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ITEMS OF INTEREST

BIG FIRE DOES IMMENSE AMOUNT OF DAMAGE IN QUEBEC—FIREMEN KILLED

SUDDEN DEATH

Terrible Death List on the Transcontinental Railway—Other Notes

The Commercial Hotel at Rainy River was burned.

George A. Ostrander, insurance agent at Picton committed suicide by inhaling chloroform.

Thomas Trebilcock of London, Ont., died on the steamer St. Louis while on the way home from England.

A London crowd attempted another demonstration before the Spanish embassy. but were finally driven off.

Stanley Bryant of Kingsville was caught between a cable and a drum on the steamer Ward Ames and was killed.

A sanguinary battle between regular troops and revolutionists was fought at Santo Domingo on Saturday.

W. A. Buchanan M. P. P. of Lethbridge, and Duncan Marshall M. P. P., for Olds, Alta., are to be taken into the Rutherford cabinet.

George Wells, who is held in custody in Lethbridge on a charge of abduction, has made several attempts to kill himself, failing in each instance, however.

The sheet metal workers in Winnipeg have brought their strike to a successful—conclusion, winning—an increase of two cents per hour in their wages.

David Reid was drowned while attempting to swim to shore from a boat that upset near Country Harbor, N.S. Two of his companions clung to the boat and drifted ashore.

The case of Edward Bedford, who says he murdered Ethel Kinrade in Hamilton, Ont., was called in the Bow street police court, London, England, but was adjourned for further evidence as to identification.

A fire at Quebec destroyed the Great Northern elevator, the custom house and a number of sheds on the wharves. An immense amount of grain and other merchandise was burned, and Fireman Jeremie Fortin was thrown from a ladder and killed.

The investigation of the charge of the U. M. W. of A. against Manager Cowan and Salesman Dick of the Dominion Coal Co., of conspiracy to limit coal supply began at Halifax. Very little evidence was submitted and none of it showed conspiracy.

The toll of death in construction work on the National Transcontinental railway during the last fiscal year was 68, while 22 men suffered serious injuries. The fatalities were for the most part, caused by dynamite. Most of the dead were Italians and Swedes.

ELECTION IN DISTRICT 18

The election for district officers and also for international officers of the U. M. W. of A. takes place on the second Tuesday in December, on which day the mines are closed. The candidates for the various offices in the District are as follows:

President: Wm. B. Powell, the present occupant of the post, returned with no opposition.

Vice-President: Clem Stubbs, Bellenue; Robert Evans, Kenmare.

Secretary-Treasurer: A. J. Carter, Michel; A. Hamilton, Corbin; J. D. Perkins, Bankhead; A. S. Julian, Fraser Flats.

International Board Member: Peter Patterson, Fernie; William Ryan, Coleman; W. H. Evans, Fernie; Chas. Garner, Michel; Harry Smith, Coleman; Frank Crockett, Taber; T. E. James, Edmonton.

District Board Members, Sub-Dis. 1—John E. Smith, Fernie; Nat Howells, Michel.

No. 2: Vin Frodsham, Coleman; J. O. Jones, Hillcrest.

No. 3: John Larson, Lethbridge; Jabez Raynor, Taber.

No. 4: Herb Fox, Canmore; Jack Jones, Bankhead.

According to constitution, the ballots are being printed in the different languages spoken in the district, and will be forwarded in due time by the secretary.

Personal Mention

Bologna sausage is Germany's national dish. National dinner.

Frank Bean has been somewhat indisposed during the last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bean of Nelson are in town with relatives.

Mrs. J. Brown has returned from an extended trip to points in the east.

L. P. Eckstein is back at his office full of vigor after a ten days sojourn in the mountains.

We are pleased to announce that Mrs. J. A. Broley has been able to leave the hospital.

There will be a special program at the Fernie Opera House for Monday night, Thanksgiving day.

Mr. M. G. Murphy, General Travelling Passenger agent of the C. P. R., was in Fernie on Thursday.

The Funny Negro Minstrels was the bill on Thursday night at the Fernie Opera house. Considering the unfavorable weather a good crowd attended and a good performance was witnessed.

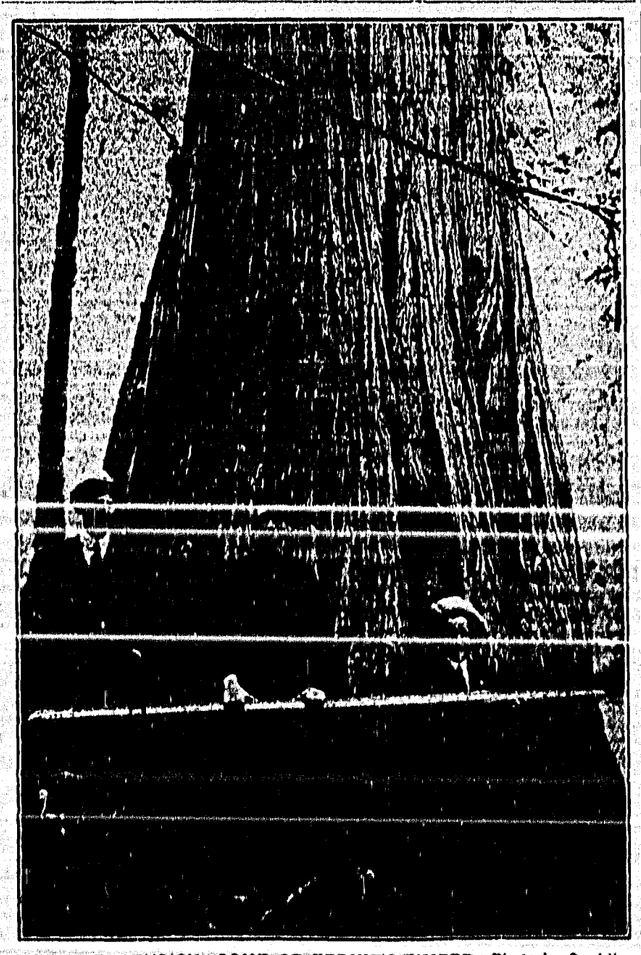
First class Board and accommodation at Fairclough's Boarding House, 179, 180 Coal Creek, opposite Football grounds.

The Lockhart trial commenced at Nelson yesterday noon, and a large number of Fernie witnesses are in attendance.

C. O. Demaurez is again at Mooyie Lake experimenting with his propellor. C. O. D. is somewhat used up but is more confident than ever of the ultimate success of his idea.

The case against T. B. Struthers, charged with incendiarism, was dismissed by his honor Judge Wilson on Wednesday after the submitting of a little evidence.

Royal Oak Camp 1415 Modern Woodmen of America, will hold their next meeting on Thanksgiving Day at 8 p. m. in K. P. hall. Special and important business and more goat riding. All neighbors come.



A B. C. TOOTHPICK—SOME OF FERNIE'S TIMBER—Photo by Spalding

FERRERISM WAVE NOW UNIVERSAL

Protests Being Registered The World Over And Alfonso's Life Demanded-- Wild Scenes are Enacted-- Winnipeg Catches On

LONDON, Oct. 17—Spanish anarchists in London are openly threatening the life of King Alfonso, and are boasting that he will not be permitted to live the year out. Malatesta and others of the more rabid anarchists are actually inviting reporters to accompany them to secret meetings to listen to firebrand speeches. Some of them have shown reporters laboratories with newly devised bombs, wherewith they hope to be able to take the lives of European monarchs.

The outbreak of Ferrerism which is convulsing the continent reached England this afternoon and evening and London witnessed scenes duplicating those enacted in Paris and other European capitals. Following a demonstration in Trafalgar Square, 10,000 malcontents rushed to the Spanish embassy in Grosvenor Gardens, by way of Whitehall and Victoria streets and succeeded in reaching it in spite of frequent charges by the police. The embassy which was guarded by a strong force of police, escaped any damage. Hand-to-hand fights occurred, missiles were thrown and sticks and umbrellas were used.

Grayson's Fiery Speech

A demonstration occurred outside Westminster cathedral where a Catholic priest was threatened. The police were unable to stop the rioters or keep them in check and not a single arrest was made. Victor Grayson, the stormy petrel of parliament, made a violent speech in Trafalgar Square this afternoon, in which he announced the expulsion of the Spanish ambassador would be moved in the house of commons Monday. His speech is the strongest thing delivered from any rostrum in England. He said the murder of Ferrer was a local outrage on cosmopolitan feeling. "It meant not only the death of one great worthy man but was an insult to the intelligence of Europe,' he said. "I believe the price of Ferrer's life will be paid long hence. If the heads of all the kings of Europe weer torn from their trunks tomorrow it would not pay the price of Ferrar's life. Let us make no mistake. If all these heads were rolled in the dust tomorrow we should not have one like Ferrer's who, by his acts as a royal son, lost his life for the people of the world. If I had lived in Spain this last week I should have forgotten I ever attended a peace meeting.

Prophecies Calamity

"Do the Spanish authorities think or does King Alfonso think, that the murder of Ferrer has killed the enlightenment of Spain? Calamity will follow. We have a responsibility here in London. Paris has been doing things. They are made of spiritual champagne there. In London we are small beer compared to them. If we had only a hundredth part of the spirit of our forefathers there would be more done than passing resolutions. It is for us to say that the results of such a crime as has been committed in Spain, resound through England. I will undertake to say that if the czar had been kept out of Britain; if we had shut the door in his face saying:—Tyrants like you stink in our nostrils; there would never have been this murder in Spain. When we find the population willing to acknowledge the presence of a monster like the czar, then Alfonso said: "I know my client; I will shoot Ferrer.

"King Alfonso married an English princess and it is suggested that King Edward should have been approached and asked to use his influence to prevent the murder of Ferrer. King Edward reads the papers, at least I hope so, and King Edward must have known of the agitation going on. That being so, I say, whatever happens within the next week or month, that crime lies not at the door of the people, but at the door of King Edward the Seventh.

"The King is advised by Sir Edward Grey, who in everything that interests this country has been a coward and poltroon. In Canada, Russia and Spain, Grey has proved that he is *merely a chip off the block of aristocratic tyranny.* It is the duty of the Socialist party in parliament to demand than the Spanish ambassador should leave these shores. If he cannot walk away, then we will move him."

Fierce Fighting

The demonstrators then decided to rush the Spanish embassy and headed by a black banner inscribed "To Hell With the Murderer Alfonso," they made their way down Whitehall. Near the war office 200 police charged the line and succeeded in seizing several banners, but the great wave of rioters swallowed them up. Several injured are here at the Westminster hospital. The mounted police made another effort to stop the procession, but the check was only temporary and the crowd, with a dangerous temper, rushed on, singing the Marseillaise.

It was a battle every inch to Grosvenor Gardens, where the Spanish embassy is located. Here the fight became the fiercest and hand to hand fights occurred. The police attempted to make several arrests, but the prisoners were rescued by their comrades. Police reinforcements seemed unable to cope with the mob of rioters.

Sir Edward Henry, commissioner of police was struck repeatedly, the rioters nearly unhorsing him. The inspectors struck out with their clubs and charges were frequent. Finally with the weight of reinforcements the police drove the rioters back to Grosvenor hotel. Here they were dispersed, but they came back and were driven to Hyde Park corner, where they melted. It was the fiercest demonstration England has witnessed in many years.

The Feeling in Winnipeg

A demonstration of protest against the execution of Francisco Ferrer by the Spanish authorities was held in Winnipeg last night. The demonstration was not marked by any of those scenes of violence which have occurred in London and some of the continental cities, but was peaceable and orderly throughout. The proceedings began with a meeting at the corner of Main street and Stella avenue, where a crowd of about 150 people gathered, about half of these afterwards forming into a procession and marching to the market square. W. H. Hoop, president of the Trades and Labor council, marshalled the procession, which gathered strength as it marched toward the city hall, nearly 150 being in the ranks by the time the place of meeting was reached. The processionists carried no banners and were not accompanied by a drum, and beyond a few feeble shouts of "Down with the Monarchy," they made no effort to attract attention. The parade passed around the city hall to the north side of the market place, where addresses were delivered by a number of socialists and freethinkers and a resolution condemning Ferrer's execution as a judicial murder was adopted. The crowd which assembled to hear the speeches numbered nearly 1000, but the liberty of free speech was not interfered with in any way, the police leaving the demonstrators to themselves.

Boy Orator Leads Off

The meeting was opened by Lawrence Pickup, the socialist boy orator, who said that Ferrer had been hounded to death by the Roman Catholic church because he had founded schools of modern thought for the uplifting of people who were living in darkness and superstition, taught by the orthodox church.

A. Cameron followed along the same lines, strongly condemning the Spanish government for taking the life of one who was endeavoring to uplift the people. He rejoiced that under the British flag he had the liberty to express his opinions, and he maintained that the same liberty should be enjoyed in every part of the world.

W. Hemming referred briefly to the career of Prof. Ferrer, and said the whole Christian church was to blame for the murder of that good man. The church had always been opposed to intellectual freedom, and the pages of history weer stained with the blood of many martyrs who had been killed in the name of Christianity.

W. H. Matthews protested vehemently against the murder of Ferrer and said the death of half a dozen useless monarchs or a dozen parasitic popes would not compensate in the slightest degree for the death of one man who was trying to do good for his fellows.

W. D. Cummings declared that a more damnable, fiendish or cowardly murder had never been perpetrated than the execution of Ferrer but it was only an incident of the struggle by the governing class to keep the workers down.

It was for the same purpose that free speech was denied to the citizens of Winnipeg, and although there was no interference with that meeting it was only because the whole police force of the city would not be able to move that large audience.

