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McBRIDE GOVERNMENT IS SUSTAINED

LIBERALS ARE BLUE TO-DAY

Grand Old Party Laid Quietly Away--Last Sad Rites Enacted on Thursday November 25th--How Cruel

In British Columbia yesterday it was McBride, Richard McBride, and still more McBride.

In Fernie Riding it was Ross, Billy Ross and then more Ross.

Backed by all the monied interests in the province, the Conservative government yesterday swept the province as though 'twere some checkerboard, leaving, according to telegraphic reports, only four seats to be sat on by two Liberals and two Socialists.

Already cases of impersonation are reported, and locally a case is on today on this charge, while in nearby places the report also comes of the same kind of work.

An immense amount of money must have been spent by the two parties who seemed to have it, viz., the Conservatives and Liberals. The Socialists had no money to spend outside of absolute expenses, for advertising and hall rent, etc. Those who worked for them did so because they wanted to.

When the polls closed at 8 o'clock last night a crowd soon began to assemble at Bruces hall, where voting had taken place, to hear the results locally. Counting was done in good time and when the news was sent out that Ross had carried the city by a large majority, there was joy in the Tory camp and tribulation in the Grit hive, where they had figured on a much larger vote for Fisher.

The city figures showed Ross 316, Fisher 210, Harrington 251.

Shortly after figures began to arrive from outside points in Fernie riding, and although several remote corners were not recorded, still by ten o'clock the majorities were such as to leave no room to doubt that Fernie riding would once more be represented by a horny handed son of toil in the person of W. R. Ross.

A goodly supply of brooms coal oil, etc. were soon on hand and the faithful started off marshalled by that eminent statesman, A. A. Shanley.

The whole crowd seemed in the best of spirits (several kinds) and a band wagon loaded with rooters proceeded to make the night hideous by what they presumably thought were funny sayings and jokes. Possibly the legs were run off all the Tory horses in town gathering in voters, for a dozen or so henchmen had to serve the purpose of equestrian realities, and pulled their hero around a few of the principal streets. The returned M.P. smiled complacently, no doubt thinking what easy picking the electors had been.

On arriving at the Conservative club rooms a sort of corn dance was proceeded with Ross as the big tomahawk in the Chief's wigwam. His speech of thanks to the electors was certainly worth while—he thanked those who had voted for him, he scoffed at all who had other views. He extended the big mit to all creeds and colors, and was a good fellow generally. After that some person with a voice like the middle of Victoria avenue on a muddy day, started out to sing For He's a Jolly Good Fellow. After wailing out the first few bars a few oehtr huskies butted in, not necessarily on the same key, but they all ended about the same time. It took us back to the days in "Bruce" when the old charivari was in order. However, Ross has a cast iron constitution and stood the ordeal well. After this the usual hot blasts were turned on and there was quite a quantity of joy in the air.

Farther down the street a big sign flapped ominously in the wind A stray streak of light from a window across the way set forth in horrible prominence the few straggley words about voting for Oliver, Fisher and PROSPERITY. The crowd there was nit—a rift in the curtain presented a sceen similar to illustrations in The Last Days of Pompeii. An oil lamp sputtered away fitfully, a few chairs, tables, heaps of papers bearing rows upon rows of figures which had been used to count up the Liberal majorities—on paper. A stray figure peered out of a chink in the door, then launched out into the night, uncheered unhonored and unwept. From the corner of his pocket protruded the remnants of a paper—The Crows Nest Pass Daily—which today is and tomorrow is—not. The literary world has indeed received a severe shock in the demise of this prodigy of the Liberal party, but George Meikle prints an extra page at home now—thus is evened up an otherwise unsurmountable discrepancy.

The editor of the C. N. P. D. was seen slowly wending his way out of the rear door of the Methodist church the day after election. Methinks he was weighing the pros and cons of the first verse of Psalms "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the council of the ungodly, etc. At last reports he was able to take nourishment and sit up long enough to have the bed made.

The betting went on lively, and for days before election enormous amounts were wagered on the outcome of the contest. Of course there were the usual number who could beat the races, forgetful of the fact that someone is bound to lose. Several prominent heelers of the Liberal party are known to have parted with the price of a couple of hundred shaves.

The Socialists frankly expected a victory; it is now almost certain that numerous cases of impersonation occurred, at various points, all of which told heavily against Harrington.

Coal Creek workers probably did the best of any camp for their man, and gave him a good majority.

The correct count in Fernie riding follows:

	Con.	Lib.	Soc.
Fernie	316	206	251
Coal Creek	49	25	127
Michel	54	15	159
New Michel	65	26	51
Corbin	24	4	11
Sparwood	6	2	1
McDougall's Mill	18	4	4
Triwood	2	1	1
Morrissey	7	2	1
Elko	42	10	2
Jaffray	47	14	1
Krag	17	10	1
Dorr	10	7	3
Fruitlands	20	9	0
Daykes	6	11	3
Galloway	9	1	2
Harmers	9	1	2
Waldo	10	9	3
Hosmer	75	46	21
Crow's Nest	21	3	6
	801	400	640

The following are the bulletins as they were received by special C. P. R. service at the Ledger Office. We desire to acknowledge the prompt and courteous treatment of the local staff of the telegraph office.

Spuzzum: Hon. Richard McBride 1, Henderson 2.

Glacier: Taylor Con., 21; Lindmark, Ind. 15, Kempster Soc. 10; local option 25 for, 18 against.

North Bend: McBride 13, Henderson 11; Campbell 16;

Kitchener: Schofield 8; Oliver 1; local option 4 for and 4 against.

Jaffray: Ross, Con. 47; Fisher 14; Harrington 1.

Barnet: Carter Cotton 16; Fares 7; local option 13, against 8.

Westbank: Dehart Lib. 13; Ellison, Con. 12.

Peachland: Ellison Con. 24; Dehart Lib. 16; Johnson Soc. 40.

Rutlands: Ellison Con., 28; Dehart Lib. 11; local option 26 for, and 7 against; spoiled 4.

Wigwam: Taylor Con. 18; Lindmark 13; Kempster Soc. 4.

Lyleton: McBride 47; Henderson 10.

Illecillowate: Lynilmand, Ind. 2; Taylor, Con. 5; local option 6 against 1 for.

Agazziz: McBride 56; Henderson 50.

Granbrook: Gavin leadng by large majority.

Parksville: Brewster 24; Morgan 30.

Alberni: Brewster 84; Morgan 67.

Clanwilliam: Taylor Con. 4; Lindmark 2; Kempster. Soc. 1.

Three Valley: Shaw, Con. 4; Vasey Lib. 1.

Clinton: McDonald 29; Eggleson 12.

83 Mile House: McDonald 8, Eggleson 2.

Aldermere: Manson: 20; Kergin 18 McKay 15.

Nechecho: Callahan 12; Fraser 11 Jones Yorston 2.

Frazer Lake: Callahan 7; Frazer 7, Jones Yorston 3.

Ten Mile House: Yorston 27; Fraser 25, Callahan 25.

Kitselano: Manson 22; McKay 6; Kergin 5.

Hazelton: Manson 70; Kergin 13, McKay 6.

Ashcroft: McBride 74; Henderson 72.

Port Simpson: Kergin 16; Manson 14 McKay 1.

Kitsumalum: Manson 29; Kergin 4, McKay 0.

Wellington: Brewster 36; Morgan 35.

Chewinus: Hayward 44; Evans 20; option 32, against 28.

Nicola: McBride 28; Henderson 32.

Chemainus: Hayward 44; Evans 20; option 24 for 28 against.

Creston: Schofield Con., 106; Oliver Soc. 37.

Port Moody: Manson Con. 78; Thomson Lib. 18.

Bamfield: Brewster 14; Morgan 2; option 11 for 5 against.

Armstrong: Ellison, Con. 205; Dehart Lib. 89; Johnson Soc. 5; option 16 against 112, 20 spoiled.

Harrison Mills: Manson 13; Thompson 14.

New Westminster: Gifford, Con. is elected by 267.

Rossland City complete: Braden, Con. 238; English Lib. 219; Casey, Socialist 160.

Greenwood complete: Jackson Con. by 57.

Glacier: Taylor Con. 21; Lindmark 15, Kempster 10; local option 25 for 18 against.

Revelstoke: Taylor, 46; Lindmark 36; Kempster 22.

Arrowhead: Dehart Lib. 9; Ellison Con. 26; Johnson Soc. 1; option [illegible] against, 11 for.

Glacier: Taylor Con. 21; Lindmark 15; Kempster 10; local option for 25 18 against.

Vernon, Westbank: Dehart Lib. 13; Ellison Con. 12.

Peachland: Ellison Con. 85; Dehart Lib. 15; Johnson Sos. 40.

Rutlands, Ellison Con. 28; Dehart, Lib. 11; local option 26 for and seven against.

Kelfers: McBride 11; Henderson 0; option 1, against 0.

Pennys: McBride 15; Henderson 4;

Merrim: McBride 57; Henderson 21.

Middlesboro: McBride 24; Henderson 17.

Shuswap: Shaw Con. 20; Vasey Lib 2.

Ducks: Shaw, Con. 20, Vasey, Liberal 2.

Cobble Hill: Hayward 41; Evans 12.

Keonigs: Hayward 6; Evans 10.

Wellington: Brewster 36, Morgan 35 spoiled 8.

Harrison Mills: Manson 13; Thompson 14.

Langley Prairie: McKenzie 43, Oliver 48.

Dungley Fork: McKenzie 69; Oliver 45.

Yahk: Caven, Con. 21; McDonald, Lib. 4, Fitch Soc. 3.

Fernie: Fisher Lib. 206; Harrington Soc. 251; Ross, Con. 316.

Spence's Bridge: McBride 11; Henderson 3.

North Vancouver: Cotton 227; Farris 162.

Dorr: Ross, Con. 10; Fisher, Lib. 7; Harrington, Soc. 1.

Waldo: Ross Con. 10; Fisher Lib 9 Harrington 3.

Ladner: Oliver 126; McKenzie 107.

Annicas Islands: McKenzie 16, Oliver 8.

Coal Creek: Ross Con. 49; Fisher 25, Harrington 125.

Harpers Camp: Callahan 9, Fraser 9, Jones Yorston 5.

Quesnel: Fraser 45; Callahan 45; *Yorston 20; Jones 19.*

Lillooet: Eagles 41; McDonald 15; local option 31 for and 45 against.

Chilliwack, Abbotsford: Cawley 68; Munroe 38.

Clayburn: Cawley 12; Munroe 9.

Aberdeen: Cawley 7; Munroe 19.

Savonas: Shaw 27; Vasey 12; 1 spoiled.

Naramata: Ellison 22; Dehart Lib. 3, Johnson Socialist 3; option 25 for 3 against.

