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NO DECISION ARRIVED AT YET

Hold-up Case Absorbs Court's Attention Finish Soon

The court opened at 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday morning, His Lordship taking the seat at 10.45.

The Coal Creek hold up case was proceeded with. J. R. Roaf, M. E., duly sworn, said that he was chief engineer for the Crows Nest Pass Coal Company, and had prepared the plans produced.

George Bell, manager of the Imperial bank, and Wm. Stewart, testified re the signature of Nat Babcock.

Pho. Claasen, bookkeeper for the Trites-Wood Company at Coal Creek, was next on the stand. He gave a duplicate of the evidence at the preliminary hearing.

J. W. Quinney, duly sworn, said he was in the employ of the Trites-Wood Company as bookkeeper and as such had been in the habit of going up to Coal Creek on pay nights to bring the money down to Fernie. He explained his movements to the jury on the 19th of February, the night on which Baird and he were held up, but nothing of material interest beyond that which was published in this paper at the time of the preliminary hearing was elicited. However he now remembered that there were three envelopes that he got instead of two as he had previously stated. Two of them were bound together with a rubber band. With regard to the shot fired at Constable Varlow he did not see the flash but heard the report, and from the sound of the report he would say the shot was fired downward.

He was subjected to a very close examination by W. R. Ross, the counsel for the accused men, but held close to his original statements. During the course of his cross examination the fact was elicited that in returning to the station after phoning to the Fernie police Varlow gave Baird a gun.

Questioned where Varlow gave Baird the gun witness stated it was as they were on the hill on their way back to the store. Asked why it was that he did not mention this at the previous hearing, the answer was that because he was probable not asked. He had tried to give everything in connection with the case at that time. Counsel wished to suggest to witness that Varlow had mentioned that the two hold-up men were "near" the store, and not behind the store as stated, but Quinney stoutly maintained that Varlow had stated that the men were behind the store. Asked if he remembered Varlow shouting "halt" when he ran after the two men, witness replied that he did not hear him say so, but would not swear that he did not say same. Asked to recall again the conversation that led up to Varlow giving the gun to Baird he replied that he did not remember anything being said beyond Varlow saying to Baird as he handed the gun "Here Tom you had better take this." Beyond witnesses previous statement nothing of additional interest to our readers was uncovered.

Thos. Baird practically corroborated the prior witness. The thunderstorm of Wednesday morning made matters so uncomfortable that it was thought advisable to adjourn to the city hall where the rest of the proceedings were held. His Lordship drew attention to the fact that both Quinney and Baird mentioned at present hearing and at the preliminary that it was a full moon on the night in February, but on looking up calendar he found that there was not a full moon until the 23rd of the month.

The cross examination of this witness was lengthy, and remarks made with regard to former witnesses will apply to this case. With regard to the gun given to him by Varlow witness said he recognized it as Mr. Fishor's, who eats with him.

Q: Do you know how Varlow came to have the gun?

A: Yes, it was given to him in the afternoon as he had stated that one of the Bank boys had come away without his gun, and had nothing to defend himself with, and Varlow asked for the loan of same.

Q: As a matter of fact did you not load the gun?

A: Yes.

Q: Why is it that you did not mention anything about this gun at the previous hearing? I don't remember anything about this; why was it not mentioned? W. R. Ross made the same suggestion to this witness that Varlow had said to him that the two men were "near" the store, but he also was emphatic that Varlow had stated "behind the store."

James Hall told the same story as at the preliminary with regard to going up short cut with his brother Willie and Joe Fearon, and seeing two men running behind the jail with the Mackinaw coats.

This evidence was corroborated by Willie Hall and Joe Fearon.

At this juncture W. A. MacDonald said he proposed to call in as a witness James McEvoy. This party had not been called at the preliminary hearing. He had notified W. R. Ross that he intended calling this witness, and had furnished Mr. Ross with a copy of his proposed evidence that day, but Mr. Ross would not look at same and objected to his calling him.

W. R. Ross in addressing His Lordship objected to the Crown calling in this person as a witness now. It was the usual custom to notify the defence at least ten days prior to calling of fresh witness, giving copy of witness, so that the defence had time to rebutt this or otherwise.

His Lordship said the the defence should have some latitude given to them, and stated that this witness in the case must not be called until the following week.

John H. Howard, employed at Pinkerton's National Detective agency, said he saw Babcock and John Belanger together in Cranbrook on three occasions.

Cross-examined by W. R. Ross as to when it was that he saw Babcock and Belanger together, witness replied on the 9th of March. His first saw them together between two and three o'clock and the next time between 4 and 5 o'clock, and the next time around dinner time, about 6 o'clock.

Q: There is no doubt as to the date is there?

A. No.

MacDonald: This was the day before Babcock's arrest, was it not?

A: Yes.

Court then adjourned until 10.30 on Thursday morning.

Thursday Morning

Court was called to order at 10.30 o'clock on Thursday morning.

Case of Rex vs. Jessie Wylie was brought to the notice of his Lordship. An adjournment was asked until the next sittings which was granted. Bail was fixed at $1,000. Sherwood Herchmer appeared for defendant.

Continuing with Coal Creek holdup case Fred Belanger was placed in the witness box, but before being sworn, W. R. Ross objected to the evidence, stating that Belanger had not been sentenced and that this would influence his evidence in the hopes of getting a light sentence.

His Lordship over-ruled this.

Belanger being sworn said that he was 25 years of age last 4th of May. He had resided in Fernie for nearly four years and at the time of his arrest was employed as a brakeman on the M. F. and M. Asked whether he knew Babcock witness replied that he did.

Q: Do you know Varlow?

A: Yes.

Q: How long?

A: Two years come this August.

Q: What was his occupation when you first knew him?

A: He was employed as policeman on the city force.

Q: Have you been on the police force?

A: No.

Q: Have you tried to get on the police force here?

A: Yes.

Q: Was Varlow connected with your getting on the force?

A: Yes.

Q: Was he against you getting on or for?

A: For.

Prosecutor asked witness as to the various positions he had occupied in Fernie and witness detailed how he had been employed during his residence here. Witness was asked what his occupation was when first he became acquainted with Varlow and replied that he was engaged as bartender at the Northern hotel.

Q: What was the first place you had any conversation with Varlow in reference to the hold up?

A: In the Northern hotel.

Court: Give us the details of the conversation.

Varlow had a man with him whom he introduced to me but whose name I cannot recall to mind, and stated that he would go into this hold up case at Coal Creek with me. Varlow said that the Trites-Wood company brought a lot of money down on pay-nights, and at that time it was an old man who brought the money down. He thought it was no good to kill the man for the money could be taken from him without going to that extreme. There is a small lime house standing by the track at Coal Creek and he said that he could be gagged and put in there.

Q: When was the next conversation?

A: Some days later. He brought this up again. He said that if we could not get the Trites-Wood Companys money we could get the Coal Company pay which amounted to some sixty or seventy thousand dollars. He said that he was the only policeman who went up with these men and that it would be an easy matter to take it from these men on the way up. He said they went up in the caboose and that we could ditch the caboose and secure the money, but I refused to have anything to do with the ditching of a train. He then said that he was left alone in the offices of the Coal Company while some of the men went to dinner. Sometimes he was left for an hour. It could very easily be taken from him then. This lead however, dropped through. Varlow said that we must have the smaller one, for it was too easy to be let go.

Q: Where did this conversation take place?

A: While I was at the Northern hotel. Every time I saw Varlow we had a conversation.

Q: Was anything definite arranged between you as to when this thing was to come off?

A: No; not until the actual hold-up took place. On the January pay night I came up town with my brother who had that evening come down from Cranbrook. We went up to the Trites Woods store as I had business there. While on the way we saw Mr. Varlow and two other policemen talking by the Canadian Bank of Commerce. Varlow came across and started to talk and I introduced my brother to him. Varlow asked me if he was all right, and I said "as far as I know, talk to him yourself." He then sprung the deal that night. He then asked my brother if he had a gun and he said "I have a gun which I took from my brother's, but no cartridges." Crown prosecutor at this point produced a gun and asked the witness if this was the one to which he answered "Yes."

Q: Where did you get that gun?

A: I got the gun from Varlow as a friend to go fishing at Sand Creek. It had nothing to do with the hold up. My brother gave Varlow $2 and asked him to get cartridges as it would not be safe for him to get them. My brother asked if this was a safe deal and Varlow said "You need not be scared. I have keys that will get you out of any jail in B. C." Varlow said that he had a man coming off shift at 11 o'clock that would go in on the deal with John Belanger, as I was not going in with him, as my wife was sick, and I went home. The following week I saw Varlow at Coal Creek, and he asked me why John Belanger had not gone through with the hold up. I said that I did not know as he had gone to Cranbrook. I met Varlow several times in Fernie and on the train on the way up to Coal Creek. He said we must not let it fall through with everything looking pretty good. On the night of the holdup my brother came down from Cranbrook.

His Lordship: What did your brother come down for? I understood that Varlow and the others were to go in for this deal. You did not invite him did you?

No sir.

Belanger continuing his tale, said his brother came to his house. He, Fred, was working night shift that week and they went together up town. They went into the Queens hotel and had a few glasses of beer. I then went over to the yard and switched for probably an hour. We got out train made up and I was standing outside the train when John Belanger and Nat Babcock came across and asked me to come and have a drink.

Q: When did you first remember seeing Babcock?

A: I remember first seeing him when I was tending bar at the Northern. They also asked where the rest of the train crew were. I said around somewhere. They then asked me if they would come over and have a drink, and I said I did not think that they would refuse. I got them and we went over to the Kings hotel and had a drink. When they came back I asked them if they had anything to drink but they said they would go over and get a bottle. They went away and after that Varlow came along and asked how everything was looking and also asked if John was there. I said yes. He asked who was with John and I told him that Nat Babcock was. He asked if Babcock was all right, and I said he was as far as I know. Varlow said "I'm glad of that for it is going to be a big pay day." Varlow and I then put a drunken section man of the M. F. and M. in the caboose.

Q: Up to that time had you had a conversation with Babcock relative to the hold-up?

A: I asked him when he was at the train what he was going to do and he said "I will show you later on; I am going in with John on this deal." We four then went to the caboose and we pulled out the flask of whiskey and had a drink. Varlow then asked me if I had shown them Quinney, and I replied that I had not. He pointed out Quinney who was standing on the caboose steps. Witness then explained his movements until the stopping of the train at Coal Creek.

