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RESULTS AT FRANK

NAMES OF MINERS WHO PASSED RECENT MINING EXAMINATIONS

List of percentages gained by the candidates for pit boss at examinations held at Frank on November 3rd, 4th and 5th.

Name and Address	Av.
George Kellock, Coleman	83.00
Jas. McKelvie, Hosmer	82.60
W. R. Foster, Michel	82.20
George Rankin, Michel	82.20
N. Howells, Michel	77.80
T. T. Moore, Ryemore	76.80
W. Shoon, Beelevue	76.20
Jas. Churchill, Frank	75.40
Thomas Davies, Frank	74.40
J. Prentice, Lille	73.80
M. Johnson, Taber	71.80
J. D. Thomas, Hosmer	69.40
J. M. Stewart, Fernie	67.60
J. C. Clark, Blairmore	66.00
A. Fox, Blairmore	66.00
John Bamling, Diamond City	64.00
Failed	
J. H. Oliphant, Bellevue	58.80
J. P. Bushell, Coal Creek	54.40
MINE MANAGERS	
S. D. Wark, Fernie	86.86
T. K. Knox, Coal Creek	86.57
W. Maxwell, Pincher Creek	86.14
L. C. Stevens, Coal Creek	84.86
W. A. Davidson, Coleman	83.14
John Shanks, Michel	80.57
H. S. Thain, Royal View	80.43
B. L. Thorne, Hosmer	79.57
Jas. Darbyshire, Bellevue	77.71
J. R. McDonald, Lille	77.14
James Crowder, Coleman	76.71
Sam Shone, Coleman	76.00
Failed	
R. H. Watson, Diamond City	71.57
L. E. Drummond, Hosmer	69.00
A. W. Macdonald, Diamond City	65.43
R. J. Lee, Grassy Lake	59.14
Thos. A. Spruston, Michel	57.71
John Morris, Hillcrest	56.86
A. McCulloch, Lundbreck	42 86
Fire Bosses	
H. S. Kirkberg, Michel	87.25
Thomas Mather, Taber	85.50
L. Parker, Maple Leaf	83.75
J. A. McDonald, Lille	82.50
R. Gatiss, Long Coulee	77.00
A. J. P. Smith, Lundbreck	73.50
G. Pickering, Taber	70.25
T. Tomson, Coleman	70.25
N. McDonald, Frank	70.00
W. R. Kerr, Coleman	67.25
Isaac Hutton, Frank	64.25
S. J. Barnes, Coal Creek	64.25
D. Lamont, Frank	64.25
H. Evans, Taber	61.50
W. McDonald, Royal View	60.50
Harry White, Frank	60.00
Failed	
Thos. Owen, Michel	54.50
R. Sims, Taber	51.25
John Scott, Diamond City	48.25
A. M. Queen, Lethbridge	45.00
P. Reid, Lille, quit after second paper.	

AN EXPLANATION

Editor Ledger,

Sir:—I hereby advise you that application for transfer of liquor license held by me in respect to the Royal Hotel, Fernie, B. C., to John Podbielancik, dated May 14th, 1909, as published in the Fernie Free Press, dated November 6, 1909, is null and void, as conditions of agreement concerning said transfer were not complied with. This application of transfer was published without my knowledge or consent.

CHAS. W. DAVEY & CO.
per C W. Davey.

CROW'S NEST HOCKEY LEAGUE

GOOD SPORT WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE PASS THIS WINTER

The Crows Nest Hockey League was formed yesterday. W. R. Ross M. P. P. and W. B. Buchanan M.P.P., were elected as patrons. O. E. S. Whitesides President and O. Doberheimer of Fernie, secretary. The first game will be played on January 1st between Fernie and Moyie, and as Moyie has a strong team it is up to the Fernie boys to turn out and practice hard. The league consists of Moyie, Fernie, Coleman and Lethbridge. We trust that the rink management will realize what an important asset the hockey team is to the rink and the city, and meet the boys in a reasonable way, so that they can get the use of the rink often for practices. This city supported baseball very liberally last summer and now it is right that hockey should receive some backing.

W. R. Ross, Patron of Hockey League

PIXIES ARE IT

Without Doubt One of The Best Concerts Given in Fernie in a Long Time--Local Talent a Winner All the Time--Little Folks do Fine

HATS OFF TO LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

The Pixies were immense. The whole production was wonderful when you stop to consider that the author and trainer Mr. Milne, had only nine days to work in. It was one of the best treats of a local character that we have witnessed. While it is perhaps unfair to mention any names in particular we cannot refrain from doing so. Mrs. G. F. Stevenson was particularly entrancing as Prince of the Pixies. Miss Skilling as Angelica was grand, Miss Reading as Cholly was superb, and Mrs. Waterhouse as Queen Titania was good. In the fairies Little Clara Cody was superb and never made a hitch through the entire performance. Dora Smith as Tiddlewinks was also very good. Edith Biggs sang a song entitled "I Can't Forget you Honey' very sweetly, and for a youngster the rendering was a marvel. Miss Olive Pearson made a hit with a song "The Toy Monkey" and was encored warmly; she has a lovely voice. The Pixies were very amusing in their varied costumes and all acted admirably. Miss C I. Alexander presided at the piano and played in her usual talented manner.

The Fairy Host looked beautiful as the curtain went up on the first act. The stage effect was grand, and W. A. Milne is certainly to be congratulated on the successful entertainment that he provided at so short notice. It is marvelous when you think of it. The Ladies Benevolent society is to be congratulated on the successful venture. The Japanese Maidens and the Amazon Guards, composed of Ferine's beautiful young ladies were features of the entertainment, and a great many words of praise were heard about the able way in which the two drills were carried out. The following is the program:

Prince Florimel, ruler of the Pixies, Mrs. G. F. Stevenson.

Queen Titania, Goddess of Flowers Mrs. J. N. Waterhouse.

Angelica, The Fairy Exquisite, Miss Annie Skilling.

Cholly Chrysanthemum, the Dude: Miss Sybil Reading.

The Pixies

Sailor: Albert McBean
Policeman: Ronald Stewart
Major: William Tully
Dutchman: Murray McLeod
Jew: Robert Minton
Canadian: Clifford Robertson.
Chinaman: William Skilling
Chloe: Albert Dicken
Maud:y: Albert Howbrook

The Brownies:

Harry Gallier
Wilfred Biggs
Franklin Bonnell
Bert Vance
Harvey Wallace
Henry Johnson
Thomas Minton
Roland Commons
Arthur Woodhouse

The Goblins

Alban the chief Goblin: Harold McFarquhar
Vitr: Hugh McLachlan
Litr: Alfred Munkwitz
File: Cyril Glover
Kile: Hubert Broley
Bivor: George Linn
Bavor: Ernest Westby
Grunt: Mervin Buckley

The Amazon Guards: A Drill:

Mesdames Sherwood Herchmer
Harry Depew
L. A. Dack
W. M. Elley
The Misses Macil Stewart
Muriel Whimster
Emily Pim
Leslie Shaw
Lettie Shaw
Olive Pearson
Etta Kirkpatrick
Edith Rankin

The Japanese Maidens:

Maude Pearson
Alice Tyldsley
Irene Smith
Wilma Hicks
Jennie Cody
Cassie Cody
Leota Pollock
Rheta Todd
Grace Dudley
Laura Dudley
Olive Pearson

Prince Florimel's Page: Helen Herchmer.

The Fairies:

Sunshine, the Stolen One: Elizabeth Kathleen Herchmer.
Tinymite: Clara Cody.
Tiddlewinks: Dora Smith
Rosebud: Edith Biggs
Daffodil: Reta Hamilton
Buttercup: Nellie Bebb

The Fairy Host

Francis Carlson, Eloise Wilson, Doris Smith, Phyllis Hughes, Lillian Carter, Mary Audalft, Marjorie Carmichael, Amy Wilde, Esther Volland, Evelyn Biggs, Rheta Hamilton, Lulu Giddings, Laurean Buckley, Ruth Wood, Mildred McBean, May Newrick, Nellie Murphy, Edith Biggs, Hazel Marau Clark, Clara Cody, Mary Liphardt, May Carlson, Nellie Bebb, Jean Corsan, Constance Bonnell, Estelle Mutz, Evelyn Wood, Phyllis Mutz, Josephine Mutz, Lillian Clark, Dorothy Williams, Annie Williams, Hilda Newrick, Olive Goold, Mary Alice Cole, Winnifred Cole, Lily Abbey, Hilda Wilde, Phyllis Chambers, Olga Follett, Marion Westby, Eva Young, Mary Dragon, Anna Barrett, Olive Hood, Annabel Mills, Gertie Stewart.

Butterflies: Hilda Newrick, Elsie Wilson, Eunice Glidden, Hilda Wilde.

In Fernie district in East Kootenay attorney general Bowser has an understudy who has served the Crows Nest Pass Coal Company in the legislature for two terms. He is known as Ballot-box Bill, by winning his first election through the ballot boxes disappearing, so that a recount of the ballots could not be made before a county court judge. The Labor men of the district could easily defeat him—for he is no good.—Fort George Tribune.

Wm. Ingram has just installed a very neat and compact lunch counter fixture in the pool room of his premises. He will have cold lunches on at all times, and hot drinks such as tea, coffee, bovril and such. This will come in handy during the cold weather especially, and Mr. Ingram is to be congratulated on his enterprise. He now has one of the finest all round sporting places in the country, having the pool, billiard and the bowling alleys, and every convenience for his many patrons.

Teddy Roosevelt is no longer the noted huntsmen that he was. In Fernie we have a man who has him backed right out of Africa as far as getting the game is concerned. His name is Tishhouse, and the way he slaughters deer makes Teddy and his rhinoceros look like fifteen cents three quarters spent. Ed says he cannot help killing the deer as they run right into him and he merely does it as a matter of self defence. He got another five pronged beauty on Thursday last, or not.

President Powell and Organizer T. James left this week for Regina to see the cabinet there in regard to the much needed Compensation Act. As stated in last week's issue there does not exist any compensation act in that province at present, and as members of the cabinet for Saskatchewan previously pledged themselves to the late President Sherman on the Act, the present officers are trying to enforce that pledge. President Powell spoke very optimistically about the outcome of their journey, and we feel sure that if at all possible these officers will be able to arrange a satisfactory Compensation Act with the Cabinet ministers.

TWO REGRETTABLE DEATHS THIS WEEK

THE GRIM REAPER BUSY IN THE HOMES OF FERNIE THIS WEEK

The news of the death of Mrs. F. Handley, beloved wife of Fred Handley, came as a shock to the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Handley in the city yesterday. Mrs. Handley was only sick for a short time, suffering from pneumonia, and nothing serious was anticipated. However, yesterday morning the news went around that she had expired, and the many friends that she had made in the city were greatly shocked at her demise. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon, under the auspices of the Oddfellows lodge, of which order Mr. Handley was a member. The Ledger joins in expressions of sympathy for the husband and family. The members of the Rebekah lodge are urgently requested to meet at the K. P. hall at two o'clock on Sunday afternoon, for the purpose of attending the funeral of Mrs. Handley, who was a sister of the Rebekah degree. The deceased is the first member of the Fernie lodge who has been called away, and the members of the order feel deeply the loss.

Mrs. A. M. Thompson

The many friends in the city of Mrs. A. M. Thompson received the news of her untimely demise with sincere and heartfelt sympathy. Mrs. Thompson was formerly Miss Ebbs of Nelson, and came to this city only a few months ago as the bride of Mr. A. M. Thompson. Her last illness was of a particularly distressing nature, being neuralgia of the jaw. Despite all that kind nursing and medical skill could do she passed away on Monday morning. A sad coincidence is that the husband is now in Fernie hospital suffering with a serious injury to his foot. Mr. Thompson has the sympathy of the entire community in his sad afflictions.

THE DANCERS ALL IN

INSANE CONTEST BROUGHT TO A STOP BY THE AUTHORITIES

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 10.—After dancing continuously for 14 hours and 41 minutes without nourishment, three of the 53 couples that started last night in a Marathon waltz contest to see which pair could waltz the longest were stopped today by Mayor Charles H. Nevin on the advice of physicians. Six of the women contestants at the end of several hours were taken to a hospital, one suffering from a ruptured blood vessel, and another from a muscular paralysis. Several other female contestants were exhausted physically and all by three pairs had ceased waltzing before officers interfered. These women presented a fearful sight during the last few hours of the dancing, their bloodshot eyes and bodies swaying, their male companions hardly being able to keep their feet.