W. H. Hoop reminded the audience that the privileges of religious freedom for which Ferrer had died, had been won for the British people four hundred years ago.

He was followed by Ed. Stephenson who moved the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that this assemblage of Canadian citizens strongly protests against the judicial assassination of Francisco Ferrer, one of the most enlightened and humanitarian reformers of modern times by which momentous crime every decent concept of justice and democracy is challenged. We call upon the governor general in council to immediately forward to the Spanish government an expression of the abhorrence by Canadians of this horrifying deed.

The resolution was seconded by W. Bryan and carried without opposition.

Other speakers afterward addressed the meeting, which dispersed quietly about 10 o'clock.

In Toronto Also

"I think we ought to hold a memorial service for Francisco Ferrer, who was murdered on the thirteenth of this month by Spain,' said Mr. Frank E. Coulter, of Portland, Oregon, at the outset of an address in Zion Church last night under the auspices of the People's Institute. "Ferrer would rather be righteous and die than live and not be righteous. He merely preached liberty, preached that it was better to die than to resort to force, and his efforts in Barcelona were altogether to prevent bloodshed."

Mr. Coulter concluded his reference to the Spanish professor by a prayer that the blood of the martyr might spring into flowers of liberty and of truth in all who were seeking the betterment of the world.

A new firm has been formed to open here in the dry goods and grocery business. Messrs. McLean & Waggot have taken a lease of the store in the Eckstein building and will open up on the 1st of November.

The Funny Negro Minstrels was the bill at the Fernie Opera house Thursday evening. In spite of the unfavorable weather a good crowd turned out and a good performance was witnessed. The Princes in their juggling turn were good, as was also the dancing. The singing could be improved upon.

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.

GOOD WORD FROM THE NORTH

President Powell of District 18 has received most encouraging reports from the Edmonton district, in which locality International Organizers T. E. James and A. C. Brovey are at work. President Powell and the organizers spent some time in this part of the district a month or so ago, and most hopeful indications are present. At a recent meeting over 150 men attended, some already members of the U. M. W. of A. The busy season is on now in the lignite field, and with the advent of more miners, District 18 is keeping pace with organization work.

TEETH CHATTERING ALREADY

Just at this time the Liberals of Fernie can show true patriotism to their district by uniting with the Conservatives in the support of W. R. Ross. We do not think that the majority of the electors of this Riding desire a Socialist to represent them, which will certainly happen in the event of a three cornered fight.—Fernie Free Press.

The election has scarcely been announced, and already the Tory organ shakes at the knees and gets up the white feather. Well, maybe they have cause for alarm now—they certainly will later.

Personal Mention

W. S. Stanley is in Rossland this week on business.

Have some sweet potatoes under the Stars and Stripes—national dinner.

Have some Irish stew at the Irish table—National dinner. Monday night in Bruces hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch. Mathieson of Hosmer spent Sunday in town with Mr and Mrs. C. J. Digby.

The Rebekah's dance on the 28th is looked forward to by all interested as a good time is assured.

Don't fail to hear the boy wonder violinist at the Miner's opera house, next Wednesday evening.

The North Western Telegraph Co. will open an office in the Eckstein Building on the first of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurd were At Home to a large number of friends in the Miners opera house on Wednesday evening.

J. R. Lawrey, Geo. Boulton, A. A. Shanley, R. R. Webb, A. I. Fisher and others were at the Lockhart trial at Nelson this week.

Canada, the land of the maple, will give a good Canadian dinner, also roast beef and plum pudding. National dinner, Monday night.

Robert Walton was one of the pall bearers at E. H. Sherman's funeral last week, in the place of Wm. Rose, as erroneously stated.

A special meeting of the Methodist church ladies aid will be held at the home of Mrs. Gusty Friday, October 29 at 3 o'clock. Important business.

Messrs. Sorkie and Eschwig of the Northern hotel have dissolved partnership. It is understood that Mr. Sorkie is trying to purchase the Jules Hurles hotel at Hosmer.

Mr. Geiger, choirmaster of the Colborne street Methodist church of London, Ont., died suddenly, and the choir waited for his arrival on Sunday morning, not knowing of his death.

25TH OF NOVEMBER

BRITISH COLUMBIA ELECTIONS ARE TO TAKE PLACE SHORTLY

LOCAL ARENA

Uneasiness Said to Exist in the Ranks of Conservatives—Socialists Have Fine Organization

VICTORIA, Oct. 20—The British Columbia legislature dissolves today and nominations take place on November 11 and the elections on November 25.

The announceemnt follows an agreement signed between the government and the Canadian Northern Railway whereby the latter engage to construct 600 miles of railway from the Yellowhead pass to Vancouver within four years from date. The government on their part guarantee the bonds and take as security a first mortgage on the road.

As far as Fernie is concerned the exact date of the contest makes little or no difference. All parties have sized up the situation and the wise ones have surmised for some time that a battle of ballots would be on in the near future.

Encouraged by the splendid showing at the last election, the Socialists are early in the field, and although the campaign is only in its infancy, the workers have the land well laid out. It is understood that John Harrington will be the standard bearer this time. The Socialists can win if they work. They have enough voters to do it and all that remains is for them to put the votes in the ballot box.

W. R. Ross K. C., the present Conservative member, announced some time ago that he would run again. The chances are that ultimately he will, although it is a well known fact that other pillars in the Conservative party have a longing eye on the seat which the K. C. has filled for some time.

The Liberals are very much in the shade with respect to any part in the campaign, and it is not known whether they will have a man in the field or not.

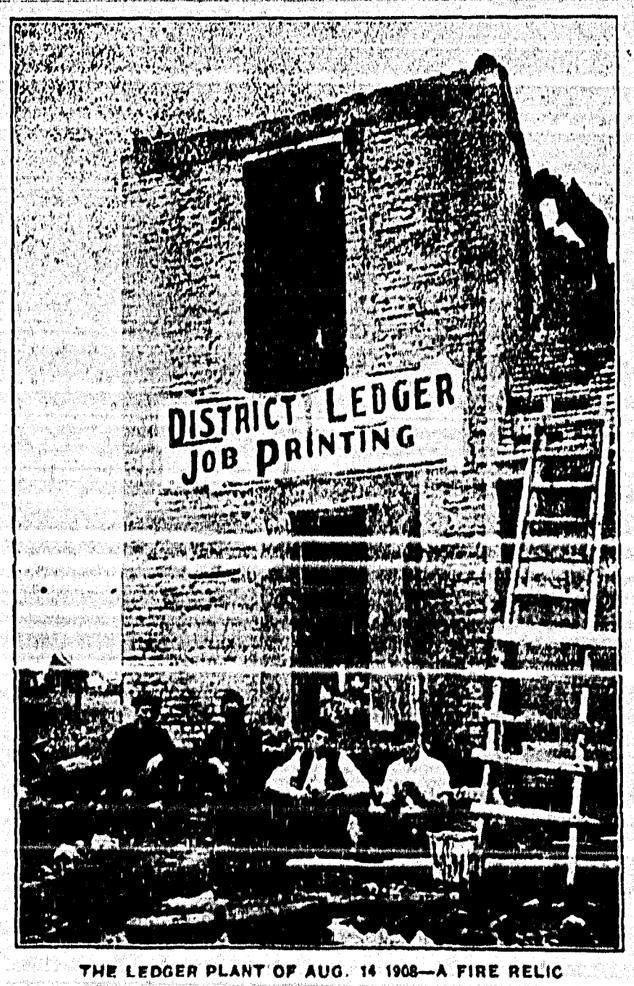
November 25 is not far away and it will be a short, sharp campaign, and from here it looks very much like John Harrington, M. P. P.

WILL SING

Mrs. G. F. Stevenson, Fernie's ever popular vocalist, has consented to sing at the Wilfrid Small concert at the Miners Hall opera house next Wednesday evening.

GOING TO SHOOT

A rifle team consisting of Messrs. A. W. Bleasdell, N. E. Suddaby, J. Minton, Lawrie, McBurney, Schofield, R. Clerk, I. O. Boulton, G. L. Pedlar, F. Finlayson and others will go to Creston for Thanksgiving Day to compete with the local team of that town.



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DEATH OF A PATRIOT

Ferrer's Murderers Will Rue Bloody Deed

That the execution of Prof. Francisco Ferrer, prominent educator, by the Spanish government was pure and simple assassination, was the concensus of opinion at the first Ferrer protest meeting in the Unted States, held Thursday night under the auspices of the Socialist party in the Assembly hall, 180 Washington street.

"I move to strike out the word 'legal,'" declared Barney Beryln, immediately after County Secretary G. T. Fraenckel, who was presiding, had read the resolutions, including the terms "legal assassination," and "legal murder."

"You can't legally murder anyone," said Berlyn in support of his amendment. "The purpose of the world today is to make anything illegal that does not aid in the progress of civilization. I'd like to see you unanimously kill that legality."

Execution Was Unlawful

"If there ever was a murder that was not legal it was that of Francisco Ferrer," said Dr. Axel C. Gustafson, one of the principal speakers of the evening, in support of the amendment. "the sentence and the execution of Ferrer were both unlawful."

The amendment was carried unanimously and the resolutions adopted with the word "legal" omitted. They are as follows:

"Whereas, the Spanish government, a relic of fifteenth century civilization, has assassinated the great educator, Francisco Ferrer, whose only crime has been to establish schools for the education of the coming generations of Spain, and

"Whereas, The imbecile king and corrupt priesthood of Spain are enabled to rule and exploit the people only through the murder of those who seek to educate the workers and their children; and

"Whereas, This assassination is not simply the killing of a single man but a blow at educaiton, and progress throughout the world, since the shot that pierced the heart of Ferrer was aimed at the brain of the masses of Spain; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the Socialist party of Cook county, in mass meeting assembled, protest against this assassination and that we express our hatred of the use of murder as a political weapon in the interest of ignorance and exploitation, and that we call upon the workers of the world to respond to this attack by renewed energy and greater devotion to the work of teaching and organizing the workers for the battle of freedom."

Copies Sent to Europe

Copies of the resolutions were sent to all the newspapers "that would publish them," to the Spanish embassy at Washington and to the International Socialist bueau at Brussels, Belgium, to be forwarded to the toilers and revolutionists of Spain.

"Yesterday morning Ferrer was a son of Spain," said J. Mahlon Barnes, national secretary of the Socialist party, in the first address of the evening. "Today he is a world power. Tonight he belongs to the ages.

"Ferrer left behind 500,000 students who recognize his loss perhaps more keenly than anyone else. They recognize the good that has been withdrawn by Ferrer's passing. The working class everywhere mourns his taking off, because he was toiling for their interests. The workers of Rome, Paris, Vienna, Trieste and numerous other cities rise in protest against this alleged legal murder.

Ferrer a True Martyr

"His trial was a farce from start to finish. He was permitted to face one living witness. He died nobly as all the sons of truth die. He was a true martyr. 'Long live the modern schools were the words upon his lips as he died. Ferrer did not live in vain nor has he died in vain.

"Perhaps Victor Berger of Milwaukee, who left for Europe to attend the conference of the International Socialist bureau, has witnessed some of the scenes in the capitals of Europe incidental to the execution of Ferrer. He last night. He will then be able to should have been in Paris or Vienna bring back some real facts regarding the demonstrations. The killing of Ferrer will doubtless occupy the undivided attention of the sessions of the International Socialist bureau. To the 30,000,000 toilers of the world with whom the bureau is in touch will be carried the story of how Spain murdered Ferrer. The power of Spain will be weakened as a result and the name of Ferrer will be remembered.

Crush the Parasite System

"Can you imagine the situation? Dont de Castellane urged the Spanish ambassador at Paris to bring damage suits against the newspapers of Paris in behalf of the King of Spain because of the articles that had been published. Not a Socialist in the world should rest for a minute until we have crushed the system that brings such parasites to the top.

"Alfonso must now face the world forever in shame. The foundation of his throne is 1000 times weaker than it was before Ferrer died.

"We are the victims of popular ignorance, declared Barnes, and pointed out how the conscience of the people had been aroused by the Dred Scott decision and the death of John Brown before the Civil war, and later by the assertion of George Baer, Pennsylvania coal baron, that he had been divinely appointed to superintend the digging of coal.

King Is Dead—Bury Him

"We must change the cry of 'The King is dead—long live the king,' to "The King is dead—Let us Bury Him," said Barnes.

"The foulest and most indelible stains that ever disgraced the American press are the headlines over the stories relating to the arrest, trial, condemnation, execution, and European indignation over the assassination of Professor Francisco Ferrer," was Dr. Axel C. Gustafson's introduction to his address.

"When the treatment of Ferrer's case by the great American press becomes known, as it must shortly, among the thinkers and scientists of Europe—yes among the masses and the children most of all—it will lower their estimation of the United States immeasurably.

Press Disgraces America

"The press articles show that the writers know absolutely nothing about Ferrer and that they have simply published all the calumnies and lies that the Maura-Cierva ministry has disseminated to prejudice public opinion against the greatest educator of the growing generation ever born.

"Ever since Ferrer's arrest I have ransacked the libraries for all information concerning this wonderful man to replenish my scanty resources but have been unable to find the least bit of record of his life or work. The various biographies and dictionaries do not even have his name, and yet the whole of Europe is in commotion over his murder.

"At the beginning of this century Francisco Ferrer of Bercelona made up his mind that his country must be redeemed from medieval despotism, and that the national education of the children was the surest means to that end. This task was appalling.