Just before the train reached Coal Creek John Belanger and Nat Babcock put on a mackinaw coat each and two caps that were in the caboose. After I had done my switching up there I walked around and uncoupled the engine and switched it around and coupled the train. About this time I heard a shot fired. I stepped around the other side of the engine and saw a man running down the hill, and then fell. I dont know which it was, Babcock or my brother; I thought it was Babcock. He came out and handed me a parcel which I put in the caboose. I did not see my brother get on here but a few hundred yards lower down I saw him come into the caboose. Babcock said that in running he had passed within three or four feet of Varlow and had nearly knocked him over. He stumbled when a revolver which he had taken from one of the men went off. Witness detailed how the money had been shared out and the incidents in connection with the giving of the hundred dollars to Varlow, that we previously published.

He was subjected to a lengthy cross-examination by W. R. Ross, who tried to disprove most of this witness' evidence. Counsel intimated that another party was connected with this but that Belanger was substituting Varlow's name for unknown party, but witness indignantly denied this.

His Lordship questioned witness as to how Babcock could have opened the envelopes, which witness said were opened when he received them, but Belanger said he could not account for

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SCORED BIG SUCCESS

Male Voice Party Give Most Excellent Concert

The culmination of months of hard practice and constant rehearsals was reached on Tuesday the 24th.

The Grand Theatre contained as large and as appreciative an audience as has ever been seated within its four walls, but we feel certain that had all purchasers of tickets been in attendance it would have been a case of standing room at a premium. One noticeable feature worthy of imitation was the promptness of the start as it was but a few minutes after the appointed time when the chairman, Mr. John Shanks, superintendent of the Coal Creek mines, arose and delivered a short address outlining the purpose for which the proceeds were destined. As this gentleman is well acquainted with the locality surrounding Whitehaven he was enabled to give his audience an accurate description of the Wellington colliery, which he stated was the oldest working coal mine at present in operation.

Allusion was also made to the disinterestedness shown by the members of the Male Voice party in unanimously deciding that the proceeds should be for the benefit of dependants of those who lost their lives in the recent fearful disaster. If virtue is its own reward then the approbation of all present was most emphatically demonstrated by the deafening applause that greeted this announcement.

An excellent programme was then proceeded with, comprising twenty-one numbers, many of which were encored in the earlier portion, but to prevent the prolongation of the evening's entertainment until too late an hour, Mr. Thomas Biggs stepped to the front of the platform and thanked the audience on behalf of the participants, but requested that recalls be omitted. Whilst praise unstinted could be showered upon the various performers, the happy blending of voices of the Male Voice Party in the several selections, the excellent manner in which Mr. Thomas Biggs acquitted himself as baton swinger and vocal soloist, the pleasing tenor possessed by Robert Samson, the finished culture noticed in Mrs. Stevenson's rendition of that heart touching Scotch song "My Ain Folk," the comicalities displayed both by Claridge and Puckey, Mr. Almond's Yodling, Miss Olive Pearson's sympathetic reproduction of the songs selected, and Mr. George Stevenson's masterly presentation of "King of the Main," delivered in his best style; still the hero of the evening was without doubt Master Alex Worthington whose violin solos were played not only in a masterly style for one so young, but with a correctness of technique and a depth of feeling that augur well for the boy's future provided he has tuition under a master.

The accompanist, Mr. Thomas Phillips, is also entitled to a meed of praise. Really it was an evening well spent, and although there were minor deficiencies yet everybody overlooked them and felt that the whole story could be summed up in a good round Hip! Hip! Hooray for everybody who had given the best talent they had for the purpose of so noble a cause.

The amount of proceeds is not known exactly yet; but will be published later.

PROVINCIAL FAIR

The Provincial Exhibition to be held at Calgary June 30th to July 7th is going to excel any previous effort made in Canada west of Winnipeg. Some of the prominent features will be.

A mechanical milking machine demonstration with instructive lectures.

An acre yield competition, in which all the grain grown on an acre must be shown, and for which practically $1,000 is offered in prizes. This feature promises to be a great success.

An exhibit showing the different grades of commercial steers.

An exhibit illustrating the process of grading up by the use of purebred stallion.

Actual forestry demonstration by the Dominion Tree Planting Division on a large plot on the grounds.

An art and china loan exhibit composed of the best pictures and china from the homes of residents of Western Canada. Many families have articles of great value from their former homes and you will be surprised at the magnificence of the display. If you have any article of merit that you are willing to exhibit the manager of the exhibition will appreciate it if you will let him know.

MERRITT

A. Grenier, who is well known all along the Crow, having been in business in Cranbrook and Pincher Creek, is now down here following his profession as decorator and is associated with R. McGregor. There is plenty of material for them to work on in these parts.

Evidences of activity are in evidence everywhere. A. Jackson is now ready for business in his new store.

The hall and store of J. A. Menzies is to be extended in order to meet with requirements.

Our old friend Mr. Berger that we had not seen since meeting him in Moyie over a year ago, was busily engaged sizing up various citizens for glad rags.

If any of you blow down this way drop in at the Coldwater hotel, and don't be afraid of the name as it is only used as a "mixer" for all kinds of heathery and shamrock waters.

If you desire a sample the new dispenser and mixologist, Walter Snyder can furnish same provided the chickamin is in sight.

For good hotel accommodation you have a hard job to beat us. The Merritt is to be beautified and Mr. McGregor is the beautifier.

Excuse the brevity of these notes. I was out fishing on the 24th and took Coldwater" liquid along. Hm! but it's good. Oh what a difference in the morning.

FAREWELL TO FERNIE

Rev. Lashley Hall Goes to Vancouver--A Man Among Men

Rev. W. Lashley Hall preaches his farewell sermon Sunday next at the Methodist church, having recently been assigned to a new charge, Mount Pleasant church at Vancouver, B. C. We think that having been closely connected with the doings of the community in his capacity as a citizen a few words touching upon this side of the man will be perfectly in order; his parishioners of course are better able to form a judgment as to his capabilities as a minister. His new home will be quite a change so far as the industrial occupation of his congregation is concerned, because he has not only been in a mining atmosphere here, but prior to locating in Fernie was stationed at Cumberland on Victoria Island, which as most of our readers know, has for its principal occupation the extraction of black diamonds. The fateful 1st of August ,1908, found him back in town, having returned the previous night from the first holiday he had indulged in during a decade, shortened on account of the death of one of his

Rev. Lashley Hall

members in the bump at Coal Creek, calling him back to pay the last tribute to the departed brother. Not only did he render valuable assistance to the relief committee, for which his experience and training peculiarly fitted him, but as a result of labors, no matter how arduous, were willingly given, the financial status of church affairs is certainly largely the result of untiring effort on the part of its pastor, in so far as the judicious handling of the funds is concerned, and these were most generous, between 11 and 12 thousand from outside contributors and some two thousand locally.

Although as a student his time for years past has been necessarily well occupied and his acquisition in record time of his degrees, absorbed so much attention, nevertheless his literary product "The Continuity of Revelation", also demonstrates that by systemization he has accomplished that which otherwise would have been out of the question. This work deals in the first part with the Jahveh religion, while the second is a very interesting study of individual interpretation based on prophetic sociology, and though one may disagree with the deductions arrived at, candor compels the admission that great thought and care have been given to the subject.

Mr. Hall still retains his position as Secretary of the Board of Examiners, but the chairmanship of the East Kootenay district passes over to the care of Rev. Robert Hughes of Cranbrook.

Whilst great praise is due to Mr. Hall we cannot let the opportunity pass without expressing this belief that his accomplishments, no matter how earnestly desired and diligently strived for would have not reached the same position as they have had it not been for the invaluable assistance rendered by his better half; who has been ever ready to perform, not only the many duties incumbent on a minister's wife, but has increased his sphere of usefulness by officiating in the pulpit whenever a supply was needed.

Those who have been associated in the work with Mr. and Mrs. Hall regret their departure and yet congratulate them on their transfer to a wider field with the satisfaction of knowing that they are sincerely appreciated by those they leave behind.

WARNING TO MINERS

Keep away from Blairmore, Alta., Mines, as men are being laid off at that place.

DOINGS IN DISTRICT 18

Before Making Changes Miners Should Make Sure of Conditions

In order that members of District 18 may know something of what is going on we will give a short resume of the conditions at present existing in some of the camps both in B. C. and Alberta.

Splendid progress is being made in Bankhead and Canmore; membership both lively and increasing.

Lethbridge and Diamond City decidedly flat.

Edmonton may be said to be asleep.

Taber nothing to brag about.

Lundbreck quiet.

Beaver Creek active.

Hillcrest and Passburg practically holidaying, and sales reported to be few.

Bellevue excellent, and the future prospects O. K.

Lille working steadily.

Frank: All resumed work and moving along smoothly.

Blairmore:— A very unsatisfactory state of affairs prevails here and some of the workers are themselves not free from blame. If the workers would think a little of others and less of themselves they would do better both for themselves and others; in one short word "bum" expresses the Blairmore situation.

Coleman fairly good.

Carbondale: The transportation facilities are being pushed ahead as rapidly as possible and the excellent character of the work already effected can certainly be praised and those in the charge are to be congratulated on the splendid ventilation system that this property possesses and this from the view point of the miner shows conclusively that his welfare is not being overlooked. It is to be hoped and it is believed that this McGillivray Creek coal mine will one day be one of the most important ones along the Crow.

Corbin is practically dead and at present nothing is known as to when it may be re-opened.

Maple Leaf is drooping.

A. C. Brovey has been called to the bedside of his child in Edmonton. We hope that the little one may soon recover.

FOOTBALL

Line up of Fernie team vs Coleman May 28.

Goal: A. Adamson

Backs: J. Bohill and J. McEwing.

Half backs: Mills, Wardrop and Barr.

Forwards: R. Thornton, S. Judge, J. Manning, D. Smith, J. Bembridge.

Reserve: Appleby and Cartledge.

Linesman: Dune Mitchell.

Coal Creek and Hosmer face each other at Coal Creek on Saturday the 28th.

ELKO NOTES BY FRED ROO

Numerous functions have held the attention of the social circle in town the past week, several of them having been large affairs, and all contributing to make the week a busy one.