Nearly 500 spectators crowded the hall where the contest was taking place.

The skating rink is now running nicely, and as there is a nice sheet of ice all lovers of skating should very liberally patronize the rink. It is the intention of the management to immediately instal a large electric organ to supply music for the skaters. This organ is all the rage in the large cities at present and will be very welcome here, as skating without music is like a Galician wedding in Winnipeg without a murder. The electric organ renders the same music as a 12 piece orchestra. The rink management have made the season tickets very reasonable this winter, and all intending skaters should buy a season ticket to help the good work along. The charge is gents $5; ladies $3, children $2.

A Pretty Bit of Elko Scenery

"Progressive Fernie" As Viewed by Others

"Progressive Fernie" is the title of a handsome souvenir booklet of the B. C. mining city. The object is to demonstrate how quickly and thoroughly the place has arisen from the ashes of the fire of August 1, 1908, when Fernie was practically wiped out. But as the introduction points out, "there were no quitters; no migration set in for more promising fields. * * * * The acquisition of the waterworks and the electric light system by the city, entailing an expenditure ultimately of $150,000, shows unmistakably the trend of public opinion, and the confidence which the ratepayers as a whole have in the future of Fernie—the city of homes, the Pittsburg of Canada, the industrial beehive of south-eastern British Columbia."

The booklet, which contains over 100 large sized pages, is in itself "a tribute to the importance of the city and of great credit to the publishers, "The District Ledger." A glance over the advertising features will be a revelation to the average easterner—Toronto World.

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We have received a copy of a booklet describing Fernie, B. C. This progressive town of the Crow's Nest country has risen rapidly from the condition in which it was left by the disastrous fire of more than a year ago. The booklet is the work of the District Ledger of Fernie, and the publishers deserve great credit for turning out such work. It contains splendid illustrations of the town at the time of the fire and today, also cuts of buildings, scenery, leading citizens, etc. A detailed account is given of the industries of Fernie and the opportunities offering there. Anyone interested in that part of British Columbia should send for a copy.—Commercial, (Winnipeg.)

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From the office of the Fernie Ledger comes an attractive booklet Progressive Fernie, which tells the story of the wonderful recovery of the Pittsburg of Canada, the industrial beehive of south-eastern British Columbia, from the havoc wrought by the fire of last year. Red flames form the background of the cover design and in the forefront, in green letters are the words, "Progressive Fernie." The book is profusely and tastefully illustrated. "Progressive Fernie" should feed the fires of local pride and patriotism in British Columbia.—Vancouver World.

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Progressive Fernie, a picture book issued by the District Ledger, records in descriptive articles with numerous illustrations, the story of a year, Aug. 1, 1908, to Aug. 1, 1909, in the life of the town of Fernie, B. C. That eventful year began with the great fire, the thrilling details of which are still recalled with a shudder throughout the Dominion. The book relates how in that short time, shortened for building operations still more by a long winter of almost unprecedented severity and snow-fall, almost the full measure of former greatness and importance had been regained. The object of the publication is, however, not merely historical; it undertakes to enumerate and deal in detail with the outstanding "features which have helped to make Fernie a city of unquestioned importance and standing in southwestern British Columbia; and to show that this city undoubtedly possesses advantages as a manufacturing and distributing centre. Among the features to which attention is called are the "spirit of the west," "burned out August 1—doing business August 4"; "the acquisition of the waterworks and the electric light system by the city, the waterworks undertaking involving the piping of water from Fairy Creek where an immense pressure per inch is available from a stream as pure as crystal, undefiled by civilization"; and the inauguration of a civic lighting and power plant. In a prefactory article on "The city that grew in a year," Fernie is styled the city of homes, the Pittsburg of Canada, the industrial beehive of southwestern British Columbia. Numerous photos are reproduced showing the ruins after the fire, the site dotted over with relief tents, and various portions of the city at successive stages of its subsequent year of progress. The coal industry is illustrated with illustrations of Coal Creek, of mine trains, of loading operations, and many portraits are given of members of staffs of different industries, also of members of the city council, board of trade football, baseball and other clubs, of leading bankers, clergymen, officers of commercial companies, trades and labor council, Brotherhood of Carpenters, staff of hospital, etc, residences of prominent citizens, of churches, and other buildings in course of erection. Altogether the publication gives a most favorable impression of the pluck and enterprise of the "city that rose from a barren tract of land to the status of a thriving industrial centre in ten short years; a city that was totally destroyed by fire, and in another twelve months had put on all its former importance and activity.—Winnipeg Free Press.

The District Ledger of Fernie, has issued a magnificent illustrated booklet entitled Progressive Fernie, which should be in everyone's hands. As a souvenir of the terrible fire that wiped out the Coal City last year, as a souvenir of what has been done since the disastrous conflagration to make Fernie the finest town in the interior it is unique, and orders for this charming publication will be welcomed at the office of the Boundary Creek Times.—Greenwood Times.

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A finely illustrated book entitled Progressive Fernie has just been issued from the office of the Fernie Ledger. It gives a well written history of the rapid rise of the flourishing little city, of the great catastrophe that swept it off the face of the earth a little over a year ago, and of its swift resurrection in a better and stabler form than ever. A very interesting description is also given of the coal mines, Fernie's chief industry. The publication is a highly creditable one to the Ledger and a valuable advertisement for the town.—Kelowna Trumpet.

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Progressive Fernie is the title of an elaborate and very attractive brochure of about one hundred pages, descriptive of Fernie and its industrial environments. The work is from the press of the Fernie District Ledger, and it is by no means extravagant to say that from a typographical viewpoint it could scarcely have been excelled in any of the larger metropolitan cities. The book is replete with hundreds of artistic groupings, and individual portraitures, together with a large number of scenic views and illustrations of the varied industries of Progressive Fernie. Altogether the work is a credit to Fernie, a credit to the Ledger and a most creditable testimonial to the live and wide-awake citizenship of the town.—Hosmer Times.

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The special number of The Fernie Ledger has just come to hand. It is a most comprehensive book and it is brightened by many beautiful illustrations. The Ledger is to be complimented on the splendid work.—Coleman Miner.

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We have received a copy of a handsome booklet entitled Progressive Fernie, published by the District Ledger, in "the Pittsburg of Canada." It contains a detailed report of the awful fire that wiped the city out of existence over a year ago, and how it has risen from the ashes in a better commercial condition than ever before. The booklet besides containing much valuable information is a work of art, and a great credit to the office it is published from. In get-up, write-up, make-up and printing it is one of the best productions that has met our eye in western Canada.—Kaslo Kootenian.

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The editor of the Review is in receipt of a complimentary copy of a book, just published by the Fernie District Ledger. It consists of 116 pages, beautifully illustrated with half tone cuts. Typographically it is also a work of art and reflects great credit on the enterprising firm who publish it. It is selling for 50 cts., and would be cheap at double that price.—Creston Review.

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Progressive Fernie is a title well deserved and worn by an illustrated booklet published by The Fernie District Ledger. It commemorates the destructive fire of August, 1908, and the remarkable progress the town has made since then in rebuilding. A racy story of the fire is given, with many good illustrations, and the work of restoration is a credit not only to Fernie but to the whole of Canada.—Toronto Globe.

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Progressive Fernie is out at last. It is a really creditable production and well worth the fifty cents.—Michel Reporter.

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OTTAWA, Nov. 29, 09

Editor Ledger:

Dear Sir: I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your note of the 23rd inst. stating that you have forwarded a complimentary copy of Progressive Fernie. The booklet has arrived, and I shall have pleasure in adding the same to the files of the department. The pamphlet more than does credit to the city of Fernie and to yourself as the author.

F. A. ACLAND

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The Record has received from the office of the District Ledger, Fernie, B. C., a copy entitled, "Progressive Fernie." The booklet contains over one hundred well printed pages, and is a fine specimen of typographical art. The descriptive matter contains interesting articles on the great Fernie fire of August 1, 1908, the coal industry, the board of trade, hospital, etc. It is profusely illustrated with over 200 fine half tone engravings of the public buildings, coal mines, of scenes of the fire, residences, and prominent men of Fernie. The work is a credit to the publishers and will no doubt prove very valuable as a means of advertising the advantages of Fernie as a manufacturing centre. No better title for the publication could have been selected than "Progressive Fernie," as its citizens have proved themselves to be progressive, loyal and optimistic, and are looking for great things in the future.—Selkirk Record.

Have you seen a copy of Progressive Fernie, the booklet just issued from the office of the District Ledger? No? Well, here it is. Shouldn't call it a booklet though, should they? It is a work of art, a volume of historical interest and the best illustrated and most up to date guide book we have had the pleasure of seeing for many a day, all in one, and it is a credit to all concerned in its production. Its advertising value to Fernie goes without saying. Here's looking at you, Fernie. By the way if this is your idea of a booklet, kindly notify us in advance should you ever send us a book and we'll have our office door enlarged.—Telkwa Press.

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Progressive Fernie is the title of an illustrated book received by the Monetary Times. It is barely a year since Fernie was almost wiped out by fire the loss to property being estimated at $5,000,000, and since then the entire town has been rebuilt and a waterworks and electric system acquired at a cost of $150,000. The city's chief industry is coal mining and the fact that the fire did not permanently drive folks away from the city is ample proof of their faith in it as a thriving industrial centre. The views of present day Fernie certainly emphasize the fact of its coming prosperity.—Monetary Times.

OUR SOCIALIST PAGE

Conducted under the direction of "Proletiaran"

Address all matter for this page to "Proletarian" District Ledger

REWARD OF INTELLECT

(Cotton's Weekly)

The socialists are often blamed because it is thought that under the socialist system manual labor alone will be paid. The opponent of socialism indignantly asks 'What about brains? Should they ont be rewarded?" Certainly they should. There is not a socialist but holds that useful brain work should be rewarded equally with useful physical labor. But useless brain work certainly will not be rewarded.

The average man earning his livelihood by his brain feels that under socialism his work will not be rewarded. He opposes socialism because he instinctively feels that his brain work would be laughed at. The average intellectual worker is right in his opinion.

Did you ever stop to think how useless under a sane system the work of the majority of the present intellectuals would be? The lawyer no doubt considers himself an intellectual worker, whose works, not sufficiently remunerated now, would be less remunerated under socialism. The principal occupation of the advocate is to prosecute or to defend criminals and to participate in fights over property rights under a system of private property. Under the socialist system the occupation of the advocate will be practically abolished.

Crimes are committed by men who endeavor to acquire private property by illegal means. When the system of private property in the means of production has been abolished, and the necessities of life are at the command of all, crimes will cease and lawyers will no longer be necessary for the prosecution or the defence of criminals.

When private property in all the means of production shall have been abolished, litigation over the proprietorship of farms and of stocks and of bonds and interest and rents will all cease. The lawyer will no longer have private property fights in which to participate, and his profession will be abolished. Under Socialism useful brain labor will be rewarded but parasitic brain work will get no reward and the lawyer will have to turn his activities to some other line of endeavor.

The notary lives by the investigation and transfer of titled deeds to property from one private individual to another. When property rights have been socialized, the occupation of the notary will have disappeared. The advertising agent and artist who bend their energies to devising attractive ads for private concerns no doubt consider that their work is highly intellectual and should be rewarded. When these private concerns have been socialized the advertising agent and artist will find that their occupation is gone. In the same manner the civil and criminal judge, the demogic politician, the stock broker, the real estate agent, the commission merchant and a whole host of brain workers in lines of work which now bring incomes to those engaged in them, will find their occupations gone.

The useful brain workers will no doubt be rewarded under socialism. The useful brain workers have nothing to fear, The architects, the sanitary inspectors, the investigators on the experimental farms, the inventors, the train despatchers, the surveyors, the geologists, and all those engaged in discovering the secrets of nature and applying their discoveries to satisfying the needs of humanity will occupy a far higher position in public opinion than they do at present.

Under socialism the useful brain workers will be rewarded. On the other hand the useless brain workers who now stand so prominently in the public eye will find their occupations gone.

These men will have an equal opportunity with others to earn their daily bread by useful work. These men, however, do not like the thought of surrendering the positions which they now occupy. Consequently they deride socialism, misrepresent it, and pretend that socialism is a doctrine of violence, of bloodshed, and of envy and of hatred on the part of the unfit.

The Toronto Globe heads its article on the opening o fparliament with the following, "The Rulers of Canada take up their Tasks Again." The Globe is mistaken. The members of Parliament do not rule Canada. They are but the monkeys with whose paws the capitalist cats pull their dividend chestnuts out of the fire.