Albert Canyon: Kempster Soc. 0; Lindmark, Ind. 2; Taylor Con. 3 option 2 for 3 against.

Clayburn: Brewster 40; Morgan 14.

Cumberland: Carburger 126; Manson 98; Forest 56; Duncan 30.

Victoria City: McBride 1269; Thompson 1113; Davey 1194; Behuser 1101; Drury 1019; Huston 1800; Oliver 964; Morley 991; Oliver Soc. 292; four Conservatives elected.

Chilliwack: Cawley 68; Munroe 38.

Clayburn: Cawley 12; Munroe 9.

Aberdeen: Cawley 7; Munroe 19.

Savonas: Shaw 27; Vasey 12; one spoiled

Naramata: Ellison 22; Dehart Lib. 3; Johnson Soc. 3; option 25 for and 3 against

W. R. ROSS

The Man Elected to Again Represent Fernie Riding

Albert Canyon: Kempster Soc. 0; Lindmark, Ind. 2; Taylor, Con. 3; option 2 for and 3 contra.

Morrissey: Ross 2; Fisher 4; Harrington 1.

Clayburn: Brewster 40; Morgan 14.

Cumberland: Carburger 126; Manson 98; Forest 56; Duncan 30.

Victoria City: Four Conservatives elected.

Silverton: Hunter 41; Bennett 18; option 24 for and 23 contra.

Slocan: Hunter, Conservative elected.

Skeena Riding: Manson, Conservative elected.

Agassiz: Manson 16; Thompson 17; option 24 for, 2 contra.

New Denver: Hunter, Con. 45; Bennett Soc. 15; Harris Ind 17.

Castlegar Jct: Schofield 116; Oliver 5.

Rossland: Braden, Con 238; English 219; Casey Soc. 160.

Greenwood: Jackson Con. 137; Mcdonald Lib 79.

Sunbury: McKenzie 11; Oliver 18.

Southwestminster: McKenzie 133; Oliver 53.

Cloverdale: McKenzie 48; Oliver 33.

A BIG VOTE IN THE CITY

Questionable Methods Reported and Arrests Follow--Socialists Put Up a Clean Fight and Are to be Admired

Spencers Bridge: McBride 11; Henderson 3

Northfield: Williams 70; Stewart 17; Thomas 4.

Dewdney: Full returns show Manson, Con elected.

Keefers: McBride 11; Henderson 0.

Westham Island: McKenzie 40; Oliver 3.

East Delta: Oliver 31; McKenzie 22.

Eburne: Cotton 82; Farris 46

Richmond: Cotton 42; Farris 26.

Steveston: Cotton 75; Farris 37.

Hammond: Manson 46; Thompson 32.

Websters: Manson 15; Thompson 0.

Silverdale: Manson 12; Thompson 5.

Prince Rupert: Manson 809; Kergin 169; McKay 109.

Courtney: Duncan 121; Cartwright 24; Forest 36; Manson 46.

Victoria, George Oliver, Socialist 655.

Jedway: Manson 11; Kergin 2; McKay 0.

Grand Forks: Miller 313; Paterson 68; McInnis 77; majority for Miller 236.

Vancouver: Bowser 5440; McGuire 4701; McGowan 4491; Watson 5130. Tisdell 5089; Senkler 4001; Wade 3980; McDonald 3941; Staples 3350; Campbell 3190; Kingsley 1793; Pettipiece 1387; Garvie 1237; McKenzie 1236; McGregor 1116.

Trail: Schofield 190; Oliver 79.

Phoenix: Incomplete returns give McInnis Soc. 238; Miller 138 and Patterson Lib. 68.

Slocan junction: Schofield 10; Oliver 10.

Sandon: Bennett, Soc. 53; Hunter Con. 26; Harris Ind. 1.

Vancouver: Complete returns give 5 straight Conservatives.

Hosmer: Ross, Con. 75; Fisher Lib. 46; Harrington 23.

Denman Island: Forest 16; Manson 9; Cartwright 12.

Mission Junction: Manson 117; Thompson 70.

Port Moody: Manson 78; Thompson 18.

Pitt Meadows: Manson 25; Thompson 18.

Victoria: The final returns for Victoria elect the four Conservatives as follows: McBride 2670; Davies 2490; Thompson 2479; Johnson 2453.

Liberals: Morley 2233; Oliver 2077; Huston 2058; Drury 2034.

Nanaimo city: Hawthorn 782; Planta 462; rejected 68, spoiled 5.

Corbin: Ross 24; Harrington 11, Fisher 4.

Shatford: Con. elected.

Field: Buchanan 25; Parsons 29.

Kamloops: Shaw 387; Vasey 300.

Princeton: Con. 70; Lib. 47.

Fairview: Conservative 38; Liberals 8.

Ohlama: Conservative 7; Liberals 7.

Okanagan Falls: Conservatives 22; Libs. 6.

South Penticton: Con. 39; Liberals 5.

White Water: McKay 17; Keen 11.

Rlonde: McKay 5, Keen 8.

Sandon: Bennett, Socialist 20; Hunter Con. 4.

Revelstoke: Taylor, Conservative, elected.

Kaslo: Shaw Conservative elected

Louise Creek: Con. 34; Liberals 12, option 22 for and 14 against.

Vancouver: Atlin: Hon. Dr. Young, Con., elected.

Westham Island: McKenzie 40; Oliver 3.

Enderby: Ellison, Con., 92; Dehart, 64; Johnson Soc. 47.

Ladysmith: Parker Williams 215; Stewart 211; Thomas 47.

Northfield: Williams 70; Stewart 17 Thomas 4.

Hedley: Shalford 68; Elmhurst 53.

Peachland: Local option 45 for and 48 against.

Fernie: Complete: Ross Con. 778; Fisher Liberal 657; Harrington, Socialist 477.

Newcastle: Williams, Soc. elected, 50 majority.

Vancouver 10.30 p.m. Indications point to almost clear sweep for McBride Government, Conservatives will probably elect 38 members, Liberals and Socialists 2 each.

The following are the constituencies as represented in the new house:

Conservative:
- Atlin
- Cariboo (2)
- Chilliwack
- Comox
- Columbia
- Cowkham
- Cranbrook
- Delta
- Dewdney
- Grand Forks
- Greenwood
- Islands
- Kamloops
- Kaslo
- Lillooet
- Nelson
- Okanagan
- Revelstoke
- Richmond
- Rossland
- Saanich
- Similkameen
- Slocan
- Skeena
- Vancouver (5)
- Victoria (4)
- Westminster
- Yale
- Ymir

Liberals:—
- Alberni
- Esquimalt

Socialists:—
- Nanaimo
- Newcastle

Another campaign is over and the workers of this riding and of British Columbia generally have declared that their present enslaved condition.

Through the smoke of battle we see a number of the spirited, intelligent and enlightened who still hurl defiance at the enemy and whose indomintable courage is not in the least impaired by the action of their fellows in once more bowing before their economic masters by placing their necks in the yoke and parading their abject slavery to the rule of the capitalist.

The position of this riding is simply disgraceful.

Here we have a large industrial population, chosing as their representative a corporation lawyer whose only claim to their support or suffrance was the manner in which he had fooled and misrepresented them in the past.

The number of labor measures he had assisted in slaughtering since he entered the house at Victoria showed unmistakably his class leanings and whose interests he served while he was a member.

Compare him with the Socialist candidate—a working man with the interests of the people ever before and with him.

Harrington is a man whose courage and ability clearly outdistance that of his opponents.

The manner in which he treated all scientific subjects was a credit to himself and his class.

But the bigotry and prejudice of generations is still with us and the number of mules who supported Mr. Ross and the number of idiots who supported Fisher is a result of those deep seated questions.

The fight was by no means clean, and the amount of alleged perjury and corruption is inestimable.

This itself ought to be an object lesson for those individuals who supported Ross. The amount of money and booze expended here was not for nothing, and these workers will be the first to find it out, but let them remember then that the lash was of their own making and profiting by experience, they will probably realize their position and cast in their lot with the valiant few in that eevr conquering fight for freedom.

COMRADES OF FERNIE RIDING

Well workers: It is all over so far as this political election is concerned, but the campaign for emancipation from wage slavery began as soon as capitalism started, when the first wage worker objected to his condition, and will contnue as long as a single man or woman in this little world is subject to the domination and exploitation of another, through the capitalistic ownership of the means of life.

There are lessons to be learned by our experience in political contests, one important point being the necessity and urgency for a closer organization. There are many who vote for Socialism who are not members of the party. Now, one who believes in our philosophy, yet does not become a member of our party is negligent in his duty. If everyone who understands and believes in our movement, would join the socialist local in his vicinity, or where there is no local would join the party at large, it would be easier to locate members and comrades in an emergency.

A central committee meeting regularly, and an active intelligent comrade in every locality, agitating and taking observatons, sending in reports at intervals as to the local situation, keeping informed as to changes in the voters list, and when a voter moves to another locality to inform the comrade, working along such lines.

However we have gained in class conscious voters, no comrade supported capitalism as represented by Ross and Fisher. The message was carried into districts where it had not been heard before, and some of the seeds of class consciousness fell upon fertile soil.

Everyone, once convinced of the righteousness of propoganist, one makes another, two make four., etc. We are invincible.

By the time another election rolls around the old parties will emasculate and adopt some of the planks in our platform, and then ask all half baked Socialists and wishy washy reformers to vote for them on the ground that they are socialistic.

Anything that the masters can use, is of necessity, not in our interests, and no socialist who understands his class position will be deceived by such rubbish.

The revolution is on; we must endeavor to direct it intelligently, making the birth of the new society as painless as may be.

On with the revolution!

L. E. DRAKE

Latest returns give 3714 for prohibition and 2772 against; majority for 942.

A. I. FISHER

The Liberal Nominee—He Fought a Hard Fight—But It's Too Late—

J. D. HARRINGTON

The Socialist Candidate, Who Fought a Clean, Honest Fight

OUR SOCIALIST PAGE

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AS TO GOVERNMENT

Jim Hawthornwaite is also reported as saying he did not believe in any government, whether aristocratic, plutocratic or socialist. Those using this forget to add that he believes in "an administration." This makes all the difference in the world. A government implies a governed; no man who understands class government can fail to see Hawthornwaite's meaning, and people who take parts of a man's speach and detach them from the remainder must either be ignorant or malignant, and in either case they are sufficiently far from truthfulness to warrant the utmost precaution on the part of society in general placing any confidence in anything they say.

He who would be free himself must strike the blow.

Ceaseless agitation, continuous toil, education on class lines; that is the road and the goal is freedom—the sweetest consummation man can know.

