzie the saw man arrived in Elko from Spokane. Mack says he sells the saws that saw better than any saw you ever saw.

You can always form a good opinion of people by the company they keep.

Birds of a feather always flock together.

Constables Leacey and Gook were down to Gateway Monday on official business. But Johnnie is still a wandering.

Elko is 19 miles from Fernie and is the gateway to the most beautiful country lying south in the west.

Mr. Dicken of concrete fame, Fernie, ordered several car loads of the raw material from Alex. Birnie of Elko.

John McIntyre was in town this week from the pineries.

A tennis club was formed in Elko Wednesday. Full particulars next week.

The telephone locating engineers are camped in Elko this week.

Pea Vine Pete says the rains we had this week would make the small potatoes swell out like pumpkins.

C. M. Edwards' pack train came in from Roosville and left for the South Fork and Lodge Pole creeks.

Mrs. Sam Morrow of Baynes Lake drove into Elko on Wednesday between the drops.

There is some awful specimens of God's recklessness filling positions for wholesale houses as drummers along the Crow.

The Thaten Duo stock company are camped at Elko at present.

The McBride government is certainly doing the square thing with Elko and have now a big gang of men at work, but nothing definite can be found out whether they are going to put up new parliament buildings or blow up the town.

Harry Broadwood of Nelson who was fishing up South Fork the last two weeks left for his home on Monday last along with his uncle Mr. J. L. Broadwood.

Charlie Ayre of the Elko baseball team is on the sick list. Brace up Charlie.

HOSMER

The Angel of Death visited Hosmer again and took another victim in the person of Bob Little, the popular billiard player. Bob was born in Carlisle, England, just 37 years ago and as one of his admirers puts it, he was as white as snow. He certainly was a good man, had a pleasant face and a good word for everyone, so that the whole town mourns the loss of one of the best citizens that Hosmer ever had. His remains were taken on the C. P. R. on Sunday to Fort Steele to be interred there. The football club wore black bands on their arms in the game with Coal Creek as a token of respect for one of their patrons.

Hosmer baseball team had the hardest of hard luck in the final game for the $50 put up by Michel. Blairmore, Michel and Hosmer entered for the contest. In the first Hosmer was lucky and drew a bye, so Blairmore and Michel got going, Blairmore winning out. In the final game Hosmer led Blairmore all the way to the last innings, when Blairmore came on and finally won the money by the score of 5 runs to 4.

The football club is having a hard time of it just now and it is only the energy of a few of the players who do a bit of rustling for the sake of the sport that keeps the game going.

Three of our men laid off from the game with Coal Creek; substitutes were hard to find so we set off with ten men. The team that took the field with our colors was: Hutson, Dickie, Watson Roberts, Balderstone, Berryman, Gordon, Another, Davis, Climie, Weldon. The game started at 7 o'clock by the Creek kicking off. They had a smart run but Watson kicked well down to Gordon who got injured by straining an old wound. Hosmer pressed hard and had a bit of hard luck in not opening the scoring. However after Coal Creek had missed several chances they did score, and followed soon after with a second. Half time arrived with the Creek leading by 2 goals to 0. Hosmer started the second half with 9 men, Gordon and Roberts having to stop through injuries, so that made a farce of the game. The Creek added 2 more, and Hutson getting hurt, had to be assisted from the field. Hosmer finished with 8 men so we think it no disgrace to be beaten by the Creek who will defeat most teams before the season closes.

We would like to call the attention of the Coal company to the injustice done the Hosmer team by the conductor of the train, who after telling us to get on the train had the gall to come and ask for 25 cents for train fares.

The situation was placed clearly before him before we went on the train, he knew well that we had been on strike for three months, yet he stopped the train and invited us to get off. We accepted the invitation and got off but we got on a flat car which was being towed down. He again stopped the train, and only the agility of our men saved them from being crushed against the back of the coach. As we had no wish to become men fit for the cemetery we got off and walked the remaining three and a half miles.

Now that conductor may have been doing his duty or he may have been over doing his duty but we think that we have a personal grievance as not another club in the pass has been asked to pay a single cent to get to Coal Creek. We certainly were in good condition to play a game. We got our lunch at 12 o'clock, drove to Fernie in rigs, walked to Coal Creek and had to dig in and play right away. After the game we walked back to Fernie, and arrived in Hosmer about midnight. If that is not sport in plenty then I do not know what sport is.

We have Michel as our guests in a league game next Saturday and a special attempt will be made to capture two points. The team will be: Hutson, Dickie, Oversby, Climie, Balderstone, Watson, Gordon, Thomson, Steel, Davis, Moyes.

Mrs. D. Dunlop was visiting in Frank the end of the week.

George McQueen has come back from Michel for good.

The Hosmer baseball club expect to have Blairmore on Sunday.

Miss Mary Dunlop took a short trip east last week end.

Installation of officers of the Maple Leaf lodge I. O. O. F. Hosmer took place o nthe 6th of July by D. D. G. M. Mathison.

The following officers were installed for next term:

A. W. Courtney N. G.
R. M. Taggart, V. G.
Jos. Ayre, R. S.
J. H. Thomson F. S.
A. Mathison, treasurer.
W. Oversby, chaplain.
H. McDonald, Warden.
A. Fortier, Con.
J. Fillion, R. S. N. G.
D. Thomas, L. S. N. G.
G. Cole, R. S. V. G.
J. Grant: L. S. V. G.
J. Sneddon, R. S. S.
J. Andrews L. S. S.

After installation refreshments were served.

Visitors to the Royal this week were

A. B. N. Crowther, Michel.
W. H. De Long, Fernie.
A. Cummings, surveyor.
H. A. White, Fernie.
F. H. Worthington, Cranbrook.
G. R. Johnson, Fernie.
T. E. Williams
D. C. Black, Vancouver
D. H. G. Darbe, Toronto.
J. F. Spalding, Fernie.
T. W. Storey, Winnipeg.
A. Kleppe, Rochelle, Ill.
E. Botterill, Cranbrook.
J. D. Young, Vancouver.
J. Irvin, Nelson.
A. Sampson, Fernie.

BAYNES

J. W. Gray and wife, Corbet Banks, Jos. Gray, Fred Miller and Hughie Bennett were in Baynes on the 1st, and spent the day looking over their lots. Mr. J. W. Gray has twelve acres F. Miller ten and C. Banks five acres of the Kootenia land. Part of the bunch took a dip in the lake just before leaving and seemed to enjoy themselves immediately; all agreed that they had had a fine day's outing.

Photographer Bernstein is doing some work for the Kootenay River Land Company that will give outsiders an idea of the undertakings in Baynes. He is certainly putting out a very creditable lot of work.

The Adolph and Griffith families entertained a number of friends on July 2. The good time lasted to the Wee Sma hours. Singing, music, dancing, and delicious refreshments were the order of the evening. Everyone had a fine time.

Miss Kathryn Cody and Miss Irene Smith returned to Fernie on Monday, after spending several weeks in Baynes the guests of the Stanleys. They will be missed from our settlement

Nice orders of bedding plants are being shipped out of the Kootenia nurseries to nearby towns. No one should want for a flower garden this year

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Stanley entertained a party at whist Thursday eve. The house was very artistically decorated with national flags and bunting, Chinese lanterns, floral ropes and garlands softening the effect—one almost had the feeling of being in fairyland had he not been brought back to himself by the dainty gallie nipper hunting up a handout. W. S. worked so hard to add to the comfort of the many guests who thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Mrs. Walter Robertson won the prize; the booby left Baynes with a young lady from Fernie.