An affair that proved exceedingly pleasant in every detail was the dance given by Mrs. Klingensmith in the opera house in Elko for the benefit of the Catholic church. The stage setting was a beautiful drawing room, prettily decorated, both sides and back with garlands of wild flowers which the vicinity is noted for, also forget-menots. Mesdames Klingensmith, Wilson, Campbell and Miss J. Phillipps, gowned in pink and white received the guests and the atmosphere that prevailed was of the genuine old time hospitality. The music was supplied by Prof. Evans string band and attracted the dancers attention more than any band that has ever played for an Elko audience. The floor manager was a regular moving picture show and he kept everyone full of action. During the evening Mr. Mark St. G. Sampson of the Metropolitan opera company, sang by special request several classics of the Old Country. Delicious refreshments were served to the large company of guests and the waiters were a miracle of speed and politeness. Everybody had a delightful time, as the flower garden atmosphere that prevailed was typical of the burg that is known as the Switzerland of the Kootenays. The proceeds were beyond the most sanguine expectations of the promoter, Mrs. Klingensmith. There were visitors from Roosville, the Big Red Apple Country, Eureka, Montana, Waldo, Baynes, Wardner, Pittsburg of the Pass, Wycliffe, Michel and Hosmer., Mr. Dunning took the cake, the only one offered. The dance lasted until four a.m. when the orchestra swung into the plaintive melody of the Home Sweet Home waltz.

Garfield S. Gamble late of the Waldorf, Fernie, is mixing soothing, healing and comforting drinks for all on strictly scientific principals for the patrons of the Columbian hotel in Elko, and should prove a big drawing card to the tourists who visit this burg.

Victoria day celebration in Elko was a huge success, celebrated with enthusiasm by the natives and pronounced by everybody the most successful celebration of its kind in the history of the Crow's Nest Pass. The big event of the day was the free for all race and was won by Little Dick. Several thousand dollars changed hands on the race and a few thousand did not. The Indian pony race was won by Goes Like the Wind, Shooting Star and Flying Cloud for second place and was captured by the Flying Cloud. The 100 yard foot race professional was won by Dobereiner, old man Lock taking second; five ran, time 9 9-10 sec. Wrestling on horseback by five big husky braves from the Big Red Apple country made Spalding from Fernie jump around with his shooting iron for a picture post card like a Kentucky Colonel chasing corn juice. The braves provided great amusement and the event was won by Lone Wolf 1st and Red Cloud second. The 220 yards was won by Dobereiner, Dad Lock winning second. The squaw race was won pantingly by White Sock Mary; 100 yards boys foot race was won by Tommy Ingram of Fernie, Clarence Sweet of Elko, second. The tepee building race, three teams competing, was one of the most amusing and interesting events of the day. It just took Stella Big Moon and Miss Clear Sky 30 seconds to erect their tepee poles, spread the canvas and start a fire. Miss Yellowtail and Miss Threefeathers took second. Baseball 1st to Michel and 2nd to Elko. Tug of war, Elko North Star against the world was won easily by the North Star. The other races were well contested and added to the day's enjoyment. Everybody was pleased, every body satisfied and all had a good time with the exception of one pink eyed, flea bitten, crop eared bohunk from Michel who wanted to say something big, and did not know how until Fred Roo told him to say elephant. On account of the Great Knocking Railroad several thousand visitors were prevented from coming. The committee in future will deal with some one in authority. It was a great mistake applying to Fernie for a train or anything outside of a hand car.

The organ recital given by Professor Evans of Coal Creek attracted an audience late in the evening and the Professor did not seem to mind it a bit when the cow punchers and pine cats commenced to dance to his classics, so long as the Prof. gets the money.

Ed. Kummer was down from Fernie and fitted up a new range in the Elko hotel kitchen this week. It was a quick piece of work and a great credit to the hotel and builder. The cook says it has a draft like a windjammer and draws everything to the stove, and saves considerable walking.

The Elko board of trade is doing considerable advertising and are proving live wires.

T. G. Procter of Nelson and B. G. Hamilton of Calgary were Elko visitors this week.

ROUGH HOUSE MIX-UP IS FATAL

One Man Dead--Second Party Will Pull Through

As an outcome of a drunken spree L. A. Streeter, a rancher, lies in jail responsible for the death of Louis Riley, a grader for Pugh and Livingston at Dorr, a small station on the Great Northern about forty miles south of Fernie.

Upon receipt of information regarding the tragedy Coroner A. W. Bleasdell and Chief Constable Arthur Sampson repaired to the scene of the unfortunate occurrence. Streeter was arrested and brought to Fernie at the same time as the corpse of the victim of the tragedy.

From the evidence obtained it seems that Riley in conjunction with several other companions went to Gateway, which is only a few miles distant, and which marks the boundary line between the province of British Columbia and the state of Montana, where the usual quantity of jag juice was procured for the purpose of treating the friends on returning home.

The crowd went into the shack of Swanson and after having several drinks, Streeter who was outside, was called in, but only remained a short time when he and Swanson went off to get their supper at the cook house. On their way back Riley came out of the shack and then a squabble ensued when Streeter struck Riley on the left temple, felling him like an ox, and knocking him completely unconscious from which he never recovered.

The family is well known throughout the province, the father and some of the boys having been connected with the sawmilling industry at Comaplix, Nelson, Waldo and other points.

The family had a narrow escape at the time the carbarn burned down at Nelson, as they were then living in the house adjoining.

Trouble at Michel

Dick Armstrong the bartender who was punctured by one of the women in the prairie village, and fear was entertained for his recovery, is now reported to be completely out of danger, and it is only a question of a short time, unless some unforseen circumstances intervene that he will be back again in harness.

Alex. Watson, registrar of the county court, is once again able to be around and intends shortly taking a trip to Nelson for two weeks where it is hoped he will thoroughly recover his health.

Tuesday May 31st, next J. A. Tormey and D. E. Sanders will give an illustrated lecture on the Kootonia Fruit Lands of Baynes Lake, B. C. The series consists of over one hundred storecopticon slides. Everybody welcome. In the store adjoining Calgary Market Co. Full discussion invited.

Next Sunday will be Rev. Lashley Hall's last Sunday in Fernie. In the morning at 11 he will address himself more particularly to the membership of the church, and at night at 7.30 his address will partake of the nature of an apologia pro vita. Any friends desirous of being present for the last time will please take note. Mr. Mrs. and Miss Hall expect to leave on Tuesday morning en route for Vancouver.

A. J. Watson who is at present engaged on the construction of the Home Bank, has been awarded the contract for remodelling the store front of the Crows Nest Trading Company, and will commence work thereon as soon as materials arrive. Contract price, approximately $4000. Plans are being prepared also for the building of an additional storey, but whether or no this will be effected this season is at present not determined.

It will be pleasing for our many readers to know that as a result largely of the efforts of J. A. Tormey and associates the G. N. have been prevailed upon to inaugurate a Sunday service between Michel, Hosmer, Fernie, Elko to Baynes Lake, where they will spend the day and then return, reaching Fernie in time for those visitors east of Michel to make connections with the C. P. R. evening eastbound. The initial excursion will take place Sunday June 5th, and already many of our citizens have given assurance of their intention to take advantage of obtaining a day's pleasant outing. If this is successful as there is every reason to expect, then a regular Sunday service will be established until September. Further details re time, rate, etc., next issue.

WHITEHAVEN MINE HORROR

HUNDRED AND THIRTY LIVES SNUFFED OUT

Heroic Efforts in Vain to Reach Entombed Men and Boys---Many Relatives of Victims in Coal Creek Camp

OFFICIAL LIST OF UNFORTUNATES

(Reynold's Weekly.)

An explosion has entombed 130 men and boys in the Wellington Pit, at Whitehaven. The pit is on fire and has been bricked up, as rescuers, although they tried for twenty-four hours, could not penetrate it. Mr. Atkinson, chief inspector of mines, is authority for the statement that there is absolutely no hope for the men. The pit may not be opened for three or more months.

In their last gallant effort to reach the doomed men rescuers penetrated to within eighty yards of the hem of the fire, but they were so scorched by the heat and their smoke helmets became so hot that they had to retire. The news of the abandonment of the rescue work caused widespread dismay among the hundreds of haggard women—wives, sweethearts, mothers, and sisters of the entombed men—who have been keeping vigil at the pit brow, waiting sadly and silently for some indication from the rescue party that there was still hope of saving the lives of the men.

One woman who has refused to leave the precincts of the pit has lost her husband and two sons, as well as three brothers.

In all there were 136 men in the pit. Six of these were rescued. As many as eighty-eight of the victims are married men. The list of names shows a large number of relations who have shared a common fate. The most hard hit of bereaved families is that of McAlister, which has been practically wiped out. The father (who was known only among his mates as "Shutty") was fifty years of age. He was a contractor and employed a gang of men, among them his three sons, a son-in-law and three nephews. There are several other cases of fathers and sons and quite a number of brothers among the killed.

Beneath the sea lie the doomed miners, for the pit is a very old one, and its workings go nearly four and a half miles straight out into the North sea. It is at the very end of the workings that the entombed men were engaged. The pit comprises a long road three miles long, leading from the winding shaft to the friction gear,, round which runs an endless chain six miles long. From the friction gear radiate, after the manner of spokes in a wheel, three workings, each a mile or more in length, and it was in these workings that the men were engaged.

Men go to Work

At five o'clock in the evening eighty three hewers and fifty-three shiftsmen men and boys, went down for the work of the night, and dispersed in the workings. Three hours later men heard at the top of the shaft a faint rumbling noise. There could be no mistaking its significance, and they rushed to the telephone which connects the surface with the workings of the mine. They found the wires broken and all communication with the men below cut off. Rescue parties were hurriedly formed, and medical men were summoned to be ready at the pit brow. The rescue parties were at first driven back by the fumes that filled the shaft, and progress was very slow. Four hours passed without any news of the entombed men. An enormous crowd of relatives and friends of the entombed men had gathered at the pit brow, but there was no scrap of information to confirm or relief their feelings. All that was known was the fact that an explosion had occurred. No definite story of the explosion is as yet possible but it is supposed that in some way a fire started near the friction gear. At once a tremendous explosion must have occurred which would fill the workings with smoke, but so far away from the pit bank that [illegible] trouble until the smoke was seen coming up the shaft. At about twenty minutes to midnight two men who had been working in the pit were brought up alive, these being Joe Walker of [illegible] Gregory, of Black Ginns, Whitehaven. They were in an exhausted condition, and after being medically attended at the mine both were conveyed to their homes.