Some men are writing to the press for advice as to how to vote. We offer ours, conscious of its being disregarded—get up early, go where the horse flowers freest, get good and drunk and forget it.

If you don't know how to vote yourself nobody can tell you how to do it.

If somebody tells you how to vote and you vote accordingly that somebody gets two votes—you get none.

A vote for Socialism is a vote for freedom. Your vote may not do the trick, but without your vote the job will be more difficult.

The world for the workers and work for those who would eat.

There stands between the workers and their produce the owners. Law placed them there; law keeps them there and law can remove them.

Laws are made by the people who are entitled to vote. The workers have the numerical strength to enact what laws they may. Therefore what they get in the shape of legislature is what they vote for.

But votes won't do all. They must go hand in hand with the political movement and educational movement. The struggle is not over when the vote is cast—don't forget that.

WEBSTER'S DICTIONARY

Slave:—A bond servant. A person wholly subject to the will of another; one who has no will of his own, but whose person and services are wholly under the control of another one in the lowest state of life; a drudge.

"AS TO SLAVES"

The Victoria Colonist throws a fit because Jim Hawthornwaite in a telegram had—"Uprouse ye slaves." The Colonist is more gentle with us than some of its contemporaries, but resents the workers being called slaves.

Shelly says of Slavery:

'Tis to work and have such pay
As just keeps life from day to day
Within your bones as in a cell,
For a tyrants use to dwell.

This covers the condition of the vast majority of the working-class. The position of the toilers is not understood by those who sit at the tables of the wealthy, who, while they may sweat blood, have nevertheless some comfort in life.

However John Swinton, an eminent American journalist has said "We are the vassals of the rich men behind the scenes. We are the jumping jacks. They pull the string and we move. Our lives, our talents, our possibilities, are the property of other men; we are intellectual prostitutes."

So that the worthy editor of the Colonist must be extremely fortunate or very dence. But we say these men cannot understand our position; any more than we can bring home to ourselves in the hey day of youth the numbing and most miserable experience of friendless and fundless old age; or we who have passed through the fearful winters of some lands, but few can, when basking in a tropic sun, recall the horrors of that frigid zone, so that we again actually experiencing them.

Therefore we cannot expect those who have not known them to fully sympathize with those horrors. Similarly we cannot expect editors to realize how thoroughly we are enslaved to the machinery of production.

We cannot all get jobs. Those who cannot get work are a constant menace to those who have work, and they are the stock of the whip and hunger is the lash which forces us to our task. We are not sold, 'tis true, but we sell ourselves. The bargain is none the less binding because we are party to the sale, nor is the task master less exacting though we see not his face.

SOME SAYINGS OF BIG BILL HAYWOOD

Political action is not necessarily ballot box action.

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The historical mission of the capitalist socialist is to abolish himself.

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Montreal is a city of churches. It would be better for the workers of Montreal were all the steeples sawn off and the churches turned into modern schools.

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A detective is a creature so vile and low that when he dies and goes below he will have to get a ladder to climb into hell.

FROM COTTONS WEEKLY

Times are prosperous. So say the plute organs. There are more automobiles and more signs of ostentatious luxury among men and women who live off the work of others. In the meantime a homeless old man Robert Irwin, sixty or seventy years of age, hung himself in Peterboro, Ont.

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It will serve Laurier right, if the French Canadians who backed him against the rest of Canada should turn on him and cast him into political oblivion. The French Canadians are lovers of peace. They will not follow Laurier along the gory path of militarism.

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Times are good. The wealthy labor thieves are enjoying themselves and are looking forward to a joyous Christmas time. In the meantime the Socialists of Montreal are laying their campaign to make the civic authorities look after the starving unemployed who are commencing to suffer this winter.

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Throughout the ages the workers have been oppressed and abused and robbed. And religion has been used to enslave the minds of the workers and make them obedient to the desires of the master class.

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The times at present are fine for the labor thieves. By so much are the times worse for the working class of this country.

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The political action and the industrial action both have a place in the social movement.

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Socialism will establish the co-operative commonwealth in the place of competitive private poverty.

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Necessity is the mother of crime. Capitalism produces the necessity and hypocricy lays the blame on the criminal.

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Let the little business man not worry about socialism destroying his business. Capitalism is doing that right now.

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The capitalist system evolved from the feudal. The social system will evolve through revolution from the capitalist.

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Is it not a silly system to work under by which great wealth is given to the few idlers and great poverty is the lot of the many industrious workers?

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Mankind need food, clothing, and shelter in order to live. How foolish it is to hand over these necessities to be sold by private individuals for gain.

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Maise Pouliot, a pilot of the Lower St. Lawrence has had his license cancelled because of old age and defective sight. This worker in his old age has his job taken away from him. The worn out worker is thrown on the scrap heap after working all his best years. D. McGibbon, a Montrealer, has made a million and a half in the past couple of years through stock juggling operations. The worker suffers while the parasite waxes fat on him.

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The Hon. Mr. Hanna of Ontario is starting the humane treatment of prisoners. The province will abandon the practice of placing prisoners in striped suits and of cropping the hair. Prisoners will be allowed to smoke. The average prisoner in jail is there through no fault of his own. He has been forced into crime to get the necessities of life. The humane treatment of prisoners is mere pallative. It will need a revolution in property holding in order to abolish crime altogether.

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The Canadian government has refused to give a license to the United Wire less Telegraph Company to build a wireless station at Port Arthur. The government desires to retain control of all wireless communications. Consequently the government refuses to allow private initiative in this line of endeavor. The government, however, throws open the country to the operation of railway promoters and gives them millions of dollars to throttle the trade of the country. It will be the work of the socialists to recover from the labor thieves what the Macdonald gang and the Laurier gang gave away.

SOCIALIST DEBATING CLUBS

Comrades eager to acquire skill in public speaking and to carry on the propaganda at the same time might do as two law students have done in Toronto.

These follows got together one evening and discussed ways and means of learning to speak in public, hit on the idea of starting a debating club of their own, secured the addresses of various literary societies throughout the city, sent letters to them challenging them to debate, and in this way have won for themselves opportunities that would not otherwise have come their way. They usually arrange to debate at the rooms of the society that accept their challenge. If that fails they use their own parlors. As there are only two in the club they get their friends to turn out in force, thus concealing the size of their club with the high sounding name.

There is no reason why this scheme could not be worked by Socialists everywhere.

A note to the secretary of this or that club containing a formal challenge to debate, and specifying that you are prepared to defend the Socialist, Trade Union, peace and other progressive and forward movements is all that is required.

Following are a few subjects that would lend themselves readily to this purpose.

Resolved, that the nation should own the trusts.

Resolved, that the state should guarantee every adult steady and remunerative employment.

Resolved that Socialism, though feasible, is not desirable.

Resolved that the competitive wage system is responsible for the great evils of child labor, unemployment, and crime, also of intemperance, wars, etc.

Resolved that the Socialist movement merits support.

Resolved that the present industrial system is based on principles incompatible with the teachings of Christianity.

As the debating season is already opened comrades should lose no time in acting upon the suggestion given above.

WILL BAR UNION MEN

DEADWOOD, S. D. Nov. 23.— The Homestake Mining Company today issued a statement notifying its men that after January 1, 1910, the company will employ only non union men, but that the present eight hour shift and the present scale of wages will be maintained. Miners have called a mass meeting in Lead tomorrow night. The company employs over 2500 men at present.

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JOY RIDING IS FATAL

Wedding Party Hurled to Death by Careless Chauffer's Uncalled For Action

CUTHBERT, Ga., Nov. 22.—Three persons are dead and two will likely die of their injuries as the result of an automobile accident here late last night.

The injured are Miss Mary Mattox, aged 16, Coleman; Miss Helen Mattox, aged 20.

The accident occurred as the party were returning from Cuthbert to Coleman. With the purpose of being married James Shepard and Helen Mattox accompanied by Horace Shepard, a brother of the bridegroom and Miss Mary Mattax, a sister of the bride to be, obtained an automobile at Fort Gaines late yesterday afternoon and were driven to Cuthbert by Curtis W. Williams.

On reaching the point all the ministers refused to marry the couple on account of their youth, neither of the pair having as yet passed their 20th birthday.

After being unable to secure the services of a minister the party at once left town.

Speeding along at the rate of 30 miles an hour and while attempting to light a cigarette, Williams lost control of his machine while crossing a bridge over the railway tracks and the party was dashed to the tracks below, the machine falling on Shepard and Williams.

Williams neck was broken and his death resulted instantly.

The two Shepards died a few minutes afterward. Miss Helen Mattox suffered internal injuries and will probably die.

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GOMPERS HAS CONTROL AGAIN

Elected to Highest Office by Unanimous Vote For The Year

TORONTO, Nov. 23—The 29th convention of the American Federation of Labor came to a conclusion today with the election of officers for the ensuing year. Samuel Gompers was re-elected President by acclamation and was given a great ovation. The full list of officers is:

President: Sampel Gompers.

First vice president: James Duncan.

Second vice president: John Mitchell.

Third vice president: James O'Connell.

Fourth vice president: P. D. A. Hayes.

Fifth vice president: W. D. Huber.

Sixth vice president: J. F. Valentine.

Seventh vice president: J. R. Alpine.

Eighth vice president: H. B. Perham.

Treasurer: J. B. Lennon.

Secretary: F. Morrison.

In the course of his speech, thanking the members of the convention for the honor they had conferred on him, Pres. Gompers remarked that the decision of the Court of Appeals in the District of Columbia affected two million members of the A. F. of L. besides the three named in the indictment. He declared he would still continue to fight.

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OBJECTION IS TAKEN TO ORDER

Organized Labor Objects to Any Change and Rightly So

(Lethbridge Herald)

At the regular meeting of the Trades and Labor Council held last evening at the Trades Hall, Bro. A. Frayne in the chair, the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

"We, the members of the Lethbridge Trades and Labor council, having received at the hands of the Miners' union of this city their complaint in respect to the recent order in council, passed by the Alberta Legislature ostensibly in the interests of the general public, on account of a supposed fear of a coal shortage, hereby desire to place ourselves on record in unqualified disapproval of this action, on the following grounds:

Firstly: The order in council is nothing else than an attempt on the part of the coal operators to invalidate the Eight Hour Day Act, recently secured by the miners, after great expense, and passed by the Alberta Legislature.

Secondly: The said complicity of the government in consulting the interests of the coal operators, without in any way consulting the interests of the miners, who are the most interested parties to the arrangement is contrary to the principles of democratic government, and therefore, class legislation.

Thirdly: The assertion that the order in council was necessary, because of the difficulty the coal operators experienced in securing machine men is a pure fabrication, inasmuch as the wage scale, affecting this class of labor has been reduced to such a minimum that men will not accept the terms offered, because they are able to obtain better terms at other vocations. When the coal operators are willing to offer a reasonable price for this class of labor the miners union will be able to provide all the men they can employ.