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The machine renders Socialism necessary.

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Frederick Engels declared that the revolution would be a change from the government of persons to the administration of things.

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The great mass of men and women wonder why they are poor and the politicians and financiers let them go on wondering.

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It takes as much brains to run an engine as it does to be an advocate or a doctor. But the narrow minded doctors and advocates look down on the engine drivers as socially beneath them.

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The bourgeois capitalist cannot understand socialism. Of course he cannot. Just as the average man cannot imagine death or annihilation just so the average bourgeois capitalist cannot understand his own abolishment.

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Modern society is so organized that the men who do useful work 99 times out of a hundred shall live in misery. Socialism will be an organization of society under which the useful workers shall have the full enjoyment of the results of their toil.

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The capitalists are not united. If they were there would be little hope for a change for the better in the immediate future. But the capitalists are snarling over the division of the spoils. They are fighting each other like wolves over carrion. Every now and again a big capitalist goes under and the fight among the remaining numbers becomes all the fiercer for the added bones which are to be picked.

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Premier Briand of France made a wild onslaught on the proposal to adopt proportional representation in France. The French socialists are for the measure. The caltalist press hails Briand as a conservative socialist, which means that he has deserted his party and is going to stand by capitalism. The French chamber voted to have Briand's speech placarded in all parts of France at a cost of six thousand dollars.

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While the Dominion Steel company works its men 12 hours a day and 24 hours at a stretch, while the men on the G. T. P. are plundered of their petty wages by crooks and sharps, while men are evicted from their poor homes for refusing to work for the coal company at Glace Bay, while as avaricious a group of national plunderers are squeezing the life blood out of Canadian workers, talk not to me of the liberty of Canadian subjects. The boasted British liberty is a lie and a sham.

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The Lemieux act was hailed as a wonderful instrument for the prevention of strikes. A strike has been going on for months at Cape Breton and the Labor Minister does not go near. The men are divided and the bosses can get scab Canadian labor. Therefore the Minister of Labor skulks out of the way. If the mine owners were tied up completely in their labor thieving operations the labor minister would be hiking to Glace Bay to "conciliate' the workers back to their slavery. The labor ministry is a capitalist dodge to protect dividends.

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I heard a commercial traveller discussing in a country hotel the subject of life imprisonment. He had struck a brand new idea all his own and it was this. He believed that when a man was condemned to prison for life he should be given the privilege of choosing capital punishment instead. The traveller was very proud of his idea and proceeded to unfold it and amplify it. It never occurred to him that capital punishment perhaps might be a huge injustice, that criminals are the victims of society and not its destroyers. That commercial traveller reminded me of that much belauded R. L. Borden. It never occurred to Borden that perhaps capitalism is a huge injustice upon humanity, that the capitalist should be gently but firmly put to work, and his power given to the democratic organizations of the workers. Borden can only get as far as to discuss whether capitalists should be allowed the privilege of support out of stolen funds instead of private graft. In other words government ownership by purchase.

Under capitalism the only reason for a workingman to exist is to have profits ground out of him.

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Public ownership is only half the programme of Socialism. The other and more important half is working class ownership of the government of the land.

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If the good of humanity should be the aim of good laws then our laws are rotten and the capitalist is a legalized criminal.

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Political economy is an exceedingly important study, for upon it depend a knowledge of the nature, cause and remedy of the great evils that afflict modern society.

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"I have worked for the little masters; big bellied they be and rich. I've done their desire for a daily hire, and I die like a dog in the ditch." Service's Song of the Wage Slave.

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A Socialist is one who stands for the extension of the principle of public ownership to all highly organized industries and their democratic manageemnt in the interests of the working class.

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Any organization is revolutionary in aim that stands for the collective ownership of the means of wealth production. And any organization is revolutionary in method that seeks to carry out its program through a working-class organization.

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Why should the master class want chteel slavery? That institution is too vrude for modern refinements. Men are forced into just as horrible wage slavery whole iur corrupt politicians babble of liberty under the British flag.

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The supremene court of Iowa has decided that private concerns can legally refuse to serve a negro. On the other hand the workers must not refuse to patronize the Bucks Stove Co. That is boycott. In the U. S. the courts are the instruments of the labor thieves all right.

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The capitalists claims that he is a hard worker. The burglar works hard and the forger works hard, and the whole class of criminals spend much energy in following their professions. The capitalists work hard to enslave the workers to build palaces for the parasites.

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Byrno E. Walker, president of the Bank of Commerce is firmly convinced that if Britain does not deal with the problem of the unemployed she will soon enter on her decay as a great nation. Walker might have added that the unemployed can only be dealt with through socialism. Socialism is going to solve the problem of the unemployed.

THE WINNIPEG FAIR

WINNIPEG, Man. Dec. 8.—Exposition matters are at the most important crisis of their existence. The last delegation has gone forward to Ottawa to present the case to the Dominion government for its decision upon the grant which has been asked of the government, and upon that decision depends the fate of Canada's International exposition and Selkirk Centennial. The exposition committee has expended a considerable sum of money, and infinite pains, to get together the most complet summary of information and a thorough expression of the feeling of every interested party toward the project. Thousands of miles have been travelled and many hours have been given by men whose lives are given over to weighty business affairs, in order that Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his government officials may be thoroughly informed upon the aims and the objects of the Exposition.

A strong delegation is now at Ottawa presenting the case of the exposition committee and the outcome is anxiously awaited.

THE GAS DID IT

TORONTO, Dec. 10.—William Golding, about 45 years of age, was found dead in his room last night with the gas turned partly on. Very little is known of the man.

CHERRY MINE DISASTER

Inquest Shows That it was Little Short of Murder—Naked Lights Used

CHERRY, Ill. Dec. 6.—Ownership of the St. Paul mine by the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad, declared by the investigation to be a direct violation of the law, was conclusively established through the testimony of unwilling witnesses at the coroner's jury.

It was the first session of the joint investigation begun by the states two mining boards and the coroner.

The manner in which the officials sweated the witnesses indicated that the one desire is to get exact information that will place the responsibility for the appalling loss of life in the mine on the shoulders of the man higher up in the service of the mine corporations or the railroad.

Immediately after establishing the connection of these two corporations, it was disclosed that the electric lighting plant of the mine had been crippled three weeks before the disaster and that it had been illuminated by unprotected torches after the loss of the electric current.

Under a close examination by Attorney Seymour Steadman, representing the United Mine Workers of America it was shown that one of the torches hung in the narrow passage way through which cars of hay were hauled daily.

Moreover it was shown that it was the flame from these unprotected torches that started the conflagration that cost 200 lives and destroyed the mine.

Attorney Steadman produced the charter of the mine corporation early in the proceedings disclosing the fact that every one of the five incorporators were officers of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railway.

STRIKE ENDS

PITTSBURG, Dec. 3.—The strike at the plant of the Colonial Steel company at Monaca Pa., near here, occasioned by a demand of a ten per cent increase was brought to an end by the men returning to work at the old rate.

Afraid of Ghosts

Many people are afraid of ghosts. Few people are afraid of germs. Yet the ghost is a fancy and the germ is a fact. If the germ could be magnified to a size equal to its terrors it would appear more terrible than any fire-breathing dragon. Germs can't be avoided. They are in the air we breathe, the water we drink.

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PRES. LYNCH IN THE WEST

Greatly Taken With the Country and Finds Organization in a Healthy Condition

(Calgary News)

Mr. James M. Lynch, president of the International Typographical union was the guest of honor at a banquet tendered him at Cronn's cafe last night by Calgary Typographical union No. 49. Mayor Jamieson and Mr. R. B. Bennett K. C. and 64 of the craft attended.

The menu was good, the speeches were witty and a jolly time was spent by all.

The toastmaster was O. Horsfall of the local union. The toast to the "City of Calgary" was responded to by Mayor Jamieson.

"I first visited this country in 1883" said he. "I was then employed in the construction of the C P. R. railroad from Maple Creek to Laggan. In September of that year I reached the site of what is now known as Calgary. I was struck by its location, at the conflux of the Bow and the Elbow. Although I went east again I still had the vision of the Rockies and I decided to come back.

"I came back to the west in 1902. The population of Calgary then was 5,000, as compared with the present population of 35,000. My faith regarding the city of Calgary in very much stronger than in 1883. Those who pass through Calgary confirm the belief in the future prospects of the city.

"I am pleased to reply to the toast master on behalf of the city.

"The printer is a man who is a very important individual in the community. Everything that is printed of course does not afford happiness. The printer is essential. Of the making of books there is no end we are told. Though I am not familiar with the art of printing I believe that there is a species of vexation known among the craft as "pi." However, gentlemen I can sympathize with you for I too have troubles.

J. D. McAra, accompanied on the piano by J. J. Young, sang a solo, after which three cheers and a tiger were given for the worthy president.

In reply to the toast 'To Our Guest' President Lynch made a very forceful address on behalf of unionism, and particularly the association of printers. He gave the history of the organization since its formation in 1852. It was the oldest international union of wage earners.

In his opening remarks he said:—"Though I am the first representative of the I. T. U. to visit Sunny Alberta you see that a good sized sample was sent. We are doing good work. We send thousands of dollars every year to the association formed to combat tuberculosis. We have a home for the indigent ones of our association at Colorado Springs. The institution is now worth $1,000,000.

"Though in the first forty years of our existence we had to strike repeatedly to impress upon the employers our right to insist on higher pay just as the young unions do now, we have at last reached a stage where we can negotiate on an equal footing with the American Newspaper Publishers association, employing 20,000 of our members.

"A plan is now on foot to give a monetary benefit of $400 to every member having been in the union 15 years. Just recently there has been the organization of a correspondence school to make printing apprentices experts in their line.'

He was deeply gratified to learn that the local union and the employers had just signed a five-year agreement. This will insure peace for at least five years. He was struck by the resemblance of Calgary to Denver, Col. regarding location.

R. B. Bennett, J. H. Woods and others added enthusiasm to the occasion in their brief remarks.

Ted Knight sang several solos and recited many humorous verses.

RESIGNED

WINNIPEG, Dec. 8.—A. C. Smith, for many years city ticket agent of the Canadian Pacific in this city, has resigned to accept the agency of the Western Rubber company with headquarters here.

TALES FROM THE GOLDEN WEST

"You may break—You may Shatter
The Vase, if you Will.
But the Scent of the Roses
Will Cling to it Still."
You may use Every Grain:
Throw the Wrapper Away:
But one Thing Will Remain:
And for Many a Day
You'll Remember the Delicate Fragrance
And say

Royal Crown Witch Hazel Soap

Is a Dainty—Efficient—Toilet Expedient
And Produces Beautiful Complexions

RECORDS REACH COPENHAGEN

None But the University Commissioners to See Them

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 10.—The north polar observations of Dr. Frederick A. Cook reached here today on board the steamer United States.

Extraordinary precautions were taken to insure the safe delivery of the long heralded data to the university authorities.

As soon as the United States was tied up at her pier an iron box containing Dr. Cook's report, and the diaries in which his original entries were made, was brought ashore. The box was closely followed by Walter Lonsdale, Dr. Cook's secretary, who had stood guard over its precious contents since they left the land of the explorer. Upon the pier Lonsdale had two detectives who bundled the iron box into a motor car and then hurried off to the University of Copenhagen. Their car was followed by a second one.

At the university the papers were formally turned over to the authorities there and placed in a strong room where they will be guarded closely until the committee appointed to examine them are ready to begin its labors. None but the commission representing the university of Copenhagen will be permitted to be present.

United States Minister Egan was to have attended the committee meetings but will not be able to do so on account of the delay in the arrival of the records. Mr. Egan leaves tomorrow for the United States.

The coming of Dr. Cook's papers is accompanied with signs of a revival of the Cook Peary controversy. The Politiken asserts this morning that the supporters of Commander Peary are trying to enlist the services of Greenland explorers in the anti-Cook press campaign.

BURIED UNDER COAL

Sad Fate of a Fireman on the Canadian Northern in Saskatchewan

SASKATOON, Dec. 5.— Fireman Woods, who was reported missing after the wreck at Hanley, was subsequently discovered, suffocated, under five tons of coal from the tender. The body was brought here today and will be buried on Wednesday by the Brotherhood of Trainmen.

OPERATIONS MADE EASY

Patients Talked While Under the Knife-- No Pain Felt

NEW YORK, Dec. 9—Before an audience of distinguished surgeons, Professor Thomas Jonnesco, the Roumanian scientist, demonstrated that painless operations could be performed upon patients while they remained conscious.