These two men were employed as shiftsmen at what is known as Bink Turn, about two miles in, and though their condition was not serious, the fact that they were overcome in the main road where the fresh air is the best, naturally gave rise to serious forebodings as to the fate of their comrades who were farther in, and more especially the hewers in the workings, which are estimated to be three miles beyond that point.

A Heroic Miner

The rescue of Walker and Gregory was due to a splendid piece of heroism on the part of a man named J. Ferryman. Both Gregory and Walker are about fifty years of age and when they discovered that there was something amiss they made a dash for the road. Soon they found themselves gasping for breath, and staggering blindly on. Gregory cried to Walker to come up to cover up his head with his coat to keep out the deadly afterdamp, but Walker had left his coat behind. A few yards farther they struggled and then fell almost unconscious to the ground. At that moment Ferryman, who is a much younger man, came up also seeking safety. He is an ambulance expert and dragged the men to where the air revived them sufficiently to make a fresh dash for their lives and all three men reached the bottom of the shaft. Walker and Gregory, still in great distress went at once to the surface, but Ferryman remained below for some time, helping the rescue party that was quickly on the scene. Another was subsequently brought to the top in the person of Tom Douglas.

Another hour passed and shortly before one o'clock John Wear of the Ginns and Joe Kenmore, North Quay, Whitehaven, were brought up apparently little the worse for their terrible experience. They both returned to their homes but Wear was not long away when he returned to the pit-mouth and desired to go down, but he was prevailed upon to remain on the top for the present. Wear and Kenmore had been working in one of the farthest parts of the pit when a cloud of smoke swept down and enveloped them. With eleven other men, including Wear's son, who were working in the same section, they decided to make a dash for life. They groped their way through the dense smoke, laden as it was with poisonous gas, and after a long struggle succeeded in getting near the pit shaft, where they were picked up by the rescue party that descended first.

No Ray of Hope

The rescue of these men raised the hopes of the watchers, and another party descended, carrying with them fire extinguishers, and appliances of all sorts. But there was no other ray of hope to cheer the anxious watchers. Members of the rescue parties who came up to the top for fresh air only brought back the gloomiest reports. They said the mine was burning and that the imprisoned men were all cut off by a fall of earth. A few of the men were believed to be in remote parts of the workings and were cut off only by the smoke, but it was utterly impossible to locate them in the terrible conditions that existed. The big crowd spent the entire night without getting a scrap of information that could give them any reason to hope for the safety of their friends. All night long they waited dry eyed, anxious women, strong men with the grime of the pit on them, but no news came. The dull boom of the sea on the shore a few yards away and the throb of the colliery engines were the only sounds that broke the silence of the hours of the night and the early morning. Towards morning several women dropped from exhaustion and grief and had to be assisted back to their houses. All day a silent band watched around the pit mouth. Bands of rescuers ascended and descended but all their work and efforts were fruitless.

The fire increased and the volumes of smoke rendered the work more difficult. Mining engineers and rescue parties equipped with the latest and most approved designs of appliances for coping with colliery disasters arrived from different parts of the north of England and set to work. They reported that the explosion had shaken [illegible] ber of the workings had fallen in, and that the main roadways were impassable in several places.

Mr. J. B. Atkinson, H. M. Inspector of Mines, of Newcastle, arrived in the afternoon, and at once went down the pit, and superintended the rescue work there. The successive parties each made, it is reported, fairly good progress, and about five o'clock it was estimated that they were very close to the fire, but unfortunately it began to get the better of them. The brattice cloth became exceedingly hot and at seven o'clock Mr. Atkinson deemed it expedient to bring the rescue party out of the pit, a move which created the deepest foreboding. Hundreds of distracted relatives and friends of the entombed men continued to crowd in around the pit mouth, the women making piteous appeals for the work to be carried on.

From early in the evening car loads of iron water pipes were carted into the pityard, but for what purpose they were to be used could not be ascertained unless it was a preparation for the last contingency of flooding the mine. There could be no denying the fact that the position which had always been critical, had now grown desperate.

The rescue parties had done heroic work, but it had been gone about so unostentatiously and so quietly that none save the members had any conception of the difficult struggle and the attendant dangers their efforts had involved.

The whole district they had been able to cover before the fire drove the workers back had not been more than 140 yards. This in itself, under the circumstances, was a splendid accomplishment, bringing them as was expected within eighty yards of the flames.

Noxious Fumes

Heroically gang after gang of volunteers had entered the mines, risking death by suffocation in the hope of saving their comrades. Each attempt was more dangerous than the first. The fire which followed the explosion was spreading with great rapidity and the passages of the mine were charged with noxious fumes, and after a consultation the officials came to the conclusion that, life being impossible in the pit, the only course possible was to prevent the complete demolition of the pit, and the adjoining William and Ladysmith pits was to brick up the passage through which the fire was fed with air. Only by the suppression of the fire could the bodies of the unfortunate victims be recovered; so after midnight a gang of workmen descended the shaft not with any idea of rescue, but to carry out the only possible method of stopping the fire. There was something grim in the thought that they were cutting off the only way of escape for the imprisoned miners should by any chance some of their number be alive. Yet that appeared an impossible idea. The atmosphere of the pit for some distance beyond the shaft was such as to cause asphyxiation.

When the news of this final step spread through the crowd of waiting women and men sobs of despair shook the frame of many a poor woman, whose widowhood this proclaimed.

Some of these broken hearted wives had remained at the pit head for 24 hours, hoping against hope. It was in a dull stupor that they were led away by friends. Some, rebellious at their fate, refused to believe this sad assurance—that longer to entertain a hope was futile. There was no shrieking, and no hysterical outbreaks. The wife of the collier is so familiar with the dread of disaster that in her hour of trial she bears up with a stoical heroism. A correspondent saw one of the many widows whom the disaster has made sitting on the roadway of the steep hill leading to the Wellington Pit. Seldom has one witnessed such a picture of blank despair. She sat in the bright sunshine of a mockingly lovely morning, her head sunk between her knees; not a moan escaped her, but her poor frame shook with convulsive sobs and she is one of many. There is mourning indeed in Whitehaven.

Boy Scouts Among Victims

Wellington Pit was practically de[illegible] the second morning. Those who with their long and fruitless visit the weary waiters had gone to their homes to seek an escape from fatigue in sleep. From the shaft top of the ill-starred mine floated at half mast a Union Jack. In the colliery office were assembled Mr. J. B. Atkinson the chief inspector of mines for the district; Mr. Leck, assistant inspector; Mr. Steele, manager of the Wellington Pit; Mr. J. Hendry, under manager, and some other officials. The role of the missing men was complete, and it was being revised in order that an official statement could be drawn up. In the absence of official information, the cause of the explosion seems to be a mystery. No shots were fired within ten hours of the explosion, the mine being an old one. No electric lamps are used in the pit and the only conjecture is that the glass of a safety lamp may have been broken. The majority of the victims are married men. Among the lads were two boy scouts, and the local troop of which they were members waited outside the pit with their stretcher, hoping to be able to help their comrades should they be brought to the top. In addition to the actual personal loss of so many breadwinners, the disaster is a serious thing for the town of Whitehaven, for weeks, perhaps, months, may elapse before work can be resumed at the pit. The other pits in the neighborhood are, of course now standing idle.

Survivors Interviewed

Kenmare, after assisting in rescue work, was interviewed by a correspondent. "I was in a working with three other men," he said, "when we heard a sound like a landslide on the side of a hill. We thought at first that there had been a fall of earth, and we ran out into the main haulage way to see if the fall was there and if we had been cut off. We were turned back as we reached the haulage way by a blinding cloud of thick dust. We all stopped to take our bearings when some other men came along out of the other workings. Then we tried to get to the doors which direct the air and were driven back by the smoke. We made another dash for the shaft and were again driven back by the smoke and bad air, which was getting worse every minute and making it harder for us to move. Several of us were choking and were hardly able to move. We turned back away from the shaft in search of better air for we knew that if we went ahead in that working we would soon go under. We found a working where the air was clearer and here we stopped to get our start again. Then Jack Wear said to us: "I'm going to make a try. Who's coming with me?" I said "I'll go," and we set off to try and find a celar road through to the shaft. We headed into the smoke and then we struck the friction gear. That was on fire on the high side and we had to get down on the low side to get past. The tubs were knocked down and also there were falls and we had a hard time to get past. Two or three times we thought we had missed our road. We had our lamps and they burned all right enough, but they were very little use because the smoke was so thick that we could hardly see. The wires and everything were down, and it is a wonder we got through it. It took us I think, about three quarters of an hour to get through the distance, that would be about three quarters of mile. We were done when we got into the fresh air. The first fire we came across was just like a lamp. I thought it was someone at the friction gear, and shouted but got no response, and when we came to it we saw it was fire and got by on the low side. The other fire was only to or three yards away."

Jack Wear, who accompanied Kenmare in the desperate rush, gave the following account: "I was working in No. 5 north and had with me fourteen colliers, two joiners, and as near as I can tell, eight lads including my own, who work alongside me. The first I knew that anything was wrong was when the lads shouted out 'There is something gone wrong!' My lad shouted to me and told me we had to come out so we all came out to the level. Kenmare and I made a dash through the fumes which the other chaps could not get through; it was a terrible long brow and both of us were done for when we came to the end. Both of us lay down several times. We had to come uphill all the way and we could not come very fast on account of the smoke. I thought if we could get through we could help the others, that is why I came. I thought that somebody would have to make a start."