Be it therefore resolved that we do hereby protest gainst this order in council as an atack upon the rights of organized labor, and desire to publicly express our disapproval at this attempt at class legislation, by having a copy of this resolution sent to Lieut.-Governor Bulyea, Hon. W. H. Cushing, Minister of Public Works, of the Alberta legislature, and the Hon. W. A. Buchanan, the local member; and further, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the local press, viz., The Daily Herald, The Weekly News and the Labor Bulletin with a request that it be published.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the secretary of each union affiliated with this Trades Council, with a request that they put themselves on record on this matter, and a statement of their decisions be spread on the minutes of the Trades and Labor Council.

It was further arranged that the next meeting of the Trades and Labor Council be given up for a public meeting for the discussion of municipal politics, that the meeting be advertised through the press, and by hand bills, that it be held in the Trades hall on Thursday evening, Nov. 25, to commence at half past eight sharp, that all members of the present council as well as aspirants to municipal honors be invited to attend, and that Brother S. W. Tuckwell preside at the meeting.

In connection with the above matter it may be said that President Powell of District 18 has been engaged in fighting the same matter for some months back. As far back as Sept. 14th, the following communication appeared in The Ledger in this regard, bearing the signature of the president:

(COPY)

Edmonton Sept. 14

Editor Ledger:

Sir: Since writing you on the question of the order-in-council supsending the statutes of Alberta, 1908, regarding the limitation of hours of work below ground, I have thought best to send you a copy of the order itself.

You will not first of all that the order recites the reasons for which the act should be suspended. It begins by stating that the heavy crops are responsible for the necessity of working machine men longer than 8 hours per day. On this point it is my candid opinion that the Canadian Pacific Railway is the octopus stretching its tentacles even into the legislative halls.

The next reason which seems to be alleged is the fact that there is a reduction in the duty on coal going into the United States. It would be something deplorable if the fluctuations of tariff should cause the whole province to be affected to the extent of repealing laws which have barely been in force. If the economic conditions are disturbed by an international arrangement, it seems that that condition ought to be met by securing a larger number of expert men (and which can easily be done by a large corporations by the C. P. R.) by paying the proper prices. Let the C. P. R. and the coal oerators, who can well afford to do so, pay reasonable prices and plenty machine men will be available in this and other countries. The same argument can be set forth to meet the reason alleged in the order that a large number of settlers have come into the province. This is a question of demand and supply, and if the poulation increases so rapidly, the powers that be should have forseen the tendency of the times early enough so as not to allow the men to be idle during the greater part of one season and not to overtax them during another.

Working a little all the time is far better than working a man to death only a part of the time. These legislators and large companies have a great deal of foresight when it is a question of gathering votes at the time of the election, or when it is to their own interests financially, but they care little for the worker who receives at all times the minimum of his earnings.

You will note that the order merely says that machine men are exempted from the operation of the act. As I said already in the interview with Mr. Cushing, the Minister of Public Works, both Mr. James and *myself, the interpretation of the order* was made by him as giving the machine men the opportunity of working more than eight hours a day if they so wished, but they are not obliged to do so. It would seem that this interpretation is correct and consequently I would be of the opinion that it is useless to raise meetings of protest, but it is for the United Mine Workers of America district 18 not to work more than eight hours a day, and if the operators require more coal if the demand is greater than the supply, then it is up to the operators to secure more help and more experienced men which they can do by paying salaries, and then we will have economic conditions adjusted by giving a larger number of men work to do, and thus help the unemployed.

This is my order as president of the United Mine Workers of America, in District No. 18. I would feel sorry to see any man belonging to the union accepting work for more than eight

Sunday School Suggestive Questions

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

NOVEMBER 28 1909

Paul on Self Denial. (World's Temperance Lesson.) Romans xiv: 10-21.

Golden Text.—It is good neither to eat flesh nor to drink wine nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth. Rom. xiv:21.

Verses 10-13—Is the Bible a book of rules in any sense, or is it a book of principles only?

Principles never change, but may a good rule under one condition become a bad one under another? Give examples.

There was a controversy, in the church at Rome between the Gentile and the Jewish believers about meats and days; but in the eyes of God was it in any sense a moral issue, as to which were right, those who observed certain days and refrained from certain kinds of meet or those who esteemed all days alike and ate all kinds of meat fit for food.

Did one Christian in Rome have any right to impute sin to another Christian, who believed and therefore acted, differently in the matter of meats and days, to what the objector's conscience would allow him to act?

Does this commandment not to judge forbid us forming an opinion concerning any doubtful action of our brother; and if not what does it forbid?

Today one part in the church thinks that renting pews is wrong, another that any kind of games in the church parlors are wrong, while others think the opposite on these matters; now has either party any right to "judge' the other party to be guilty of moral wrong?

What should be both the constraining and the restraining influence with us, in all matters of conduct? Verse 12.

Verse 14—Does God morally estimate actions in themselves or the motives which prompt the actions?

Give an example of how it is possible that one man may do a thing and please God, while another may do the same thing and commit sin.

How many outward actions can you think of that are always wrong under all circumstances?

Versos 15, 16—If your neighbor is very ill and your singing and piano playing hurts him and you refuse to deny yourself the pleasure of singing and playing, what kind of a person are you?

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

To what extent should I deny myself any pleasure the gratification of which hurts my neighbor.

No sensible parent will allow anything in his family, however good it may be in itself if it proves to be injurious to the children, should he or not, apply the same principle to his neighbors?

Verse 17—Should our chief thought be given to the needs of the body or of the soul?

What does the Kingdom of God preeminently stand for?

What, in the last analysis, is the real wealth of the individual, the family, the community and the nation?

Can the highest good be enjoyed if the Holy Spirit is not recognized as its source?

Verses 18-20—What do we need to be in order to be pleasing to God and to good men?

Verse 21—If we deny ourselves any things we enjoy for the sake of others what is the effect upon ourselves and do we get as much, or more out of the self denial as we would out of self gratification? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club.)

If all who drink wine, in moderation, would obey the principles of self denial in this verse, how long would it be before we would have total prohibition of the liquor traffic?

Lesson for Sunday, Dec. 5th, 1909 Paul on the Grace of Giving. II Cor. viii:1-15.

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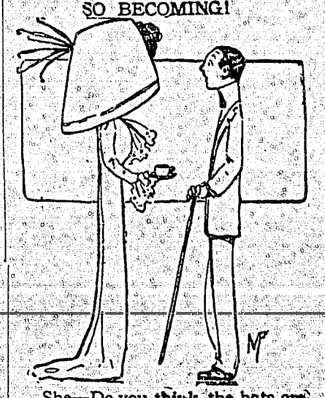

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TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION LABEL FERNIE B.C.

John D. Harrington made a clean, honest fight from start to finish, but he lost. However, his loss must make some of the workingmen of the city and district thoroughly ashamed of themselves and it certainly brands them as traitors. In a three cornered fight, such as we had in Fernie, Harrington, with a reasonable amount of support, should have had an easy victory, but whiskey, which was predominant, is seemingly always a temptor to the working class, and catches more votes for the unscrupulous politicians than honor. It is ever thus. Time and again we have seen the effect, and this election certainly had all others backed off the map. Nearly every saloon and hotel in the country flowed with the deceptive fluid, supplied no doubt from friends and supporters of Ross and the McBride administration. However the fact that John D. Harrington was defeated (dishonestly) does not for a moment dampen the ardor of the Socialists of Fernie riding, and already they are after new members and new supporters. The Socialist party does not wait until a few days before an election and then spring into the political arena with claws outstretched, and with policies of no end to gull the ignorant and easy going workers; it is always preaching and teaching the doctrines of the betterment of mankind. It is a doctrine of evolution, a doctrine, which if properly understood by the men it tries to defend, would reach from pole to pole. It is accustomed to defeat, but so far every defeat has meant a victory. The capitalist parties are realizing more and more every day that Socialism has come to stay and must be reckoned with.

The provincial elections yesterday will go down in national history in the same category as the Frank slide.

From all quarters of the Dominion are heard reports of protest in regard to the military program of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Even in the oldest parts of Ontario and the Maritme provinces, where they are immune from the western spirit of peace between the men of all nations, come the same notes of discontent. Canada could not in any event produce a navy that would compete with any of her possible enemies. Her defence lies in the North Sea fleet of Britain. Any navy that Canada can put on the water would stand about as much show as one mug of beer at a German picnic.

The closing of the school here on account of a number of cases of measles has caused somewhat of a tempest in a teapot. It now appears that the professional gentleman who gave the order is an ex-official of the city, and at the present time has no authority whatever to dictate upon such matters. He overstepped his province altogether, and the schools are to open on Monday as usual.

Owing to the fact that several persons have challenged the right of the officers of District 18 to take any part in the elections, as they did in sanctioning the candidature of John D. Harrington, we reproduce in another column a resolution passed by the last convention of District 18, which is sufficient warrant for their action.

The workingmen of Fernie riding voted away their manliness and honor yesterday for whiskey and some false promises. They should now be satisfied with what they get.

Come to think of it, 'twill not be any great or arduous task to be leader of the opposition in the B. C. Legislature.

After all, what's the use of working men having a ballot when they do not know how to use it for themselves.

The Free Press engine blew out as a protest to the rubbish they were publishing about W. R. Ross—but to no effect.

There were all sorts of election bets up, but so far we have been unable to locate any person who lost money.

Once more the workers, the trade union men, the men who are so sympathetic and so sincere in the union meetings, have been gulled by Conservative money, Conservative whiskey and Liberal cigars. The workers could carry this riding with ease if they stuck together, but the "if" is what they fall on.

SPEAKS FOR ITSELF

The mouthpiece of the capitalist class, or the megaphone of the Conservative member, the Free Press, has seen fit to challenge the rights of the District Officers of the U. M. W. of A. endorsing the candidature of J. D. Harrington. If that worthy tool of the old parties tried to educate itself a little in the labor movement, it would see the ridiculous position in which it places itself.

It is our divine right, not as district officers, but as individuals to support one of our own class, one who will combat at every turn the evergrowing tendency on the part of the (leech specie) master class, to grind the workers down, down, down. And again, as District Officers, we must most emphatically declare that we are only voicing the opinion of the majority of our members when we lend our support to the cause of the only man that can and will uphold the interests of his class—the workers.