Instead of rendering the patient unconscious with ether, Prof. Jonnesco hypodermically injects stovaine into the spine, at the same time administering strychnine to strengthen the heart.

Three children and a woman were operated on by local physicians after Doctor Jonnesco had applied the stovaine.

The patients withstood the operation and conversed with the surgeons while they operated without feeling the least pain.

Dr. William J. Major of Rochester, who attended the demonstrations as the special guest of Prof. Jonnesco, was so impressed that he invited the Roumanian scientist to visit the west, and demonstrate his discovery. Dr. Jonnesco accepted, and will conduct a number of operations.

ARE AFTER THEM HARD

Spokane Authorities Determnied That Freedom of Speech Shall be Stopped

SPOKANE, Wash. Dec. 7—It is reported that the prosecuting attorney and police authorities have decided to arrest local socialist leaders in the fight being made in behalf of free speech in this city.

It is said that the charges will be that of conspiracy.

The Socialists are circulating an initiative petition to force the city council to adopt an ordinance similar to the one in Seattle regarding street speaking.

The police on Wednesday night arrested eight boys in the hall of the Industrial Workers of the World, on a charge of delinquency for associating with free speech advocates. Their ages range from 11 to 16 years and all profess to be members of the Industrial organization.

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CHOOSE WISELY AND WELL

As it is very close to the annual election of officers for this District a few remarks may not be out of place. First of all remember that the men you elect to fill the responsible positions of honor in your District must be men of worth, character, and stability. Do not put men into any of the offices in whom you cannot put your whole trust. After you have made your selection give your man a helping hand. Do not stay away from meetings, and then after a few have reluctantly shouldered the full responsibility grumble at the way they do the business. If you see things amiss get up at your meetings and say so, and then your officers can see that you take an interest in the affairs of the district. Remember that once you have elected your officers they are your legal representatives for the next year. So choose wisely and well.

Our cotem rises to remark this issue "that out of the sixteen names who were repeated at the last election fifteen were Socialists and the other one doubtful." This statement is on a par with many of the Free Press and we leave it in the hands of our readers to diagnose.

It appears that the Rev. Lashley Hall undertook to take the two newspapers of the city to task for not reporting the opening ceremonies of the new Methodist church. Well, for our part, we consider that if Mr. Hall wanted to have a half column or a column of matter inserted he might have brought forth the copy. We established a long time ago a special church column, and requested the ministers of the city to furnish us with church notices, and matter for that column, and none of them had gumption enough to take any interest in it. We always insert church notices free, and have given as much space in the paper as we could to church matters. One very good reason why we missed the opening morning service was the fact that the Rev. Lashley Hall came over to the show at half past ten on the previous Saturday night, and asked us to oblige him by printing him 500 envelopes that he had forgotten to attend to previously. We went after the show was out, set up the job, kicked off the 500 by foot power, and saved the day for him, and we went from the office at the every reasonable hour of half past one (Sunday morning.) We got nothing extra for this work. It was done as several other things have been done, as a personal obligement. Hence we consider Mr. Hall's remarks were entirely uncalled for.

"Thou callest in trouble and I delivered thee." —Psalm 81:7.

Remember that it is not far off now to the nominating day for the civic elections. Have you chosen some good, trusty, independent men to act as council for the ensuing year? If not get busy at once. As to the last council a few words is perhaps in season. Several people asked us why we were not satisfied with the administration of affairs during the last year. They told us that this council did more actual business than any previous one; that the city was in better shape than ever before and all that sort of thing. Well, perhaps that is partly right, but why? In this first place this council started off with a clean sheet. They had the opportunity of doing things that no other previous council ever had. What trouble was it for them to take over the waterworks? The Coal Company had practically concluded the deal before. Certainly more has been done last year than before, but everything had to be got new and it was easier to get it than at any previous time. But there are several things that have not been done and that should have been done. In the distribution of city street lighting more common sense should have been exercised. One part of the city is well lighted, while the rest is still in darkness. The rates set by the present council are extravagant. When the municipal power plant was up for discussion before the people voted on it the council all spoke of the cheap light and power that the citizens would get, and have those rates been lived up to? No. The present rate is excessive in comparison with all other places. The day power rate, which the city is so anxious to start, and which should have been started at the first is entirely prohibitive. The city electrician says that it will be an easy matter to lower the rate as soon as they see where they get off. But is it a business proposition to ask a man to spend hundreds of dollars in motors and fixtures and then await the pleasure of the city in reducing their power rate. This is rot pure and simple, and it is a reflection on the business ability of the city electrician and the members of the council who would endorse such schoolboy tactics.

Another matter that should have been properly done in sewerage. We have a sewer that is not large enough to take off the ordinary sewerage of the city. When the rainy season sets in the drainage overfills this sewer and in consequence cellars are filled, the streets are not drained, and everything is in a mess. Now this council might have done something in this regard before the winter so as to be in a position to get rid of the drainage in the spring. Some of them will say they had no money. The same old cry as was raised about the water. But if necessary a bylaw could have been put through to cover this important matter. There are several other cliquish things, but space will not permit. Make some changes in the council and establish the ward system, and see if the change will not be beneficial.

This city has outgrown the village styles, and it is now large and important enough to assume the ward system. In the forthcoming civic elections we would strongly recommend the adoption of wards. In that way each section of the city has its representative, and that insures each portion being properly looked after. At present the majority of the aldermen represent one section, and for that reason possibly some of the outlying sections are sometimes overlooked.

The new postoffice may be finished some time, but at the present rate of things it will be in the next generation. The present hen coop is a most disgraceful place, and the approach to it very dangerous indeed. You start to go into the office entirely unsuspicious of the fact that there is a neat little patch of snow and ice directly off the step, and as soon as you touch this spot you slide. If you happen to be a real good gymnast you land on your feet, if not it is more than likely that you will fall into the outstretched arms of some demure Fernie maiden who happens to be in search of a picture post card from Hosmer. Why does not the department rent one of the numerous empty stores and fix up a decent postoffice until the new place is ready? Or how would it be to start building another.

The Industrial Workers of Spokane are having a very warm time fighting for free speech. The Salvation Army and other religious bodies are allowed to congregate and speak on the streets. When Taft or some other bloated aristocrats visit the city the thoroughfare is blocked, but when the workingmen are trying to hold meetings to educate their class along industrial lines the mighty arm of the law steps in and says that it is against the law to block the streets. Well, the fight will go on until Spokane is boycotted from one end of the country to the other. If you are a union man, remember the boycott. Remember that your fathers in days gone bye fought for freedom, and then at election times forget it all and vote for the parties that will continue to oppress you and yours.

A LITTLE POEM ON PROGRESS
(Winnipeg Town Topics)

Written off hand with a dull lead pencil so you'll kindly excuse roughness of the meter
Hey!
Say!
Doesn't it take your breath away—
The pace this old world sets today—
Flying along on its right o'way.
Going?
Well—
It looks like speed.
The progress we're making—
The records we're breaking—
The traditions we're shaking—
It does!

North
Pole!
Found at last is the icy goal!
Blood and treasure have paid the toll!
But whose the name we shall extol?
Peary?
Cook?
Glory enough for two!
The thing that counts is the deed that is done—
The valiant fight and the victory won.
They spoil it all when a quarrel's begun.
I think
Don't you!

Air!
Sky!
Never thought we'd learn to fly.
Unless, perhaps in the bye and bye—
But the day of wings is mighty nigh!
Birds?
Well—
I guess we are.
Across the channel and far away,
Yesterday's record is broken today.
Vacation trips in the future may
Take in
The stars.

All
Through!
Except in closing a word to you;
When the world moves on are you moving, too,
Or standing still as the 'dead ones' do?

GETTING INFORMATION OUT OF DAD

My pa he didn't go to town
Last evening after tea,
But got a book and settled down
As comfy as could be.
I'll tell you I was offul glad
To have my pa about
To answer all the things I had
Been tryin to find out.

And so I asked him why the world
Is round instead of square.
And why the piggies tails are curled
And why fish don't breathe air.
And why the moon don't hit a star,
And why the dark is black?
And just how many birds there are
And will the wind come back?

And why does water stay in wells,
And why do June bugs hum,
And whats the roar I hear in shells
And when will Christmas come?
And why the grass is always green
Instead of sometimes blue,
And why a bean will grow a bean
And not an apple too?

And why a horse can't learn to moo,
And why a cow can't neigh,
And do the fairies live on dew,
And what makes hair grow gray:
And then my pa, got up and gee,
The offul words he said,
I hadn't done a thing but he
Just sent me off to bed.

Trade Register.

ARRIVES SAFELY

ST. JOHNS, Nfld. Dec. 9.—Six days overdue on her regular passage from Halifax, N. S., for this port, the Red Cross line steamer Rosalind arrived here today. Capt. Smith reported the storm the worst he ever experienced. The passengers are well and the ship suffered no damage.

PASSED AWAY

WINNIPEG, Dec. 9.—Mrs. H. M. Howell, wife of chief justice Howell, died at Pasadena, Cal., last evening, to which place she had gone for the benefit of her health. Chief Justice Howell left last evening to bring the remains home.

A DISPLAY

OTTAWA, Dec. 9—Trade commissioner Bickerdike in Belfast, Ireland, says that the Belfast industrial development association is arranging to have an exhibit of Irish manufactured articles for the Toronto exhibition next year because of the large Irish population in the Dominion.

CONGRESS CONVENES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The two houses of congress convened today for the first regular session of the sixty first congress, but the day's proceedings were in a great part of a social nature and practically no business was transacted.

WRIT GRANTED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The supreme court of the United States today granted the petition for a writ of certiorari in the contempt case of Samuel Gompers, Frank Morrison and John Mitchell, officers of the American Federation of Labor. The effect of the decision will be to bring the entire record in the Buck's Stove & Range case to the supreme court for review.

A MANIFESTO

LONDON, Dec. 9.—John Redmond, the leader of the Irish party has forwarded a manifesto to T. P. O'Connor, president of the United Irish league of Great Britain, who is now in New York, addressed to the friends of Ireland in the United States, dealing with the British political crisis. Mr. Redmond congratulated Mr. O'Connor on the success of his mission in America and expressed his gratitude at the warm response of the American people to Ireland's appeal. The manifesto says "Never has the situation confronting Ireland been at the same time more critical and more hopeful."

Then outlining the broad principles of the struggle which has arisen "between the house of lords and the house of commons,' he continues:—"As between the two great English parties in this contest the Irish party stands absolutely independent. Not for 30 years has such an opportunity been offered to Ireland."

BEST IN THE WORLD

LONDON, Dec. 9.—Nowhere in the world is better fruit grown than in Canada" said Lord Strathcona in opening the meeting of the Royal Colonial Institute last night, when W. A. MacKinnon, dominion trade commissioner at Birmingham, read a paper on the Canadian fruit industry. The meeting was largely attended.

GOOD FOR HORSES

NEWCASTLE, Eng. Dec. 9—At the meeting of the Clydesdale Horse society of Great Britain and Ireland it was states that trade in Clydesdale during the year had been exceptionally good, over 1400 had been exported and the trade in Canada was particularly good. According to Canadian reports the demand for this type of cart horses is likely to increase.

ON LOOKOUT FOR BLACK HAND

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—A sharp lookout was kept by United States immigration officials for any members of the Black Hand organization whom the Geneva dispatch reports contemplate new fields of operation in this country. Copies of the dispatch containing information of their intended movements have been sent to all immigration officials at ports where the Italians are likely to arrive, with special instructions to watch incoming ships closely.

ACCUSED OF EMBEZZLING

NEW HAVEN, Conn. Dec. 9—Embezzlement of funds of the People's Bank & Trust company to the extent of $35,000 is charged against Robert D. Muir, cashier of the bank, who was arrested last night and held under $12,000 bonds which he was unable to secure.

Muir, it is alleged, took $115,000, but the officials of the bank secured securities of the prisoner to the extent of $93,000.

EDITORS CONVICTED

Appeal Against Sentence of 6 Months Imposed on Them in Spokane

SPOKANE, Wash. Dec. 6—James Wilson and E. F. Foote, editors of the Industrial paper in this city, were sentenced to six months in jail on charges of conspiracy.

They appealed from this sentence and were released on $2000 bonds. The charges against the two men were the outgrowth of the free speech fight.

BIG GATHERING

WINNIPEG, Dec. 8.—A large party of Knights of Columbus arrived here yesterday from Minneapolis and St. Paul and other American cities to attend a big gathering of the local K. P. members which took place this week. 75 new members were initiated at the time.