Re-Opening of the Pit

In an interview Mr. R. Steele, the manager said: The decision to wall up the mine was not resorted to until there was not an atom of hope of finding any of the victims alive. The danger of further explosions was also imminent. Efforts at recovery were carried on by experts with special life saving apparatus, and while the party using the smoke helmets were able to approach the affected district consid[illegible] nearer than the others, the condition of the mine was such as to render the task futile and highly dangerous to the would-be rescuers. Mr. Steele said that three months would probably have to elapse before the pit could be opened. The victims of the disaster will therefore lie as they were overtaken by the poisonous fumes for that period. The police state that in the absence of the bodies no inquest will be held in the meantime; but of course the Board of Trade inquiry will be opened forthwith. Nothing but conjecture is likely to be advanced as the cause of the disaster until the pit is opened once more. It is feared that on account of the superstitions of the miners that some time will elapse before the colliers employed at the adjacent and associated pits may be persuaded to resume work, for it is contrary to their practice to resume work while their mates who have been victims of an accident remain unburied.

The following is an official list of the entombed men at the Wellington Pit, Whitehaven:

HEWERS

Henry McClusky, sr., married
Hy. McClusky, jr., married
James McClusky, single
George Smith, married
William Heslop
William Bell
Joseph Heslop
Charles Heslop
John Wren
R. McCourt
James McCourt
Tom McCourt
John McMullen
M. McCumisky
George Brannon
Tom Brannon
John Brannon
Edward Butler
William Kelly
Joseph Reid
John Hutchinson
Joseph Farrar, single
James Roney, married
Edward O'Fee
Jacob Glaister
A. Brocklebank
Edward Nicholson
James Rothery
William Henderson
D. Branch, single
James McGarry, married
Thomas McGarry
John McGarry, single
William Benson, married
Arthur Trainor, single
James McBain, married
Alexander Gregg
Joseph Riley, single
A. Corkhill, married
Joseph Butler
Joseph Reid
John Joyce
Tom Joyce
Joseph Fidler
John Connor
Patrick Connor
G. McCumisky
Robert Wear, single
William O'Pray, married
Joseph Lucas
James Moore
Henry Moore
A. Ferrie
W. Walker
John Harrison
Henry Harrison
Jonathan Usher
W. J. O'Hara
John Armstrong
George Armstrong
Dan Lewthwaite
Ralph Walker
Henry Glave
W. J. Dunn, single
Jos. Stephenson, married.
Fred Stephenson
Joseph Vaughan, married
John Taggart
James Taggart
Edward Taggart
R. Johnston
Joseph McQuilliam
Mark Fisher
John Reid, sr.
Joseph Reid
John Reid, Jr.
Peter Greenan
William Benson
Alexander Garroway
John Garroway
William Elliott
John McAllister

SHIFTMEN

Isaac Wren, married
Hugh McAllister
George Ritson
William Robinson
Tom Wren, jr.
A. Tinnion, single
James McCormick, married
William Walker
John Connor, brake
James McAllister, single
James Ritson, jr., lamp cabin
Robert Cooper, married
Tom McCourt, single
Thomas O'Neil, married
J. Wright, married
J. D. Lucas, single
J. McAllister, single
Edward Lynn, single
R. Smith
W. Walker
James Irving
William Mitchell
James Taylor, bogie
William Wilson
James Ferryman
Henry McAllister
James Mossop
John Mullins, bogie
James Smith
John Davy, brake
John McCormick, lamp cabin
Thomas O'Hara, bogie
Robert Garroway
James O'Pray
Joseph Southward
H. Rogan,
D. McLaughlin
Matthew Welsh
H. O'Pray
George Boyd
Isaac Welsh
Benjamin Cowie, overman

DRIFTERS

Tom McAllister, married
Edward McAllister
M. Anderson
James Kennedy, single

MEN OUT OF PIT

HEWERS

John Weir, sr.
George Kenmare

SHIFTMEN

S. Gregory
Joseph Walker
Tom Douglas
J. Ferryman

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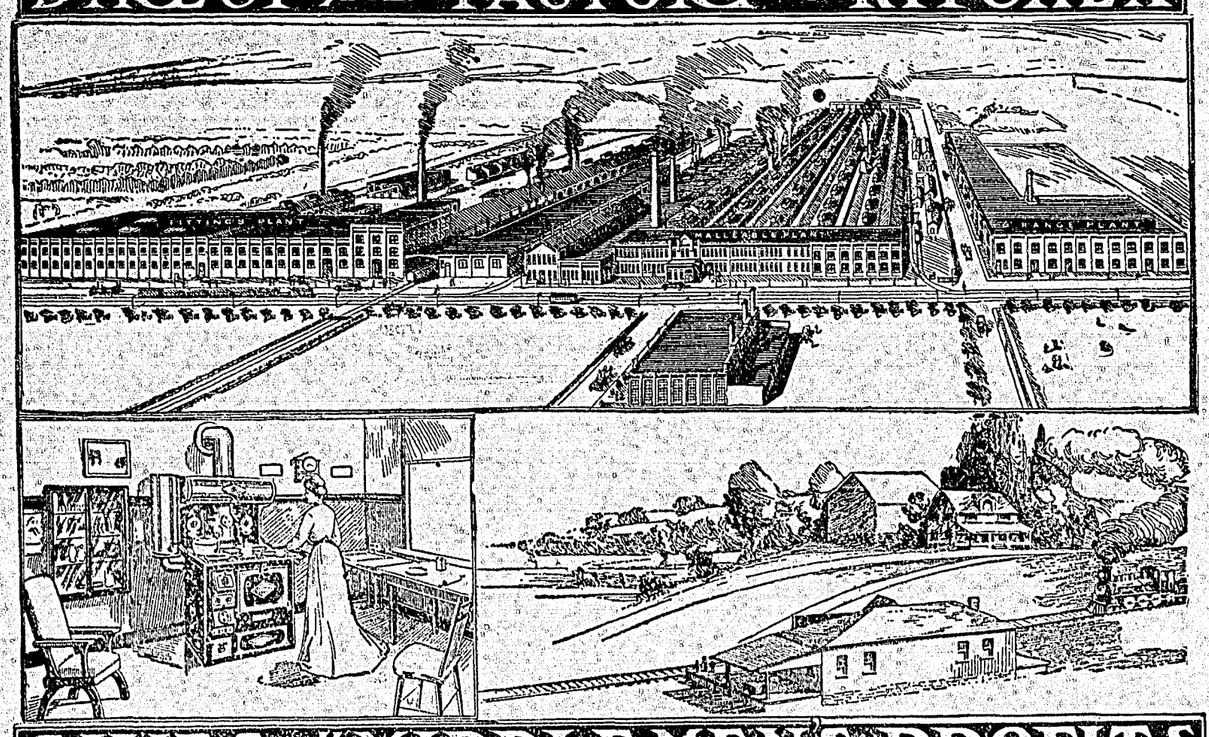

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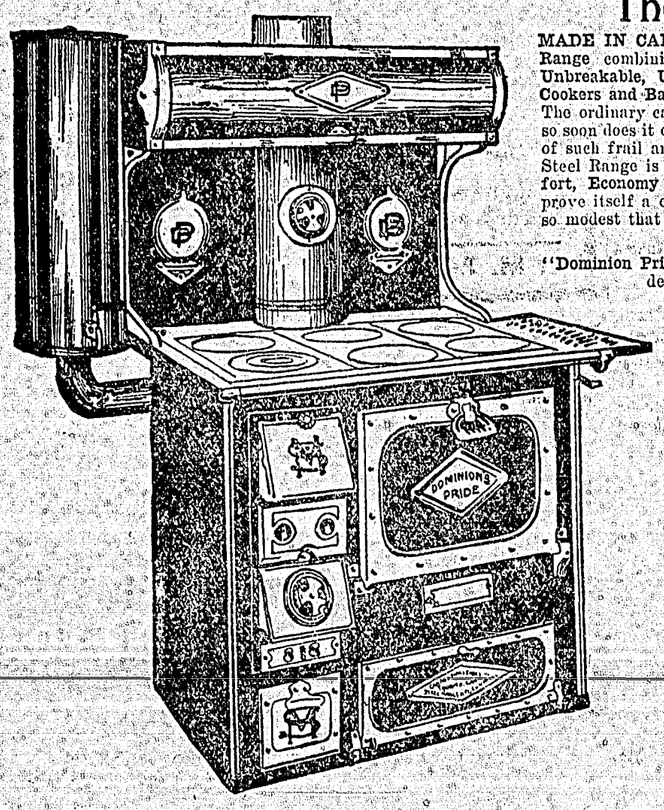

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Magnificient Display of Unity Wins Approval On All Sides

The Springhill miners, embodied in Local Union No. 469, U. M. W. of A., and whose membership is 1400 men and boys, have won the reputation for being the best all round body of strikers in this country. The events of the past week go a long way in support of that claim.

Although they have been on strike ten months not one coal miner who came out has returned to work; indeed they stand as firm or even more so than ever to secure a satisfactory agreement with the operators on the questions of recognition of the union, the establishment of a wage schedule, payment by the ton and a fair system of deduction for stone found in the coal sent out of the mines.

In stating that the Springhill men are noted for an exceptionally peaceable disposition and good behavior in strike periods, we do not lose sight of the brave fights put up by the men at Glace Bay. When we consider the persecution that has been inflicted on those men with the idea of disrupting them, all of which they have successfully withstood, we cannot do other than express words of praise.

Great credit is due E. S. McCullough for the part he played in bringing the Cape Breton strike to ta happy termination.

The policy was well thought out. The terms of settlement were satisfactory to all parties. The course is a strategic move that will undoubtedly result in the inevitable, while in turn will be demonstrated within a year's time.

On Monday May 2nd, the drill hall was filled to its utmost capacity, when addresses were delivered by Con Kelliher and C. C. Barnaby, who gave a splendid account of the work accomplished by the U. M. W. Seaman Ferris also delivered an interesting speech. All the speakers were much applauded.

On May 6 the same building was packed to hear E. S. McCullough.

Springhill has had the privilege of hearing a number of the international men, and they have all won the respect of our people; but after President T. L. Lewis, no one is so popular here as the ex-vice president. The Rev. C. W. Wilson opened the meeting in a nice little speech, but Mr. McCullough's arrival from the train was the signal for a deafening outburst of cheering, which was kept up for some minutes.

Mr. McCullough was introduced with no further delay and he held the large audience for over two hours, in the delivery of a magnificent address on the Nova Scotia case and on labor unionism in general. The history and the work of the organization was reviewed, the future policy and intended affiliation with other organizations. He pointed out that if the toilers wanted to secure a fair share of the wealth which they produced they must sink all internal differences and combine solidly on both the economic and political fields.