For the benefit of our would-be critics the following resolution, passed both at the International and District convention is reproduced:

(Convention report, sixth annual convention, page 27):

"Whereas, in the light of the industrial depression that has haunted Canada and America for more than a year, millions of willing workers have been forced into involuntary idleness, thereby denied access to the means of life, and

Whereas, a class of predatory rich who scarcely know the limit of their wealth are co-existent with the countless thousands whose poverty is the direct result of their inability to find some owners of the means of production to employ them; and

Whereas, the denial of the opportunity to the willing workers to engage in useful labor springs from the fact that the means with which the necessaries of life are produced are owned and controlled by private individuals, who are not necessary factors in wealth production, whose only function is to profit by the activity of the working class so long as a market can be found where the product of the workers can be disposed of, and;

Whereas: The Workers receive in the form of wages only a small share of what their labor power with the aid of machinery produces, thus preventing them from buying back out of the markets the equivalent of what they have produced, necessarily causing a glutted market; therefore be it

Resolved, that we, the United Mine Workers of America, District No. 18, in annual convention assembled, recognize and declare for the necessity of the public ownership and operation and the democratic management of all those means of production and exchange that are collectively used, that every man, and woman willing and able to work can have free access to the means of life and get the full value of what they produce.

The motion carried with only one vote against.

OPENING OF METHODIST CHURCH

The church will be formally opened on Sunday morning, November 28th, by Rev. George Kerby of Calgary, when the trustees, in the person of H. A. Wilkes, will hand over the keys. The ceremony of opening the doors to the public takes place at 10.30 a.m., after which the dedicatory service will be conducted within, followed by the administration of the sacrament of the Lords Supper. In the afternoon a choir of 30 voices will render the sacred cantata, The Building of the Temple. Service opens at 2.30 followed at 3 p.m. by the cantata.

In the evening at 7.30 Rev. Mr. Kerby will again preach. In connection with this service there will be a special choir of little girls dressed in white. Miss Doran will also sing a solo. The orchestra will be in attendance at each of the services.

On Monday evening from 6 to 8 a public dinner will be served in the basement of the church at 50 cents per head, under the charge of the ladies of the church. At 8 p.m. the public meeting begins at which local and visiting clergy are expected to take part. A miscellaneous program is provided of vocal and instrumental music.

The proceeds of the evening services are in aid of the building fund, when a presentation of finance will be made in connection therewith.

It is expected that the occasion will prove to be one of the significant events in the history of Fernie.

PROGRESSIVE FERNIE

A very large number of copies of this book have been sent out since the last announcement in the Ledger, and on every hand we have met with nothing but pleasant words in regard to our undertaking. An ad. elsewhere explains more fully where copies can be had, etc. The following from the local press gives us a chance to see ourselves as others see us.

From the Crow's Nest Pass Daily:

"Progressive Fernie" has at last made its appearance and is a credit to the enterprise and workmanship of the Ledger. It is neat and attractive, and contains slendid specimens of the engravers art, besides many excellently written articles, dealing with the industries and business enterprises of the city and district.

From the Fernie Free Press:

"The long delayed issue of "Progressive Fernie, published by the District Ledger is at last off the presses. We have not had time to peruse the printed matter carefully, but from a mechanical and typographical standpoint the number is a credit to the office that has produced it. The stock used is a handsome pale buff paper, which shows off the illustrations to advantage, and gives a distinctive tone to the whole publication. We congratulate our cotem on the excellent souvenir it has produced. We have had some experience in getting out special numbers and can appreciate the heavy work entailed in the production of such a book. We trust that the District Ledger may find its task profitable as well as arduous.

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STODDARDS MAKE GOOD

The Regina Daily Standard says:

"We have made good, at least we hope we have,' were Mr. Stewart's words to the bumper audience that greeted the Stoddard's last night. On the opening night last year there were 149 present, so it means something to gain the public confidence and oood will. The company and the show are a credit to the indefatigable efforts of Mr. Stewart and his assistants and the repertoire is of the very best class.

"The Man on the Box" is an up-to-date comedy, full of ridiculous situationsions brought about through two clever persons playing the game of bluff—The man having blundered in playing a practical joke stumbles on the romance of his life and proceeds to bluff it out—and the woman suspecting that he is bluffing determines to "call the bluff—but fate steps in and gives him a chance to make good. After the tangles are all taken out, there is nothing left but the old story of love at first sight, carried through all the stages with a very fair plot as background, and with the accompaniment of good clean humor on all the sides.

Mr. Stewart as the Man on the Box, and the pivot of the play proved himself a versatile and clever actor of the first order, and his winning personality made him plenty of friends in the play, and scores in the audience. Everyone was glad he stole that kiss even the lady herself, and he did well to confine himself to one for Miss Lean Stoddard as "Betty" was irresistibly pretty and unconventional. There is something doing all the time with the Stoddard's and the acts were interspersed with specialties which alone were worth the price of admission. It is safe to say nothing better in this line has ever been given in this city. Archer and Garlow, comedy instrumentalists, brought down the house, and whether we quite enjoyed the jibe at our classical tastes is neither here nor there—we certainly did enjoy the style and cleverness of their work.

George Llewyn, a somewhat different fellow did some good turns and was a whole show in himself.

The illustrated songs and the pianist were in order with this first class organization, which everyone should see and hear. They play the entire week with a change nightly. At Fernie opera house all next week.

AN EXPLANATION

Editor Ledger,

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

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Fernie, B. C., November 27th, 1909

News From the Camps

From our own Correspondents

COAL CREEK

First class board and accommodation at Fairclough's Boarding house, Coal Creek, 179-180, opposite the football grounds.

The notes of necessity this week must be short; the election having taken up most of the time of your correspondent—all of it in fact. Well, the election is over and we are once more defeated, but far from disgraced. That is so far as electing our man is concerned. In the sense of having advanced the cause of socialism we certainly did well, our vote showing a very substantial increase. The figures speak for themselves: —Fisher 25, Harrington 124, and Ross 49; there were four spoiled. This is the largest vote ever recorded here and speaks volumes for the miners. 75 of a majority over Ross and 99 over Fisher is something of which the workers ought to feel proud, and I have no doubt but what they do. The election was fought out in the best of spirit and everything passed off intelligent lot of voters they brought and it was really amusing to see the ntellgent bunch of voters they brought to the polling booths. Some of them had been well primed with whiskey before coming to vote and there is no doubt but that if it had not been for the rig they would never have reached the polling station. Some of them were in a disgraceful condition, and the whiskey bill of the Conservative association must have been a heavy one. A man who will sell his manhood for a drink of whiskey is indeed a hopeless case, and there are quite a few who did it. It is hardly necessary to say that they were not Socialists. o I have stated above that everything passed off satisfactorily. This is hardly correct because there was one feature of it which was far from satisfactory and this was in respect to the ballots, only 100 of which were sent up. We immediately pointed out that these were of no use for a place with over 300 voters on the list, with the result that more were phoned for. They did not arrive until after two in the afternoon with the result that we were without ballots for over two hours and had to turn men away, a disgraceful state of affairs. Mr. Syd Walley was deputy returning officer and carried out his duties in a highly creditable manner.

There has been the usual farce carried on in reference to special trains running to Coal Creek this week and the one on election night was certainly the limit. It would be as well if the parties who arrange for these specials would also make arrangements to pay for them or state beforehand that those riding will be expected to pay. This will save trouble.

Poor Fisher, what a brilliant showing he made, all that money etc., (especially the etc.) for a paltry three or four hundred votes. We are afraid he is not going to be a success at politics. Better try the music halls for which nature intended him.

A big bump occurred in No. 2 mine on Tuesday. The bump was felt in the south level most, high line. Not much damage was done, but the bump was the largest since the memorable one of August 1908.

No. one mine was idle all day on Wednesday, a big cave in being the cause.

The mines have done very bad work this week owing to various causes—break downs in machinery being one of the principal reasons.

The election has also kept a large number of men off work mainly because of the crazy train service referred to elsewhere.

Coal Creek voted in a different manner on the local option question than a good many expected. Quite a few were of the opinion that the Creek would vote very heavy against the measure.

The figures however only showed two of a majority against the measure 81 to 86.

A very successful bazaar was held in the Methodist church on Tuesday last which was opened by Mr. Bennett of Scranton Correspondence schools. The bazaar was well stocked with all kinds of useful and fancy articles which received a ready sale. Refreshments were also on sale. We understand a substantiand balance was been realized for the building fund.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Morris went down to Michel on a visit on Saturday last.

Mrs. J. Darbyshire is spending a few days in Frank and Blairmore with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood of Blairmore will leave shortly for Lethbridge, Mr. Lockwood is at present draftsman at the cement works at Blairmore.

A social evening was held in the Bapitst church in Blairmore on Wednesday evening, the proceeds, which amounted to $22 from a collection being in aid of hymn books for the church.

Mr. Smith occupied the chair and the programme was:

Doxology.
Violin solo: Miss M. Howard.
Vocal selection by the choir.
Recitation: Mr. Rose
Song: Mrs. Lockwood
Reading. Mrs. Sargeant.
Song: Mr. Barber
Duet: Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood.
Refreshments
Conjuring tricks by Mr. McGee.
Song: Mrs. Lockwood
Hat trimming competition for men only.
Song: Mr. Barber
Violin solo: Miss M. Howard
Recitation: Mr. R. Rosander.
Song: Mr. Lockwood.

The pastor in his closing remarks thanked all the people for giving their services.

T. Sandoni, dairy man of Bellevue, was up at the police court for a hearing for a most serious offence. He was charged with having run a hay fork into a horse's side, belonging to Frank Bosely of Bellevue, causing its death. The horse, it is supposed, was running at large, causing considerable nuisance to Sandoni, with eating hay put down for the cattle. He is out on $2000 bail.

WALDO

The funds for the hall haev increased from $124.50 to $179.50, by a generous contribution of $25 from the Western Canada Wholesale Company of Fernie, of $10, from J. C. Carruthers of Nelson and $10 from A. J. Burton Saw works of Vancouver, and $10 from Mr. Hugh Gilmour of Vancouver. The work on the hall is progressing rapidly.

A masquerade ball will be held at the new hall on Friday evening Dec. 17, to raise further funds for furnishing the hall.

Mr. Broadwood, who was very ill, is able to be about again.

Dr. Saunders is still very ill at the Island Hotel.

FRANK

Mr. James Darbyshire, late superintendent of Michel mines, has been offered and has accepted a position as superintendent at Burmis, Alta. He will move his family about the 1st of December, when the house which he is building is ready.

"PROGRESSIVE FERNIE MEETS WITH POPULAR APPROVAL.

In accordance with the announcement in last week's Ledger, "Progressive Fernie" was placed on sale Wednesday morning, and as predicted, the reception accorded the production by the public has been such as to warrant the considerable outlay and enormous amount of work involved by this office in the undertaking.