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News From the Camps

From our own Correspondents

FRANK

J. Wheeler has received the contract to build a rink here. The citizens expect to have a very strong hockey team. They will be assisted by some of the best hockey players of the east who are at present working in this town.

The young men of Frank called a meeting in the Imperial hotel this week for the purpose of organizing a quadrille club. At the close of the meeting it was decided to hold dances but the night will not be known just yet.

W. H. Wetmore, proprietor of the Imperial, has been visiting friends in Calgary for a week.

H. F. Holl of the I. C. S. called here this week on his return trip from the east.

Mining classes are now being held in the miners hall and are well attended, twenty five names are now on the list.

The seven come eleven bunch have broken up the batch through the returning of Mrs. A. V. Lang and her daughter.

C. Hood, general fuel agent of Winnipeg has been visiting here this week accompanied by Roberts, coal analyist for the C. P. R. He speaks well of Frank coal.

WALDO

Our new hall is nearly completed. A donation of $20 has just been received from C. C. Snowdon of Calgary, also window shades, a donation from D. N. Finnie, Winnipeg.

Dr. Saunders who was just able to be about again after the recent accident, met with a serious mishap on Tuesday night. His horse shied and threw the doctor and his driver from the carriage, inflicting a severe wound on the doctor's head and badly bruising the driver.

C. D. McNab left today for Cranbrook to be absent for a couple of days.

The Waldo people are enjoying the sleighing, it being the first of the season.

STRIKE CONDITIONS CHANGE

SEATTLE, Dec. 8.—The Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railroads today lifted their embargo on freight, except to the north where flood damage has not been repaired. Both the railroads will receive non-union men from the east tomorrow and operating officials say that the strike will be ended on Wednesday.

The New York Daily Call:—The United Mine Workers of British Columbia look upon the Socialist party as the political expression of their organization. Their official organ, The Fernie Ledger, warmly espouses the Socialist party and has little patience with the stormy old punish

RETURN OF THE ALLEN PLAYERS

It will be a source of much satisfaction to the theatre going public to know that Miss Verna Felton and her supporting company are going to give us a return engagement here on Friday and Saturday next, December 17 and 18. This time they are going to play in the Miners Theatre. The plays to be presented here will be two of the heaviest bills in the repertoire of the Allen Players. On Friday evening they will give us a splendid western comedy drama entitled "Jim the Westerner." This play is something after the style of the great Wall street drama entitled The Pit, which caused such a sensation a few seasons ago. The bill for Saturday night is worthy of special mention. For many years the public have been waiting for a dramatization of Sir A. Conan Doyle's famous detective story of Sherlock Holmes. At last we have it and the Allen Players have secured the original script of William Gilletts' production of this famous play. The difficulties attending the production of a play such as Sherlock Holmes were many and varied, but Manager Allen has at last succeeded in securing a scenic equipment for this play which has never been equalled in the west. The management has purposely billed this play for Saturday night on account of the company arriving late on Friday and not having the time to prepare the stage. The curtain on both nights will rise at 8 o'clock sharp in order that the people from Coal Creek will have a chance to see the entire performance. Seats are now selling at Bleasdells drug store.

Miss Verna Felton, who is returning with the Allen Players on Friday and Saturday next at the Miners Theatre. See ad in this paper

CONCILIATION

OTTAWA, Dec. 3.—A board of conciliation and investigation has been formed to adjust the differences between the Standard Coal Company of Edmonton and its employees. The members of the board are George F. Collingham, chairman, Frank B.Smith and Clement Stubbs. The number of men concerned in the dispute is placed at 75.

NOTICE

By virtue of a warrant of execution, issued out of the county court of Kootenay, holden at Fernie, B. C., at the suit of:

William A. Connell and William Scott, trading and carrying on business under the firm name and style of Connell & Scott, Plaintiffs.

and

Charles W. Davey, defendant.

I have seized and taken in execution all the right, title and interest of the said defendant's goods, consisting of liquors, wines and cigars at Fernie, B. C., in the building known as the Royal Hotel, situate and being on Lot 8, Block 10, in the City of Fernie, B. C., to recover the sum of Three Hunderd and Fifty Nine Dollars and Sixty Eight Cents ($359.68) besides sheriffs poundage and all other legal incidental expenses, all of which I shall offer by Sheriff's sale on Thursday, the Eleventh day of November, A. D., 1909, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on the premises known as the Royal Hotel.

Dated at Fernie B. C., November 3rd, 1909.

M. A. KASTNER
Sheriffs Deputy

The above sale is further postponed until Tuesday, the twenty-third day of November A. D., 1909, at the same hour and place.

Dated at Fernie B. C. November 18th, 1909.

M. A. Kastner
Sheriff's Deputy.

NOTICE

Roland W. Wood
and
Charles W. Davey

I have seized and taken in execution all the right, title and interest of the said defendant's building, known as the Royal Hotel and situate and being on Lot 8 Block 10 in the townsite of Fernie according to a map or plan of the said town as made by T. S. McVettie, P.L.C., and duly filed in the land registry office at Nelson, B. C., as plan No. 734 to recover the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars ($350.00) being rent, besides sheriff's poundage, and all other legal incidental expenses, all of which I shall offer by sheriff's sale on Thursday, the 18th day of November, A. D. 1909 at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon on the premises known as the Royal Hotel.

Dated at Fernie, B C., November 11, 1909.

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Pres. Lewis on the Cherry Mine Disaster

Editor Mine Workers Journal:

On the night of the 13th of November the people of this country were shocked with the news of the terrible catastrophe at Cherry, Ill. The loss of over 300 lives in the mine at Cherry, Ill., and the circumstances surrounding the terrible death of our comrades is without a single parallel in the history of mining.

That some one committed a terrible blunder no one can doubt. That some one's neglect was responsible for the terrible loss of life is horrible to contemplate.

As the details of the awful calamity are gradually being brought to light we can but faintly imagine the terrible suffering of those brave men hundreds of feet down in the bowels of the earth, making a desperate but futile attempt to escape.

The loss of the lives of the rescuers in their gallant but vain effort to save the imprisoned men, was an act of heroism. No greater act of heroism and no greater sacrifice can be made than for one man to give up his life to save his fellow man.

Words of sympathy are a source of consolation to the afflicted. Real sympathy must be furnished in the shape of funds to take care of the widows and orphans of the victims. A sympathizing and generous public are responding nobly. We still have a duty to perform.

Sympathy for the widow and orphan will not bring back the lives that were sacrificed. Condemnation of whoever may have been responsible for the awful loss of life will not bring relief from the terrible danger surrounding the occupation of our people.

There is an object lesson at Cherry, Ill, that should appeal to the intelligence, the judgment and better nature of every representative of the law-making power of our country, state and nation.

We have appealed for years for such legislation and the rigid enforcement of the law as will protect the health and lives of the mine workers of the country.

There should be a National Bureau of Mines and Mining for the purpose of securing more uniform legislation for the protection of all classes of mine workers.

Among the things necessary for the protection of our people is sufficient ventilation to keep the air pure. Limit the number of men that can work on a single air current. Provide indestructible doors to be erected where air currents are divided. Two openings in every mine, far enough apart that one cannot be effected by the destruction of the other. In so far as it is possible remove from the mines all dust and gas.

Provide every possible safety appliance that would be helpful in conserving life.

In addition to this the mine manager and every employe should be compelled to realize his individual responsibility in protecting his own as well as the lives of those depending on his conduct.

With my heartfelt sympathy for the victims of the Cherry disaster, I remain,

Yours fraternally,
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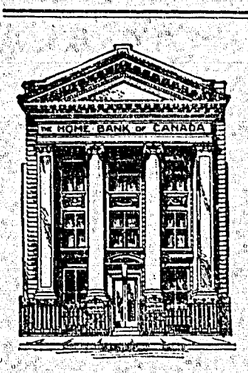

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SOCIALISTS MOVE UP

Recent Elections in Germany are Very Gratifying--Increase Representatives to 25

BERLIN, Nev. 8—The elections for the lower chamber of the Saxon diet were concluded yesterday, when the last of the 58 second ballots took place. The outstanding features are the overwhelming increase of the Socialist vote, which has brought 25 Socialist deputies into the chamber, in which body there was formerly but one, and a corresponding decrease in the number of the Conservatives elected. In the last chamber the parties of the right held 47 seats out of a total of 82, while in the new chamber which consists of 91 deputies, they will be able to command only 30 votes on a division.

The radicals have increased their seats from three to eight at the expense of the Liberals, who have lost three. The extreme parties on the left, therefore, have not only won 20 seats from the right and the Moderate Liberals, but have captured all of the nine new constituencies into the bargain. The composition of the chamber according to unofficial returns will be: Conservatives and allied parties, 30; National Liberals 28; Radicals 8; and Social Democrats 25. In spite therefore, of the dissatisfaction with which the Democratic parties greeted the introduction of the plural voting law, its workings would appear to favor their cause to an extent of which its authors can have had but a small idea. The greatest number of Socialist deputies hitherto elected to the diet was 14 in the year 1895.

Effect of New Taxes

The optimists who saw in the Socialist defeat in the Reichstag of 1907 the beginning of a new era have been rudely disappointed by the recent elections in Saxony, Baden and Berlin, to which must be added a gain of three seats in the Berlin mounicipal elections which took place the day before yesterday.

The Liberal press continues to attribute the results to the fiscal reform and in support of this argument a Radical journal recently published a table showing the number of votes receied by Socialist candidates in the Reichstag by-elections held between January 1907 and 1908—that is to say—before the beginning of the financial reform did the Socialist vote increase as compared with the general election of 1907, while it increased in no fewer than eight out of 12 bye-elections which have been held during the present year.

The Free Conservative Post admits that the Socialist cause has been greatly strengthened by the introduction of increased taxation on commodities consumed by the masses and by the reduction of the inheritance tax while ultra-Conservative journals make the most of the Socialist gains in order to impress upon their readers the dangers which any change in the three class electoral system would entail for Prussia.

Beneath the satisfaction which the Liberals express at what they term a well merited punishment which has been meted out to the Conservative party, may be discerned an undercurrent of opinion that the action of the National Liberals in joining with the Social Democrats in Baden resembled that of a man who cuts off his nose to spite his face. Since both in Baden and in Saxony the Socialists are now in the position of being able to turn the scale in any division, a good opportunity is afforded the party of showing whether it intends to persist in the negative attitude adopted in the Reichstag, or whether it is now ready to lend itself in conjunction with the moderate elements to the furtherance of constructive legislation on Liberal lines.

POWERFUL COMBINE

Boundary Copper Companies to Organize One Concern

PHOENIX, Dec. 9.—The amalgamation of Boundary copper producers has been looked upon for some time as a coming issue in the not distant future, as it is believed in the mining and smelting of such low grade ore better returns could be obtained for the shareholders in the various companies by consolidation of the management.

With the acquiring of the control of the New Dominion Copper Company by the British Columbia Copper company, the feasibility of such a merger becomes more practical as it only remains for the Granby Consolidated and Smelting company to secure 51 per ent of the B. C. Copper shares to practically control the copper mining industry of the Boundary district, and thus unite the large copper interests of the three companies.

To this end the Granby company recently made overtures to the B. C. Copper company for a controlling interest, offering them one share of Granby for 10 shares of British Columbia. This was about $10 for shares now selling for $7. The offer was refused by the B. C. people, who say they would consider an offer on a basis of five to one, or $20 per share, for the stock.

The British Columbia Copper Company is now a strong and progressive company and is prospering, and the owners who have stood by the property through seven years of ups and downs believe that they are about to get their reward, and will be disappointed if their stock does not enter the dividend rank in 1910. Production is now on a 12,000,000 basis, with the probability of 15,000,000 pounds in 1910.

EXPLOSION AND FIRE

Gas Tank Goes Up Killing Many--Will Cost a Trifle to Replace

HAMBURG, Dec. 9.—The explosion of two gas tanks on the Elbe front this afternoon was followed by an extensive fire and the loss of many lives. The explosion was due to a leak in the new gasometer. Escaping gas entered the retort house where it came in contact with fire, causing a terrific explosion.

The plant was being enlarged and a large number of men were engaged on the work.

Up to a late hour last night ten men are reported as missing dead. It is almost certain that all of these are dead. Forty men were dangerously injured, of whom several cannot recover. The gasometer that exploded was the largest in the world having a capacity of 200,000 cubic metres. The city appropriated $3,000,000 for its construction.