Messrs. H. A. Lamb, H. Chappy and Robert Lamb left for Vancouver on Monday. They intend taking in the Seattle fair for a few days. We hear H. A. Lamb has a position with a saddlery company on the coast.

Mrs. George Tanner arrived from England last Thursday. Mr. Tanner met her in Fernie. We are pleased to welcome her to our valley and hope she will feel at home among us.

Dr. Marr is filling Dr. Saunder's place while he is on the coast, and taking in the fair.

Mr. P. McConnell is back at his post in the central office of the telephone company on the Island. He reports a very nice visit at the coast. His health is much improved by the change.

There is no doubt of the quality of our woodland grasses when we see the horses and cattle rolling fat in this neighborhood.

H. Deckelver is building on his lots this week. He expects to be joined by his wife from Saskatchewan this fall.

EVA MOORE AND WILLIE POLLARD IN "WIDOW O'BRIEN" AT THE OPERA HOUSE NEXT THURSDAY NIGHT.

NOTICE

Miners and mine laborers of the U.M.W. of A. are warned to keep away from the mines of the Nicola Valley Coal and Coke Co. at Middlesboro; a strike is on for recognition, the management being unfair to organized labor.

You will be notified when this Company is again placed on the fair list of our organization.

Don't forget Labor day in Baynes—picnics and a good time in the woods.

The Whist club met with Mrs. Walter Robertson Wednesday and although the rain came down in torrents, there was only one absent. The first prize, a beautiful cut glass dish, was won by Mrs. Walter Robertson, and second prize by Mrs. Beatty. Miss Telford, *from Winnipeg, who is spending* the summer here was a visiting member, but enjoyed the game so much that she decided to be a regular member and gave in her name as such.

The G. N. section house and station and tank are having a coat of paint this week.

The Kootenay River club house is being improved by a new addition.

LIFE SENTENCE IS IN SIGHT FOR HIM

Charged With Looting Safe on Day of Cobalt Fire--To be Taught a Lesson

COBALT, July 5—Life imprisonment may be meted out to a man, Jack Skinner, charged with looting a safe on the night of the fire. At the trial three witnesses, Messrs. Jacobsen and Simonson and Mrs. Jacobsen swore that he had entered their store and had broken into the till and after a long chase during which they had lost him in the crowd, he had been captured.

"The case is a very serious one for the defendant if he is found guilty," declared Magistrate Atkinson, "and he will be liable to life imprisonment on this account.

"I will reserve judgment until next Monday in order to study the evidence carefully. If I find him guilty I will make this a lesson to all others."

NOTICE

The following applicants for relief are hereby notified to appear before the general committee of the Fernie district Fire Relief fund at their next meeting which will be held in the Miners hall on Thursday next July 15th, at 8 o'clock p.m., in order that their applications may be more fully enquired into:

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Mrs. Morris
W. Myanansky
J. Nichols
Wm. Neille
G. Qualtern
James Riley
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F. Platt
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TO CONNECT WITH FAIRY CREEK

Messrs. Broley and Martin have received the contract for the laying of the pipe line from Fairy Corek to connect with the present water system. The line will be nearly three miles long and will be carried across the Elk river on a substantial bridge to be constructed by the contractors and which is to serve as a traffic bridge as well. The water main leading from a dam to be constructed across Fairy Creek above the falls is to be twelve inches in diameter and will connect with the present system near the Fernie hospital. When completed this water supply will be one of the finest in the province and will cost about $30,000.

MINERS GO ON STRIKE IN 'SCOTIA

Men Walk Out on Wage Question and Recognition of Union

SYDNEY, N. S. July 6—The strike of the United Mine Workers on the wage question, opened this morning, and the question of the recognition of that body by the Dominion Coal Company is now the chief live issue. The Provincial Workmen's Association is standing celar, not going on strike, and the main point at issue seems to be supremacy between the two labor unions.

Dominion number six collieries, in which a majority of the miners are Mine Worker sympathisers, closed down yesterday, there not being sufficient men at work to operate it, but No. 2 colliery, where over 2000 miners are employed, will be a point of interest in the fight.

At all other collieries men are divided on the question.

THE POWER OF ABSTRACT TRUTH

Abraham Lincoln believed in the power of truth.

He read few books. His law partner said he rarely read any book through, but he found in books some thought, some truth in the abstract or in the concrete which served him.

He believed in sticking up somewhere in documents, in an address, on a placard, almost anywhere, simple, powerful statements of truth.

In one of his speeches he says:

"All honor to Jefferson—to the man who, in the concrete pressure of a struggle for national independence by a single people had the coolness, forecast and capacity to introduce into a merely revolutionary document an abstract truth, applicable to all men and all times, and so to embalm it there that today and in all coming days it shall be a rebuke and a stumbling block to the very harbingers of reappearing tyranny and oppression."

This foresight of Jefferson evidently impressed Lincoln.

In another place he says regarding the Declaration of Independence:

"Its authors meant it to be— as, thank God, it is now proving itself—a stumbling block to those who in after times might seek to turn a free people back into the hateful paths of despotism. They knew the proneness of prosperity to breed tyrants, and they meant when they should reappear in this fair land and commence their vocation, they should find left for them at least one hard nut to crack."

It was, of course, inevitable, that a man who held such a view was certain somewhere to put in prominence some truth which he held dear and sacred.

Lincoln was ambitious to leave his mark on the world and he probably felt he could do that by stating in simple form some great revolutionary truth.

I think he meant to do something of that sort when he stated in his first inaugural address:

"Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor and could never have existed if labor had not existed first. Labor is the superior of capital and deserves much the higher consideration."

That thought Lincoln repeated again and again. He first uttered it before he became president. He hastened to repeat it after he became president. It was to him an important utterance, worthy of being remembered.

Fearing, apparently that it might be forgotten or overlooked, he sent it in a letter to the Workingmen's association of New York.

He knew the capitalists would overlook it. He knew that some of the chief men in his own party would hide it, but he knew that in time working men would appreciate the power of that abstract truth and use it as a rebuke and stumbling block to reappearing tyranny.

He placed it at the very top of all his official utterances. He gave it his authority as president. And without question he intended in this utterance to give the enemies of labor "at least one hard nut to crack."

Curiously enough this very phrase is now being used for the purpose Lincoln intended it.

Samuel Gompers took it last summer and read it to a committee at the National convention of the Republican party.

They were amused. They wondered if Samuel were trying to crack a joke. They laughed him out of the committee room into the hallway and then into the street.

But the time will come when labor will be forced by oppression to form a solid phalanx, and it will then appear in the political arena with just that hard nut to crack.

The next political battle will unquestionably be fought along those lines, just as the civil war was fought on the lines of Jeffersons declaration that all men are created equal with certain right which cannot be taken from them.

The Republicans won't crack that nut until they have to.

They will crack smiles and jokes. They will laugh Samuel and his friend out of court rooms and lobbies and committee rooms until Samuel and his friends get sick.

But they won't crack that nut until they have to.

Labor will some day get mad.