On all sides nothing but commendation is heard, and several expressed surprise that we were able to offer such a book to the public for the sum of fifty cents. The Ledger extends its thanks to the business men of Fernie who, by a liberal advertising patronage, guaranteed a certain amount of the sinews of war, so necessary in all kindred undertakings. As an illustration of the ready sale, Mr. Brown, of Bleasdell's drug store was one of the first to call for copies, and took twenty, a good armful. A few minutes later he called the Ledger on the phone and informed us that when he reached the drug store he had only two left—the remaining 18 having been disposed of between The Ledger and Bleasdell's drug store. The Ledger Bindery presents quite a lively appearence at present, quite a force of extras being employed to rush the work of binding, etc In this connection it has come to our notice that several books were inadvertently allowed to leave the office with one run of sixteen pages inserted the wrong way. Any parties receiving such, whether from this office or any agency, will confer a favor on the publishers by returning same to this office and receiving properly assembled and bound copies in their stead.

A great many Fernieites have purchased the books and are holding them to send for Christmas presents, and we know of no gift that would be more suitable and which can be procured for anything like the price asked—50c. including a strong envelope suitable for mailing any distance.

We would again call the attention of the public to the fact that copies of Progressive Fernie can be obtained at the following places at the same price—50 cents.

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The universal—and we use the word sincerely—circulation of Progressive Fernie may be gathered from the fact that the first four copies bought were mailed from the Ledger office to the following destinations:

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In conclusion—let us urge early purchases if you do not want to be disappointed. The number of copies issued was large but orders are coming in fast and so far we have not caught up with the great demand. At first the sales were in twos and threes, now they are in dozen and twenty-five lots, exclusive of the hundreds that are being handled by dealers. Remember the price is 50 cents at any store and no person is authorized to charge any more. Above all things—ORDER NOW.

The theatre goers who were fortunate enough to see "Zaza" by the Allen Stock Company at the Fernie Opera house on Thursday were more than repaid for their money. Miss Verna Felton as Zaza was a dream, and will not soon be forgotten. She is a born actress, who by study and care has brought herself up to the top notch. It would be unfair to particularize on any of the other characters. All were fine, all were good, and manager Allen certainly has the best. The scenic arrangements and detail were well arranged. Zaza was a masterpiece, and while the election fever was very prevalent, yet not a sound could be heard when beautiful Miss Felton was giving her idealistic reproduction of a clever piece from behind the scenes. If you are a lover of high class acting see the Allen Stock Company tonight.

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Another of Fernie's fine fire proof building has at last been completed and occupied—the Trites-Wood Co.

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Digby and Waldo are certainly entitled to all credit for the manner in which they have rushed the work to completeion. The decorating is also a creditable piece of work, being executed by J. H. Lock. The plumbing and heating was looked after by H. Carlile.

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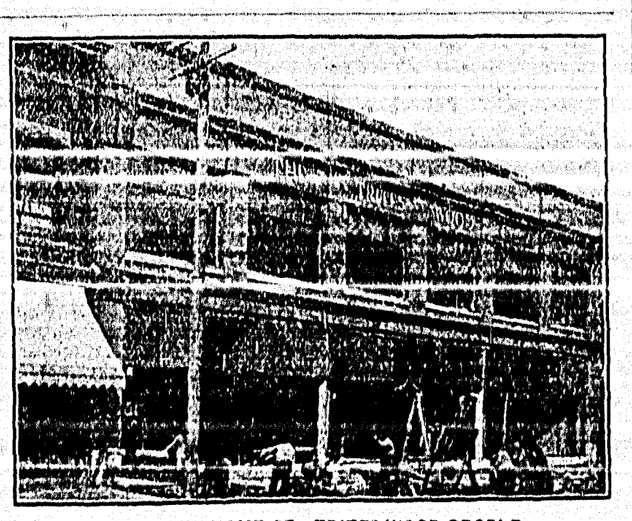

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CHERRY, Ill., Nov. 24.—All here are struck with horror!

"My God! Can it be that the St. Paul Coal Company will blow up its mine to hide evidence?"

This is the question which is on many lips, on lips drawn thin and close together by sorrow.

Why do these men and women ask that bitter question? The mine is still in flames. It might be reasonably expected to blow up from a gas explosion or it might be intentionally blown up and evidence for almost $1,000,000 worth of death claims, as comensation for the living, the relatives of the dead, be destroyed.

Expert Testimony Cheap

Men and women ask bitter questions at such times as these. Then the troops are here. The miners are away from the mine. It is easy to buy expert testimony. There are gases which may explode. The provocation of the officials is great. So reason the men and women to whom tragedy is a brother and hardship a daily companion.

All the officials, those of the company, those of the country and those of the state are denying that any of them sent for the troops.

Duncan McDonald, president of District Number 12, United Mine Workers of America, will protest to Governor Deneen.

"There was no need for the troops" said McDonald, "and some one must have misrepresented the facts in order to induce the governor to send the militia. If there is trouble now the company need only blame itself.

There was no trouble brewing at the time the troops came. Their presence can only have an evil effect. The miners will not be to blame, remembering the experience of the miners with the militia in the past."

Agents Force Settlements

The story of a dynamite plot is a pure fabrication. Even A. J. Earling, president of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad, admitted to me that he had not heard of any such plot. The city is filled with private detectives and agents of the casualty companies. Ghoul like these men are going among the women. A shrewd man and a grief stricken woman, a specious plea, faked sympathy and a paltry check and the signing of a release! That's a civilized scene!

The woman glances at her dead. She looks at the tearful child at her knee. She bows her head. She is bitter at first. Why has her man been taken from her? All her world and her faith in God have crumbled. She looks at the child; she looks at the dead—and she listens to the claim agent, the human ghoul.

Honeyed Hypocrisy

The child is the thing. The mother's heart beats for the child and food and shelter are to be bought by money. The wage earner is gone and where is the money to come from? Ah, the claim agent offers money, offers money and honeyed words. In him a great corporation kneels suppliant. It loves the widow and it loves the orphan (a few hundred dollars worth). The poor, the poor are always with us, and are always beaten at law,—suits take time and lawyers need the money. The woman looks at the dead, she looks at the child, she looks at the agent and she signs. She takes the money.

The great corporation has extended its charity!

Evidence is being bidden. The troops being here, matters are placed in the hands of the company. Independent investigations are thus almost prothwarted. Adequate investigation on behalf of the widows and the orphans seems at this time to be well nigh impossible. It's dollars against men, living and the dead; dollars against boys, the living and the dead; dollars against babies, the born and the unborn; dollars against the sorrows of motherhood and wifehood; dollars against life; dollars against death; dollars against humanity.

CHERRY, Ill., Nov. 21.—A wall of glittering steel, the fixed bayonets of the state troops, menaced the miners today when the demand for the reopening of the mine became insistent.

As a result of the widespread indignation here the mine is to be reopened today to search for bodies of the dead. This is the plan which has been announced. Two United States experts and some miners are to be equipped with oxygen helmets, so the story goes, and venture into the mine. Every one is angry over the efforts of the railway to block investigation. State Attorney Eckert does not have the confidence of the miners. It has been proved that the payment of $165 for safety appliances in the third level, the lowest in the mine, would have saved 160 lives.

The county officials, charged with the investigation of the death of the miners at the St. Paul mine are being dined and wined by the officals of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad, while 260 soldiers are stationed around the mine to prevent the bereaved widows and relatives from approaching the mound of wet railroad ties and black earth with which the mouth of the mine is sealed. The motto of Property first and life afterward, is being enforced.

Aroused to White Heat

The citizens of this little town which is inhabited almost entirely by miners, are aroused to a white heat over the efforts of the railroad to sidestep the blame, and it is doubtful if the troopers on the ground here could hold them back if they marched in a body to the opening of the sealed mine and removed the water soaked ties which were placed over it, as some have threatened to do it if an effort is not made during this afternoon to reopen the tomb.

While mine officials, experts and whatnots are standing around declaring that the sealing of the mine was absolutely necessary to save the lives of the men in the dungeon, practical miners, who worked in the mine, declare that when the opening was covered up all the men below were wantonly murdered. True the mine will not be destroyed by fire now. And of the humans who are down there—either dead from the smoke and the flames or sheer fright—that is a secondary consideration.

Human Life Held Cheaper

When the mine was built human life was held cheaper than modern safety appliances, and it will always be held as a secondary consideration by such corporations, when state and county officials can be bought off for a bottle of wine or a promise of a good thing after.

After an investigation today conducted by men who are not experts nor officials, in any way, it is an absolute certainty that the holocaust was the result of sheer negligence and impractical economy on the part of the mine owners.

These Facts Convict Company

The following facts speak for themselves:

The fire was started by an open torch in the passageway on the second vein. Candles are not to be used in mines; and would not have been in this mine had it been cheaper to fix the electric lights, which, as one of the miners explained "had been out of whack for a month."

Hay, or provisions according to the rule in most mines, is not to be taken down in the shaft until after the miners have quit for the day. The hay which caused the fire in the St. Paul death trap, was being taken down at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

Incomplete Shaft the Cause

With all these violations everything would have been all right had there been two shafts leading to the third vein, for then the hay would have been taken direct to the third level, where it was consigned to, and it would not have had to be taken from the hoisting shaft to the second level and then carried through the passageway (where it became ignited by the open torch) to another shaft, where it was to be taken to the third vein. A direct route would have averted the fire.

Several months ago a second shaft was sunk to the third vein but it was not equipped for use "as the men at work in the third level were not sending up enough coal." So when the fire broke out the men "who did not send up enough coal" had to either be fortunate enough to be hoisted to the second vein and then transferred into another cage, or stay down there and burn to death, which 160 did. A direct route would have saved 160 lives.

$165 Caused 160 Deaths

These 160 men were murdered for approximately $165, the price it would have cost the coal company to rig up the second shaft for use.

Before the mine was sealed up "experts,' in oxygen helmets, were sent down into the smouldering hellhole to investigate, not rescue. Several went down and took a look and came back up.

If these "experts" had been expert enough, miners say, to take a lead of hose down with them and play it on the flames at the bottom of the mine while they were down there looking on, they might have subdued the fire which now is beyond control.

Men who had worked in the mine and knew every foot of its territory begged to be allowed to done one of the oxygen helmets and descend into the mine with leads of hose. They were not expert enough to silently stand by and watch and so their offers were turned down.

Sad Sight

Four peasant women brushed by the army of paid consolers yesterday and stood on top of the covering and prayed. When an effort was made to remove them one of the women went into hysterics and threw herself on the ground and began clawing at the sand placed over the ties like an infuriated animal.

"I know my man and my boy will come up if you will let them," she wailed piteously. "My John is not dead for I know he is alive."