FELL NINETY FEET

Went to Climb a Ladder Which was Not Secure—Died in the Ambulance

OTTAWA, Dec. 8.—Victor Charland an employee of a local roofing company, fell from the roof of the Sacred Heart church this morning and died of his injuries on the way to the hospital.

Charland was 23 years of age and a resident of Ottawa. He started to ascend to the gable and taking hold of the ladder, made a start. The ladder was not fastened and the moment he stepped on it he started to slide. There was nothing for him to catch on and he fell over the side of the roof to the ground, a distance of [illegible] feet.

WON'T MOVE

SYDNEY, Dec. 8.—The arbitration court has decided that it has no jurisdiction to intervene in the mining struggle.

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LETTERS FROM ENTOMBED MINERS

The entombed miners at Cherry, like many hundreds more under similar circumstances, spent their time in various ways, some singing, some praying. And no doubt this was a new experience to some of them. Some weeping, perhaps not so much for themselves as for the loved ones they never expected, and scarcely hoped, to see again. Others expecting that their bodies at least would be recovered, spent part of their time writing farewell letters to those loved ones. And, oh, the pathos of these little notes, scrawled on a piece of paper, away down there 500 feet below the surface, with hope trembling in the balance, and death apparently but a few paces away from them!

These little epistles are more pregnant with the innermost feelings than any that can be written at any other time or under different circumstancesstances. It is then that the writer bares his heart in its fullness, and shows all the finer feelings of what may have been, and often is, regarded as a rather gruff nature, but hidden away down below the coarseness there lies all the finer qualities that go to make true manhood and womanhood.

"Nov. 14.

"Dear Wife and Children.—I write these few lines to you and I think it will be for the last time. I have tried to get out twice but was drove back. There seems to be no hope for us. I came down this shaft yesterday to help to save the mens lives. I hope the men I got out were saved. Well, Lizzie if I am found dead take me to bury me in Streator and move back. Keep Esther and Clarence and Jimmie together as much as you can. I hope they will not forget their father, so I will bid you all good-bye, and God bless you all.

On the reverse side of this letter, written on a leaf torn from a note book, was the following from Walter Waite:

November 14.

"We, the undersigned do not blame any one for the accident that happened to pen us in here and we believe that everybody had done all in their power to relieve us. With best wishes to all concerned."

The note was signed by nineteen miners.

Conducts Religious Service

High praise for fortitude and leadership is accorded William Clelland.

Twice Clelland, who is a staunch church man, conducted religious services in the hole. His favorite hymn the words of which even some of the foreigners picked up, parrotlike, was "Arise My Soul."

Twice a day Clelland's rich Scotch burr arose in the dark cavern with the grand, consoling words:

Arise, my soul, arise;
Fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens,
Lord, with me abide.

Twice daily Clelland likewise delivered a blunt, stout hearted sermon, cheering up and encouraging the faltering men.

"Keep up your hearts, lads. God is with us. Dont despair. Others have been shut off from the light of day as we are and in God's good time come out alive."

This is the way one of his sermons is reported, at least.

Imprisoned with the miners was a live mule, which owing to a Slavic superstition, is still alive.

William Lorimer:

"Dear Wife—I am still living although it is now five o'clock Sunday morning and there is little hope as the black damp is getting the best of us. Theer are 21 of us here together. Dear wife, do not grieve; we will meet again. God bless you; believe in Him and He will take care of you; yet He will take care of you. I guess we will meet in a better land. When you get over this let them know at home (Scotland). That is all my dear and God bless you.

Your loving Husband.

Giacamo Pigatti, while being revived, brought out with a smile the letter he had written on a piece of paper on the fourth day of his imprisonment, when he thought there was no hope of escape. The leter was addressed to his wife and freely translated from the Italian reads as follows:

"This is the fourth day that we have been down here. That is what I think but our watches have stopped. I am writing in the dark because we have been eating all the wax in our safety lamps. I also have eaten a plug of tobacco, some bark and some of my shoes. I could only chew it. I hope you can read this. I am not afraid to die. Oh, Holy Virgin, have mercy on me. I think my time has come. You know what my property is. We worked for it together and it is all yours. This is my will and you must keep it. You have been a good wife. May the Holy Virgin guard you. I hope this reaches you some time and you can read it. It has been very quiet down here and I wonder what has become of our comrades. Good-bye until Heaven shall bring us together.

"Giacoma Pigatti
Salvatore Pigatti."

—Mine Workers Journal.

SAD DROWNING

TWEED, Ont., Dec. 8—Two sons, aged 5 and 7 of Edward Kehoe of Actionolite, about flev miles from here, were drowned yesterday while sliding on thin ice.

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Sunday School Suggestive Questions

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

DECEMBER 12 1909

Paul's Last Words.—II Timothy. iv 1-18.

Golden Text.—For to me to live is Christ and to die is gain. Phil. 1:21.

Verses 1-2.—When a minister in authority gives instructions to a devoted minister under him, concerning the work to which he is appointed, are his words more or less effectual if he calls God to witness? Why or why not?

What precisely did Paul mean by "Preach the Word?"

What, if any, reason is there to believe that preaching or its equivalent, can never be "out of season?"

Why is the duty to preach and practice truth, honesty, love and the presence of God never out of season?

Why is every man under vital obligation to be always on the qui vive to promote the temporal and eternal interests of his fellows?

Verses 3-4—What is the minimum of Christian faith necessary for sound doctrine and salvation? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club?)

Why is it that burglars, counterfeiters, gamblers, liars, drinkers and other bad men and women, often persuade themselves that they are right?

When men do not believe in the supernatural, that is, God, prayer, immortality, rewards and punishments after death, etc., give your reason for your belief whether it is or not, a result of some moral defect in their lives?

Verse 5.—What are the chances of success in any calling for a man who will watch, suffer, work, and demonstrate his faithfulness?

Verse 6.—Which is the more desirable time, the day of one's birth or the day of one's death and why?

How did Paul at this time know that the day of his departure was at hand?

Verse 7.—What can you say for or against the theory that the better the man the less he thinks of himself?

State your views as to whether Paul was guilty of boasting here or whether it was but an honest statement that he had "fought a good fight," and that he had kept the faith?

Is God hard to please, or is it possible for an ordinary honest Christian to please God in all things, and to have the consciousness that he is so pleasing him?

Verse 8.—Was the crown of righteousness that Paul was going to receive a gift of grace, or a reward for merit, and will it be the same case with all the faithful?

What will be the nature of the reward which awaits the Christian after death?

Verses 9-12.—Is it a sign of weakness or of strength and why, when a Christian craves human company and friendship?

What is the moral quality of a man who forsakes his friend when he is in need?

Are friendships rare, or plentiful, which remain steadfast, and true alike in prosperity and adversity, through evil and good report, and how do you characterize such a friendship?

Verse 13.—Upon which will a normal, right thinker put the emphasis, on things for the body, mind or spirit, and why?

Taking Paul's cloak to represent things for the body, his "books" the mind, his "parchments" the spirit, please say what proportion of the thought and energy is sent by the average community upon these things respectively?

Verses 14-15—Is there any reason to believe that Jesus would have prayed that a bad man may be rewarded according to his works?

What should be the attitude of a good man toward those who speak evil of him?

Verses 16-18—What effect ought the lack of co-operation of friends and the opposition of enemies, have upon the work of a true and determined man?

Lesson for Sunday, December 19th, 1909.—Review.

December 19th 1909

Review.

Golden Text for the Quarter:—I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course; I have kept the faith. II Tim. iv.7.

The following questions can be used as a new and complete lesson as well as for a review of the eleven preceding lessons.

The date and title of each lesson and where found, the Golden Text and one question from each of the eleven preceding lessons follow:

October 3—

Paul a Prisoner.—The Arrest. Acts xxi:17 to 22-29. Golden Text. Thou therefore endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

—II Timothy ii:3

Verses 20-24.—In bridging the two dispensations, is it likely that God so to speak, winked at the apostles trying to graft the laws of Moses into Christianity, or was it God's plan that the Jewish Christians should still keep the law?

October 10—

Paul a Prisoner: The Plot. Acts xxii:30 to xxii:35. Golden Text: I will say of the Lord He is my refuge and my fortress, my God; in Him will I trust. Psalm 91:2.

Verse 11.—There is no way to take the miraculous out of the New Testament without destroying it. Now in view of that fact, why did not God rescue Paul, in this instance, as He did from the prison at Philippi?

October 17—

Paul a Prisoner: Before Felix. —Acts xxiv. Golden Text: Herein do I exercise myself to have always a conscience void of offence towards God and toward men. Acts xxiv:16.

Verses 26-27—What was the besetting sin of Felix, and how do you estimate the character of a man who wants to be bribed to do right?

October 24—

Paul a Prisoner—Before Festus and Agrippa. Acts xxv:6-12, chapter 26.—Golden Text—I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.—II Tim. 1:12.

Verses 24-32—Why did not Festus and Agrippa both turn to God, seeing that they were clearly convinced of the truth of Christianity and their need of salvation?

October 31—

Paul a Prisoner—The Voyage. Acts xxvii:1-26. Golden Text. Commit thy way unto the Lord, trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass. Psalm 37:5.

Verses 21,26—What reason is there to believe from this narrative that when we fail to use, and it is too late to adopt God's best plan, he will still graciously provide a good one which we may adopt? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club.)

November 7—

Paul a Prisoner: The Shipwreck. Acts xxvii:27 to xxviii:10. Golden Text. The Lord redeemeth the soul of his servants, and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate. Psalm 34:22.

Verses 33-38.—May praying and fasting, when you ought to be eating and working, be as great a practical crime as scuttling the ship?

November 14

Paul a Prisoner in Rome. Acts 28: 11-31. Golden Text: I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto Salavtion to every one that believeth. Romans 1:16.

Verses 25-29. Is it a law of God that sin deadens the conscience and perverts the judgment, hence, can a man living in any kind of sin, trust his judgment on personal, moral and spiritual questions?

November 21:

Paul's Story of his life. II Cor. ii-21 to xii:10. Golden Text: He said unto me, my grace is sufficient for thee, for my strength is made perfect in weakness. II Cor. xii:9.

Chapter xii; 1-6.—What is the only real proof of God, of immorality and of the wisdom of the spiritual life?

November 28

Paul on Self Denial. Romans xiv:10 21. Golden Text: It is good neither to eat flesh nor to drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth. Romans xiv:21.

Verses 15-16—If you enjoy and drink your glass of wine when you know that wine drinking is doing vastly more harm than good, what sort of a person are you?

December 5.—

Paul on the Grace of Giving. II Cor. viii:1-15. Golden Text. Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said It is more blessed to give than to receive. Acts xx:35.

Verse 15—What reason is there to believe that if we give systematically to Gods cause that we ourselves shall never lack?

December 12.—

Paul's Last Words. II Tim. iv:1-18. Golden Text: For me to live is Christ and to die is gain. Phil. 1:21.

Verses 3-4.—Why is it that burglars gamblers, counterfeiters, liars, drinkers and other bad men and women, often persuade themselevs that they are right?

Lesson for Sunday, December 26th, 1909—The Birth of Christ. Matt. ii: 1-12.

TURNED INTO STREET

Inhumane Treatment of Strikers, who Are Turned out of Company Houses

LUDLOW, Mass. Dec. 6.—The elements last night and early today added to the misery of 300 persons evicted from tenements owned by the Ludlow Manufacturing Association because of a strike in the company's mills. With their household effects piled on the street the owners found refuge in the houses of friends, but there was no shelter for the goods and last night's rain caused great damage.

The work of eviction was suspended today, but it was announced that on Wednesday the occupants of sixteen other houses owned by the company would be ordered to leave. On Saturday twelve houses were emptied. Practically all of these tenants were Poles.

Fifty Italian strike breakers were taken to the mills today under a strong police guard.