The address was frequently punctured with cheers and applause.

It had been intended to hold a demonstration of welcome for Mr. McCullough on his arrival, but as the hour was late it had been put off until the following afternoon, when he left for Indianapolis. The members of the local lined up at Pioneer hall nearly 1000 strong. The procession was conducted by half a dozen marshals under Mayor Potter and headed by the senior town band, followed closely by the union's big flag. Other banners were in evidence prepared by the ladies. One contained the words: Long Live T. L. Lewis and the U. M. W.

Another said 'Stand firm boys, until recognized.'

The union band took up its position in the centre, then followed more members, several carriages, and finally a coach containing E. S. McCullough, Con Kelliher and the local strike committee. The procession was the largest of its kind, or any kind, ever seen in Springhill; in fact we may say there was a double procession for women and children walked side by side in large numbers. The line of march led out past the coal company mines, and the proceedings appeared to be interesting to the few trying to scab the mines. Some could be seen peeping through the cracks in the high board fence. Others viewed from a vantage point while certain police and detectives flattened their noses out against windows by the way. One interested spectator was J. R. Cowans, who looked on from the top of some buildings.

The event passed off without the slightest hitch, and Mr. McCullough departed amidst great cheering and the best wishes of all who hope to see him again in the near future.

Abandon the P. W. A.

Mr. E. S. McCullough, ex-International Vice-President of the U. M. W. returned to Glace Bay last evening after a short business trip to Inverness and Pictou counties. Rousing meetings were held at Inverness town and Westville. The men at both places are in good spirits and the future for the U. M. W. organization is very bright. At Westville about 300 miners are active members of the U. M. W. and on Saturday night after Mr. McCullough had concluded his address officers for the local were elected and a thorough canvass will be made in the whole county.

Westville has always been looked upon as one of the strongholds of the P. W. A. but that organization is now practically dead with the Pictou miners. The men are waking up to the fact that it is important when choosing a labor society to select one that is able to look after their interests in case of serious trouble. The U. M. W. can do this and the P. W. A. cannot do it.

Heroes for Hire

Our Glace Bay contemporary, The Standard, which has so nobly supported the Nova Scotia strikers against the wiles of the Dominion Coal Company, to which some of the local papers succumbed, has the following add in its issue of the 7th:

"To let (or would exchange for seed potatoes) a bunch of coal company's police. They are a nice, quiet, tractable lot, and would be serviceable in an infants' home.

Better keep them away from the children. It would be a pity to see the little infants become affected with any strikebreaking germs or any such contemptible disease.

Output of Mine Increases

Glace Bay, May 6—The output yesterday as compared with April 6th, shows an increase of about 2000 tons and this too, when the men have only just started to work.

We understand that so far about seven hundred men have been placed [illegible] days ago. It is expected that as many more will be placed within the next week and their work will make something like a showing in the way of output.

It is understood that work will be started shortly in Nos. 10 and 17, and also at Birch Grove, so that the present summer looks as though it would be one of the best seen in Cape Breton for some time.

We hope that the indications speak truly, and now that peace prevails, prosperity and happiness and general good feeling will follow closely in its wake.

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Work to be Rushed With All Speed--Galloway To be Junction

WINNIPEG, May 24—An early start on the construction of the Kootenay Central Railway is indicated by the decision of the C.P.R. to immediately call for tenders for the work. It is reported that the bids will be required to be in the hands of the officials of the company in this city by the end of the present month. It is understood that this means the starting of the work this summer.

At the outset but 25 or 30 miles of the work will be awarded and contrary to general expectations construction is to be started on the south end of the line instead of the vicinity of Golden at the northern end. Several years ago ten miles of grading was done to the south from Golden on the main line of the C.P.R. but the steel was never laid on that section.

The Kootenay Central, following the valleys of the Upper Columbia and Kootenay rivers, will link the main line of the Crows Nest Branch with the C. P. R., traversing a valley reputed to be rich in mineral and agricultural resources.

At its southern end the railway will join the Crow's Nest Pass branch at a point some miles east of Cranbrook, near Galloway. Last year representations were made to the C. P. R. by the citizens of Cranbrook with a view to having that town made the junction point. The company caused surveys to be made but it was found that the route to Cranbrook was impracticable, and Galloway will be made the junction.

From Galloway the road will be run to Fort Steele, thence along the valley of the Kootenay to Canal flat, past Upper Columbia Lake and down the Upper Columbia River to Golden.

Evidently in expectation of the Kootenay Central being built in the near future the C. P. R. are busily engaged clearing about 500 acres near Jaffray, which will be sold on easy terms to bona fide settlers. The price, we understand is to be on the basis of $5 per acre in excess of the actual cost of clearing.

J. S. Dennis of Calgary paid an official visit of inspection to the tract last Saturday.

THE BIG TRAINED ANIMAL CIRCUS IS COMING

Monday, June 6th will be a red letter day for all lovers of tented amusements for Al. G. Barnes Famous Trained Wild Animal Circus with all of the numerous features will offer a week's engagements in this city. This big show was at Spokane week, April 18th, under the auspices of the chamber of Commerce, and drew thousands of visitors to the city. It requires 18 cars to transport it and it would have been impossible for them to stop here were it not for the fact that it is en route to Calgary, where it begins the circuit of all the big Canadian fairs, at which it presents all the amusement features. Every act presented in the three rings and steel arenas is participated by animal actors and demonstrates what can be accomplished by patience and training the most savage of wild beasts, lions, tigers, elephants, dogs, bears, leopards are all exhibited in the same arena taking part in one big act.

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IN MEMORIAM

One Hundred and Thirty human beings hurled into eternity.

One Hundred and Thirty manly voices forever stilled!

One Hundred and Thirty vacant places in homes made desolate by the loss of beloved ones.

One Hundred and Thirty Fathers, Sons, Brothers, Husbands, full of throbbing life and buoyant hopes, leaving homes and loved ones in the afternoon and before their day's work is completed the threads that held them to earth are ruthlessly snapped asunder.

Oh, the rending anguish and mental suffering of those who by the ties of home and kindred have calls upon the unfortunate victims!

The bitter cup is filled to overflowing, and who shall give them solace in this dread hour?

The physical sufferings of those entombed may have been intense yet for a very brief period only and then—Peace.

But what of the many families thus deprived of the breadwinner?

In this hour of dire extremity all compassion goes out to them, and yet while sympathy is a noble virtue, let it not be content with mere lip expressions, but accentuated by deeds of a practical character. Little can be done to assuage the sorrowing ones, whose senses are bludgeoned by the awful suddenness of the shock. Time alone, the great healer of human woes, can apply the balm to wounded hearts, still much can be accomplished towards the relief of the material wants of the surviving relatives.

Men who have been considered commonplace, and but little notice taken of them as they attend to the daily transactions of life often develop traits not even dreamed of when the emergency arrives. This frightful disaster has been once again the means of demonstrating this fact. Read the heroism displayed by some of those who escaped, and then with a total disregard of their own bodies determinedly aided in rescuing their less fortunate comrades. Such characteristics are worthy of all praise, touching as they do the sublime heights of utter forgetfulness of self.

The hero of the battlefield, or the quarter deck has usually an admiring crowd to witness his doughty deeds and this acts as an invigorating spur, for, all reports to the contrary notwithstanding, love of approbation as an incentive transcends all mere sordid gain, but even this love of approbation is denied the coal miner as he manfully struggles where the light of day never penetrates, groping along in the bowels of Mother Earth, invisible at a few yards of distance and whose efforts on behalf of himself and others are done with a view single to so play the game of life that whether he wins or loses, he goes down to his last home or succeeds in surviving with the satisfaction of having acted well his part.

Whilst on the subject of reward and the medals of bravery, we must not overlook the fact that as a result of the bravery displayed by some coal miners at Cardiff in 1907, the late King Edward established a Victoria Cross for miners, and whilst this cross is of but little intrinsic value, when on the breast of one who has done his duty in saving or endeavoring to save life, it should be of a distinctive design from that awarded to one whose principal occupation has for its final purpose the taking of life, even though in the case for which it was obtained may have been for the more noble and glorious object of rescuing a comrade.

From the little Cumberland village on the eastern extremity of the Atlantic Ocean to the town of Fernie approaching the western end of the Pacific may be far distant in mileage, yet the closeness of kinship and camaraderie in their perilous occupation, annihilates space, and the hearts of the dwellers in the Valley of the Pass go out in kindly sympathy to heart wrecked sufferers of that terrible 11th of May.

To many this is made more impressive and more significant because it was in this month of horror that the terrible explosion at Coal Creek happened eight years ago. Not only was the message of sympathy sent but just as soon as it was known the, Male Voice Party whose vocal efforts are already well known, abandoned all thought of profit for themselves, and decided forthwith that the entire proceeds should be turned over for the benefit of the dependants. Whilst we can say without fear of contradiction that they do not wish any praise, still we deem it our duty to act as the mouthpiece for the entire community, and say that we are proud of you, and not only the members of the Party, but everyone of those who lent their aid to make this concert a complete success.

We have touched upon the heroism displayed and whilst we compliment the one who shows this virtue, yet in one of the instances referred to, this is also coupled with a knowledge of what to do in an emergency. Bravery is a splendid attribute, but its fruition may be barren if not accompanied by the ability to do the right thing at the right time. One of those who helped in the rescue of others possessed First Aid experience that was invaluable, consequently whilst commending those who play their part manfully when called upon, let them also not have the dissatisfaction of failure to accomplish the desired laudable purpose because of ignorance of ambulance work.

We think that no more appropriate conclusion could be given than the following extract from Kirwan's "Uncertainty of Life."

This much we all know, that whatever length of days we promise ourselves, go we must; and, what is perhaps equally uncertain, at the moment we least expect it. Even examples of instant death in all the vigor of health, in the very bosom of security, are far from being uncommon.

The scythe is suspended over our heads by a slender and imperceptible thread, which many causes, internal and external, often dissever without allowing us a breath for recollection.

The final catastrophe of all human passions is as rapid as it is awful. Death is the law of nature, the debt which all must pay."

AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION, ETC.