Newspaper men and sightseers began to walk away with tears in their eyes, while two of the "consilers" led the woman, torn with grief, from the top of the death trap and walked her down the railway tracks to the row of little four roomed cottages on a side road where gloom and sorrow reign.

There are but a few here today who have hopes of there being a live mortal in the mine.

More Hopeful Reports

CHERRY, Ill., Nov. 24.—Two exploring parties in the St. Paul mine today found indications which lead them to believe that many living men are still in the last workings. The searchers at 3 a.m. were able to pass far into the galleries and their hope springs from the fact that where they expected to find a large number of dead men, none were seen. Nearly 200 are still unaccounted for.

If men are alive, imprisoned in the depths of the mine, they are probably too weak to aid in their own escape. It was nine days ago that the fire occurred and from that time any possible survivors have been without food and very little, if any, water.

Their only hope is in the rescue party which is working frantically to remove the timbers, dead animals and earth falls, which block the way to the east workings. Four of the score or more of bodies seen lying in the black damp were hoisted. It is said that it was impossible to reach the others althought they were in plain view.

Twenty one miners were taken out alive Saturday.

A Graphic Description

A graphic description of the discovery of the men from the view point of the rescuers was told by Father Henry of St. Marys church. Father Henry was down in the mine with the rescue party. He said "Just about 2 o'clock as we stacked up at a pile of debris 300 feet into the gallery, Dave Powell suddenly said:

"Listen, boys!" A faint pounding was heard.

"My God!" said Powell. "I believe that some body is alive in there!"

Other men said 'No, impossible. Nobody could live down here for seven days!"

Again came the muffled pounding sound.

Getting hold of the picks and axes our men then began to tear down the pile of earth and rock. It took us several minutes to make headway.

"It was a wierd scene. The light of our torches on our caps bobbing up and down the place filled it with moving shadows.

"Now, let us listen again,' said Powell. Much to our glee the pounding sounds became louder. A few more digs and a little black hole appeared.

Two or three of us climbed ever the dirt and yelled "Are any of you alive in there, boys?"

An answer came back: Yes.

'Our men pulled at the dirt again, and a large gap appeared.

'We'll save you in a minute, boys,' we yelled.

In faint heavy voices the men called back, "Yes, we are alive and you bet we are hungry."

"I crawled as near the hole as I could. God bless you, men; we will get you out in a minute and give you all the lunch you can eat."

I could not see anything, for the men were in total darkness, so I went back and prayed that God would make the number to be rescued as large as possible.

By that time the hole was wider and a dozen pairs of glistening eyes appeared. One of the men inside called out 'most of us are all right but there is one poor fellow, Frank, a Frenchman, who is almost gone and I am afraid that he will soon be dead if he doesn't get fresh air.'

Soon with a shout we jumped in and met them, throwing our arms around their necks. Their joy was inexpressible. They laughed and cried aloud.

We wanted to carry the men to the hoisting shaft but they insisted that they could walk.

They were practically blinded by the torchlight. So we threw blankets over their heads and started to escort them.

"My first concern was to get after the poor little Frenchman. I found him outstretched on his back breathing his last. Holding a torch over his face I said 'Do you give your soul to God?

He answered 'Yes,'. I administered the last sacrament and in a minute he was dead.

An Act of Heroism

"At the shaft occurred one of the greatest acts of heroism that I know of.

"Walter Waite, one of the rescued, hearing that there were others alive in another part of the mine, threw the blanket from his head and shouted "Well then by God, I am not going out until I get them.'

We remonstrated, saying that it would mean his death and we actually had to use force to get him into the cage.

It was discovered that the men after eating up all the food that they had in their dinner pails had subsisted on bark torn from the posts that are used to support the walls of the mines.

Inspector Crawford after being down in the mine half and hour reported that 67 of the living men were in a critical condition. They were too weak to stand the exertion of being moved.

William Cleland, one of the survivors after drinking a bowl of soup, appeared to be none the worse for his experience.

We made the most of our situation, he said, sitting in the car and surrounded by nurses. "How the time went we don't know. We must have been unconscious for part of the time. I remember soon after we were shut in drinking great quantities of the seepage from the gutter. After that some of us pulled off the bark from the posts and chewed it. We did not realize how serious was our position. After the seepage had run dry we began pounding the wall to cause more to drop. Most of us thought we had been in the mine for about 24 hours."

STOMACH LIVER LUNGS

Each of the chief organs of the body is a link in the Chain of Life. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link, the body no stronger than its weakest organ. If there is weakness of stomach, liver or lungs, there is a weak link in the chain of life which may snap at any time. Often this so-called "weakness" is caused by lack of nutrition, the result of weakness or disease of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition. Diseases and weaknesses of the stomach and its allied organs are cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. When the weak or diseased stomach is cured, diseases of other organs which *seem* remote from the stomach but which have their origin in a diseased condition of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition, are cured also.

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CRANBROOK MAN FATALLY INJURED

CRANBROOK, Nov. 24.—William E. Hall, son of Conductor Joseph Hall, while working as brakesman on a west bound train, met with a cruel and sudden death just east of Jaffray. As the train was approaching Jewell's saw mill young Hall started forward over the cars to the forward end of the train to be ready for setting brakes at the Jewell mill. Just how the accident happened no one knows, but it is supposed that with the snow and the slush on top of the cars the young men slipped and fell beneath the train as the wheels passed over his shoulder and side.

When he was missed by the train crew a hand car and men were sent back to search for him, and he was found lying unconscious beside the track. He was taken to Wardner and an engine and caboose brought him to Cranbrook in the fastest time that was probably ever made between the two stations.

Dr. Green met him at Wardner and did all that was possible under the circumstances, and as soon as the special arrived in Cranbrook the unfortunate young man was taken to St. Eugene hospital, where he died without regaining consciousness at six o'clock.

HIGH CLASS VAUDEVILLE

Mr. Elmer Willis, late lessee of the Lyric theatre, Calgary, and interested in a number of theatres in the west, is in Fernie arranging for the appearance here for one night of each week for the entire vaudeville company now playing Calgary and the coast cities. Mr Willis said on behalf of his syndicate, of which Mr. Kyle of Calgary is arrangements could be made he would place for one night of every week during the winter season this vaudeville in Fernie.

The Empire Vaudeville is affiliated with the Pantages circuit of Seattle, Spokane and other western cities, and is beyond doubt the highest class and most expensive of modern vaudeville, consisting of six big acts—which includes one big feature act of extraordinary merit each week. The performance runs two and a half hours and if arrangements are completed, will play Fernie on a certain night weekly with a complete change of acts each week. This is doubtless the most ambitious attempt to provide the western cities with the same standard of vaudeville as the largest of the coast cities now enjoy, in fact identically the same. If this effort is crowned with success it means a great deal toward the improvement of local amusement conditions for the cities of the pass, and will place the theatre management and the public in a more independent position inasmuch as they will have one night each week upon which they can look forward to with confidence and pleasure without feeling that they are taking any chances of being duped. Arrangements are in progress with the management committee of the new miners theatre and there is little doubt but what the deal would go through. In speaking of the theatre Mr. Willis said that without doubt Fernie will possess the most compact and most modernly equipped theatre between Calgary and Spokane.

IT'S CATCHING.

"Hey, fellers! She wants me ter quit der team an' go into vaudyville with her!"

UNFAIR LIST

Of the American Federation of Labor

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

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

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

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

Whisky: Finch Distilling Co., Pittsburg Pa.

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

Corsets: Chicago Corset Co., manufacturers Kabo and 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.

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THREE MEN HIT BY TRAIN

ST. CATHARINES, Nov. —Thomas W. Wright, Edward Hurson and John Dundas, all young men employed in the paper mills at Merriton, near here, were killed while walking on the railway track.

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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 7640A.

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

NOTICE

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

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

H. R. Jorand,
District Registrar

AMHERST, N. S. Nov. 1—Allen E. McLean, superintendent of the Great Northern Mining Company, at Chetlcamp, Inverness county, was accidentally drowned at Eastern Harbor yesterday. He leaves a widow and child.

RIVER ON A SPREE

Warm Rains Swell Stream Causing Serious Damage--Traffic at a Standstill Just Now

BELLINGHAM Wash. Nov. 24.—The Nooksack river, swollen by 36 hours of warm rain in the foothills is over its banks, sweeping out bridges and threatening houses, flooding fields and towns and imperilling lives and the crest of the flood has not been reached. It is expected that today the river will be at the highest point ever recorded and damage to the extent of thousands of dollars will have been done. Ed. Galties, his wife and three children are marooned on an island at Deming and are in grave danger.

Whether they can be taken off in boats is doubtful and their house will probably be swept away. Other ranchers all along the river are marooned and while they are thought to be safe they will lose their all. The bridges at Gallup Creek, Boulder Creek, Bacon Creek and Connell Creek, all tributaries of the Noosack have been swept out and railroad service to Glacier, the B. B. and B. C termians, is cut off

The town is completely isolated as the country roads leading to it are under several feet of water and cannot be used.

A despatch from Portland, Ore., of the same date says:

As the result of the stormm which swept through Oregon during the last few days Portland today is practically cut off from all points to the south, and reports coming in indicate that thousands of dollars worth of damage has been done by the elements. The Willimette river is rising at the rate of three inches per hour, but unless the heavy rains continue for another twenty four hours there will be no material damage by reason of a high embankment.

The Columbia river is full of logs which have broken adrift from the booms in the various camps along that stream.

"MAGDA"

By special arrangement Manager Taschereau has secured the Hortense Neilsen Company in "Magda" for Tuesday, November 30. To all lovers of dramatic art this will be the one great social events of the season, as Miss Nielsen will bring with her a complete production and the original caste which made Magda such a pronounced success in all the large cities for the past two seasons.

The story lies in the sharp contrast between the old and the new. The preparation for the return of 'Magda', the prodigal daughter, to her provincial home, occupies an entire act and her entrance with an interest which increases until the great climax of the last act.

Colonel Schwartze, a retired lieutenant colonel of the German army, who has ruled his home with a rod of iron, has sent Magda out into the world because she refused to marry the man of his choice. When she returns to her home, twelve years after, as a great singer and comes over to see her parents for the first time, her father cannot get over the idea that he must still dictate to her what she shall do and whom she shall marry.

The scenes are laid in a small town in the province of Germany. The play is Miss Nielsen's ample opportunity to wear some magnificent gowns which she had made for her by Worth, the Paris costumer.