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(Corrected by District Secretary Nov. 30 1909)

NO.	NAME	SEC. AND P. O. ADDRESS
1337	Ashcroft Mines	T. Grey, Ashcroft Mines, Lethbridge, Alta.
29	Bankhead	T. Bradley, Bankhead, Alta.
431	Bellevue	R. Lovitt, Bellevue, Frank, Alta.
2163	Blairmore	G. Kelly, Blairmore, Alta.
1387	Canmore	Wm, Angell, Canmore, Alta.
2633	Coleman	W. Graham, Coleman, Alta.
2227	Carbondale	P. Lennon, Carbondale, Coleman, Alta.
2378	Cardiff	J. Aplin, Cardiff, Alta.
249	Cardiff	P. V. St. Amant, Cardiff, Alta.
2577	Corbin	A. Hamilton, Corbin, B. C.
2540	Edmonton City,	C. F. Larrier, 154 Bellamy St. Edmonton
1329	Edmonton	A. S. Julian, 2 Frazer Flats, Edmonton
2388	Edmonton	V. Holub 127 Lorne St. Norwood, Edmonton
2314	Fernie	D. Ross, Fernie B. C.
1366	Frank	G. Nicol, Frank, Alta.
2497	Hosmer	J. W Morris, Hosmer, B. C.
1058	Hillcrest	J. O. Jones, Hillcrest, Alta.
2850	Kenmare	R. Evans, Kenmare, N. D.
674	Lethbridge	M. Pilshack, P. O. 113, Lethbridge, Alta.
1233	Lille	J. T. Griffiths, Lille, Frank, Alta.
2829	Maple Leaf,	F. Bonacci, Maple Leaf, Bellevue, Alta.
2334	Michel	Chas. Garner, Michel, B. C.
2352	Passburg	A. Covatch, Passburg, Alta.
2589	Royal Collieries	Chas. Smith, Royal Coll., Lethbridge, Alta.
2672	Roche Percee	L. McQuarrie, Roch Percee, Sask.
2155	Strathcona	A. Shaw, Strathcona, Alta.
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WAITING FOR THE STORM

Campaign Grow's Hotter Every Day--Socialists Poke Fun at Old Liberal Party

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The campaign is growing hotter every day. Mr. Balfour the Conservative leader, is still confined to his bed with influenza and cold, his customary failing, but his party is like that of the Radicals,—working at fever heat.

Everything points to the bitterest and most determined fight since home rule election in 1885.

Two factors which are bound to have a dominating effect are lack of funds of Labor parties. Mr. Henderson, M. P., chairman of the Labor party in the Commons admits that he is bound to withdraw candidates because he is unprepared with the necessary money.

This will save some Liberal seats from a three cornered fight. The Nationalists are likewise crippled to such an extent that it is declared that if the tariff reformers put up candidates in many Nationalist seats the party will be brought to the verge of bankruptcy.

Very galling to radical leaders is guerilla warfare in which their budget allies among Socialist leaders are indulging.

Mr, Victor Grayson, M. P., ridicules the ministerial denunciation of Lords when he says:

"Who are these men on Liberal benches? I can't tell who are going to be Dukes. (Laughter). Some have bought their peerage and paid for them in advance. (Laughter.) There are other Liberals who call Dukes plunderers but they themselves sweat and exploit workers.

Radicals are working hard and are waiting anxiously for Friday's great ministerial gathering in Albert hall, when it is hoped Premier Asquith will devise some policy against the Lords which will bring his party enthusihstically in line. At present the leaders are at variance.

The rank and file of radicalism fiercely demand abolition of Lords. They are quite ready to see England become a one-chamber country.

Sir Edward Grey, speaking on Saturday, took quite another line of argument.

Instead of weakening the Lords he would strengthen it by making it elective and hereditary. This attitude recalls the recent declaration of the king:

"I am not content to remain only a hereditary institution in this country," and suggests grave possibilities beyond even the present political crisis.

DON'T GO TO NOVA SCOTIA

Agents of the Dominion Coal Co. of Cape Breton N. S., are at work trying to induce miners of Wilkesbarre and other anthracite mine towns to go there and scab. District and local officers should exert themselves to prevent them from securing any men for such purpose.

A strike has been on in Nova Scotia and at these mines since July 6 with every prospect of winning.

Don't go there and try to defeat your brothers who are fighting for the right to organize and better conditions of employment.

Stay away. Due notice will be given in these columns when the strike is won. Labor papers, please copy.

WHY COAL MINES OFTEN EXPLODE

Solution Is Believed to be at hand to avert Catastrophe

If it did not get cold in the winter 2000 of those who meet death each year in the mines might live. Had it not gotten cold in December 1907, the mine at Monongah, West Virginia, would not have exploded, and the 361 men who met death might have been in the bosoms of their families today. Had it not gotten cold the explosion at the Darr mine would not have followed 28 days later, and 238 more men might still be enjoying life. If it did not get cold the great succession of mine explosions that follow each other each winter would never take place.

This is the newest fact developed by scientific students of mining conditions in America, says William Do Puy in The Technical World. From it has been deducted the actual cause of the great majority of the disasters that occur in mines, and upon it is to be based a treatment of mines that will prevent the recurrence of these.

Government experts of the geological survey some years ago became impressed with the fact that the disasters occurred for the most part in the winter, usually the early season. They knew of no reason why this should be so, and scientists abroad who had studied this class of disaster for a hundred years longer than they, were able to throw no light upon the question. There were the mere facts as shown by the dates of the explosions.

Clarence Hall, Walter O. Snelling and R. W. Chamberlain of the technological branch, were sent into the field to find the connection between season and disaster. It was about this time that the three explosions of December 1908, occurred, with a net slaughter of 633 men. These men gave their undivided attention to the two great explosions at Monogah and Darr. Both of these mines were worked with a fine tooth comb to ascertain what was the cause of the explosions. No conditions that existed were overlooked. With all the data in hand a conclusion has been reached. Two years have been spent in determining whether or not that conclusion was correct and if correct, what it all meant.

These experts now state that both these explosions, as well as the vast majority of all others that occur are from coal dust and not gas. They say that this coal dust fills the mine when it is exceedingly dry, which is pendemically correct. The mine gets exceedingly dry during cold weather, and for this there is a scientific explanation that is the point in the whole matter.

Ventilation is one of the prime necessities in all mining operations. Air always contains great quantities of moisture, but warm air carries more than does cold air. In the summer time the warm air which is forced into the mine is abundantly moisture laden. It becomes cooler underground and is more likely to deposit moisture than to take it up. The mine retains at least a normal amount of the moisture.

But when the cold weather comes on the process is reversed. The cold air with a temperature of 30 degrees or less contains little water. As it advances through the mine it always grows warmer, demands more moisture and extracts this from the sides and top and bottom of the mine.

When at last this air comes out of the mine it is from 20 to 40 degrees warmer than when it entered and it carries great quantities of moisture which it has drunk up while underground. The mine is just that much drier for the air having passed through. At a single mine where the air entering and leaving was carefully analyzed it was found that this current was daily sapping the mine to the amount of 50 tons of water. The same is true of every mine of its size, and the amount is greater or less depending on the size of the mine.

When the great fans have driven this drying current of air through a mine for a few weeks it becomes as parched as Sahara.

It might be supposed that if there was water on the floor of this mine that this would be drunk up and that the balance of the mine would remain moist. But this is not true, for but a small proportion of the air would come in contact with the water, while ever atom of it calling out for moisture and extracting it from whatever it comes in contact with.

The activities in the dried and the parched mine naturally cause the pulverizing of the coal and fan it into the air. Finally the danger point is reached, for the mine is full of this dust. Then a blast is set off and with it the coal dust is ignited. If it is a busy mine every part of it is filled with the coal dust and every part of it suffers from the explosion. This was true of the Darr mine when it exploded with the exception of entry 21 which was low, filled with water and moisture laden.

In the first few weeks of the cold weather each season the moisture is exhausted and the mines placed in a condition that is ripe for explosion. In these first weeks the explosions are most likely to occur, but there is danger until the warm air of spring again brings the dampness.

Having arrived at these conclusions the government experts have been busying themselves with methods of preventing the absence of moisture. Many operators had been before them in a desire to keep down the coal dust, but most of the methods were ineffective. Water had been introduced into the tunnels and great portions of the mines had been sprinkled. The efforts were helpful, but it was impossible to reach all the exposed surfaces and the process was complicated and the task of sprinkling was an endless one.

The experts have devised a far better scheme, which is through the introduction of steam. The escape valves of the machinery about a mine will furnish steam enough to moisten it, and if this is not true the necessary amount can be generated without any great expense. This steam can be led along and released at places in the mines in which the air is getting warmer and drier. It can be released in whatever quantities are necessary to keep down the dangerous dust and the air may be kept in any desired condition.

Coal dust explosions will become a thing of the past and the death rate in mines will be lowered 50 per cent if this is done.

All of which seems so simple as to be academic, yet the idea is new, and all the great scientists of the world working along these lines have been stumbling over it for years without grasping its importance. It has been proved and exemplified a thousand times since being established. At Pittsburg is an explosives station now maintained by the government for the purpose of developing just such scientific facts as these. There is a great steel chamber which for purposes of experiment, takes the place of the mine. Into this chamber were introduced the conditions which would prevail in a mine under normal conditions of moisture and temperature. Explosives were set off but the coal dust failed to respond. The cold air of the outside was turned into the explosive chamber, heated exactly as it would be in a mine, allowed to circulate until it had absorbed a great deal of moisture, and the explosives experiment was repeated. The coal dust acted as so much powder. The reverse conditions were created. A condition of coal dust that would readily explode was produced in the presence of great dryness. Then air was circulated through the chamber and into it was put steam. The material in the chamber became moist, the coal dust disappeared and the explosives were discharged with no unusual results.

Such is the history of the finding of a simple fact that seems destined to play a great part in the task of the making of the mines safe for the men who work in them and lessening the frequency with which the greatest tragedies of the nation occur. In the past eighteen years 25,000 men have died in the mines in this country, and the number slain annually now is twice as great as it was in 1896. This country kills three times as many men out of each 1000 at work underground as do the coal mining nations of Europe under much less favorable conditions, and the tragedy grows all the time.

It is time for drastic action and a hope like that offered by the present finding should be grasped with thanks and gladness by every man engaged in operating mines, and his laborers should be given the benefit of its protection.—Edmonton Journal.

BABIES' SORE SKINS

"My baby had a rash something like eczema. It caused the child great pain and made it very restless and ill. The rash spread very quickly, and I was at a loss what to do next, for all the remedies I tried failed to give the little one ease. A friend strongly advised me to try Zam-Buk, and I did. That proved good and gave the baby ease very quickly. I went on with the treatment, and by the time the third box was used, all traces of the rash had gone."

So says Mrs. J. Reesor, of Aurora, and scores of mothers could make practically the same statement. If your child suffers from teething rash, eczema, chafing, or any of the numerous skin troubles to which young children are victims, apply Zam-Buk.

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It makes no difference whether the editor was in ignorance of the trouble or not.

If he takes an active part in any election, city, county or state, ugly things are said about him. And if he fails to take an active part the result is the same.

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He must feed every hobo whenu he comes to town, help every drunk to another drink, and give car to every man's trouble and serve on every committee appointed. He must be the prime booster for every movement which comes for the betterment of the community.

Yea, verily the life of a labor editor is one of sunshine and pleasant things.—Easton Journal.

WENT THROUGH THE ICE

GRAVENHURST, Dec. 6.—The first [illegible] occurred at Franklins Bay, Sparrow Lake, on Saturday night about 7 o'clock, when Mary Gill aged 15 years and her brother aged 14 years lost their lives.

They were skating on the lake in company with a number of other of the young people when the ice let them down, together with Miss Mary Jones and Cyril Gill. Cyril Gill managed to get out and assist Miss Jones and also his sister on to the ice, but the unfortunate girl broke through again before she got to the shore. Mr. Hugh Gill, the father is a farmer of Sparrow Lake.

The funeral will take place on Tuesday from St. Paul's church, Gravenhurst.

KILLED BY PIANO

WINDSOR, Dec. 10—Joseph McLaughlin, colored, was fatally crushed yesterday while moving a piano into a furniture store. He slipped on the steps which were covered with snow and the piano toppled over and killed him.

UNFAIR LIST

Of the American Federation of Labor

The following is part of the unfair list of the American Federation of Labor. Many of the daily newspaper readers who hear as much about the "Unfair List" during these days may be anxious to know what names of firms the A. F. of L. "Unfair List" contains.

Under these circumstances it becomes the duty of the labor press to keep its readers properly informed. What are papers published for if not for the purpose of giving correct information?

Cigars: Carl Upman of New York City; Kerbs, Wertheim & Schiffer of New York City, manufacturers of the Henry George and Tom Moore cigars.

Flour: Washburn-Crosby Milling Co Minneapolis, Minn.; Valley City Milling Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.

Whisky: Finch Distilling Co., Pittsburg Pa.

Clothing: N. Snellenberg & Co., of Philadelphia Pa.; Clothiers Exchange, Rochester N.Y.; B. Kuppenheimer & Co., Chicago.

Corsets: Chicago Corset Co., manufacturers Kabo and I a Marguerite Corsets.