That Fernie is not visited by an epidemic that might cause sad havoc in many families is certainly not due to the cleanly habits of some of our citizens. The excellent atmospheric surroundings, coupled with the germ-destroying fumes that issue from the coke-ovens, may partly explain the reason for immunity. Still these two preventatives should not be expected to be sufficiently potent to offset complete disregard for the exercise of even commonsense precautions. Verona in Italy and the stockyards in Chicago both have a very unsavory reputation for the catholicity of their many and powerful odors, yet whilst in quantity we can claim no comparison in the intensity of the stench there are some back-yards and rear alleys which might give a Veronese or a Chicagoan an attack of nostalgia. The City Health Officer is at present kept busily engaged, and there is no reason why citizens for their own welfare should not do all they can in order to lessen his work by paying attention to the ordinary measures required to obviate the spreading of disease and contagion. There is a by-law on this subject, and we had intended to have reproduced it in full, and may do so in our next issue. In the meantime, clean up!

SITUATION IN U.S. AND ALSO N. S.

Indianapolis, Ind, May 19

A. J. CARTER,

Sec.-Treas. District 18, U. M. W. A.

Fernie, B. C.

Dear Sir and Bro:

Thinking that no doubt you would like to know how matters are progressing in this part of the world I will do my best to furnish some particulars on existing conditions that I am at present in possession of.

To begin with there are still something like 190,000 mine workers out on strike in the different states including the entire coal fields of Illinois, Arkansas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma and the Irwin field of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

With regard to the Illinois situation may state that the joint conference is in session right now and if a failure to reach a joint agreement is the result the instructions from the executive board are, as a last resort to sign up individual contracts. The negotiations with the Michiganders are still in progress, but it is with the outlook of a satisfactory agreement being arrived at this week.

With regard to Nova Scotia the following are the bases of settlement:

First: That all mineworkers be taken back to work within thirty days.

Second: Agree to take up all disputes with a committee of the mineworkers.

Third: The same scale of wages to prevail as was in force prior to the strike.

Fourth: That no objection will be made to the men joining the United Mine Workers.

Springhill is still out, but a finale is expected to be reached almost any day now.

I might state that it has been decided by the Board that they affiliate the membership in Canada with the Trade and Labor Congress and pay per capita on same from the International, consequently you may so inform the Locals of District 18 accordingly, and that those who may now be paying cease so doing for the reason above stated. Secretary Treasurer Perry is to write you further on this subject in the near future.

If the District Board contemplates meeting in June it would be very acceptable to me if they could see their way clear to postpone it until near the end of the month as I have a matter to bring before them that will be of interest.

Give my kind regards to the District officers and to any of our mutual friends.

Expect to get back about the middle of June. Any communications before that date can be sent to the Loraine.

Yours very truly

Charles Garner

H. Herchmer has removed from the Beck Block and established himself in his new quarters over the Bank of Hamilton.

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SNOWSLIDE PERIL

WINNIPEG, May 23—It is announced today from the headquarters that the C. P. R. will this summer erect immense steel structures in the Rocky mountain districts to prevent a recurrence of the disasters that marked last winter's season, and which were attended by fearful loss of life. The weight of snow is too great for the wooden structures which were before considered sufficient.

Plans for the new structures have been prepared.

NO DECISION AS YET

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this unless they were opened when *Babcock received them.*

Wednesday morning court resumed and the first witness called was John Belanger, whose story was practically a replica of that given at the preliminary, and when his recital was concluded W. R. Ross gave him a grueling cross-examination, endeavoring to make him dissociate accused Varlow with the hold-up, and intimating that one other than his client had been an accomplice, and that Belanger had substituted the name of Varlow for the unknown.

To this Belanger made a most forcible refutation.

James McEvoy, brakeman on the M. F. & M., whose testimony had been deferred conformably to instructions from the Lord Chief Justice, as a result of objections made by W. R. Ross, being sustained; these objections were again made and protest noted. He detailed his acquaintance with Belanger Brothers, dating from boyhood days. Fred Varlow, he said, was introduced to him by Fred Belanger about one year ago, when he was in the employ of the Elk Lumber Company. This was the occasion he claims, when Varlow made the first announcement to him regarding the project for holding up Trites-Wood, which he (McEvoy) declares that he distinctly refused to join in. Despite his alleged refusal, Varlow, so he says, again broached the subject some time subsequently, which was on a pay night, and he gave a like answer as before. The witness enlivened the proceedings by creating considerable merriment describing the incidents connected with a bottle of whiskey.

He was of course cross examined by W. R. Ross, but without any noticeable difference arising.

Robert N. Clerke, chief of the city police, took the stand, and stated that he was on a visit to his home in Ireland and that Richard Bowen was temporarily in his place at the time of the hold-up. Upon his return he found that several men charged with complicity in the hold-up were paying guests of the city. On the night of the 6th or 7th when making his official rounds he stated that Fred Varlow had spoken to him, and in the course of conversation relative to the cause of his re-arrest firmly denied the truth of the stories of Fred Belanger stating that it was a tissue of lies; he however acknowledged receiving the $100 but denied that he had participated in the hold-up. Sympathy was expressed at his plight.

W. R. Ross then took the chief in hand and interrogated him relative to his remarks to Varlow's wife and mother-in-law that he was glad that he knew nothing of the case. This witness denied in toto.

Other questions regarding Varlow and the city police were put and correctly answered. The chief, who hails from Blarney, County Cork denied having performed any osculatory stunt on the stone in his native county on his last visit.

Thursday morning Cory A. Dow, the chief of police of Cranbrook, was questioned as to the reputation borne by John Belanger, which he stated was not too good.

S. W. Barclay, Chris Wright and Joe Letcher were also examined.

Arthur Sampson, chief of provincial police, testified regarding the issuance of the circular offering $500 reward for arrest of hold-up men.

Sam Heathcote, a miner stated that when the two boys requested Varlow to go with them, as a man was in the road holding gun in his hand, that after making the remark "you are joshing" and being assured that they were not, he (Varlow) did not hesitate in the least but went immediately.

A number of additional witnesses were called and gave evidence as to Varlow's actions on the evening preceding the hold up.

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W. R. Ross	10.00

Thos. Uphill
Secretary

CANMORE NOTES

Canmore is still on the boom. The bowling alley has opened up with a colored gentleman in charge. He and his spouse run a barber shop and a restaurant combined.

The Canmore mines have been idle for a couple of days owing to the accident at the round house in Calgary where the C. P. R. are not able to get the engines from the shops for transportation.

The government have at last decided to build a bridge over the creek on the mine side. Foreman McRavey and his men are already on the job.

Corporal McClarty has been doing a great work this past month among the foreigners, instructing them in the cleaning up of their yards, etc. There is credit due him for this as it was sorely needed.

Andrew Drapaka, the man who was cut in the affray two weeks ago has fully recovered and outside of a small facial disfigurement is none the worse for his encounter. His opponent is still working for the government.

On Thursday the 20th, the Eckhardts gave a great musical exhibition in the band hall, which was well attended, but owing to some one's neglect the gasolene system was out of commission, the players having to manage *with what lamps they could secure.* They must have been greatly embarassed in their musical programme. However it was a first class entertainment and was greatly appreciated by the audience.

An old time Canmorite in the person of Wm. McCardell was in town the other day. Mr McCardell is at present engaged in the lumber line, being contractor for the Bankhead mines. The past two weeks he has been supervising the construction of a bridge over the Kananaskis creek near Morley.

Mr. Dave Williams, manager of the company stores, went west on Saturday morning to spend the day in the Sulphur city.

Miss Violet Griffiths is up from Calgary on a visit to her parents for a few days.

The memorial sermon in honor of the late King was preached on Sunday evening by the Rev. Forbes, Presbyterian minister. The church was crowded in excess of space. The Odd Fellows and the Orangemen were in attendance.

MICHEL

The inquest on the body of Joseph Farano, whose death happened on the 19th as a result of being crushed by a car in No. 8 mine 17 chute, 19 jig, was held on Saturday last the 21st. The jury brought in a verdict of accidental death, but added a rider to the effect that the company should send some person to give instructions to any driver when first commencing to work in the mines.

The unfortunate man was only 24 years of age, and leaves a father at present living in Canada and a mother in the old country who were partly dependent on the earnings of their son. The funeral took place on Monday from the Catholic church, Fr. Meisner officiating, and after he had read the services appropriate to the sad event the officers of Michel 2334 delivered the beautifully impressive ritual of their order.

The bands from Fernie and Michel were in attendance and played music most appropriate to the occasion.

The funeral was the most numerously attended that has ever been held in Michel. Interment was made in the old cemetery.

A special meeting of the union was held here on Sunday at which President W. B. Powell and Secretary A. J. Carter were present.

The question under consideration at the meeting was the site to be selected for a new cemetery. Th people of Michel have for some months been agitating the matter of closing up the for a new cemetery. The people of the Coal Company notified the local union that they would be pleased if a committee were appointed for the purpose of discussing arrangements in connection with the change, so that a mutually satisfactory site could be selected.

The committee was duly appointed, and met the representatives of the Coal Company, but unfortunately they failed to agree on the place to be chosen for a cemetery. The company without further consultation, allotted a site which is not acceptable to the union, and as a consequence a very unpleasant feeling has been created unnecessarily amongst the men at this camp by the arbitrary action of the Company, and they consider that they should have been given another opportunity for a mutual agreement to be attempted, and then if this was not found possible, have submitted the matter to arbitration, and then it would have shown a desire on the part of the company to be fair.

Mr. James Ashworth, general manager, Mr. Norman Fraser, local manager, representing the C. N. P. Coal Company, met the district officers, President Powell, Vice-President Clem Stubbs and Secretary Carter and International Organizer James together with the local committee on Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of discussing the matter of fixing a schedule for the long wall work in No. 3. The price to be paid could not be arrived at to the satisfaction of the two parties and it was decided to defer the question until after the special meeting on Sunday next when the whole subject will be thoroughly thrashed out.

During the past week accidents in the mines have been exceptionally numerous, not less than ten more or less serious ones happening. The only one that was fatal up to the present writing was Farano's.

One of our foreign brethren whose name I do not recall at the moment, who met with a serious injury while at work caused by the breaking of a rope is now in such a condition that an operation is considered imperative, and in order to have it performed will require him to have expert surgical attention elsewhere, preferably in the old country.

BAYNES LAKE

J. A. Tormey, who has been investigating this district for the past four years, finally determined to make this his permanent home and now has all his Lares and Penates installed not to mention an increase of population of eight.