They will see that all this begging and kow-towing and lobbying is sheer nonsense. They will then organize for action and when that day comes these words of Abraham Lincoln will serve as rebukes and stumbling blocks to those who are now seeking to turn a people back into the hateful paths of despotism."

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FOOTBALL

The most important feature of last Saturday's league games was the defeat of the champions at Frank. There is no doubt that the score will cause some surprise as 3 goals to 0 is a very decisive defeat. The Frank club deserve all credit and their victory will serve to make the competition more interesting. There is every prospect of a good race between Michel, Frank and Coal Creek, and possibly Fernie. The other clubs are practically out of the running as far as premier honors are concerned, but the Coleman club will give any side in the league a hard run for the points.

The position of the different clubs up to and including July 3rd is given below:

	Pl.	Wn.	Lst.	Dr.	Pts
Michel	8	6	1	1	13
Fernie	9	3	1	5	11
Coal Creek	6	4	0	2	10
Frank	6	3	1	2	8
Bellevue	8	2	5	1	5
Coleman	7	2	4	1	5
Hosmer	6	0	6	0	0

Two points for a win and one for a draw.

Coal Creek 4, Hosmer 0.

This game was played at Coal Creek and resulted in one of the poorest displays of football it has been my lot to witness.

The game in the opening stages gave promise of being interesting, as the Hosmer side opened strongly and made the locals hustle. It was apparent to the spectators that Coal Creek took the opposition cheaply, as the players went about their work in an easy and slipshod manner, so much so that Hosmer came very near gaining the first goal of the match. This happened through some close play in on Coal Creek's goal, a surprise shot by Climie being saved by Horrocks who happened to be in the right spot. Coal Creek opened the scoring from a corner. Hartwell took the kick and Manning headed a smart goal. Hosmer's play fell off after this and Coal Creek scored again before the interval, Phoenix being the scorer.

His goal also came from a clever header. The result at half time was Coal Creek 2, Hosmer 0. Hosmer turned out for the second half two men short and the game developed into a pure farce, Coal Creek forwards treating the spectators to some trick football, and having matters all their own way. Two more goals were added before the close. The final result was Coal Creek 4, Hosmer 0.

Other games and results were:

Coleman 1, Fernie 1.

Frank 3, Michel 0.

Two matches are on the card for today, Hosmer having Michel as their guests, and Frank visiting Coal Creek.

Michel ought to secure the points at Hosmer, but the other match will be close. The Frank boys make an open boast that they will win, but I think they will be fortunate if they succeed in dividing the points. Coal Creek on their present form, will take a lot of beating, and I expect them to win out on this occasion.

BASEBALL

On Friday night of last week the Scouts took into camp the heavies to the extent of 16 to 8. From a spectator's standpoint the game was interesting—at times amusing. The Fats gathered up a new thirder, Stilman, and he seems to know the game from the ground up. A neat double was put into motion by McMillan off second. McMillan batted in "streaks," and on several occasions when at bat when hits meant runs, he failed to connect. Blackstone pitched a consistent game for the losers, but was found at times in bunches, which means runs.

Sammy Walters for the Scouts had the game well in hand all the way, and mixed his offerings up well, keeping hits well scattered. Con Whelan backed him up in good style.

Kastner umpired in a satisfactory manner.

The teams lined up:

Fats

Johnson and Goupell 1st; McMillan 2nd; Spilman 3rd; Wriglesworth ss.; Whelan r.f.; Dean c.; Black, l. f.; Scott c.f.; Blackstone p.

Home run: Black.

Scouts

Wriglesworth ss.; Walters, p.; Whelan, c; Davey, 2nd; Jones, 1st; Henderson, l.f.; Mills r.f.; McLeod c.f.; Hicks 3rd.

Ledger 9—Carpetners 5

In a desperate effort to pull his bunch of rummies a notch up from the back seat, Manager Bruce of the Carpenters brought to the field a pitcher from the Western league to try and put the Ledger bunch out of biz. He certainly was a good pitcher, too good for most of our batters, but one man can't win a game, and the bunch of misfits stalled up behind him would cut the heart out of any pitcher.

Had he been supported we would not like to hazard a guess as to the result of the game.

For the winners the whole team was in the game with a determination to win, and the fact that the Carpenters were held to 5 runs for the full nine innings shows that good ball was played. "Donny" McLeod was tried out at first, and made good in every way. The battery was the same as before, Rochon and Kirkpatrick. Rochon had his fighting eye out and handed a number of dead balls, and allowed a few passes, but in tight places he settled down and pitched. Kastner had charge of the game, and with the exception of the customary kicks gave good satisfaction.

If there are any rules as to who can play City league ball, let them be enforced. The action of Manager Bruce in stacking up against a crew of simon pure amateurs, a pitcher who lives by the game, and who is not now and was not before a resident of Fernie, cannot be condemned in too strong terms. It is typical of Bruce's conception of sport however. He tried to raise a side stake of $100 on the game on the strength of his pitcher in the afternoon, and when the meagre sum of a ten spot was dangled under his nose on the eve of the game, he crawled—and went some.

We might as well send to New York for Christy Mathewson and stack him up against any of the city league teams.

Punk! Punk! for yours, Bruce!

Ledger

Pierson 3rd; McDougall ss; Stanley r.f.; Kennedy l.f.; McLeod 1st; Rochon p; Kirkpatrick c; Rush c f; Moody 2nd; Bean spare.

Carpenters

Vining, p; Clarke c; Pier 1st; Evans 3rd; Flemond rf; Sincplel lf; Fairburn ss; McBernie 2; Bruce c.f.

Moyie Leader: "The ball team from Fernie received a severe walloping from the Moyie team at Aldridge park last Sunday. The score was 19 to 0, and it was just like taking candy from a baby. Con. Whelan, who pitched for Fernie, was really the only good man in the bunch, and even he was very much outclassed by Crissler, the pitcher for Moyie. There were plenty of rooters for the home team. Charles Messinger was the umpire.

The above is a mistake, as the team that went to Moyie did not represent Fernie. It was Pat Cunningham's Pets whom even the Ledger beat to a standstill in the league match. If Fernie had sent her crack team Moyie would have been beaten.

AT MOYIE

Dominion Day Sports a Great Success in that Place

Football: Moyie vs. Cranbrook, for $150.

These two old rivals met on the grounds at Aldrich on Dominion day. The weather was a little too warm for football, but the teams lined up each bent on winning. The play was fast and furious, with Potter scoring in the first half for Moyie. In the 2nd half splendid play was shown by both sides. Again Moyie scored. A beautiful shot into Perkins, the Moyie goalie, gave the visitors their only score, the game ending in a win for Moyie 4 t o1.

McNichol, Perkins, Evans and Potter showed fine for Moyie and for the losers Lumsden, O'Neal and Watson were the best.

Moyie won the junior baseball prize of $25, and the Smyth challenge cup. Score 8 to 5.

Moyie senior baseball team played Cranbrook 8 to 2 in favor of Moyie for $125.

100 yards dash: Windill 1st; Wycliff 2nd.

Three legged race: Grady and Dashback.

Miners race: J. Donohue.

Catching the greasy pig: Herb Jackson.

Launch race: D. Brown.

Double sculls: Clothier and Donohue.

Single sculls: Clothier.

Baseball

The Moyie ball team played Bonner's Ferry at the latter's grounds:

Sunday game: Bonner's Ferry 4; Moyie 3.