Monks Control Education

"The monks absolutely controlled the situation, even to deciding the text books that were to be used in the universities. The census states that 7-10 of the people can neither read nor write. Forty per cent of the people are state employes. The premier controls not only the great offices of state but every mayoralty, prefecture and collectorship, and as their salaries are small and usually in arrears they must live on plunder.

The army on a peace footing numbers 100,000, with six captain generals, 39 lieutenant generals, 60 division generals and 100 brigadier generals—that is one general for every 370 soldiers in the army.

"Barcelona and Catalonia afforded Ferrer a ground for operation. The Catalonians are a hardy vigorous race, Napoleon said he never knew of a race with greater powers of resistance, Maura is likely to find that out before they get through with him and his methods.

A Tribute to Barcelona

"Barcelona is Ferrer's native city, the most beautiful and prosperous in Spain. Cervantes describes her as "the home of courtesy asylum of the strangers, shelter of the poor, the common centre of all that is sincere in friendship."

"In these environs Ferrer found his hope in inspiration. There he founded his Escuela Moderna, educating the child according to his natural inclinations, leaving him free to investigate and aiding him in his pursuits.

"Ferrer's schools in Barcelona at the time of the recent uprising had over a thousand pupils. His school books are found all over Europe. He founded the International League of Rational Education, of which Prof. Haeckel of Jena is president, and which counts hundreds of the foremost thinkers and scientists all over the world among its members.

"These are some of the reasons for the worldwide indignation and sorrow over the murder of Ferrer.

Civil Trial Fruitless

"After his previous arrest Prof. Ferrer, notwithstanding having been in prison for thirteen months was finally brought to trial. The Spanish government had done its utmost to get his case tried by a court martial, but the public opinion of Europe, as well as the direct intercession of King Edward of England, caused them to refrain. As a result not only was he acquitted and found guiltless of the charge, but the expenses of the trial had to be paid by the government, and the decree compelled them to return the funds to Ferrer, which upon his arrest they had confiscated. This time they knew fully that with a civil trial where evidence had to be heard and the public admitted, they had not a ghost of a show of Ferrer's conviction.

"But before a court martial with enclosed doors, with no presentation of evidence except that which was intended to convict him, with no power of rebuttal, the captain general, whose word would be final, knowing that Dom Antonio Maura would take away his commission if he allowed Ferrer to escape, had no other recourse. Ferrers conviction was certain before the trial started.

One of World's Greatest

"You will not wonder, I know, if, with facts like these before me, I refuse to even attempt by facts, which are irrefutable, to show that Prof. Ferrer had no part or share in the uprising at Barcelona. I consider that the mere effort in that direction, with such a glorious record as he had for consecrated and masterful devotion to the elevation of the world through rational education of the young, would be to smirch his clean and stainless memory. I affirm, and history will bear me out in this assertion, that Prof. Ferrer was one of the grandest, truest and most consecrated men to the cause of liberty, justice and ideal happiness that ever lived.

"The commotion in Europe over his murder has only commenced. It will reach in deeper and deeper circles, all the truest men and women in the world until his marvellous educational methods will become universal, not only in Spain, not only in Europe but even America will be enfranchised and a new world with justice, contentment happiness and infinite hope of progress will be established."

Crowd too Big for Hall

"Whenecvr a crime is committed, if there is no one else to object, the Socialists will object," said County Secretary Fraenckel in opening the meeting.

The crowd that packed the assembly hall was so large that many who came in late were unable to get within hearing distance of the speaker.—Chicago Socialist.

THE MOVEMENT GROWING

Prince Rupert Empire:— Socialism was the theme at a largely attended meeting in the Empress Theatre last Sunday evening, the theatre having been kindly loaned to the workingmen for the occasion.

Mr. J. McKechnie presided and the speakers were Mr. Patrick Daley, Mr J. B. King and Dr. Curry, the latter being the principal speaker of the evening.

Mr. Daley recited at length the rights which belong to the working classes, and strongly emphasized that it is only by and through a systemaric and sustained organization that any enduring improvement can be accomplished.

Mr. King endorsed Mr. Daley's expressions. The capitalist classes obtained their luxuries through the rags and sweat of the poor.

It was only through organization that the working classes could become a power in the real sense of the word—a power that would be felt and also feared.

Dr. Curry delivered a lengthy and eloquent address. It was largely taken from the standpoint of science. He traced the relations between the conquerors and the conquered, the master and the slave, the feudal lord and peasant, down through the ages to the present time, when he claimed there is such a thing as wage slavery. This system, he said, is just as cruel and just as relentless as any system that has ever existed in the history of mankind.

Dr. Curry also contended that the workers of today could not secure the fruits of their labor, or in other words that the producers do not begin to obtain anything like the value of what they produce.

The meeting concluded about 10.30 o'clock.

Different Societies, Same Goal: It is generally admitted by those most familiar with the Socialist movement in America that there are two spots on the continent where the movement is most feared by the capitalist class and most valued by the working class. Those two places are the state of Wisconsin, United States and the province of British Columbia in the Dominion of Canada.

There are other places that will rival these in some respects, but at the risk of arousing a storm of jealous and righteous rivalry we believe it safe to say that these are the two high points in the land.

At first sight it would be hard to find two places apparently more divergent in their principal characteristics. One is exclusively urban, the other largely rural with small towns. They are under different flags with different election machinery.

Moreover when the respective movements are studied directly the contrast is apparently ascertained The Wisconsin movement is popularly reported to be "opportunist," "conservative" and its enemies say compromising in character.

The British Columbia Socialists all boast of their revolutionary, uncompromising character, and their enemies call them impossibilists. We shall not attempt to say whether any of those badges or epithets are deserved. We are concerned only with the results.

The important fact is that in both places there are representatives of the Socialist party in legislative bodies. These representatives are feared and hated by the exploiters and looked to with hope and expectation by the exploited.

In neither place are they standing one side talking, writing discussing. At least these are not their principal occupations, and the mere fact that they are diametrically opposed on some theoretical points is of very little importance when both are doing practical work.

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, shows that. This paper pays little attention to discussions of socialist policy and philosophy. It is directly concerned with the class struggle and takes it for granted that the socialist members will do what the rank and file of the workers wish them to do.

In the local parliament the Socialist representatives are engaged in fighting day by day for the measures that are demanded by the working class. They undoubtedly have their opinions on matters of theory and fight for them when needed; but they realize that the fundamental fight is the class struggle between capitalists and laborers.

The same thing is true in Wisconsin. There also the trade unions as a matter of course look upon the Socialist party as their political expression and look to its representatives to fight the battles for them in legislative halls.—Chicago Daily Socialist.

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Thomas Thompson
F. D. Alderson
Tom Brace
W. McFegan
W. Wesnedge
N. Howells
G. Rankin
H. Massey
W. R. Foster
W. J. Macey
J. B. Thomas
T. Biggs
John Baggley

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W. Price
J. T. Mawson
W. Joyce
W. Shenfield
J. H. Simister
F. Hutchinson
C. O'Brien
T. McPhillips
R. L. Spruston
Andy Frew

SECOND CLASS—Continued from last week

MINE GASES

1. Name and describe the various gases met with in coal mines, giving symbols and specific gravities, where found and under what conditions may they become dangerous to human life? —20

2. In a mine giving off inflammable gas, what portion of the mine is most likely to be effected by a sudden fall of the barometer, and what are the dangers to be apprehended therefrom? —10

3. How many cubic feet of air would be necessary to dilute and render harmless 750 cubic feet of C H 4?—15

4. What are the constituent gases of fire damp? —10

5. What is meant by the diffusion of gases? From what portion of the mine do the lighter gases more readily diffuse? —10

6. How would you deal with accumulations of gas in abandoned workings? —10

7. In pillar drawing in a gaseous mine what general system of ventilation would you adopt to keep the working places clear? —10

8. Explain the principle of the safety lamp and under what conditions may it become unsafe? —10

9. The quantity of air in the return airway is 45,000 cubic feet per minute, your safety lamp shows a gas cap of 1-8 of an inch, what amount of marsh gas is being given off in the mine? —15

10. In a mine fire where gases are generated, how would you protect the workmen from the dangers thereof? —15

VENTILATION

1. Describe the various methods of ventilation. What is meant by ascensional ventilation. To what extent would you rely upon natural ventilation? —15

2. In installing ventilation by fan, show by sketches how you would reverse the air current should occasion require it? —15

3. Explain the advantages of splitting the air, and under what conditions would you limit the number of splits? —15

4. The total rubbing surface of a square airway is 100,000 square feet, and the length is 4000 feet, the quantity of air passing is 75000 cubic feet per minute, what is the velocity? —15

5. What horse power will be required to ventilate a mine employing 250 men and 10 mules with a water gauge of 1.5 inches. Total efficiency 60 per cent? —15

6. Describe some system of ventilation which may have occurred to you, in your experience, using sketches if necessary. —15

7. Describe the various methods of increasing the ventilation without increasing the power. —10

8. Describe the various instruments used to determine the condition of the mine atmosphere and the quantity and pressure of the ventilation and especially explaining the functions of the water gauge. 12

9. Show by sketches a good overcast and stopping suitable for squeezing ground? —15

10. Ventilate the plan given, using the conventional signs shown. 20

GENERAL WORK

1. Describe with sketches the following systems of working coal: Room and pillar, panel and long wall, and state what bearing each system may have upon efficient ventilation. —20

2. How would you deal with gob fires in each of the above systems? —12

3. Describe with sketches if necessary the several methods of safely extracting pillars. —12

4. What are the dangers to be apprehended from the use of electricity in mines and how would you guard against them? Would you instal electricity for any purpose underground where safety lamps are used exclusively? If so for what purpose? 12

5. Show by sketches the various cappings for hoisting and haulage ropes. What precautions are necessary to ensure against breakages in ropes, chains and couplings?

6. Describe the simple instruments necessary to keep the daily gradient and direction of the workings and the work, and work out the following:

A level is driven north 65 degrees, west and the rooms north. The rooms are 25 feet wide and the pillars 30 ft., what is the distance from centre to centre of room on the level? 15

7. In a dry and dusty mine, what system of watering and rolling stock would you instal? Under what conditions would you consider it advisable to prohibit the use of explosives in mines? 15

8. How would you deal with a creep in the mine, and how would you prevent its recurrence? In deep mines what system would you use to prevent it. 12

9. Describe with sketches the various kinds of timbering in levels and rooms? 15

10. What general rule would guide you in recovering a coal seam which may be lost by dislocations and faults? —10

THIRD CLASS CANDIDATES—MINING ACT AND SPECIAL RULES

1. What are the duties of the fireman as set forth in the special rules? 15

2. What are the duties of the shot-lighter as set forth in special rule 9A? 15

3. What are the requirements of the act as to bratticing and fencing in the mine? 10

4. What are the requirements of the general rules as to the examination and testing of safety lamps? 10

5. What are the regulations as to the use of safety lamps, open lights, or matches and tobacco, and where safety lamps are ordered to be used what further precautions are necessary? —10

6. What are the examinations required in a mine in which inflamable gas has been found within the preceding 12 months, and what are the requirements as to examination in a mine in which inflammable gas has been not found within the preceding 12 months? —15

7. What are the provisions of the Act as to the withdrawal of the workmen in case of danger? 10

8. What are the requirements of the Act as to man holes or places of refuge? 10

9. What are the requirements of the act as to ventilation? 10

10. What are the requirements of general rule 9 as to explosives and blasting? 20

MINE GASES AND GENERAL WORK

1. Name and describe the various gases met with in coal mines, and how detected. Give specific gravities, and the dangers to be apprehended from any or all of them? 20

2. As a fireman upon going on shift what importance would you attach to the reading of the barometer and water gauge and why? 12

3. What general principles would guide you in ventilating:
(a) Pillar workings
(b) Abandoned workings.
(c) Advanced headings in a gaseous mine?

4. Under what general conditions would you consider the use of explosives dangerous in a mine and explain the cause and danger of windy shots? —12

5. Mention the dangers to which safety lamps may become exposed and under what conditions they may be rendered unsafe? 10

6. What are the advantages of splitting the air current and to what extent may this principle be carried advantageously and why? 12

7. What are the principles that would guide you in commencing your duties as a fireman or shot lighter, and at what part of the ventilating current would you commence your duties and why? 10

8. Under what conditions would you consider it advisable to limit the shot firng to a shift when general mining operations are not carried on? 10

9. Make out an imaginary report of your examination as fireman, and mention simo irregularity or unusual condition which you may have encountered upon your rounds? 10

10. Ventilate the plan given using the conventional signs shown? 20

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Agent for
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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

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NEIL DUNLOP, Locator,
Oct 15-5t W.R.R.

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Located this 19th day of September, 1909.

NAT BABCOCK,
Agent for
HENRY BUGBEY, Locator.
Oct 15 5t W.R.R.

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.,

TO BE RIED AT NELSON

NELSON, B. C. Oct. 15—After disposing of a brief list of civil cases at Rossland Chief Justice Hunter reached here yesterday and next Tuesday his lordship will preside at the fall assizes, civil and criminal, which will commence on that date.

The principal criminal case is that of Frank Kootenay, an Indian who is charged with the wilful murder of another Indian named Antoine Baptiste, near Grassy Point on the Arrow Lakes on Aug. 15.

One, Lockhart, of Fernie is charged with theft in connection with the Fernie fire relief fund of last year.

About a dozen civil cases are on the list for trial, but none of them promises to be of more than local interest.