The cast of characters supporting Miss Nielsen is as follows:

Schwartze, Lieutenant Colonel on half pay, Norval MacGregor.
Children by his first wife:
Magda, Hortense Neilsen.
Marie: Idalie Jowett.
Augusta, born von Wenlowski, his second wife, Hazel Root.
Franziska, von Wendloski, her sister Veronica Sullivan.
Max von Wendloski, Lieut., their nephew, Ed. Kilroy.
Heffterdingt, Pastor of St. Marys, Walter Leonard.
Dr. on Keller, councilor, W. Charles Hoffman.
Beckman, Profesosr Emeritus, Edward Kilroy.
Von Klebs, Major General on half pay, Earle Wallace.
Mrs. Von Klebs, Helen Green.
Mrs. Justice Ellrich, Julia Price.
Mrs. Schumann: Mary E. Fitch.
Theresa, maidservant of Schwartze family, Edna Mines.

A STRONG FIGHT FINISHED

To Organized Labor:

Greeting:—We beg to advise you that the controversy between the Boot and Shoe Workers Union and the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co. of Brockton Mass, has been settled to our mutual satisfaction. All the Douglas Shoe factories are to operate under the union stamp arbitration contract. The factories of the Douglas Company in Brockton, Mass., are to resume operations at once.

We extend our thanks to organized labor for past favors and we will endeavor in the future to merit your approval of our course.

Fraternally yours,
JOHN F. TOBIN
General President

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Zam-Buk is a daily need in every household and is sold by all druggists and stores at fifty cents a box. Refuse harmful and dangerous substitutes sometimes pushed as being just as good.

DEDUCTION

He—Yes; I'm an artist, a musician and a poet.
She—Poor fellow! What a hold poverty must have on you!

A NEW RECORD

Hills Fast Mail Has Maintained the Forty Eight Hour Run for One Month

The Great Northern fast mail yesterday completed a thirty-three days' record in the maintenance of a 48 hour schedule from St. Paul to Seattle. Not only has the train been able to keep within the time limit on every run, but it invariably has been travelling under the schedule about half an hour every day.

Officials assert that the Great Northern fast mail is the fastest long distance train operation in the world at present, and the record of the past thirty-three days is regarded as remarkable. It is pointed out that the schedule maintained by the G. N. via St. Paul is three hours shorter than that maintained by the Harriman lines from Omaha to San Francisco, the distance benig comparatively the same in each case.

St. Paul is now the gateway for the most of the mail for Western States, Alaska and Oriental points. There is now brought this way all the mail that originates in the states east of the Mississippi river and north of the Ohio river. Much of the mail from this territory used to be sent by way of Omaha, but was diverted this way when the Great Northern established its superior service.

The government will weigh the mails in this district for three months beginning in February, to ascertain the basis for payment for mail transportation for the next four years. It is to get this contract that the Great Northern is maining its 48 hour service.—Pioneer Press, St. Paul.

NOTICE

Roland W. Wood
and
Charles W. Davey

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

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

M. A. KASTNER,
Sheriff's Deputy.

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

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

M. A. KASTNER
Sheriff's Deputy

NOTICE

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

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

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

NOTICE

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

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

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

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

M. A. KASTNER
Sheriffs Deputy

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

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

M. A. Kastner
Sheriff's Deputy.

MISS MARIE THOMPSON OF THE ALLEN PLAYERS

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.

NOTICE

60 days after date I intend to apply to the chief of Provincial Police for a transfer of the retail liquor license of Simon Dragon to George Vincent of the Royal Hotel, Gateway, B. C.

Dated this 16th day of October, 1909.

SIMON DRAGON
Oct 16 Dec 17 G.V.

NOTICE

60 days after date I intend to apply to the chief of Provincial Police for a renewal of the retail liquor license for the Royal Hotel of Gateway, B.C.

Dated this 16th day of October, 1909.

GEORGE VINCENT
Oct. 16 Dec. 17 G.V.

NOTICE

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

G. H. BOULTON,
City Clerk.

TO THE WORKERS

Fernie Oct. 29 1909

Fellow Workers:

The Fernie Electoral Riding has been for the past eight years a strenuously contested seat. At the provincial Election the workers lost the seat by some 60 votes through the Liberals deserting their own candidate at the eleventh hour and supporting the present member.

It is admitted that the seat must fall to the workers. The capitalists will combine forces to prevent a consummation so undesirable to them. They have money without end; we lack that essential weapon to success. We therefore ask all workers who can afford to do so to send their contributions, however small, to Oscar Erickson, Box 70, Fernie B. C.

As an example to capital of the political power of the class conscious workers.

Signed, on behalf of the Campaign Committee.

Oscar Erickson
Secretary.

The opening of the new Methodist church has been postponed till Nov. 28 on account of inability to get the structure completed in time for earlier date. Full particulars next issue. Tickets sold for the opening dinner will stand good for the later date.

AFRAID HE WILL SUICIDE

Offiicials Fear That Prisoner Will Make an Attempt on His Life

WHITBY, Ont. Nov. 24.—Archie McLachlin, who is in the county jail here on a charge of murder in connection with the death of his wife and two babies, was so ill this morning after his first night behind the bars that a doctor had to be called. It is now feared that he will attempt to end his life.

TORONTO, Nov. 25.—The report of the provincial analyist who examined the contents of the stomach of the dead wife of Archie McLaughlin, under arrest on a charge of murder at Uxbridge, was received by the attorney general on Saturday afternoon. The report says that the discovery in the stomach of a large quantity of strychnine was more in fact than anticipated.

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R. Henderson, Dining Ronm Mgr.

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Thence running east 80 chains;
Thence running north 80 chains;
Thence running west 80 chains;
Thence running south 80 chains
to a point of commencement, making 640 acres more or less.

Located this 3rd day of September, 1909.

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

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

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Thence running south 80 chains
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EDMOND BOISJOLI, Locator
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FATAL ACCIDENT

One man was killed and three others seriously injured by the explosion of a boiler in a New York Central freight engine near Tonawanda last evening

Be Sure and C

Za Za

Thurs. Nov. 25

Fernie Opera House - - Special Engagement

Balance of the week

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Thursday Evening - - - Za Za
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C. P. R. TIME TABLE

	Arrive Fernie
No. 213 West	10.00
No. 214 East	17.55
No. 236 Local East	9.12
No. 235 Local West	19.27
No. 7 West Flyer	10.40
No. 8 East Flyer	20.08

Change takes effect Sunday June 6.

G. N. TIME TABLE

NO. 252		No. 251
6.55	FERNIE	11.05
7.13	HOSMER	10.40
7.25	OLSON	10.32
7.50	MICHEL	10.10

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

For sale—Mich Cow. Apply to J. Anderson, Cokato. 1tp

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

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

Agent wanted in Fernie for the Pion Clothes Dryer for outdoors. Liberal commission. Write L. Arsenault, Edmonton, Alta. 3t30NP

Wanted: Servant girl for general housework. For wages, etc., apply to Mrs. Adolph, Baynes Lake post office B .C

For Sale: House and 30 foot lot. Corner Jaffray St. and Chipman Ave. Lawn 30x40, other improvements — $400, easy terms. Apply L. Robertshaw, Annex. 2t p

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

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

BUSINESS LOCALS

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

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

For Sale: 2 horses, apply G. Morley, Cokato.

Suddaby has opened a splendid toy department in his basement.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

First class board and accommodation at Fairclough's Boarding house, 179—180 Coal Creek, opposite to football grounds.

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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 lead.

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.

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.

Manager wanted for Miners theatre, one who can run moving picture machine preferred. Apply stating salary and giving wages to D. Rees, Box 361 Fernie, B. C.

Furnished room with use of bath. Victoria avenue $8.00 per month.—Apply Ledger.

Wanted: A good general servant. Apply morning or evening to Mrs. E. F. Ambery, corner Macpherson avenue and Jaffray street.

For Sale: Team horses, good strong wagon and sleigh. For sale cheap. Apply at corner opposite to P. Burns stable. 2t20p

Two small houses and lot for sale, good location. Plastered and water installed. Easy terms. Apply J. S. Gusty, care P. Burns & Co. 3t 20p

2 roomed shack to rent. Apply Jas. Stewart, Dalton avenue, also rooms to rent. 3t 20p

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

Local News

Don't forget to visit the Delicatessen table at Christ church bazaar December 10th.

The Fancy table at the Christ Ch. bazaar can supply you with Xmas gifts. Dec. 10.

The Maypole dance will be a feature of the Christ church bazaar on Dec. 10th.

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

Stamped linens, cushion tosp, fine laces, holly and fancy ribbons, for Christmas trade at the Misses Euler.

The candy table will tickle your sweet tooth. Christ church bazaar on December 10.

Don't forget the girls are to be at home on Wednesday evening in Bruces hall. Come and bring your friends. Only 25c.

The Carpeners union are going to give a smoker on Tuesday evening next in Bruce's hall. A good time is expected.

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

Hortense Neilsen, the talented actress will appear in the Fernie opera house on Tuesday evening November 30, putting on The Doll's House.

Wanted: Three or four men to keep batch in a partially furnished house. Good accommodation. Terms reasonable, apply Ledger office. 1t27p

Mrs. W. J. Blundell and Mrs. Waylett will receive on Thursday, December the 2nd at Mrs. Blundell's home, corner of Hanson and Howland avenues.

On account of the opening of the Methodist church on Sunday there will be no service at the Presbyterian church on Sunday. Sunday school will be held as usual at 2.30.

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

The Knox church girls will entertain their friends in Bruce's Hall on Wednesday evening next. The girls have prepared various forms of amusement and can guarantee a good time to all. Admission only 25c.

The Ladies Guild of Christ church will hold a bazaar afternoon and evening of December 10th in the basement of the church. One of the features of the bazaar will be the Japanese tea room where the ladies in Japanese costumes will serve tea.

Ladies' coats, suites and skirts, all high grade quality and style at lowest cash prices. A call will convince you. Odd lines of ladies' and childrens underwear at half price, a snap. Next door to post office. At the Misses Euler's.

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

Miss Jeanne Russell presented Cousin Kate to an admiring audience last Thursday evening in the Miners theatre. The house was packed and everyone was well pleased with the production. Miss Russell is a very capable actress and was well supported by the balance of the company.

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

Some of the old country type of militant suffragettes have started on the war path in Fernie, and two of them made things lively at Master W. Bruce's voting emporium Thursday afternoon. They demanded the privilege of a vote and gave some sound arguments in favor of having them. Her von Dickie Bowenski of the local police force was highly nonplussed, when he was asked for a pencil with which one of the ladies inscribed the following on the A. to L. table "Vote for Harrington.' This was the last straw and the two militants were asked to retire. They came direct to the Ledger office and paid for the only paper in the Pass that is a friend of the working class.

When thirsty, nothing but Michel beer for me.

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

The Allen Players at the Fernie opera house are the very best aggregation that have visited this city so far. Their acting is above the average and their opening play on Monday night ensured the citizens of a treat. The bill: 'Za-Za,' which will be played tomorrow (Thursday) is one of their strongest castes.

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