Monday game: Moyie 4; Bonner's Ferry 2.

BUFFALO TOSSED HORSE AND RIDER

(Lethbridge Herald.)

One of the most thrilling of the encounters the cowboys had in rounding up the buffalo in Montana occurred last Saturday at Ronan, where the animals were crated for haulting in wagons over 36 miles of rough mountain roads to Ravilla, where they were crated for hauling in wagons over 36 miles of mountain roads to Ravalli, where they were loaded in cars.

Johnny Decker, one of the most expert riders of the camp, was the hero of the adventure and his exciting experience is given by the Missoulian of Monday last as follows:

"Decker and his brother, who were employed as expert riders to corral the bison and aid in leading them into cages, in which they are being hauled from Rona to the railroad cars at Ravalli were endeavoring to drive the unruly bison from the corral into the waiting cages, when the herd, goaded to madness by the efforts of the drivers to force them into the wagons, rebelled and stampeded. One shaggy monarch of the herd, which Decker had been trying to force into the loading chute, wheeled suddenly, lowered his massive head, and in blind fury charged toward the rider. Travelling with the speed of the wind almost, the beast bore down on Decker's horse. The rider was unable to swing his steed clear of the beast's head and in an instant the horse was impaled on the buffalo's horns. With an exhibition of strength almost beyond belief, the buffalo raised the horse and rider from the ground and half carrying, half pushing them, bore them across the corral for a distance of 300 yards or more. With almost certain death staring him in the face Decker attempted to draw his revolver from the hostler and kill the beast. But the weapon caught and his efforts to relense it were futile. While the other riders were unable to render the man Decker any assistance they all watched to see him go beneath the hoofs of the buffalo. Just then the buffalo stumbled and the gored horse and the rider were hurled from the horns of the beast into the dust. The horse never moved from where he fell but Decker, fortunately, was thrown beyond the animal and aside from a few bruises and a severe shaking up, escaped unhurt. Undaunted by his narrow escape, Decker mounted another horse and assisted his brother and the other drivers to force the unruly beast into a wagon cage in which he was safely transferred from Ronan to the cars at Ravalli.

Decker's horse, which was the property of Michael Pablo, former owner of the buffalo herd, and one of his finest animals, was the second horse to fall a victim to the horns of the buffalo since the round up commenced.

Only two days before Decker's experience another animal belonging to Pablo was charged by a buffalo, and so badly injured that it died, but in this case there was no rider.

Official City League Baseball Schedule

CLUB	COMMERCIAL	LEDGER	FAT MEN	COAL CO.	SCOUTS	CARPENTERS
COMMERCIAL	The	JULY 16	JULY 23	AUGUST 6	JULY 30	JULY 12 AUGUST 16
LEDGER	JULY 16	District	JULY 14 AUGUST 18	AUGUST 2	JULY 26	AUGUST 11
FAT MEN	JULY 23	JULY 14 AUGUST 18	Ledger	JULY 19	AUGUST 9	AUGUST 4
COAL CO.	AUGUST 6	AUGUST 2	JULY 19	For	AUGUST 13	JULY 28
SCOUTS	JULY 30	JULY 26	AUGUST 9	AUGUST 13	Sporting	JULY 21
CARPENTERS	JULY 12 AUGUST 16	JULY 7 AUGUST 11	AUGUST 4	JULY 28	JULY 21	News

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Sunday School Suggestive Questions

On the Lesson by the Rev. Dr. Linscott for the International Newspaper Bible Study Olub.

JULY 11 1909

Paul's Second Missionary Journey—The Philippian Jailer. Acts xvi:16-40.

Golden Text—Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved. Acts xvi:31.

Verses 16-21—In what class do you place those who benefit by the sins of fallen women?

This young woman was possessed with a very clever spirit of evil, an all round spirit of deception, including fortune telling; now wherein did her sin consist, and that of her owners?

Which are the more to be blamed in these days, fortune tellers or their willing dupes?

When bad men are losing the gains of their evil occupation, are they apt to be careful of the truth, when they are after the good men who have destroyed their business? For example the liquor dealers.

Verse 22—What made the multitude so angry at Paul and Silas and is any reliance ever to be placed upon the excited attitude of a large crowd?

Do religious differences still make the people hate one another?

Does worldly gain, today, play any part in religious intolerance?

Verse 23—Why did God permit such cruelty to his faithful servants?

Why is is thhat godly people often have to go through very exquisite suffering?

Verse 24—Say why it is possible for any good man in prison, lying upon a raw back, with his feet fast in the stocks, to be as happy as a man in health and at liberty?

Does a good man's influence cease when he is imprisoned and his limbs are fettered?

In looking over the results of his imprisonment, would Paul and Silas be apt to regret this painful incident?

Verse 25—Is there any circumstance so painful, or disastrous, that prayer and praise cannot turn it into joy and victory?

If we prayed and sang more in our private lives, and in our families, would we have more joy and gladness?

Verse 26—Was this earthquake the result of the prayer of Paul and Silas, or was it a natural event?

Does God today work out for his people practically the same results as are here recorded?

Verses 27, 28—Why did the jailer decide upon suicide, and is such a course ever justifiable?

Verses 29, 30—Was it natural fear or religious conviction that now operated in the jailer?

What did the jailer desire to be saved from?

Verse 31—What precisely did they mean by believing on the Lord Jesus?

May a father or mother believe in Jesus, so as to assure the salvation of their children? (This question is to be answered in writing by members of the club)

Verse 32 —What is the "word of the Lord," and may a person know that word, first hand, who is not personally acquainted with the Lord?

Verses 33, 34—Can the grace of God suddenly turn a cruel and brutal man, into a tender hearted Christian?

Verses 35-40—May we be confident that there will always be a happy ending to all our trials?

Lesson for Sunday, July 18th, 1909—Paul's Second Missionary Journey.—Thessalonica and Beren. Acts xvii: 1-15.

JULY 18, 1909

Paul's Second Missionary Journey—Thessalonica and Beren. Acts xvii:1-15.

Golden Text—Thy word have I hid in my heart that I may not sin against thee. Ps. cxix:11.

Verses 1, 2—Is church going a good habit, and what do those love who have not formed it?

How many times a day should a person attend church?

What is the value of a good habit, and how are good habits formed?

Verse 3—Did Paul mean to say that **it was necessary for the Jews to have put Jesus to death, and if not what did he mean? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club)**

(The position taken by the present writer is, that the Jews ought to have accepted Jesus, and that their putting him to death is the colossal crime of history, and the calamity of calamities that has befallen the Jews. That *there are two distinct lines of contingent* prophecy in the Old Testament either one of which being fulfilled, would cancel the other; and that the prophecies concerning the perpetuation of the Jewish nation and the throne of David with unparalleled splendor, were cancelled by the fulfillment of those concerning the rejection of Christ. God sent Jesus in good faith and they voluntarily rejected him, when God's first and best plan was that they should accept him. God then proceeded to do through the death of Christ, that which would have been done more speedily by his life.)

Is it necessary for us to adopt all Paul's opinions in order to be well-pleasing to God?

Were all Paul's opinions correct concerning the time of the second coming of Christ?

In what sense was it true "that Christ must needs have suffered?" See Luke xxiv:26, Jer. xxiii:5-6, Mich. 7:2, Matt. ii:4-6.