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Would the aldermen give bad water to their horses or dogs? No, they value them, but men's lives are cheap, the country is flooded with men, women and children and they are a drug on the market, so let them go.

A civic election will be on soon. See that you put in two or three men that will pay more attention to the lives of workingmen and their families, and do the other work after.

BRIBERY TO BE STOPPED

From certain information that the District officers obtained they were alarmed to find that bribery and corruption were practiced at Hosmer in connection with the hiring of miners. A certain corrupt, snake in the grass semi-official, has been in the habit of holding up the innocent Slavs and Italians, as well as a few English speaking people, for a commission or bonus for their job. This is as dirty a trick as one human being (if you can call such men human beings, we prefer the name of vultures for them) could enact upon another. The idea was to get these innocent people to pay so much for their jobs, and the poor man, not knowing he was being robbed, was an innocent party to the swindle. In the majority of cases it was worked on the foreign members who did not know but what the assessment was legitimate, and that made the scurvy trick all the more contemptible. But murder will out, and through the work of the ever-watchful district officers, this snake was caught red handed, as the following letter will show. But has the company discharged him as he deserves? We understand not, and that in itself is a menace to the future cleanliness of the system. They have taken the job of hiring the men out of his hands but is that enough? While he remains in the employ of the company he still has big chances to do corrupt and evil things, and a man (?) who will deliberately rob his brother toiler of his legitimate earnings will stop at nothing. Hosmer is not the only camp where such corrupt and dastardly tactics are practised, and others will be brought into the limelight soon if a move is not immediately made to stamp out this evil.

The foreign members of the U. M. W. of A. are the ones usually picked for these swindles, because of their ignorance of the customs of the country. Left alone the Italians and Slavonians are the most honorable men in the camps, but taken the way they are it is no wonder they fall such an easy prey to these bestial vampires. "Old Fighting Bill" the president of this District, as well as the other officials, are determined to see that the foreigners get as square a deal as any others, and for this reason are going to push a very vigorous campaign against this thieving policy, no matter who the culprit may be—so beware.

Following is Manager Stockett's letter admitting the fact of corruption:

Hosmer B. C., Oct. 16.

Wm. Powell, President District 18 U. M. W. of A.
Fernie, B. C.

Dear Sir: Hereafter the superintendent only will hire all of the men, and I think it would be well to send a letter to the local union here, calling attention to the fact, that the employee who offers or pays a bribe, is as guilty as the foreman who accepts it, and that the Company hereafter will discharge any employee guilty of these offences, and that if an employee is so discharged, he will not be upheld by the union.

This, with the other action I have taken, should effectually break up the practice.

Yours truly,
Lewis Stockett
General Manager.

Note the clause "the company hereafter will discharge any employee guilty of these offences." Now, it seems to us that that is an unsidedown way of doing things. Nine out of ten men who have paid a commission or bonus for their jobs have done so under a misapprehension, and the foreman is the one who is the thief, and the one who should suffer, not the poor dupe who thinks he is doing what is right and necessary in order to get a chance to earn a scanty existence for his wife and family.

Water is cheap, but workingmen's lives are cheaper. This is what you get for the votes and honor you sold last year in the civic election. Verily "he that soweth a wind shall reap a whirlwind.'

In connection with the inquest held last Friday night to enquire into the death of Carlo Mancieus, the verdict was one of the most sensible that has been rendered, and the jury should be complimented on their work. The president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer of the district did good work also, and obtained some good points, and showed that they are always on the alert in the interests of the workers. Too many deaths have been passed off as "accidental" and no recommendations appended. This has got to stop. The toll of capitalism is too strong.

The individual, a newspaper or organization that could please everyone would be a revelation to the universe, and entitled to more medals than Alexander the Great, who conquered the world, but did not please it. Christ didn't please all; we don't think you can; we know we can't, and we know 'twere folly to try.

The announcement has been made that the B. C. election will be held on November 25. This comes as no surprise to those who watch with any care the trend of public events. The political arena in the Fernie district is rather disturbed at present. The Socialists are in the field, and from past records, look like the winners this time. The present member announced some time ago that he would contest the riding again, and he probably will, but all is not seen on the surface. It is said that other members of the Conservative party have an itching for parliamentary honors and that there may be something doing before election time. We shall see what we shall see. In the meantime the workers are making a most successful canvas for the Socialist candidate, and prospects are indeed bright.

William Jennings Bryan is touring part of the west, and press reports show that he is meeting with splendid receptions. At last reports he had not been able to answer the query "What is to be done with the unemployed?"

The execution of Ferrer has by no means settled the battle of the workers in that dark Spanish land, but simply adds news fuel to the ever burning desire for freedom.

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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 1st day of September, 1909.

NAT BABCOCK, Agent,
A.S.FARQUHARSON, Locator
J. RAVEN, Witness

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EDMOND BOISJOLI, Locator
J. RAVEN, Witness

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P.A.FARQUHARSON, Locator
J. RAVEN, Witness.

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THE DISTRICT LEDGER

The Official Organ of District No. 18, U. M. W. of A.

Fernie, B.C., October 23rd, 1909

News From the Camps

From our own Correspondents

COAL CREEK

Quite a crowd visited Coal Creek on Saturday to take in the great football match, Coal Creek vs. Coleman. We hope they were satisfied because we were not by a long way. However the joke was on the C. N. P. league committee and we hope they thoroughly enjoyed it.

Vice-President Stubbs, Secretary-Treasurer Carter and Board Member Whitehouse were amongst the visitors to the Creek on Saturday for the football match.

The usual pay night crowd visited Fernie on Saturday night to take in the attractions of B. C.'s premier city. The picture show was crowded and it certainly was a good 25c worth. Out of the first fifty who entered the opera house over one half came from the same place, Whitehaven, Eng. We counted them so we know. Of course there were the usual number on the train going home who had imbibed too freely of cold tea and peanuts, but the behaviour was good.

We think we are entitled to a little more consideration by the M. F. and M. on pay Saturday nights. Two coaches for about 500 people is scarcely what one would call sufficient. The company put notices up threatening to prosecute any one standing on the platforms. There was no other place for them on Saturday. We noticed the conductor did not order them inside, same as he usually does. The reason was obvious that there was no inside, the coaches being a solid block from end to end. It was the same coming back. We look to see this remedied in the future.

Miss Florence Minnie Porteous of Boston, arrived here on Sunday on a visit to her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Puckey.

Mr. and Miss Errickson of Fernie visited the Creek on Sunday last and were delighted with the place?

Jack Harrington, Socialist candidate for the Fernie riding at the coming provincial elections, arrived in the Creek on Tuesday night. Jack has been organizing for the S. P. of C. for the past six months and looks all the better for his outing. He expects to start an active campaign in the course of a few days, mantime he is working as a laborer on the new club hall building.

Anyone who has been objected to in connection with the voting list and who are still residing in this riding should communicate with J. E. Smith house No. 172 at once. here have been two letters received from men who have been objected to and are still residents. Are there any others?

We notice Howard Marshall has returned to the Creek and commenced work again. That job at Frank did not last very long.

The rain which we have been having this week has interfered considerably with the work going on with the new buildings, viz., Trites-Wood Co., the Club and Supt. Heathcote's new residence. We are afraid the contractors will be a bit out in their reckoning before the buildings are completed.

A special train left here on Sunday afternoon last for the funeral of our late brother Carlo Maucleus.

The many friends of Charlie Alstead will be pleased to know that he is improving rapidly and will soon be able to leave hospital.

Work will commence on the improvements to the Methodist ministers residence on Monday next, October 28. The architects and contractors are Messrs. Joyce and Vickars. None but union help employed.

A grand concert is announced for Thanksgiving day in the Methodist church.

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FRANK

The mine has been idle here from Friday night until Thursday morning for the want of orders. The shaft is working steady.

Mrs. J. Derbyshire, who is now residing at Bellevue, passed through on Tuesday night's local bound for Michel on a visit.

The usual examinations of mine managers, pit bosses and fire bosses will be held here on or about the 2nd, 3rd and 4th of November.

Mrs. Zoulsh and son of Michel passed through here on Monday on a visit up the line.

WINNIPEG, Oct. 21—R. J. McNeillie chief clerk to C. E. McPherson, general passenger agent of the C. P. R., has been appointed district passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific for the Kootenays.

Letter Box

The editor is not responsible for the opinions of correspondents: Editor Ledger:

IN A NEW LIGHT

Coleman, Oct. 18.

Editor Ledger:

Sir: The seeming interest that has recently been displayed in labor organizations by some of the newspapers of this country, and particularly in our own district by the papers of the Foothills Jobbing Co., is now showing itself in its true light.

The struggle of the workers in the east has brought out some of the pseudo labor leaders, who enter the columns of that part of the press that is every ready to back up the cause of the master class against the slave, loudly declaiming against outside interference by labor leaders of another country; and against the International organization of the workers.

Such resolutions as have recently emanated from that august body know as the Canadian Federation of Labor, readily show, at least to those who know what that body is, the purpose of such a pus exuding bunch of political ferunculi.

We are told by certain newspaper men that if the officials of District 18 will officially denounce Socialism and the Socialists, that we can have their support, seemingly entirely forgetful of the fact that the miners in the Rocky Mountain constituency chose as their representative at Edmonton, C. M. O'Brien, a straight Socialist, and that in the last convention held in Lethbridge they adopted a Socialist resolution—with only one dissenting vote.

In a conversation recently Mr. Barrett of the Foothills Jobbing Co., stated to a miner at Coleman "If District 18 will place in its constitution a clause to the effect that they will agree to be bound by the decisions of all chairmen of boards, appointed under the Industrial Disputes Investigation Act, then we will fall in and support them.'

This is a rather bald way of explaining the position of the Coleman Miner, and any and all who encourage and support it.

If the mine workers of district 18 will agree to submit peaceably to the dictates of their masters entirely, they can get the support of not only the Coleman Miner, but of every member of the master class throughout Canada, and would be hailed by every prostituted newspaper man in the country as the greatest and most successful labor organization history has ever seen.

Mine workers of District 18, if you think you can fill the hungry mouths of your families and yourselves, with the goodwill of your masters, then hurry up and place this clause in your constitution, and become the abject, miserable slaves that such ranters would have you be.

MINER.

HE WANTS TO KNOW

Editor Ledger:

Sir: Will anyone inform me if the following rules, or rather sarcastic remarks of Miss B. today are to be strictly adhered to?

1: If you want to smoke get outside.

2: If you are not waiting for mail, get outside.

3: She actually opens the door and orders 15 men, a few ladies and children who probably cant afford to pay for a box to get outside in the cold, and return in half an hour. This is what I call an insult to injury to the public of Fernie. If those dear little things could only stand a little more smoke and lett chat the public might have a little more satisfaction from our post office. If we just had one or two men to deliver our mail once per day there would be no objection to smokers or loiterers. Why don't we have telephone outside the post office, then you could call your name out for mail as you pass by and perhaps get a love letter which belongs to someone else.

CITIZEN.

A TRIBUTE

Kenmare N. D. Oct. 20.

Editor Ledger:

Sir: I have just received copy of Ledger for 16th inst., containing news of the demise of F. H. Sherman, and truly I enver received a greater shock. Although knowing personally how he has suffered for years I did not expect such an early culmination in death. Will you kindly publish these few lines of mine as a testimony of the respect, yes, and love, of dear old Frank, because I loved the man. I have been by his side in many a fierce fight, political and social, and that is how I came to know him as he was, and truly he was a man worth knowing, and if in the unknown future it is possible I shall meet him again, I feel he will be the same, old sincere, honest, unwavering, astute leader of the forces of labor. Never was his moral and physical courage brought out in a greater degree than it was when he left his bed to take up the last fight before the board of inquiry in McLeod on May 20th, travelling through the dangerous and difficult places of Lille and Hillcrest mines to enter minutely into the details of the cases to be decided for or against the men he represented in District 18.

My mind goes back to the first time I met him in Morrisey, when I came to the country first. There he was, a small man physically, but a giant morally, fighting the powers of capital in its fiercest aspect as checkweighman, having to defend himself against the personal violence of a man who was determined that the miners should not have their just dues, and it is with pride I confess that in the first stage of its existence the U. M. W. of A. in Canada had such a leader as F. H. Sherman.

His career on this earthy sphere is at an end, but the moral force and lessons he has taught and left behind him will live forever in this country. Now I trust enemies and friends will join to honor the dead hero, and the needy living left behind to battle with this hard, cold world for mere existence. How his family will miss him—such a father and husband, yes, seldom it is that we meet such a one, and how considerate of others' failings, my own personal ones, and those of others as well.

When Frank Sherman gave advise I felt it was for my good, and had I followed it many a time I should have been a better man physically, mentally and morally today, and I know in the eternal order of things, he will be a striking figure in some other existence, whatever form that will take, and when it is decided how and in what form a monument will be erected to perpetuate his memory in Dist. 18 I will contribute my own mite and do my best to induce others of my comrades in this corner of the District to do the same.