Gloves: J. H. Cownie Glove Co., Des Moines, Ia.; California Glove Co., Napa, Cal.

Hats: J. B. Stetson Co., Philadelphia Pa., E. M. Knox Co., Brooklyn N. Y., Henry H. Roelof & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

Shirts and Collars: United Shirt & Collar Co., Troy, N. Y.; Van Zandt, Jacobs and Co., Troy, Cluett, Peabody and Company, Troy, N.Y.; James R. Kaiser of New York City.

The Butterick Pattern Company of New York.

Cement: Portland Peninsular Cement Co., Jackson, Mich.; Utica Hydraulic Cement and Mfg. Co., Utica, Illinois.

Stoves: Wrought Iron Range Co., St. Louis, Mo., United States Heater Co. Detroit, Mich., Gurney Foundry Co., of Toronto Ont.; Home Stove Works, of Brooklyn Watch Case Co., Sag Harbor Indianapolis, Ind.; Buck Stove and Range Company, St. Louis.

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Watches: Keystone Watch Case Co., of Philadelphia; Jos. Fahy, Brooklyn, T. Zurbrugg Watch Case Co., Riverside N. J.

NOTICE

60 days after date I intend to apply to the chief of Provincial Police for a renewal of the retail liquor license for the Royal Hotel of Gateway, B.C.
Dated this 16th day of October, 1909.
GEORGE VINCENT
Oct. 16 Dec. 17 G.V.

NOTICE

In the matter of an application for the issue of a duplicate certificate of Title to the south west 55 feet in width by 132 feet in depth of lot 8 block 2 of lot 5455 group 1, Kootenay district (Map 735.)

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to issue at the expiration of one month after the first publication hereof a duplicate of the certificate of Title to the above mentioned land in the name of Thomas Bullen which certificate is dated the 26th of July 1906 and numbered 5906A.

H. R. JORAND,
District Registrar
Land Registry Office,
Nelson B.C. Oct. 13, 1909.

NOTICE

Applications for electric light meters should be made to the undersigned at once, so that same may be installed without loss of time. The City of Fernie electric light plant will be running shortly and we will be in a position to supply light and power.
G. H. BOULTON,
City Clerk.

NOTICE

IN the matter of an application for the issue of a duplicate certificate of Title to lot 15 block 21 town of Fernie (Map 734.)

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to issue at the expiration of one month after the first publication hereof a duplicate of the certificate of title to the above mentioned lot in the name of Michael J. Casey, John Robert Ross and William A. Ross, which certificate is dated the 5th day of October 1907 and numbered 7649A.

H. R. JORAND,
District Registrar
Land Registry office Nelson, B. C.,

NOTICE

In the matter of an application for the issue of a duplicate certificate for Title for Lot 3 Block 2 of lot 5455 Group One Kootenay District (Map 735.)

NOTICE is hereby given that it is my intention to issue at the expiration of one month after the first publication hereof a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above mentioned lot in the name of Eder Harper which certificate is dated the 19th of March 1906, and numbered 7495A.

H. R. Jorand,
District Registrar

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty (30) days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for Coal and Petroleum on the following described lands situate in South E. Kootenay, British Columbia, Block 4593, commencing at a post planted at or near 1 mile east of the 31st mile post of the present C. P. R. surveyed line and being the south east corner of A. S. Farquharson's claims;
Thence running west 80 chains;
Thence running north 80 chains;
Thence running east 80 chains;
Thence running south 80 chains
to a point of commencement, making 640 acres more or less.
Located this 2nd day of September, 1909.
NAT BABCOCK, Agent,
A.S.FARQUHARSON, Locator
J. RAVEN, Witness

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Thence running north 80 chains;
Thence running east 80 chains;
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NAT BABCOCK, Agent,
EDMOND BOISJOLI, Locator
J. RAVEN, Witness

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Thence running north 80 chains;
Thence running west 80 chains;
Thence running south 80 chains
to a point of commencement, making 640 acres more or less.
Located this 3rd day of September, 1909.
NAT BABCOCK, Agent,
P.A.FARQUHARSON, Locator
J. RAVEN, Witness

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Thence running east 80 chains;
Thence running south 80 chains
to a point of commencement, making 640 acres more or less.
Located this 3rd day of September, 1909.
NAT BABCOCK, Agent,
NAT BABCOCK, Locator
J. RAVEN, Witness

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty (30) days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for Coal and Petroleum on the following described lands situate in South E. Kootenay, British Columbia, Block 4593, commencing at a post planted at or near 4 miles east of 30 mile post of the present C. P. R. surveyed line and being the north west corner of Nat Babcock claim;
Thence running south 80 chains
Thence running east 80 chains;
Thence running north 80 chains;
Thence running west 80 chains;
to a point of commencement, making 640 acres more or less.
Located this 2nd day of September, 1909.
NAT BABCOCK, Agent,
NAT BABCOCK, Locator
J. RAVEN, Witness

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty (30) days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for Coal and Petroleum on the following described lands situate in South E. Kootenay, British Columbia, Block 4593, commencing at a post planted at or near 3 miles east of 30 mile post of the present C. P. R. surveyed line and being the north west corner of Nat Babcock claim;
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J. RAVEN, Witness

NOTICE

60 days after date I intend to apply to the chief of Provincial Police for a transfer of the retail liquor license of Simon Dragon to George Vincent of the Royal Hotel, Gateway, B. C.
Dated this 16th day of October, 1909.
SIMON DRAGON
Oct 16 Dec 17 G.V.

C. P. R. TIME TABLE

	Arrive Fernie
No. 213 West	10.00
No. 214 East	17.55
No. 236 Local East	9.12
No. 235 Local West	19.27
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
6.55	FERNIE	11.05
7.13	HOSMER	10.40
7.25	OLSON	10.32
7.50	MICHEL	10.10

Arrives Spokane 8.30 p.m.
Arrives Seattle 10.15 a.m.

Furnished boarding house for rent, a snap, apply to Ross Brothers, P. O. box 213.

Furnished and unfurnished room to rent in modern house. Telephone, electric light and bath. Apply B. S. care Ledger. 3tNP

For Sale: Ten acres good land covered with tamarac and cedar, close in. Apply Ledger office. 1m

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Electric Fixtures, Depew, Macdonald & McLean, phone 61.

You bet—the spot to buy furniture is at the Trites-Wood Co.

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

Electric Fixtures, Depew, Macdonald & McLean, phone 61.

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

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

Do it now. Buy the range fitted wth semi-steel linings. Will stand 900 degrees more heat than any ordinary ones, and you get it for less money at the Trites-Wood Co., Ltd.

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

They are still selling window shades from 30c up at the Trites-Wood Co., Limited.

They do not give furniture away, but they sell it cheap at the Trites-Wood Co. Ltd.

Sewing Machines the best made from $30.50 up. All ball bearing fitted with automatic lift and fully guaranteed for ten years at the Trites-Wood Co. Ltd. Come in and try one.

Wanted: Nursing, over 20 years experience, apply to Mrs. J. Howbrook, Fernie Annex, or box 336, Fernie.

Do you know that you can buy heating stoves from $2.75 up at the Trites-Wood Co., Ltd.

Wanted: Respectable party or parties wanted to adopt healthy boy, two and a half years old and girl three and a half years old. Replies to be sent to T. C. care Ledger office.

Wanted: A good handy girl, who can do cooking, etc. Apply C. C. Wright.

Local News

Bengough, the great cartoonist, will be in Fernie on the 16th. Wait for him.

Blair Letcher left last night for Arnprior to bring Mrs. Letcher and baby home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Lawe leave tonight for Ottawa for a few weeks visit to relatives there.

Fred Adolph of the Adolph Lumber Company of Baynes was in the city during the week on business.

P. Kennedy left for the east today. We tried our best to elicit the information as to the results of the journey but Pat was noncommittal.

John B. Watson, auditor for the city of Calgary and Fernie has located at the hotel Fernie, and will accept audits, etc. See his card on page six.

The Christmas tree in connection with the Baptist Sunday school will be held on Christmas Eve, December 24. A splendid time is being arranged for.

For any information about the latest directoire style in overcoats see Cornelius Adolphus Rothschild Vanderbilt Whelan. It has Banny's Searchlight looking like the Michel Reporter.

If you want a good hearty laugh be sure and be present at the performance of the "Three Hats" December 17 at 8 o'clock, to be given by local talent in the basement of the new Methodist church.

The Ledger has received some very pretty cards for Christmas. All styles in stock. We print your name and verse and supply them cheap. Your friends will appreciate these more than the usual run of cards. Call and see them.

Do not miss Arthur Shirley's great comedy entitled the Three Hats, to be given by the Fernie Entertainment Society next Friday, December 17 at 8 o'clock in the basement of the new Methodist church. A collection will be taken up to be devoted to the gymnasium fund.

Mr. Clark has put on some extra fine shows at Bruce's hall. Mr. Clark obtains the latest and best films and besides that has some clever vaudeville, which helps fill in the time, and altogether makes a very pleasant evening. Any who have witnessed the Clark show are loud in their praises of it.

For Sale: Moving picture machine, complete, also 5000 feet of films, 500 large posters, 2000 dodgers, 50 colored slides, everything ready to start in business; films only shown in 8 towns. Price $200, or machine and colored slides for $50. Machine almost new. A bargain. Apply William Rothel, Michel B. C.

The Great Bengough will be in the city on December 16 and give his famous illustrated lecture.

To rent or for sale: Four roomed modern cottage, 22 x 24. Victoria ave. Apply to S. Jellett; King Edward hotel. 2t 11 p

Found: A black pony. Owner can have same by proving property and paying expenses to date. Apply at Ledger office. 3t

Remember that Progressive Fernie will make a neat and cheap Christmas remembrance to send away. Only 50c and ten cents for the postage to all parts.

We understand the Fernie Philharmonic society are going to give a real treat to the music lovers on December 14th. Whatever it is it will be good, we can assure you of that.

Royal Oak Camp 14159 M. W. of A. meets on Monday the 13th inst., to elect all officers for 1910. Every neighbor should attend and give their opinion and vote and boost for the Fernie camp.

Services in the Methodist church, on Sunday December 12, will be conducted by Mrs. (Rev.) Lashley Hall. Morning at 11; evening at 7.30. Adult Bible class at 2.30. Strangers welcome.

The Mason and Risch Piano company have just opened up a fine new show room in one of the stores in the Todd block. The very large and select stock on exhibition is a credit to many places larger than Fernie, and no doubt many of the popular pianos will be disposed of. See their ad on another page. We now have two fine piano stores in this city.

Harry Quigg, employed at No. 2 mine, Coal Creek, was injured on Friday. Quigg, whose duty it is to attend to trips of coal coming down incline, was at landing when trip gave way. He was caught by same, receiving injuries resulting in a broken leg. This was the last trip for the shift and in a very few minutes Quigg would have been outside. Another minor accident occurred in No. 1 during the week.

Messrs. Taschereau Bros. have taken a temporary lease of the new Miners theatre, and last night opened their lease with a fine exhibition of moving pictures. They promise to run a strictly orderly house, and to procure none but the best films. They have made arrangements to have a cameraphone picture show in future. This will be a new thing for here and as it is proving successful all over the States, should prove interesting.

The school board met at the city hall on Thursday evening before the regular council meeting, and transacted several matters of importance. Instructions were given to have the temporary school in West Fernie prepared ready for opening after the Christmas holidays. As there are 157 pupils from this section of the city this will be appreciated. The board intend to still keep after the government until they fulfil their promise and build the new school in West Fernie.

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The Best Red Sockeye Salmon put up in the world. Every can guaranteed. It pays to buy the best.

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2 Nights Commencing Friday December 17

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Presenting two of the heaviest bills in their extensive repertoire

Friday Night "Jim, The Westerner"
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Prepare to be one of the early buyers and get the pick of the bargains. Every instrument sold during sale backed by our unlimited guarantee.
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On Saturday, Dec. 11th at 9 a. m.

We will inaugurate this great sale—there will be but seven days of these sacrifice prices—sale closes at 10 p.m. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18
DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE—BUY EARLY
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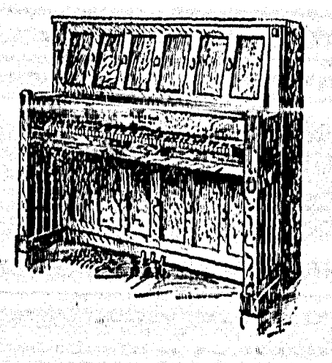

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