In what way do the Old Testament Scriptures bear testimony that Jesus is the Christ?

Verses 4, 5—How do you account for is that the same facts and reasoning which converts some only serves to harden others?

How is it that women are generally in the majority in Christ's converts?

Why were the Jews moved with jealousy?

Can a jealous man, at the time, either be a true man or a correct reasoner?

How do you characterize a person who is jealous of another in doing good works?

Have we any modern example of the way these people acted?

Verse 6—Is the world today upside down, or right side up?

Is the world getting better or worse?

Verse 7—When people oppose the work of God, do they generally confine themselves to the truth in their objections, or do they ever confine themselves to the truth?

Do objectors to the truth knowingly falsify or do they do it in blind ignorance, or through prejudice?

Verses 10-12—Is there ever any virtue in exposing ourselves to danger, when it is not necessary in the interests of the truth?

What was the difference between the religious people of Thessalonica, and those of Berea?

Is a truth seeker sure to find it?

Is it ever right to oppose the truth in the interests of the Kingdom of God?

Verses 13-15— What is it which promps men to work so hard, and persistently in opposing what they know to be the truth?

Lesson for Sunday, July 25th, 1909—Paul's Second Missionary Journey.—Athens. Acts xvii:16-34.

THE NELSON DAILY NEWS JULY 6:

"The Pollard Opera Company attracted a large audience to the opera house last night, when they presented the musical farce "Widow O'Brien." The baby Grace that won the affection of Nelson play goers is gone, but its loss is atoned for by the development of real talent in their adolescent successors. It is rather remarkable that so many of the children should have developed so evenly. There is no conspicuously weak members in the company, and several are distinctly good and promise to be permanently successful.

Alfred Goulding in the name part, had a hard comedy role to sustain, but he achieved a decided success by his clever interpretation of it. Eva Moore is just as pleasing as a young—very young—lady as she was as a child. She was charming as Dora McAllister and captivating as Dora in the disguise of a very pretty boy. Ada Hind also won her audience by her prettiness, her grace and her voice, especially in "Won't you dance the Merry Widow Waltz With Me?" assisted by Mr. Teddy McNamara. Teddy is one of the best known members of the company and was heartily greeted by the audience whenever he made an appearance. He played his part well, and was there with all his old verve and confidence. The rest of the company were all quite equal to their several roles and the performance went with a swing and kept the audience in laughter all the evening. The singing was decidedly good the voices being sweet and well trained. "Fairy Tales" was the hit of the *evening, being full of local topics of* public interest. It is the best comedy Nelson has had the pleasure of witnessing for many a day and it is to be hoped that this splendid company of artists will favor Nelson with another visit. Opera house July 13th and 14th.

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Terrible Doings of Gang of Robbers in Dakota Town

ABERDEEN, S. D. July 5—J. W. Christie, a farmer living near Rudolph his wife, his daughter Mildred, aged 18 years, and a farm hand, were murdered today. It is supposed that the murders were a result of an attempt to get a large sum of money, said to have been in the Christie home.

Mr. Christie, who was also a grain buyer, and one of the most prosperous farmers of the Northwest, was milking a cow in the yard when some unknown person or persons shot him dead. The murderers hurried to the house, and finding Mrs. Christie, and daughter, and the Romaine boy, who was visiting at the house, fired upon them. The first shots took effect and the two women and the boy fell dead. The entire country side is wrought up.

Bands of farmers were immediately organized, and a search for the murderers was begun. Lynching is promised when the capture is made.

Twenty miles south of the scene in the evening Emil Victor was arrested. He had worked on the Rudolph place until about a week ago, when he had it published in an Aberdeen paper that he was going on a trip to his father in Buffalo. He is said to have had on his person some small articles, partly identified as belonging to the Christies.

Examination of the bodies showed that Mr. Christie, besides being shot had had his skull crushed by a hammer.

Mrs. Christie was shot as she ran out on the porch at the alarm. The bullet entered her breast. Mildred, the daughter, was attacked as she came from her bed room. Michael Romaine, aged 14, was shot beside Mrs. Christie's body. The house was ransacked. It is not known whether anything was obtained or not.

First Umpire—So that chappy in the grandstand said I umpired a stiff game did he?

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Sophy of Kravonia

by

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the countess and the general were not fit preachers of such a highly exacting gospel.

Lepage concluded that he had something to sell. His wares were a suspicion and a fact. Selling the suspicion wronged nobody. He would give no warranty with it—caveat emptor. Selling the fact was disobedience to the king, his master. "Disobedience, yes; injury, no," said Lepage, with a bit of casuistry. Besides, the king, too, had scolded him.

Moreover, the Prince of Slavna had always treated M. Emile Lepage with distinguished consideration. The Bourbon blood, no doubt, stretched out hands to la belle France in M. Lepage's person.

Something to sell! Who was his buyer? Whose interest could be won by his suspicion, whose friendship bought with his fact? The ultimate buyer was plain enough, but Lepage could not go to Praslok, and he did not approve of correspondence, especially with Colonel Stafnitz in practical control of the household. He sought a go-between and a personal interview. At least he could take a walk. The servants were not prisoners. Even conspirators must stop somewhere on pain of doing their own cooking and the rest. At a quarter past 8 in the evening, having given the king his dinner and made him comfortable for the next two hours, Lepage sallied forth and took the road to Slavna. He was very carefully dressed, wore a flower in his buttonhole and had dropped a discreet hint about a lady in conversation with his peers. If ladies often demand excuses they may furnish them too. Present seriousness invoked aid from bygone frivolity.

At 10 o'clock he returned, still most spruce and orderly and with a well satisfied air about him. He had found a purchaser for his suspicion and his fact. His pocket was the better lined, and he had received flattering expressions of gratitude and assurances of favor. He felt that he had raised a buttress against future assaults of fortune. He entered the king's dressing room in his usual noiseless and unobtrusive manner. He was not aware that General Stenovics had quitted it just a quarter of an hour before, bearing in his hand a document which he had submitted for his majesty's signature. The king had signed it and indorsed the cover "Urgent."

"Ah, Lepage, where have you been?" asked the king.

"Just to get a little air and drink a glass at the Golden Lion."

"You look gayer than that!" smiled the king. Evidently his anger had passed. Perhaps he wished to show as much to an old servant whom he liked and valued.

Conscience stricken, or so appearing, Lepage tore the flower from his coat. "I beg your majesty's pardon. I ought to have removed it before entering your majesty's presence, but I was told you wished to retire at once, sir, so I hurried here immediately."

Lepage tore the flower from his coat.

The king gave a weary yawn. "Yes, I'll go to bed at once, Lepage, and let me sleep as long as I can. This fag end of life isn't very amusing." He passed his hand wearily over his brow. "My head aches. Isn't the room very close, Lepage? Open the window."

"It has begun to rain, sir."

"Never mind. Let's have the rain too. At least it's fresh."

Lepage opened a window which looked over the Krath. The king rose. Lepage hastened to offer his arm, which his majesty accepted. They went together to the window. A sudden storm had gathered. Rain was pelting down in big drops.

"It looks like being a rough night," remarked the king.

"I'm afraid it does, sir," Lepage agreed.

"We're lucky to be going to our beds."

"Very, sir," answered Lepage, wondering whose opposite fate his majesty was pitying.

"I shouldn't care, even if I were a young man and a sound one, to ride to Praslok tonight."