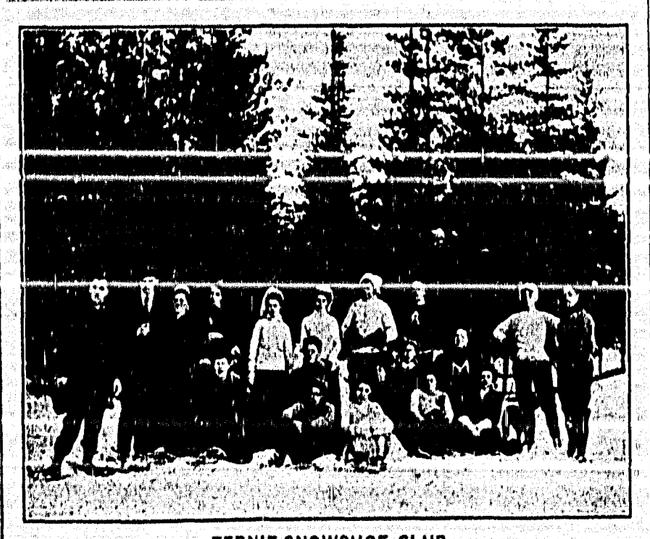
Adieu, Frank Sherman, thy memory will live with me while in this mortal frame, and without detracting from the personal respect I feel for the comrade that fills his chair, may he also turn out to exemplify his departed comrade.

Yours in the eternal fight,

Robert Evans

BIG PAPER

The Victoria Colonist are issuing a special number on November 6th under the auspices of the National Council of Women of Canada for British Columbia. The number will be profusely illustrated and will be on sale at local bookstores.



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BRYAN IN ALBERTA

William Jennings Bryan, the idol of the Democrats of the States, has been making a lecture tour of western Canada, speaking this week at Calgary and Lethbridge. Needless to say he has crowded houses. Although unsuccessful in his ambition to be President he loses none of his oratorical power, and impresses his hearers as a man of wonderful endowment.

RESIGNED

Two members of the B. C. cabinet have resigned on the eve of the election, their trouble being that they differ with Hon. McBride on the railway policy. The resignations have been accepted.

SPECIAL MUSIC

On Sunday evening in the Presbyterian church the subject will be Thanksgiving. A quartet, Mrs. Stevenson, Miss Skilling, Messrs. Stevenson and Smith will sing The King of Love, and Mrs. Waterhouse will sing The King of Eternity.

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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.
Oct. 16-5t

APPLICATIONS WANTED

For the position of janitor for the Miners' Hall, Fernie. Applicants to state wages required. All applications to be in not later than Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Address D. Rees, Box 361, Fernie B. C.

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.

GEORGE VINCENT
Oct 16 Dec 17 G.V.

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Dated this 16th day of October, 1909.

GEORGE VINCENT
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Mr. Elias Rogers, President of the Crows' Nest Coal Company, was in Victoria on the 21st inst., to discuss coal mining matters with the government. He was accompanied by Mr. J. D. Hurd, general manager of the Company, and Mr. W. R. Ross, M. P.P.

"On nothing does the future prosperity of British Columbia rest to such an extent as the proper development of the immense coal areas which lie within the confines of this province,' declared Mr. Rogers to the Victoria Colonist. "Up to date the companies which have been doing business in the interior have been operating under difficulties which have not been encountered in other countries, with the possible exception of Wales. The amount of coal in British Columbia, according to the best surveys, is sufficient to last for one thousand years, but the difficulties to be met with in some sections makes it imperative that every encouragement should be given to those engaged in the development of the fields. Some of the mines are somewhat gaseous and in some sections subject to more or less geological disturbance, with the result that as experience has shown, the mine operators have found what looks like a good workable area today, is, by a fault, rendered useless. Then again in the interior of the country it is extremely mountainous and it is extremely difficult to prove the coal by means of diamond drills."

The Crows Nest Pass Coal Co. is expending money at the rate of two million dollars annually in wages, and has spent in cash since operation first began on capital account over five million dollars. These figures indicate what an important place an industry of that magnitude occupies in the development of the resources of British Columbia. Just as soon as trade conditions warrant it, extensive additions to the company's plant will be made. In the past year nearly 300,000 dollars has been spent in the erection of an up to date steel tipple at Michel and the installation of an air compressor plant, together with other improvements, which will materially increase the company's efficiency as a producer. The output at the present time is about three thousand tons a day, a great portion of which goes into coke. Mr. Rogers says that in three years, if they receive the co-operation of the government, they will spend annually five million dollars in wages besides adding largely to the plant and output, and putting itself in a position to supply the markets along the line of railways in British Columbia, as well as the smelters in Montana and in the Coeur d'Alene section. At present the company has about twelve mines at Coal Creek and Michel, some of which however, have not yet been developed to any great extent.

Mr. Rogers stated that the reduction in the duty on coal recently made by the United States will not be of much benefit to the producers in the province for the present, at least. the duty was reduced from 60c to 45c per ton, but no reduction was made on coke, which forms such an important part of the industry of the province. The companys product is a high grade coking coal, and it is from coke that the company expects to make money.

Fernie, Mr. Rogers states, is being rapidly rebuilt. The fire was a blessing in disguise in that the town will be better built and the structures erected much more substantial than those destroyed in the recent fire of a year ago. There is little chance of such a conflagration again visiting the city. The woods surrounding Fernie have been burned away and increased fire protection is being provided. B. C. Mining Record.

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our cheerful hearth,
With their mother for the audience to
help enjoy the mirth,
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society,
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life a mockery.
'Tis true the printers cash gets short
and duns come in a hurry,
But the happy fellow does not fret he
lets the dunner worry,
He always has a conscience clear—a
disposition sunny,
He knows that life has always jobs
besides the chase for money,
For the moulder of opinion is a happier man by far
Than the man who owns a palace, a
yacht and private car.
And when he goes to his reward he
knows that all is well,
While the man who makes his wealth
his god may some day wake in
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THE HUMAN ELEMENT OF OUR NATIONAL RESOURCES

A Yale Professor Would Prevent Waste of Vitality by Taking Greater Care of the People.

(Industrial Index)

The greatest waste in our country and all over the world is not coal and timber, but the life and energy of citizens, says Professor Irving Fisher of Yale College. It is a more important question, he asserts, that forest conservation, the utilization of water power or the redemption of the arid lands.

In his opinion it is a matter of reproach that we should take more pains in the welfare of livestock than in that of human beings. He would have a national health bureau, whose energies in part should be directed toward providing better living for the people, as a means of heading off disease, and in part redeeming us from present physical ills.

It is more important that the milk we drink should be pure than the cow from which it comes should have a pedigree. It is just as vital that our food should be free from injurious adulterations as that we should increase the area of cultivated land. The regulation of women and child labor, the enforcement of the use of safeguards in hazardous employment and the improvement of tenement house conditions are larger problems than national expansion.

The national government, the states and the municipalities, he claims, should steadfastly devote their energies and resources to the protection of the people from disease. Such protection is quite as properly a governmental function as protection from foreign invasion, from criminals or from fire.

It is both bad policy and bad economy to leave this work mainly to the weak and spasmodic efforts of charity, or to the philanthropy of physicians.

Through a systematic and constant means of presenting facts to the people, everything pertaining to their health should be made a matter of common knowledge. Just as now the department of agriculture supplies specific information to the farmer in respect to raising crops and livestock, so should a department devoted to health be able to provide every health officer, school teacher, physician, employer and private family and individual with knowledge by which the danger signal could be promptly raised against every enemy. The saving to the poor of doctor bills and of time lost from employment would in itself many times repay the cost of this form of public service.

More legislation should be advocated and enforced, he argues, to the end that streets be kept clean, garbage properly removed, sewage properly disposed of, air pollutions of all kinds prevented and noises lessened. There should be measures to prevent infection being carried by flies, mosquitoes, other insects and vermin and by prostitution.

Water supplies should be guarded with greater care, the standards for milk purity rigidly enforced and foods exposed for sale should be inspected. Clean slaughter houses and dairies, sanitary regulation of shops, lodging houses and even boarding houses may properly come under the attention of municipal health bureaus, which may be a branch of the national health department.

The dark and poorly ventilated tenement should be eliminated by law, and no one be forced to the necessity of living amidst surroundings where the germs of disease lurk and where vitality is lessened by lack of light and air.

He would have school children medically inspected and school hygiene universally practiced. This would involve better protection against the school epidemics, better ventilation, light and cleanliness of the school room, the discovery and correction of adenoids, eye strain and nervous strain generally, and the provision for play grounds. The principles of health and the things that will develop sound, capable human beings should be taught in all common schools and in every higher institution of learning.

Through these and other means which he points out, Professor Fisher believes that we could within a short time check the greatest of all wastes which the American nation faces at the present time.

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"Not only that, but you have to pay cawsh for them."
"That's deucedly vulgah, bab Jove!"

CHAPTER OF TROUBLE

Broncho Ran Away

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, Oct. 18.—James Armstrong, a MacDonald farmer received painful injuries by a runaway accident on Sunday. He was driving a newly broken broncho and the animal became frightened and ran away. Mr. Armstrong was turned out and was badly cut and bruised.

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Gored to Death by Bull

HOLLAND LANDING Ont., Oct. 18—Peter Morrison, an East Gwilliambury farmer, aged 75, was leading the bull into the stable when the animal turned on him, and knocked him down and inflicted fatal injuries before he could be rescued.

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Four Burned to Death

WICHITA, Kas., Oct. 20—Four men were burned to death and one man fatally burned in a fire here today. The men were asleep in the hay when the barn caught fire. Thirty horses were also burned to death. The fire is believed to have been incendiary.

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Switchman Killed

FORT WILLIAM, Ont. Oct. 20—W. McCall, C. P. R. switchman, was run over in the yards on Saturday night and lost both legs. The unfortunate man died while under the influence of chloroform. For a number of years he was engaged as a locomotive engineer at Chapleau, where the remains will be interred. His age was 25 years.

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Took an Overdose

TORONTO, Oct. 20—Wm. H. Thomson, aged 33 years of 166 Lippincott street, died at midnight from an overdose of veronal sleeping powder, under circumstances not yet known. Deceased was well known in investment circles, and had been in business selling municipal debentures.

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Machine Shop Accident

COLLINGWOOD, Ont. Oct. 18.—A serious accident occurred in the machine shop of the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company whereby a young man named William Oliver, residing in town, had both his legs broken and one arm broken. He was caught by the shaft of the machinery and was very severely injured, his clothing being torn into shreds b ythe revolving shaft.

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Suicide Epidemic

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 20.—The prefect of police here has applied to the minister of the interior for permission to apply for restrictive measures to the sale of certain drugs, on account of the widespread employment of these for purposes of suicide. As many as twenty cases of suicide have been reported in St. Petersburg by the police.

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Shoots Himself

ROSTHERN, Sask. Oct. 20—James Warrington, a homesteader living at Kilwinning, forty miles northwest of Rosthern, shot and killed himself at 6 o'clock yesterday morning with a rifle. It is believed to be a case of suicide, as Warrington had been much worried over money matters. He was dead when a member of the family went to the stable to investigate the shot.

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On Trial for Murder

TORONTO, Oct. 20—The trial of Mrs. Mabel Turner for the alleged murder of the infant child of Mrs Authers of this city, began here yesterday before Mrs. Justice Magee. It is alleged that Mrs. Turner, who adopted the child in consideration of $100, threw it out of the window of a New York Central Ry. passenger train near Niagara Falls.

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Faith Curist in Trouble

WELLAND, Oct. 21—E. Beckan of Cortland, was committed for trial here, charged with neglecting to provide medicine and medical assistance for his daughter, Ruth, 5 years of age, who was ill of diphtheria, which is alleged to be the cause of death. Beckan is a faith curist. He is out on bail.

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Hotelman Crushed

PITTSBURG, Oct. 21—With his head crushed Calvin House, proprietor of the House Hotel at Riches Landing, near her, was found seriously injured near his place of business early today and died shortly after without regaining consciousness. He is known to have carried a large sum of money which is missing.

A DULL SCHOLAR

A negro boy was up for the fifth time on charges of chicken stealing. This time the magistrate decided to appeal to the boy's father.

"Now see here, Abe," said he to the darky, "this boy of yours has been in court so many times for stealing chickens that I am tired of seeing him here."

"Ah don' blame you, sir," returned the father. "Ah's tired of seein' him here too.'

"Then why dont you teach him how to act? Show him the right way and he won't be coming here."

"Ah has showed him de right way, sah," declared the old man earnestly. "Ah has suttenly showed 'im de right way, but he somehow keeps gettin' caught coming way wid dose chickens!"

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Sunday School Suggestive Questions

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

OCTOBER 24 1909

Paul a Prisoner before Festus and Agrippa.—Acts 25: 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. 2 Tim. 1:12.

Verse 6—Who was this Festus referred to in this verse.

From the preceding five verses, what had the Jews requested Festus to do?

Verse 7—On what principle can you explain the bitter hatred which the Jews had for Paul?

Will a religious bigot, who is full of hatred as these Jews were, stop short of swearing to a lie to accomplish his purpose?

Should any Christian believe or circulate a charge against any person that he has not got ample proof of?

Verse 8.—As a matter of fact had Paul in any sense, broken any Jewish law?

Which at this time were really in the most unenviable situation, Paul or his accusers, and why?

Verses 9-12.—When a judge or a magistrate favors the prosecution, and makes harsh remarks against the prisoner during the taking of the evidence, thus prejudicing the jury, is such a man fit for a judicial position?

When a Christian is accused of wrong doing, and is innocent, should he insist upon his innocence or be patient and silent and wait for the facts to speak?

Paul was no doubt wise in refusing to go to Jerusalem but was he equally wise in not insisting that his trial be finished at Caesarea, and in his appeal to Caesar?

If you were a minister to be tried for heresy, which tribunal would you rather select, a prejudiced conference or synod or general assembly, or convention or a committee of secular high court judges?

Chap. 26: 1-11.—Who was this Agrippa and what brought him to Caesarea?

If a man's cause is just will a knowledge of the facts always help him?

What are the leading points here outlined of Paul's defence before King Agrippa?

Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you that God should raise the dead? Verse 8.

Was Paul any better when he persecuted and caused Christians to be put to death, than the Jews were then in wanting to put him to death?

How do you estimate Paul's character before his conversion?

Verses 12-18— What points of resemblance are there between Paul's conversion and that of a sinner's today?

Why did Paul so frequently describe his conversion?

What was God's object, as here described in Paul's conversion, and what is God's object in every conversion?

Verses 19-23—Is it possible that some sinners get a call from God fully as marked as Paul's and yet refuse to comply and go on in their sins?

What difference is there between a man before and after he turns to God? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club.)

Verses 24-32—Why did Festus interrupt Paul and say he was mad?

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?

Why are not all persons Christians who have heard the voice of God calling them to repentance?

Lesson for Sunday, October 31st 1909. Paul a Prisoner.—The Voyage, Acts 27: 1-26.

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Golden Text.—Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass. Ps. 37:5.

Verses 1-8—The writer of this narrative appears to be a companion of Paul on his journey—who was he?

Who were the others that sailed with Paul?

What results are likely to follow, when a man of God is compelled to be in the company of criminals?

Who was this man Julius, and what probably induced him to treat the prisoner Paul with such leniency?

Is there any position in life, however undesirable, in which God does not give his children special comfort, even when in prison, and can you give some examples of this?

Julius gave Paul his freedom to visit his friends when the ship touched at Sidon; would it have been honorable of Paul to have made his escape and not to have returned to the ship, seeing he was an innocent man on parole?

Can you tell, or point out on the map, where Sidon, Cyprus, Pamphylia, Myra and the other places here mentioned are situated?

When the winds are against us, or we are becalmed on the voyage of life, and making but little headway, is it a hinderance or a help to the soul poised on God?

Verses 9-11—Why is the advice of a man of God, other things being equal, more to be trusted than that of a non-believer?

Did Paul give the advice for them not to proceed, but to winter at the "fair havens," from his human judgmen or from God's direction?

Why may, or may not, a true Christian always depend that the judgments he forms in the great crises of life as well as in ordinary affairs, are really inspired of God and can therefore be depended upon? (See John 14: 26 et seq.)

Verses 12-20—When we are faced with a great problem as to the way to take or the thing to do, is there always in the mind of God the thing we ought to do, and is ther a possibility for us to find out with certainty what it is? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club.)

Why is it that God sometimes leads us contrary to what the circumstances would suggest?

When we are irresistably driven by a "euroclydon" and appear at the mercy of the wind and sea, is there reason to believe that we are just as safe, and as much in Gods keeping, as when the south winds blow softly?

When in stress and strain, in wind and storm, and we appear to be driving into disaster and death, will the consciousness that God is with us, quicken or deaden our activities to save ourselves?

Verses 21-26—Is there ever any use in crying over spilt milk?

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?

What did these people miss, and what did they suffer, for having failed to use God's first best plan for their safety?

Lesson for Sunday, Nov. 9th, 1909. Paul a Prisoner—The Shipwreck. Acts xxvii:27 to xxviii:10.

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CALGARY, Alta. Oct. 21—Within the past few days a deal has been put through here by which a company of German capitalists has secured possession of the Kanaskis coal fields near Banff and the Brazeau coal field in the neighborhood of Yellowhead Pass.

The price paid has not been definitely stated but it is said to be in the neighborhood of $10,000,000.

The supply of seam coal in both fields is regarded as practically inexhaustible and it is believed they will form the chief source of supply for the Grand Trunk Pacific as well as a partial supply for the Canadian Northern.

The Canadian Northern is understood to be heavily interested with the German financial men in the new venture and one of the first moves on the part of Mackenzie and Mann interests will be to construct a railroad fifteen miles in length from the Kanaskis fields to the main line of the C. P. R. so as to supply to that road coal which has now to be brought from the Crow's Nest region.

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The Jealousy of Pepe

An Adventure in the Pyrenees

(Concluded from last week.)

"No, no, don't go," she whispeher. "You'll be killed. Pepe must have managed to get into the house. If only father were here the villain—he would never have dared to do it—no—never."

"Where is your father now?" I asked.

"On an expedition, and he won't be back until tomorrow."

"Never mind. I'm not afraid of Pepe and——"

"But he won't be alone. He'll be there with others in an ambush and you——"

Pushing the girl aside I strode toward the door and opened it. There was nobody. At least I saw no one, for it was pitch dark; but I heard a creaking, which seemed to come from the stairs. So like a fool I advanced a step or two—and walked into the trap laid for me.

In an instant I was seized by several strong arms and in such a perfect manner—due to years of practice I suppose—that I had not even the chance of a struggle.

A gag was clapped to my mouth and my revolver wrenched from my hand and my arms pinioned, my ankles shackled, and all with such lightning like rapidity that within ten seconds I was lying on the ground bound both hand and foot and as helpless as a mummy.

As for Juana, who had come running to the door, I could hear, though I could not see, that her manner toward me had changed completely.

"Pepe is that you?" she asked anxiously.

A man beside me growled assent. I expected an angry scene of jealousy, but evidently the fellow was reserving that for a better occasion when he should find her alone.

"Have you got him?" she continued.

"Yes, we have him all right, but it is not your fault that he did not escape from us!"

She laughed. "No, it's not. I did not want you to catch him for I wanted father to do that. Don't kill him here though. I don't want father to be accused of murder."

"He won't be killed," chuckled Pepe. "He'll kill himself, by walking over the Garganta" (a precipice in the neighborhood.)

Drops of perspiration stood out on my forehead as I realized the fate that these cruel ruffians had in store for me.

"That's safer," agreed the girl. "But you'd better keep him until father has returned. He would also like to see the fun."

The wretched creature! So she had been playing with me as well!

"It's too risky," said another.

"Oh, is that you, Juana?" cried the girl. "Father'll be glad to know that you sneaked into his house at night with Pepe. But he will be angry if you do not let him take a part in the despatching of this miserable spy."

"But you needn't tell him anything about it; and we shan't tell him that you had fallen in love with the fellow," sneered Pepe.

"Hold your tongue!" growled another individual.

"Is that you, Paco?" said Juana. "Well you all know my father. Cheat him of the fun his daughter had in store for him and you'll see what will happen. Some of you won't be feeling happy soon."

In the meantime I had been ruthlessly slung on the shoulders of two men and a horse blanket was thrown over me and I was borne down the stairs followed by others and Juana. We crossed the general room and made for the door, then out on the street. And I could hear Juana's last words ringing in my ears as she bolted the door and turned back into the house:

"Oh well I don't care what you do with him. But remember my father will be angry."

Then it was that hope practically deserted me. What a cunning, deceitful vixen that girl was. Never should I believe one again and then I smiled bitterly at the irony of that thought. For certain it was that these ruffians would never give me the opportunity of trusting man or woman again. They meant to hurl me over that terrible precipice and when my mangled body was found—perhaps weeks after—my death would be put down as the result *of an accident.*

A moment more and we began our silent journey through the streets of the village. One past the last huts my captors' walk sharpened and we went up into the hills. I knew where the Garganta lay, having already admired it and I knew that on the way we would have to pass the old castle of which mention had been made at the priest's that very afternoon. Would they make away with me at once or would they delay my execution until daylight?

My speculations were soon set at rest. Halting at the Castillo, the men entered one of the cells of the old ruin and threw me none too gently on some bundles of straw in the corner. Then they began discussing whether they should despatch me to the other world immediately or wait until the return of Juan's father should return. The last words of the girl had evidently had the desired effect, not that it mattered much to me for the ultimate end would be the same in both cases—but a man likes to hang on to life if even by a thread as long as possible. Pepe showed himself very obstinate wishing to get me out of the way as soon as possible. At last after much debating it was decided to make me walk over the precipice at noon on the following day whether Juana's father had returned or not.

The gag was now taken out of my mouth and I was warned that if I were to make as much as a sound I should be instantly knifed. In vain I tried to persuade them that I was no police spy and that they had been deceived by Pepe who was jealous because I had chatted with Juana. But they would not believe me.

"Shut up and don't whine," said one of them. "Take your fate as a man. When you catch one of us we don't plead for our life?"

"But I'm not a spy."

"Pepe knows you are."

"He's a liar and he knows it well, too."

At the words Pepe made a furious lunge at me with his knife, but was stopped by Paco who said surlily:—"Enough of that. We're not in the habit of killing folk in cold blood, Pepe. Let the fellow have his say until tomorrow; you can have yours for weeks after."

With a curse Pepe retreated. As for me, I saw it was absolutely useless to continue defying them to prove I was other than what I said I was, and so I lay sullenly awaiting the hour of my doom.

Shortly before dawn my captors decided to continue their march to a cave situated near the precipice, and accordingly I was again hoisted on the shoulders of two men, having been previously gagged. Strange to say the thongs and ropes with which I was bound and which were eating their way into my swollen flesh caused me no pain at the time. I was, however perspiring freely at the thought—ever present in my mind—of my approaching fate, and the terrible, mental agonies I was suffering seemed to deaden my nerves to any sense of physcical pain.

It was already daylight when we reached the cave, where I was unceremoniously thrown down on the sand. As far as I could make out the hollow was either the mouth of an abandoned mine or a cave or natural grotto. The farther end was buried in the deepest gloom and the cave seemed to extend indefinitely into the interior of the mountain.

Of the ruffians who were going to make me walk the plank within six hours all but Pepe and Paco—the latter probably remaining because he did not trust his companion—went off to the village to get food and drink and to reconnoitre as to where the gendarmes were prowling on that day.

My two custodians sat smoking and yawning until the sun rose and then went outside to stretch their limbs and get a breath of fresh air. They did not so much as throw a glance in the direction of where I lay bound, gagged and helpless as a babe.

Oh, the torture of those long hours!—or were they only minutes. The stupid things that crossed the mind for a moment and then fled away, to be succeeded by the realization of the imminent danger one is in!

As I was thus quivering at the very thought of death, and at the same time picturing my friends at Jaca shaking their heads wisely when the news of my death—by "accident"— would get to them, I felt a light touch on the shoulder fartherst from the door and heard a voice whisper—

"Don't move!"

It was Juana! Now I understood why she had pretended to be so indifferent as to my capture, and had told the men that she had been keeping me at the inn until her father's return. What a fool I had not been to see it all before! And I also comprehended why she had threateend them into waiting before killing me; it was in order that she might have a good chance to save me without informing the police which would in all probability have meant her father's ruin. To think that for an instant I should have doubted her—this brave, fearless *and quick witted Juana!*

With a strong knife she was cutting the thongs that bound me, at the same time warning me not to make a movement. Finally the last lash was cut and I was, relatively speaking, a free man. But how my arms and legs ached. At first I could not move them at all, and it was only after a time, that to me seemed ages, that they both seemed numbless. As for the gag it was the last thing she cut, thus giving another proof of her wit and cunning.

Finally she thrust a revolver into my hand.

"Kill Pepe!" she hissed into my ear; "not Paco for he is a good man."

Her ideas of good and bad may have been primitive, but I was not there to argue that point with her. It was clearly to me my duty to get her away as well as myself whether I had to shoot down one man or two.

I motioned her to get back into the farther end of the cave—a suggestion however, that she flatly refused to carry out. Then I lay still for a moment or two, enjoying the feeling of returning strength.

Slowly I got on to my hands and knees and crawled towards the opening. I had not made up my mind as to how I was going to act when Fate, which plays such an important part in the lives and doings of men and women, came to my help. For Paco got up and walked slowly away.

"I'll just go and see whether they are coming," he remarked to his companion.

Pepe grunted.

"Perhaps you'll not find him alive when you come back, you idiot," he muttered to himself and a murderous smile crossed over his evil face.

Evidently he was waiting for Paco to get some distance away; then he meant to come in and give me a knife thrust. It was time to act. So I advanced cautiously, my eyes fixed on the ruffian who sat a few yards from the mouth of the cave. I could not have been more than a foot from the opening when I paused.

"Shoot him!" whispered Juana in a hoarse voice behind me and it then flashed across me how much she hated the man.

Just then Pepe turned and saw me. He shouted a terrible oath and his hand flew to his pocket for his revolver. We were so close to each other that it was a matter of first shot. We could hardly have missed at that range. All I remember is that there was a sharp report and I saw my intending murderer fall.

"Run!" said Juana as we both hurried out into the bleeding sunlight, "into the bush."

We had no time to lose for we could hear Paco coming back to the cave. He walked sharply and there was a dangerous look on his face, as we could see from behind the shrub from where we were standing.

"He thinks you have been killed or he would have run," said Juana. With that she crawled swiftly away and I followed her.

I paused again for a moment to look behind me and saw Paco come up to the cave, start at the sight of his dead companion, and then looking around he espied me. Again there was a report and I felt a stinging sensation in my left arm. I was just going to shoot when—

"Paco, it is I!" cried Juan and she stood up boldly.

The man lowered his weapon, with amazement written on his face.

"You?"

"Yes. Pepe was a liar. This man is no spy."

"That's what you say."

"Well if he had been a spy would Pepe have been so eager to kill him in cold blood and risk the gallows for his hastiness? He was simply jealous of him because I spoke to him. That's all. And a nice lot of fools he made of you fellows!"

Paco stared at her.

"And what are you going to do now?" she asked after a pause.

"If it's as you say a love quarrel, I'm with you and so are all the boys," replied Paco. "I had my suspicions all along."

"I know you did."

"But, by heaven," he went on "if that man were to breathe a word to the police——"

"He is no spy I tell you," said the girl fiercely. "Won't you believe me or do you want a bullet through you like your friend there?"