"To Praslok, sir?" There was surprise in Lepage's voice. He could not help it. Luckily it sounded quite natural to the king. It was certainly not a night to ride five and twenty miles and into the hills unless your business was very urgent.

"Yes, to Praslok. I've had my breath of air. You can shut the window, Lepage."

The king returned to the fireplace and stood warming himself. Lepage closed the window, drew the curtains and came to the middle of the room, where he stood in respectful readiness, and underneath that a very lively curiosity.

"Yes," said the king slowly, "Captain Markart goes to Praslok tonight with a dispatch for his royal highness, you know. Business, Lepage, urgent business! Everything must yield to that." The king enunciated this virtuous maxim as though it had been the rule of his life. "No time to lose, Lepage, so the captain goes tonight, but I'm afraid he'll have a rough ride—very rough."

"I'm afraid so, sir," said Lepage, and added strictly in his thoughts, "And so will M. Zerkovitch!"

Captain Markart was entirely of his majesty's opinion as he set out on his journey to Praslok. His ride would be rough, dark and solitary—the last by Stenovics' orders. Markart was not afraid. He was well armed, but he expected to be very bored and knew that he would be very wet by the time he reached the castle. He breathed a fervent curse on the necessities of state, of which the minister had informed him, as he buttoned up his heavy cavalry overcoat and rode across the bridge on to the main road on the right bank an hour before midnight.

Going was very heavy; so was the rain; so was the darkness. He and his horse made a blurred, laboring shape on the murky face of night. But his orders were to hasten, and he pushed on at a sharp trot and soon covered his first stage, the five miles to the old wooden bridge, where the road leaves the course of the Krath, is carried over the river and strikes northeast toward the hills.

At this point he received the first intimation that his journey was not to be so solitary as he had supposed. When he was halfway across the bridge he heard what sounded like an echo of the beat of his horse's hoofs on the timbers behind him. The thing seemed odd. He halted a moment to listen. The sound of his horse's hoofs stopped, but the echo went on. It was no echo, then. He was not the only traveler that way! He pricked his horse with the spur. Regaining the road, he heard the timbers of the bridge still sounding. He touched his horse again and went forward briskly. He had no reason to associate his fellow traveler's errand with his own, but he was sure that when General Stenovics ordered dispatch he would not be pleased to learn that his messenger had been passed by another wayfarer on the road.

But the stranger, too, was in a hurry, it seemed. Markart could not shake him off. On the contrary, he drew nearer. The road was still broad and good. Markart tried a canter. The stranger broke into a canter. "At any rate, it makes for good time," thought Markart, smiling uneasily. In fact, the two found themselves drawn into a sort of race. On they went, covering the miles at a quick, sustained trot, exhilarating to the men, but rather a strain on their horses. Both were well mounted. Markart wondered who the stranger with such a good horse was. He turned his head, but could see only the same sort of blur as he himself made. Part of the blur, however, seemed of a lighter color than his dark overcoat and bay horse produced.

The man with the lantern raised it in the air.

Markart's horse pecked. His rider awoke to the fact that he was pounding his mount without doing much good to himself. He would see whether the unknown meant to pass him or was content to keep on equal terms. His pace fell to a gentle trot—so did the stranger's. Markart walked his horse for half a mile—so did the stranger. Thenceforward they went easily, each keeping his position till Markart came to where the road forked—on the right to Dobrava, on the left to Praslok and Volseni. Markart drew rein and waited. He might just as well see where the stranger was going.

The stranger came up, and Markart started violently. The lighter tinge of the blur was explained. The stranger rode a white horse. It flashed on Markart that the prince rode a white charger and that the animal had been in Slavna the day before. He had seen it being exercised. He peered into the darkness, trying to see the man's face. The effort was of no avail. The stranger came to a stand beside him, and for a few moments neither moved. Then the stranger turned his horse's head to the left. He was for Praslok or Volseni, then! Markart followed his example. He knew why he did not speak to the stranger, but he was wondering why on earth the stranger did not speak to him. He went on wondering till it occurred to him that perhaps the stranger was in exactly the same state of mind.

There was no question of cantering or even of trotting now. The road rose steeply. It was loose and founderous from heavy rain. Great stones lay about, dangerous traps for a careless rider. The horses labored. At the same moment, with the same instinct, Markart and the stranger dismounted. The next three miles were done on foot, and there before them in deeper black rose the gate tower of the castle of Praslok. The stranger had fallen a little behind again. Now he drew level. They were almost opposite the castle.

A dog barked from the stables. Another answered from the castle. Two more took up the tune from the stables. The castle guardian redoubled his responsive efforts. A man came running out from the stables with a lantern. A light flashed in the doorway of the castle. Both Markart and the stranger came to a standstill. The man with the lantern raised it in the air to see the faces of the travelers.

They saw each other's faces too. The first result was to send them into a fit of laughter—a relief from tension, a recognition of the absurdity into which their diplomatic caution had led them.

"By the powers, Captain Markart!"

"M. Zerkovitch, by heaven!"

They laughed again.

"Ah, and we might have had a pleasant ride together!"

"I should have rejoiced in the solace of your conversation!"

But neither asked the other why he had behaved in such a ridiculous manner.

"And our destination is the same?" asked Zerkovitch. "You stop here at the castle?"

"Yes, yes, M. Zerkovitch! And you?"

"Yes, captain, yes. My journey ends at the castle."

The men led away their horses, which sorely needed tending, and they mounted the wooden causeway side by side, both feeling foolish, yet sure they had done right. In the doorway stood Peter Vassip with his lantern.

"Your business, gentlemen?" he said. It was between 2 and 3 in the morning.

They looked at each other. Zerkovitch was quicker, and, with a courteous gesture, invited his companion to take precedence.

"Private and urgent, with his royal highness."

"So is mine, Peter," said Zerkovitch.

Markart's humor was touched again. He began to laugh. Zerkovitch laughed, too, but there was a touch of excitement and nervousness in his mirth."

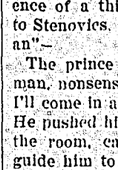
"His royal highness went to bed an hour ago," said Peter Vassip.

"I'm afraid you must rouse him. My business is immediate," said Markart. "And I suppose yours is, too, M. Zerkovitch?" he added jokingly.

"That it is," said Zerkovitch.

"I'll rouse the prince. Will you follow me, gentlemen?"

Peter closed and barred the gate, and they followed him through the courtyard. A couple of sentries were pacing it. For the rest all was still. Peter led them into a small room where a fire was burning and left them together. Side by side they stood close to the fire. Each flung away his coat and tried to dry his boots and breeches at the comforting blaze.



The prince read his letter

"We must keep this story a secret or we shall be laughed at by all Slavna, M. Zerkovitch."

Zerkovitch gave him a sharp glance. "I should think you would report your discreet conduct to your superiors, captain. Orders are orders, secrecy is secrecy, even though it turns out that there was no need for it."

Markart was about to reply with a joke when the prince entered. He greeted both cordially, showing, of course, in Markart's presence no surprise at Zerkovitch's arrival.

"There will be rooms and food and wine ready for you, gentlemen, in a few minutes. Captain Markart, you must rest here for tonight, for your horse's sake as well as your own. I suppose your business will wait till the morning?"

"My orders were to lose not a moment in communicating it to you, sir."

"Very well. You're from his majesty?"

"Yes, sir."

"The king comes first—and I dare say your affair will wait, Zerkovitch?"

Zerkovitch protested with an eagerness by no means discreet in the presence of a third party, an aid-de-camp to Stenovics. "No, sir; no, it can't wait an"—

The prince interrupted. "Nonsense, man, nonsense! Now go to your room. I'll come in and tell you 'Good night.'" He pushed his overzealous friend from the room, calling to Peter Vassip to guide him to the apartment he was to occupy. Then he came back to Markart. "Now, captain!"

Markart took out his letter and presented it, with a salute. "Sit down while I read it," said the prince, seating himself at the table.

The prince read his letter and sat playing with it in his fingers for half a minute or so. Then a thought seemed to strike him. "Heavens, I never told Peter to light fires! I hope he has. You're wet, and Zerkovitch is terribly liable to take cold." He jumped up. "Excuse me. We have no bells in this old place, you know." He ran out of the room, closing the door behind him.

Markart sprang to the door. He did not dare to open it, but he listened to the prince's footsteps. They sounded to the left—one, two, three, four, five six paces. They stopped. A door opened and shut. Markart made a mental note and went back to the fire, smiling. He thought that idea of his really would please General Stenovics.

In three minutes the prince returned. "I did Peter injustice. Zerkovitch's fire is all right," he said, "and there's a good one in your room, too, he tells me. And now, Captain Markart, to our business. You know the contents of the letter you carried?"

"Yes, sir. They were communicated to me in view of their urgency and in case of accident to the letter."

"As a matter of form, repeat the gist to me."

"General Stenovics has to inform your royal highness on the king's behalf that his majesty sees no need of a personal interview, as his mind is irrevocably fixed, and he orders your royal highness to set out for Germany within three days from the receipt of this letter. No pretext is to delay your royal highness' departure."

"Perfectly correct, captain. Tomorrow I shall give you an answer addressed directly to the king, but I wish now to give you a message to General Stenovics. I shall ask the king for an audience. Unless he appoints a time within two days I shall conclude that he has not had the letter or, pray mark this, has not enjoyed an opportunity of considering it independently. General Stenovics must consider what a responsibility he undertakes if he advises the king to refuse to see his son. I shall await his majesty's answer here. That is the message. You understand?"

Markart listened to the prince's footsteps.

"Perfectly, sir."

"Just repeat it. The terms are important."

Markart obeyed. The prince nodded his head. "You shall have the letter for the king early in the morning. Now for rest. I'll show you to your room."

They went out and turned to the left. Markart counted their paces. At six paces they came to a door and passed it. Four farther on the prince ushered him into the room where he was to sleep. It was evident that the prince

(To be continued.)

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 whooping cough," says Mrs. A. Goss of Durand, Mich. For sale by all druggists.

CRUEL DEATH AT HANDS OF FOOL

A Homesteader Kills His Neighbor in a Most Heartless Way

HUMBOLDT, Sask. July 4—Corporal Aldrich of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police, came in this morning bringing Stanford Hainer, a homesteader at Margo, accused of killing Alfred D. Fraser, a neighbor on the first of July.

Fraser was shot to death, the first bullet taking effect in the shoulder, the second in the head, killing him instantly. The trouble was over money matters.

Further developments in the case indicate that it was a cold blooded and brutal murder. Hainer has confessed the act. A month ago he wrote Fraser stating that unless some statement was made about money matters he would shoot him on sight.

On the morning of the tragedy, Hainer went in search of his victim and found him plowing in a field adjacent to the Fraser house. Fraser was just completing a round and in the act of taking a drink of water. Hainer from a position of about 100 yards distant, drew a bead upon his man, and called out to him that he was going to shoot.

Fraser cried "Don't shoot," and immediately began to run for the house. Hainer fired three shots. The first missed his victim and hit one of the horses. The second entered Fraser's shoulder but he did not fall; the third entered the head and smashed the skull, causing instant death.

The prisoner expressed regret that his early arrest did not permit him to make a similar end of Messrs. Sayforth, Hilliard and Macdonald against whom he appeared to have a similar grudge. When arrested Hainer was desperate. He was fully armed with two rifles and a revolver. All night the watchers lay around his house, guarding evrey window and door. In the morning when Hainer appeared at the door with his rifle in his hands, he was commanded to throw up his hands. He refused and tried to raise his gun but a couple of shots sent him to cover. He broke for a window, but was again met by shots and seeing the game was up came out and surrendered.

He was about 25 years old and a native of Ontario.

A Clean Man

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Fourth of July Mishaps

NEW YORK, July 5—John Mulvey, a porter in Sharkey's saloon today took a dare that he could not hold a big cracker in his mouth and fire it. The explosion blew out his teeth and lacerated his mouth and throat so badly that fifteen stitches had to be taken in his tongue and lips. Tetanus is feared.

BUFFALO, N. Y. July 5—Forty fires and injury to 15 children were the tolls paid for an old fashioned 4th of July here.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y. July 5.—Chas. Burr, nine years old, stood on a gian fire cracker tonight to see if he could smother the noise. When it exploded his clothing caught fire and he was severely burned, so it is believed he will die.

NEW YORK, July 5.—Four deaths, 337 injured, eleven of them dangerously and three so seriously that death seems certain, was the Fourth of July record in New York and Brooklyn up to 10 tonight.

CHICAGO, July 6—The Record Herald's summaries of the casualties in the United States of three days celebration of the Fourth of July give 46 dead and 1575 injured. The deaths due to Tetanus thus far are 18. Fire losses are $446,500.

A GREAT GATHERING

SEATTLE, Wash, July 8—Pythian week has attracted the largest fraternal gathering to Seattle ever seen in the Northwest. In connection with the meeting of the Grand Lodge of the Domain at Washington, a jubilee is being held and lodge men are attending from Oregon, Idaho, Montana and British Columbia in large numbers. Every lodge in this state is well represented. Some Knights from as far east as the Atlantic coast are also here. The coming of the Iola drill team from Dayton, Ohio, has been made the big feature. Its presentation of the dramatic story of the friendship of Damon and Pythias on which the order is founded, has been attended by large crows in the armory. The monster parade the first of the week proved to be a notable turnout. Grand Chancellor Otto A. Case is well satisfied with the assembly. The last two days of the week at the exposition will be turned over to the Pythians. The next big reunion is that of the Elks which comes on July 27. All wearers of the antlers will participate in a circus at the fair on that day. Many delegates from the grand lodge at Los Angeles are expected to be here.

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Important Notice: Write to the Leduc Produce Company for prices on creamery and dairy butter also fresh eggs. Proprietors of Lakeside Creamery, Leduc, Alta.

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For Sale: Ladies bicycle. English make, Dunlop tires, nearly new, —a bargain. See J. W. Ringham at Trites-Wood.

Lost—On July 1st, a square gold watch key. Initials K. A. on face. Return to Dr. Anderson and receive reward.

INGRAM—VAN DUSEN—In Medicine Hat, on Friday, July 9, 1909, Fred Ingram to Mrs. P. Van Dusen both of Fernie.