This bluff evidently had the desired effect for Paco shrugged his shoulders.

"Let him promise," he said.

Needless to say I gave the desired assurance gladly—the more so considering that in no case could I have breathed a word about the affair on account of Juana's father.

Then I must have fainted for when I opened my eyes I was in my bed in the inn and the village doctor was attending to my wound. I got rapidly well in the bracing air of the mountain and made many friends amongst those who had previously suspecte me. Although I could never be persuaded to join them on their expeditions, their smuggling yarns interested me greatly, and I learnt that they had a code of honor among themselves stricter even than that which rules most law abiding persons.

As for Pepe it was rumored— and by those who knew otherwise—that he had been shot by a French carbineer, and there the matter dropped. As for the servant at the inn who had admitted Pepe in secret, she disappeared and it is just as well for her that she did for Juana would have had a bone to pick with her.

Juana's father was intensely proud of his daughter when he heard all the details of the adventure from my lips. The good man was always singing her praises to me probably because in me he had found his future son in law. But Juana knew otherwise for I lost no time in telling her that I had a novia in Madrid. This did not affect her regard for me, and when a year later she wrote informing me that she was going to marry Paco, she added quaintly "if you see no objection."

I hope my little wedding gift satisfied her on that score.

When the wives and daughters of all union men demand the label on all their purchases, then will unionism have received an impetus that can not be stopped by all the injunctions *or other obstructions ever devised by* greedy men.

DOCTORS SAID ONLY ZAM-BUK COULD CURE ECZEMA

In view of the numerous cures which Zam-Buk has worked when all else has failed, there is little wonder that in the end the doctor attending Mrs. J. P. St. Denis, of 305 Thompson street, Winnipeg, should tell her there was nothing but Zam-Buk could cure her. The result showed the far seeing wisdom of this practitioner, and having been completely cured by Zam-Buk Mrs. St. Denis gievs her experience for the benefit of other sufferers.

She says: "Eczema started on one side of my face and nose. At first my nose felt sore, similar to what one feels with a bad cold. I paid no attention to this thinking that it would pass away in a day or so, but to my surprise it got worse. The nose then became swollen and hard and turned a purplish red, as well as part of the cheek on that side of my face.

"As the disease developed pimples and ulcers broke out, then the skin cracked in places and peeled off in flakes leaving my face and nose raw and sore. This condition reacted on my general health and I became very ill. I could get no sleep at night because of the irritation and the pain, and my face was in such a shocking condition that for two months I did not go out of the house. I applied remedies which were supposed to be good for skin diseases but in vain.

"My doctor also treated me, but without effect, until one day he said that the only thing which would now be likely to cure me was Zam-Buk.

"Acting on his advice I procured a supply and found that even the first few applications had a soothing effect on the sores. I left off everything else in favor of this balm and applied it liberally every day to affected parts. In a remarkably short time, considering the obstinate nature of my disease we saw traces of improvement, which encouraged us to persevere with the Zam-Buk treatment. Zam-Buk reduced the discoloraton, then the hard swelling began to show traces of leaving, the sores seemed less angry and in about three weeks time most of the sores were healing nicely. To cut a long story short I continued with the Zam-Buk treatment until my face was cleared completely of all traces of the troublesome and painful eczema."

Such was the experience of Mrs. St Denis, and scores of other sufferers could tell of other experience. Zam-Buk is nature's own healer, being composed of pure herbal healing essences, and free from all traces of harmful animal fat or mineral poison. It is a safe cure for cuts, lacerations, burns, eczema, ringworm, poisoned wound, festering sores, bad leg, and all skin injuries, and diseases. Zam-Buk is also a cure for piles. Druggists and stores everywhere sell at 50c. a box, or post free from the Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, on receipt of price. You are warned against cheap and harmful imitations sometimes represented as "just as good."

The union shop improves the environment of those who labor, thereby enhancing the quality of citizenship.

High wages and satisfactory conditions of employment are the direct result of organization. Unorganized wage earners nurse grievances; organized wage earners remove them.

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 those 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 La 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.

Bags: Gulf Bag Co., New Orleans, La., branch Bemis Brothers, St. Louis, Mo.

Brooms and Dusters: The Lee Broom and Duster Company, Davenport, Ia.; M. Goellerfs Sons, Circleville, Ohio; Merkle-Wiley Broom Company, Paris Ill.

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

C. W. Post, Manufacturer of Grape Nuts and Postum Cereal, Battle Creek Mich.

Fibreware: Indurated Fibre Ware Co., Lockport, N. Y.

Furniture: American Billiard Table Co., Cincinnati, O.; O. Wisner Piano Co., Brooklyn N.Y.; Krell Piano Co., Cincinnati O.; Derby Desk Co., Boston Mass.

BRITISH PENSIONERS

BRITAIN HAS A BIG LIST OF LUCKY ONES.

Some of the Persons on National Payroll Have Been Drawing Salaries For Fifty Years—One Man Inherited Pension Which Began Six Years Before He Was Born—Abolished Offices Account For Many.

A blue book containing the names of the nation's pensioners who have at one time or another held office in the civil service shows that there are some lucky individuals who have been drawing pensions since the fifties. The civil service pensioners draw between them £644,616 a year, and the amounts vary from the £1,700 received by retired ambassadors like Sir Horace Rumold and Sir Edmund Monson down to the £1 2s. 6d. a year received by Mr. E. Moran, apothecary in Dublin Castle, whose office was abolished in 1874.

The ages to which some of these pensioners live is astonishing. Men who retired on the ground of ill-health or old age back in the fifties still draw their annual supend. There is one man named W. Learmonth, who appears to have inherited a pension which began six years before he was born. He was Lord Chancellor's messenger in the Supreme Court of Judicature, and the entries against his name are: "Retired at twenty-seven; cause, abolition of fees; pension commenced on Jan. 11, 1832, succeeded to compensation May 6, 1865." This individual also draws £47 12s., as a "commutation annuity," and since 1879 another £24 3s. as a "commutation annuity" from the National Debt Commissioners.

Then there is a Mr. F. R. Brande, whose office as moneyers' apprentice in the Royal Mint was abolished in 1851, when he was twenty-two. He has drawn £150 a year compensation allowance since then, or £8,550 in all. But as well as this, Mr. Brande put in forty-four years' service as a clerk in the Mint and retired in 1891 at the age of 61, with a pension of £311 2s. 2d. a year, his salary having been £466 13s. 4d.

There was another nineteen-year-old moneyers' apprentice named H. Finch when the office was abolished in 1851. He, too, draws £150 a year.

W. M. Carpendale, a clerk in the National Debt office, retired in 1854, at the age of 28, on the ground of "ill-health." He still draws a pension of £32 a year.

A curious pension granted in the same year is that under the heading of "Slave trade services" to a storekeeper at St. Helena, who still draws £43 a year because his office was abolished.

Since 1862 Henry Mills, formerly lower turnkey at the old Queen's Prison, has drawn £4 9s. 9d. because his office was abolished.

In the report there are numerous instances of men who retired thirty and forty years ago on the ground of ill-health still drawing their pensions. An instructor in mat-making at Pentonville Prison has drawn £22 18s. 11d. a year since 1866. An inspector of fisheries has drawn £367 a year since 1867.

The great majority of the prison pensioners seem to have retired because of bad health, and there are hundreds of cases given in the blue book.

When the tolls on Chelsea bridge were done away with in 1879, J. J. Browning, the collector, was given a pension of £17 1s. 2d., which he still draws.

A very large pension that has been paid for many years is that to Sir T. G. Fardell, M.P. for North Paddington, whose office as registrar in the Bankruptcy Court was abolished in 1872, when he was 38 years old. He held office for four years at a salary of £1,000. His compensation allowance has been £666 13s. 4d. a year for the last thirty-six years, or £24,000 in all.

Another active pensioner is Sir Courtenay Ilbert, the clerk of the House of Commons, whose salary is £2,000 a year. He draws £1,000 a year pension in respect to the office of Parliamentary counsel, which he held for fifteen years.

The names of a number of pensioners are given whose service in office ranged from thirty years to the forty-seven years of O. May, a laborer at Hampton Court, who retired at the age of 74, and the fifty-five years of a British museum attendant.

One of the most curious pensions in the report is that under the Irish Civil Service. It is £64 3s. 4d. given to T. Moriarity, a "seneschal" at Dublin Castle, whose office was abolished in 1850.

Here is a list of distinguished pensioners:

Lord Cromer, £900; Sir Henry Drummond-Wolff, £1,700; Sir E. Malet, £1,700; Sir Norman Lockyer, £533; Lord Welby, £1,541; Lord Sanderson, £1,533; Sir E. Bradford, £828; Sir Robert Anderson, £400; Sir Digby Picott, £1,000; Lord Dunboyne, £1,200; Sir Nigel Kingscote, £200.—London Express.

England's Oldest Castle.

Manchester Castle is said to be one of the oldest inhabited houses in Britain. It was old in King Henry's time, for it appears to have been the Romans who first raised its huge gray towers to defend the passage of the river Esk running below its walls. From its perch on Hardknot fell it commands the country from the hills to the shore, a position of immense importance so near to the border. At the time of the Norman invasion the fortress was given to the Penningtons, who have held it ever since.—Westminster Gazette.

Not Too Blind.

Angelina—Oh, dear, the diamond in my engagement ring has got a flaw in it.

Edwin—Take no notice, darling. Love should be blind, you know.

Angelina—Yes, but it hasn't got to be stone blind.

THINGS FOR THE HOUSE

Old Fashioned Dinner Bell Revived—A Dish Rack.

USEFUL WHEN SERVING CHOPS

A New Gridiron Promises to Revolutionize the Art of Broiling Steaks. It Is Easy to Clean and Can Be Taken Apart if Desired.

That all softening,
Overpowering knell,
The tocsin of the soul—
The dinner bell.

Of mission oak and brass is the dinner bell seen in the illustration. Fashioned like the old "town bells" used in the villages during colonial days and by English and French peasants to call town meetings, it is odd and attractive.

The tone of the brass bell is deep and rich. The slightest pull on the leather thong suspended from it will make it ring long enough to call any ordinary hungry mortal to dinner.

In a mission furnished hall this would add a quaint and artistic touch.

Another new household invention is the chop rack. How often has the polish on a dining table been ruined by an unsightly mark made by the contact of a hot dish!

Some servants are so careless they never seem to learn that hot dishes will mark a table unless a thick mat is placed under them. Now the shops show a dish rack made especially for a chop dish, but which can be used for

MISSION DINNER BELL.

any other purpose desired, which holds the hot dish one inch from the table, thus precluding any possible harm to the table from heat.

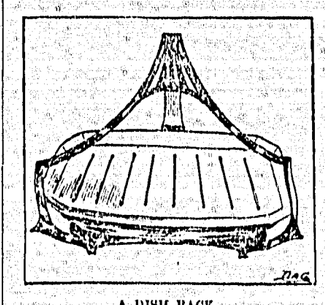
The rack is of nickel, which, by the way, is a good substitute for silver. It never becomes tarnished and if rubbed with a hot, damp cloth and dried quickly it shines like new silver. The rack is fashioned so as to make it easy to place the dish or to remove it. The handle at the top is to use when carrying the hot dish to the table.

As chops should always be served piping hot, this is indeed a solution of the question of how to obtain the best results.

A grooved gridiron that is among the new things of the season promises to revolutionize the art of broiling steaks or chops.

The new gridiron is provided with a rest that tilts it in such a way that the grooved iron on which the chop or steak rests inclines toward the back of the stove and terminates in a little trough, into which the gravy finds its way as it courses down the grooves. In this manner not a drop of the juice of the meat is lost.

The cleverest part of the device is the way in which the fire is allowed



A DISH RACK.

to get at the meat while at the same time being deprived of its drippings of gravy. A series of slits in the sides of the grooved channels, at a height which, while permitting the cooking to proceed, precludes the possibility of the gravy escaping into the fire, make of the new gridiron as perfect a cooking utensil as the old one, but with the advantage of preserving the juice of the meat. The grooved part is removable for purposes of cleaning, and the gridiron can be used apart from it if it is desired.

Blanket Bath Robes.

If you have a friend who is going to be married and you want to make her some dainty personal thing build her a bath robe out of a silk blanket.

The blankets are sold in the shops at reasonable prices. They are widely striped in pink and blue, violet and buff, blue and white.

One of these can be easily arranged for a loose kimono robe. Large armholes are cut, and square sleeves are arranged in with the back and fronts. The stripes must go across in order to give a good hang to the blanket. The edges are bound with four inches of [illegible] to match the color of one of the stripes.

C. P. R. TIME TABLE

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

Change takes effect Sunday June 6.

G. N. TIME TABLE

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

For sale: Pure bred Irish Water-Spaniel pups. Apply to B. F. Lester, Hosmer, B. C.

Furnished House to Let. 6 roomed cottage. Apply Ledger Office.

Ten Cows and a Bull for sale—M. Tully, Fernie Annex. 16-2tNP

Furniture for sale; Entire lot of household furniture. Apply to Mrs. A. A. Gillespie.

For Rent: The upstairs portion of the Palace Meat Market, Victoria avenue. Would be suitable for lodging or boarding house purposes. For particulars apply to P. Burns & Co., Ltd.

For sale: Team of horses, apply to A. Macdonald Co., wholesale grocers, Fernie.

Lost: Bunch of Keys: Finder will be rewarded by returning to Pollock Wine Company.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Ahem, have you tasted Michel beer? Isn't it good?

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

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.

Don't forget to ask for Michel beer—the best beer made.

Furniture for sale. Entire lot of household furniture. Apply to Mrs. A. A. Gillespie.

If you want the best—call for Elk Valley beer.

You will find the best values in cooking and heating stoves at the Trite Wood Co., Ltd.

When thirsty nothing but Michel beer for me.

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.

Try a case of Elk Valley Bottled beer. $2.50 per dozen delivered. Phone 79.

Nothing to equal the furniture values offered by the Trites-Wood Co., Limited.

First class lessons given in the Pianoforte (German method) and singing (pure Italian method.) Apply to Mr. H. G. Evans. Post office, Fernie.

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

Elk Valley beer popularity known as Michel, always on top at the leading hotels.

Up-to-date billiard and pool room for sale, Easy terms or to rent to responsible party. Enquire J. Seigle, New Michel.

Advertising space on the new drop curtain in the Miners opera house is now available. To arrange for special position see D. Rees, secretary, or address box 361, Fernie.

Only a few more left. Sewing machines, ball bearings, fitted with automatic lift, guaranteed for ten years. Nothing better on the market. $30.50 at the Trites-Wood Co., Ltd.

A sample order of Elk Valley bottled beer will convince you of the superiority over all others. $2.50 per doz. delivered at your door. Call up phone 79 and we will do the rest.

TENDERS WANTED

To supply and instal heating apparatus for steam heating the Miners Hall and Opera House. Particulars can be obtained from D. Rees, Box 341 to whom tenders must be addressed, not later than Oct. 23, 1909.

Local News

ON SUNDAY NIGHT

Rev. W. F. Spidell of Ailsa Craig, Ont., will preach in the Baptist church next Sunday at 11 a.m., and 7.30 p.m. Mr. Spidell's morning subject will be "Where one Man Went to Find Gold,' and his evening subject "From a Tent to the Mayor's Chair." Seats free. Everybody welcome.

WELL—PERHAPS

The Hosmer Times gets quite chesty over the fact that the Flyer stops in that place for coal. Trying to attach prominence to the burg from this fact must be somewhat after the same principle as extracting honey from a vinegar barrel.

CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT

R. Henderson who is well and favorably known in Coal Creek and also in Lethbridge, has taken over the manageemnt of the house department of the Roma hotel in this city. His advertisement will be found in another part of the paper.

SOMETHING TO EAT

The ladies of the Presbyterian church are holding a Thanksgiving dinner Monday night from 5.30 to 8 o'clock. The dinner will be national in character. The different nations represented will be England, Canada, America, Ireland, Scotland and Germany, and the dishes will be characteristic of each. Tickets 50c.

POWER AND LIGHT

The installation of the boilers and engine at the municipal power house has been completed and the erection of the smoke stack stands between the city having light, and the present darkness. The plant will be a credit to the city. The coming of the light will indeed be a welcome change to those who have had to revert to the age of lamps and lanterns.

LARGELY ATTENDED FUNERAL

The funeral of the late Carlo Maucieus, the unfortunate Italian who was killed at the coke ovens last week was held on Sunday afternoon to the Fernie cemetery. The Italian band was in attendance and rendered some most suitable selections. A number of U. M. W. of A. members were also in attendance, of which body deceased was a member.

AFTER MANY DAYS

School reopened on Monday afternoon, under the principalship of Miss Hogan, a very able teacher., Things were far from satisfactory at the start, but in a short time everything will be running smoothly again. There has been an unprecedented delay in getting the school finished, but when completed it will be one of the best schools in the Province.

CUPID AGAIN BUSY

Fred White, the popular ball tosser of the Coal Company team, has at last come to the conclusion that the state of single blessedness has no more charms for him, and has passed over to the gerat army of benedicts. He was happily married on September 29 to Miss Collins of Edmonds, Wash., and in company with his bride, returned to this city on Sunday, where they will in future reside. Many Fernie friends join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. White a long and happy life.

HARRINGTON IN THE CITY

John Harrington, one of the ablest exponents of the Socialist doctrine in the country arrived in Fernie on Tuesday. John or "Jack" as he is familiarly known has been asked to stand for the Fernie riding, and has come here to look over the field of battle. As yet, however, it is not definitely stated whether he will be the standard bearer or not. Whether or no, Harrington is an able man on the platform, and in Alberta last year came within an ace of getting the seat. He is a born fighter and has studied Socialism from A to Z.

A DESERVED PROMOTION

Word has been received in the city, as was rumored last week, that Charles Fife, who has been ticket agent here for the last five years, had been offered and accepted the position of District Passenger Agent, with headquarters at Calgary. Mr. Fife's many

CHAS. FIFE
Who Has Been Appointed Travelling Passenger Agent C.P.R.

friends in Fernie will regret that his promotion necessitates his removal to another centre, but all join in wishing him the success that he deserves in his newer and larger field of work.

His successor here is Mr. R. Hay of Belleville, Ont.

OUTPUT INCREASING

The manner in which the cars of coal are chasing each other across the big steel tipple at Coal Creek is a matter for congratulation to all concerned. The figures are growing every day and the 2000 ton per day mark is well within reach now. This means much for both miners and the company and business men as well. The new seams opened up are showing a fine quality of coal, easy of access. When the output of the mines reaches a sufficient volume extensions to the coke ovens in the Fernie yards will be proceeded with.

I. C. S. REPRESENTATIVE

Mr. F. X. Holl, the well known representative of the Scranton Correspondence Schools and the International Text Book Company, was in Fernie and made a pleasant call at the Ledger office this week. He intends to spend several months in the towns of the Pass. As usual, he is full of enthusiasm for the work he represents, but finds time to enlarge on the fine points of Socialism.

IN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

The pulpit in the Baptist church on Sunday evening was filled by Rev. Spidell, who returned from the east with the Rev. Williamson. Mr. Spidell is at present the pastor of the Ailsa Craig and Denfield Baptist churches, where he has been most successful in his work. In his address on Sunday evening he made a short reference to his previous acquaintance with B. C., having been a timber cruiser and mining prospector here some twenty years ago. As a speaker the rev. gentleman has a most pleasing manner, and delivered a splendid discourse on gospel lines. The Baptists of Fernie are hoping to impress the importance of the western work on Rev. Spidell to such an extent that he may be prevailed upon to consider a call to the Fernie church.

BUILDING BOOM

Although the building season is, for this year, drawing to a close, an immense amount of outdoor work is being rushed to completion, all of the buildings being of a most substantial nature. Among those at present in the course of erection and nearing completion are:

Trites-Wood Block
Fernie Hotel Extension
Napanee Hotel
Royal Hotel
Kings Hotel
King Edward extension
Imperial Bank
Bank of Hamilton
Provincial buildings
The post office—pardon these tears.
41 Meat Market
Fire Hall
Presbyterian church
Methodist church

Besides these a large number of fine residences are about completed.

BACK FROM THE EAST

Rev. I. W. Williamson, the recent pastor of the Baptist church here, returned from the east on Saturday, where he had been making a canvas for funds for the erection of the new church here. He left on Wednesday morning for the coast to enter upon his work as gecural secretary for the B. C. Sunday School association. On Tuesday evening at a social held in the Baptist church, he gave a most interesting account of his trip to the east, tracing his itinerary from Winnipeg to Fort William, Port Arthur and thence to Owen Sound and Toronto. From Toronto he visited Hamilton, Paris, Stratford, Ailsa Craig, Denfield, Parkhill, Forest, Sarnia, Wallaceburg, Windsor, Chatham, Otterville, St. Thomas, thence back to Toronto. He next took in Ottawa, Smiths Falls and Montreal. The vacation season interfered greatly with his trip. Mr. Williamson met many inquiring friends of Fernieites, and returns with about $1000 for the building fund.

Wilfrid S. Small, Violinist

Percy S. Hook, Pianist

These two artists, together with Mrs George F. Stevenson, Fernie's popular soprano, will give a recital in the Miners Opera house on Wednesday Oct. 27th, under the auspices of the Fernie Philharmonic society. In his short musical career Percy Small has earned a wonderful name as an interpreter of some of the finest works of the masters, and the critics are unstinted in their praise of his work. Percy S. Hookas pianist and accompanist, is also a well known entertainer, and the evening should undoubtedly be a most enjoyable one for music loving people.

Horse Shoe Salmon

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

Pay Cash and Just Smile

W. J. BLUNDELL Give us a call

For Fine Millinery

Go to the Misses Euler's

A large stock to choose from. Beautiful hats for all pocketbooks. We have the reputation that for style and beauty this store turns out Hats that are equal to anything you can find in larger cities.

Latest Novelties in Ladies' Wear

New Voile Skirts, Suits, Not Waists, Coats and Silk Rain Coats at specially low prices

EXCURSION TO BAYNES

Day Was Beautiful and a Large Number Took in the Trip

The excursion to Baynes Lake on Sunday last under the auspices of the Kootonia Fruit Lands Co., was a decided success. The weather was ideal for the outing, and the train service splendid. The party left the G. N. depot about 9.30 a.m., giving them a sufficiently long time to thoroughly inspect the irrigation system, and the tracts now under cultivation.

The residents of Baynes Lake, to a man, proved themselevs to be royal entertainers, and nothing was left undone to make the visitors feel thoroughly at home for the day.

Rigs were provided and all desiring to do so were driven over the tracts, and the various points of interest in connection with irrigation were minutely explained. The water for this purpose is brought from Rock Creek, where a splendid dam of a most substantial character has been erected, some four miles from the tracts to be irrigated. A splendid head of water is thus obtained, and there apparently is no possibility of a scarcity at any time. The work of constructing the flume and ditch was an undertaking of no small proportions, and entailed a large outlay of money. Just before it reaches Baynes, the water has to cross the Great Northern, and to accomplish this it was necessary to build the flume some 25 feet high.

The fertility of the land under cultivation, some of it with no irrigation, is quite remarkable, and the various tracts producing this year show that much greater things will be accomplished in the near future.

Considerable interest was shown in the Kootonia Nurseries, the property of Mr. E. H. H. Stanley, where a fine showing of hot house plants of all kinds is to be seen, all of them being particularly strong and thrifty. On this property another extension to the glass houses 100x20 feet is being put up, for the growth of vegetables.

All desirous of doing so, were driven to the Kootenay River, and there a splendid launch was in waiting, and a delightful trip was made on the river.

Baynes Lake was another centre of interest, and boating and fishing were indulged in by many. Refreshments were provided at the club house, and every courtesy was extended to the visitors by the officers of the company and residents of Baynes.

The return trip was made, leaving Baynes at 4 o'clock, and arriving in Fernie in good time.

Mr. Tormey has gone to Hosmer, Michel and other towns in the Pass and probably country to deliver his lectures on the Baynes land.

The following letters to Mr. Tormey from Fernieites show the opinions of the land held by them:

Dear Mr. Tormey: I was very much pleased with the appearance of the tract of land I bought from you in 1908. The character of the soil with your newly installed irrigation system and the ideal climate to my mind make it a perfect spot to raise fruit and vegetables. I am negotiating to have the land cleared and broken at once.

Yours faithfully,
Douglas Corsan

Mr. J. A. Tormey, Baynes Lake, B. C.

Dear Sir: After making a trip down to Baynes Lake and looking over your irrigation plant it would be no more than right to congratulate you upon the great prospects in store for your property, and to say that I believe you have made no mistake either in accessibility, location, or the quality of the soil. It will certainly be the garden spot of this part of the province.

Respectfully yours
FRANK C. DENISON
(American Consul)

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Mr. J. A. Tormey, Baynes Lake, B. C.

The Baynes Lake irrigated tracts should not be looked upon as they are but what irrigation and climate will make of them in the very near future. The project is good and its future looks very promising to me.

J. F. Rudinicki

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Mr. J. A. Tormey, Baynes Lake, B. C.

There is no question as to the future of the Baynes Lake district. The tremendous production the land is capable of without irrigation and an already created market for fruit, vegetables and dairymen's products make the future of the place assured.

Geo. F. Stevenson
Secretary Fernie Bd. of Trade

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Mr. J. A. Tormey, Secretary Kootenay River Land Company Baynes Lake B. C.

Dear Sir: I wish to thank you for the many courtesies shown to myself and associates on the occasion of our visit to Baynes Lake last Sunday. To say that I was surprised at the amount of work your company has accomplished in a short space of time does not express it. You have certainly shown the true western gait in having brought water by flume and ditch from Rock Creek to irrigate your lands.

I believe that it will only be a short time now before you will have the garden spot of the country, and the people who are fortunate enough to locate on these irrigated lands will not only carve out fine homes for themselves but will also make a lucrative living from the products raised, as they have a ready market at their doors.

Wishing you all success in your enterprise. I am

Yours truly,
J R. Pollock
Pres. Fernie Board of Trade

CONSOLATION

A young probationer was preaching his trial sermon in a church in one of the inland villages of Scotland. After finishing the "discourse' he leaned over the pulpit and engaged in silent prayer, an act which rather surprised the congregation, who were unaccustomed to such procedure. Suddenly the young preacher felt someone slapping him on the shoulder, and on turning around he beheld the beadle, who said:

"Hoot, toot, man dinna ta' it sae muckle to hert. Ye'll maybe dae better next time."

RATHER FROSTY

Some poor wandering souls under unpronouncable names occupied the stage at the opera house on Monday night. The main noise of the brigade stated that the first part of the programme would be for the children. He must have forgotten to knock off when the first part was ended for the play all through, with the exception of the trunk mystery, was kindergarten gone mad.

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