MINER ROBBED IN SPOKANE

SPOKANE, July 8—Taken to Manito park in broad daylight, knocked unconscious and robbed of $1000 in currency by two unknown men, was the fate that befell Joe Menard who arrived in Spokane last Saturday on his way to Reno. In the fight Renard's shirt was almost cut to ribbons by a knife, and he was terribly beaten. Menard had the cash in a belt inside his clothing and it was not until he was knocked unconscious that the robbers were able to secure the money from him. When he regained consciousness shortly after the thugs had departed, Menard came from Rossland and is 55 years of age. Tears poured down his cheeks as he related to the police the loss of years of saving and hard work. He is stranded in a strange place with no money and apparently no friends.

C. P. R. TIME TABLE

	Arrive Fernie
No. 213 West	8.48
No. 214 East	17.55
No. 236 Local East	8.48
No. 235 Local West	20.50
No. 7 West Flyer	10.40
No. 8 East Flyer	20.08

Change takes effect Sunday June 6.

G. N. TIME TABLE

NO. 252		No. 251
10.55	FERNIE	1.00
11.13	HOSMER	12.35
11.25	OLSON	12.27
11.50	MICHEL	12.05

Local News

Go to Rochon's for ice cream.

Get your fishing tackle at Suddaby's.

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Rev. I. T. Williamson is expected home for Sunday.

Finest in the land—Ingram's bath room.

Mr. W. Seccombe, our local clothes presser, left for Calgary on Wednesday morning.

See Rochon, the Kandy Kid.

Mrs. J. D. Hurd, we are pleased to announce, is regaining rapidly from her recent illness.

No place in town just like it. Ingram's pool room.

Charles Brooks arrived from Nicola last night. Mr. Brooks says that things are still very poor at that point.

Mr. Wm. Dicken has received the contract for the extension of the school sewerage system.

George Sumner of the Free Press staff arrived home Thursday after a few weeks holidays at Edmonton.

Beef, mutton, pork, veal, hams, bacon, lard, etc., only of the very best. Phone 41.

Lawn waists, linen suits and hats at lowest prices. Watch for our special advertisement next week. The Misses Euler.

Daniels and Mack put on some of the cleanest and best sketches we have seen at the Fernie opera house the early part of the week.

Some class to this. A ball bearing sewing machine fitted with an automatic lift and guaranteed for 10 years. Special $31.50 at Trites-Wood Co.

The draw for the K. P. ring will be held in the K. P. hall on Tuesday evening, July 20th. All those holding tickets are cordially invited to be present.

The Ladies Guild of the Church of England will give a strawberry social in the new basement on Thursday evening, July 15th, at 8 o'clock. Admission, including strawberries, 25 cents.

The regular monthly tea of the Baptist ladies aid will be in charge of Mrs. Giddings and Mrs. Buckley next Tuesday from 3 to 6, and 7 to 9 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Giddings, Pellat avenue.

The Bank of Hamilton hope to make a start very soon on their new building, likewise the Imperial bank. Both structures will be handsome blocks and up to date in every respect.

For Western Canada's Great Industrial Fair at Winnipeg July 11th to July 17th, 1909, the Canadian Pacific Railway company will have in effect special rates. For full particulars as to rates, limits etc. apply to nearest C. P. R. ticket agent.

J. T. C. Smith, the western organizer of the A. S. of C. and J. is in the city and will hold a mass meeting for the carpenters tonight at 8 p.m. in the miners hall. All members ought to attend as Mr. Smith has some interesting statistics for them.

Potted Plants at the Palm.

Go to Rochon's for ice cream.

What about our city band? Has it died so soon?

If you are a particular smoker get your smokes at Ingram's.

Mrs. J. P. Lowe left this week on a trip to Cobourg, Ont.

Furniture is just as cheap as screen doors at Trites-Wood Co.

Mrs. H. Clement from Exshaw joined her husband here during the week.

Special sale of post cards now on at Bleasdell's.

Believe me—the cheapest place on earth to buy a stove is at Trites-Wood Co.

On another page will be found the annual report of the Home Bank of Canada.

Six Mason and Risch pianos were sold this week and still Thompson says he is broke.

Messrs. W. S. and D. F. Jamieson arrived in our city on Monday from New York.

R. W. Woods arrived from Toronto on Thursday. He has been away for a couple of months on business.

Postmaster Rogers of Hosmer, accompanied by Mrs. Rogers, visited with friends in town on Friday.

A. W. Bleasdell, agent for Draper's Permanent Indistructable acid proof ink.

Miss Hall of Calgary, who has been visiting at Mrs. W. H. Whimster's, left on Thursday for the Coast.

Installation of officers of the K. of P. takes place next Tuesday night, with Bro. Vance in the grand stand.

The K. P. installation of officers will take place next Tuesday evening and a full attendance is desired.

For a good comfortable smoke get Dorenbecker's brands. They are home product.

Miss L. Thompson and Miss E. Croag of the Napanee hotel left for Winnipeg on Thursday night. They expect to be away about three weeks.

The Cranbrook Herald church notes contains the following: Tuesday: Epworth league at 8 p.m. Literary evening, subject "The History and Art of Printing." by R. S. Garrett. Oh gee!

Some people look upon tea as a mere drink. It all depends upon the tea. "Salada" Tea is a delicious and refreshing beverage. Sold only in sealed lead packets.

Fred Handley has lately bought out W. Hamilton's interests in the cartage business of Crawford and Hamilton. The new firm will hereafter be known as Handley and Crawford.

It is said that Sampson killed thousands with the jaw bone of an ass, but the jaw bone of the ass that wags so much on our base ball ground does not kill anything but time.

The ball committee of the Ladies' Benevolent Society deside to thank all those who so kindly contributed to the success of their entertainment by sending donations and lending flags to the decorations of the hall. The net proceeds of the ball amounted to over $100.

The School board met on Tuesday and among other business passed the order for the seats. The newest style of seat is being put in. Sixty of the very latest improved combination seats were ordered for the high school room which will be opened as soon as the building is ready. The board hope that all parents will keep their children at home for the high school. It is not necessary to send them out of the city any more.

The city council has decided to establish a barnyard behind the city hall for the accommodation of homeless cow cattles and other insects. The low mooing of the cows at sunset and the grunting of the swine, together with the cackling of some straying hens will no doubt bring to the minds of the city fathers the good old days when work was unknown, and when the thought of being a great ruler in the great west never entered the top storey.

See Rochon, the Kandy Kid.

NIFTY "BILL'S" EDITORIAL

Say feller's looky here Bill the Nifty tailor wants to speak to you just one minute. I have located here in Will Seccombe's old stand, Room 2 Alex Beck block to do up to date cleaning, pressing and repairing.

Now boys a word to the wise is plenty, yes? Well listen—I sold a man a $45 suit one day and his chum at $7.98 suit the next day. His chum always kept his clothes cleaned and pressed up nicely, and therefore always looked clean and well dressed. His friend did not believe in such things and therefore always looked slouchy and cheaply dressed. Moral: No matter what you pay for clothes boys they will never look well unless taken care of.

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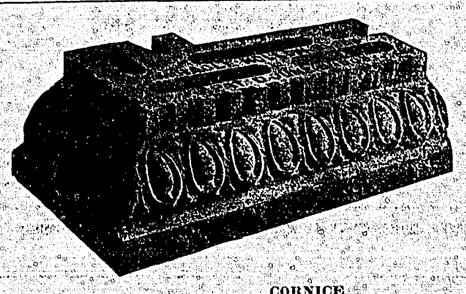

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