Watch Baynes grow.

Mr. D. E. Sanders, who is an apostle of the anti race suicide club is also serious contemplating making his future home in our midst. The number of his family we will not mention still it is not 13 but——

Mr. and Mrs. Carlow have moved into their new residence on Boulevard Imperial.

Mr. Stephen Mann one of our recent arrivals from Montreal has already started to prepare for building his home, and has the necessary material on the ground.

Adolph Lumber company is running at full blast and has a large docket of orders ahead.

The attendance at Baynes school has increased considerable recently, the enrolment at present being over 20. It is believed that in a year hence the present school will be insufficient and a graded school provided.

The well known contractor Harry Oldlands has purchased a tract of land for right of way from the Kootenay River Land company, and proposes to build a branch line from the Great Northern to the site of his proposed brick works on the bank of the Elk

ST. ELMO

Readers of Augusta J. Evans famous novel "St. Elmo" and they are legion, will be interested in the announcement that Grace Hayward's authentic dramatization is to be presented at the Grand Theatre next Teusday night, the 31st., matinee and evening.

The play is one of the genuine successes of the year. This is not surprising as the book has long been recognized as a standard of fiction. It was written many years ago but it is equally as popular as in our grandparents' time. In fact book sellers say that the sales for the past three years have exceeded that of any recent work of fiction. It has been translated in a dozen languages and although typically American in thought and action, has a tremendous vogue abroad.

Miss Hayward's dramatization adheres very closely to the story of the book and to this is probably due in large measure the instantaneous success of the play.

In point of box receipts and public interest "St. Elmo" has been a surprise to everyone. It has offered additional proof, if needed, that American playgoers want a wholesome well told narrative and will take it every time in preference to risque importations.

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Fernie, B. C., May 28th, 1910

News From the Camps

From our own Correspondents

COAL CREEK

Some people know more about other people's business than they know of their own, but a still tongue makes a wise head.

There was a lot of interesting conversation last week as to when, how any why Halley's comet was going to appear, but appear it did, and still the coal is coming out of the mines up here. Some said that the earth was going through the tail of it and others again said that it was bound to strike some of the mountains and levele them off for fruit ranches, and one aspiring young man said that he saw it cross from one side of the valley to the other in about two seconds. However it has been and gone and I did not hear of it hurting anybody. However there is one death traceable to the door of the comet, if comets have doors. A man went up on the roof of his house to view this celestial visitor and went to sleep and rolled off. When they picked him up he was dead, and no one will ever know whether he inhaled a piece of the fringe of the comet's tail or whether he was overcome by drowsiness or an overdose of the doctor's special.

We had four new arrivals from Lancashire last week:

Ed. Hamer
John Brown
Wm. Hardy
Ed Hardy

Wm McKay (late of Coal Creek) and W. Ross have taken over the Central hotel in Fernie, commencing from the 1st of June, when they will welcome all old friends and new ones. Our old friend Yorkie is to assist in the handing out of the hard stuff. May his shadow never grow less.

Ted English has accepted a position as bartender at the Royal and don't forget to call and see him.

We were pleased to see the boys from the machine shop out with the hose reel last week. This looks like business, but the hydrants at the top end have not been fixed yet. How long O how long?

The eclipse of the moon was not visible up here owing to the mountains not being levelled off yet.

J. T. Mawson has been appointed as night shift fireboss at No. 1 north.

Wm. Minton of Fernie has the contract for building the foundation for the new boarding house.

Mark Branch was removed to the hospital last Saturday suffereing from a bad attack of rheumatic fever. Troubles never come single.

Last Thursday afternoon District President Powell, Secretary Carter and D. Rees made an inspection of the long wall work started in No. 9 mine, after which a meeting was held and a scale committee selected who will assist the district officers in fixing a price for this work as it is not in the last agreement.

The Rev. D. W. Scott arrived back from the conference last Friday and conducted the services in the church on Sunday. The Rev. W. Nichol of Hosmer occupied the pulpit at the Presbyterian church.

Born at Coal Creek on the 24th inst. to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hamer a fine daughter.

Victoria day was quiet up here. Some of our citizens went to see the Big Red Apple country and some of the men went as far as Cranbrook following the football team, which went on Monday night. The following was the team:

Goal: T. Clare.

Full Backs: J. McLetchie and W. McFegan.

Half Backs: J. Sweeny, J. Parnell, Robert Johnson.

Forwards: Sid Hunt, O. Jolson, T. Banns, P. Jolson, Bert Hartwell.

Linesman: Ted Coates.

The game ended in a draw of one goal each, and this was considered lucky from a dusty point of view. But some of the boys had a real good time even if Jimmie did leave his hat outside. It will take weeks before they get the Cranbrook dust out of their eyes.

Died at Coal Creek on the 22nd, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fearing. Interement took place at Fernie on the 23rd.

Sid Birt, late of Michel is now residing in this famous burg. He started in No. 1 south.

Paddy Hughes was up here last Saturday evening. Thought I had better tell you as no one saw him. He could be heard quite plain.

George Booth and Sam Fisher were up from Maple Leaf spending a few days in the old camp.

The concert in aid of the Cumberland disaster drew quite a large gathering from here on Tuesday evening. The train service going down was limited to one coach and it got packed so full that a box car had to be put on to accommodate those who could not get in the coach. It was afterwards seen that three coaches were standing on the track at Fernie and only one had been sent to bring the crowd down from the Creek.

The football match up here last Saturday between Fernie and Coal Creek was more of a comedy than football. The game was a farce from start to finish, and the referee appointed was a new found out from Hosmer, and it was his first game, and it was certainly evident that he was in the wrong place. From the start of the game it was seen that Fernie was out for the points. The first half of the game was end to end play and fouls on both sides were much in evidence but they were not seen by the referee. The home team had hard times in not scoring by hitting the cross bar and smart work by Adamson in goal for Fernie. About ten minutes from the half time Fernie managed to score from a scrimmage in front of the home goal. The second half opened with the Creek boys pressing hard and had it not been for the fine defence of Fernie it is hard to say what the score might have been. Finally the Creek evened up the score and then the fun began. The Fernie players were claiming offsides and the Creekers were calling for the referee's decision and the crowd began to pour on the field, until it looked more like a hold-up than a game of football. The home team forced several corners in quick order and the game was exciting, but to no avail for the C. C. The comedy ended in favor of Fernie 1 to 0. Adamson in goal for Fernie played the game of his life. A protest was lodged by the home team on account of the incompetency of the goal keeper. McKay of Hosmer was the gentleman who caused so much discontent.

An aspirant made application to become a member of our football team. Upon being asked for his credentials stating that he had plenty of them—here's the list—a broken arm, a dislocated collar bone, a broken leg and several ribs knocked out. He was informed that there was a splendid job waiting for him as a model for the ambulance class when it started, as these credentials were good enough for them even if they were not quite sufficient for the F. C.

HILLCREST

Last Thursday night two of our former residents left for the land of the "bluenoses," Alex Gouthro and Charlie Curry are now enjoying themselves by shaking hands with their Nova Scotia friends, but we feel sure that it is only a question of a short time before they will be back in some of the camps along the Pass.

We can heartily recommend any of our many friends who are lovers of horse flesh, and like to take out their girl or even the old lady and kiddies for a drive around the country and note its many scenic beauties, to call at William Ryan's livery barn or else telephone him. He has just added another fine driving team to his stable, so that with new buggies and democrats together with good horse flesh Billy can proudly boast that he has as fine an establishment as you will find anywhere between Lethbridge and Fernie. If you have any doubts, give him a trial and Missouri like you will be shown.

Mrs. J. Letcher arrived in town last Saturday from Springhill, N. S., and we are pleased to learn that she considers this the prettiest village she has seen on the journey west of Winnipeg.

Rebeckah at the well is a beautiful picture and of course many of us would like to see this lovely character portrayed, but when it comes to a bunch of old bachelors forming circles round the spring, and by a combination of this liquid and a handful of W. Warns dried apples having a "swell" feed, we would strongly advise that they cut it out. Fletcherism, vegetarianism, meat boycotts and the many new fads may do very well for those who live in the effete East but for us on the bounding prairies we should eat, drink and be merry and also patronise the boarding houses and so help to keep the fair sex busy preparing for the feeding of the sterner sex, whereby the latter can have opportunities of testing the culinary abilities of the ladies for future reference.

Fine weather and short spell of idleness at the mines are being taken advantage of by our brethren who have shaken the coal dust off their locks and are trying their hands at wood butchering, building homes for themselves. By the way Dame Rumor has it that some of them have still more pleasing purposes in store, only no names please at present—that these quarters will be like the bicycle of the song you know, "A bicycle built for two."

Our enterprising merchant, W. G. Warn finds that his business has now grown so much that his present premises are not big enough, and so he is putting on an addition. Go to it Billy and keep up your present reputation for fair dealing and your future is as sure as the camp's.

Mr. John Brown, the company general manager is busily engaged at the present time mapping out certain improvement which are much needed. Mr. Brown's reputation for doing things will accomplish what C. P. Hill dreamed about, that is making the Pittsburg of the Pass an ideal coal camp. We shall be glad when these changes are effected.

We regret to report the sad death by drowning of the four year old girl of Anton Majorki, who fell into the creek.

Speaking for this camp, and we are sure that these sentiments are unanimous, we are glad that the strike in Nova Scotia and the Frank dispute are settled on satisfactory conclusions, and these are the best kind of evidence of the good work that is accomplished by the organization of which we are members, the U. M. W., and of which we are justly proud. At the same time these things ought to be brought to the notice of those who are a little backward about joining, and by adding to our numbers still further benefit themselves and their fellow workers too, so that we may all obtain a larger portion of the value of our product.

The boys who took in the smoker at Frank commemorating the settlement of the recent dispute all report having had an enjoyable time.

To our many bachelor friends who still persist in following the paths of singleness, will say that the example which has already been set will now be regarded as an established custom. Whenever he decides to take unto himself a partner, and the partner of course is willing to accept, that when the knot has been duly tied a smoker is a very necessary accompaniment. Brother Emil Nougier entertained the boys right royally on the auspicious occasion of his marriage to Madame J. Humbert. Mille felicitations. We commend your honorable example to our many bachelor friends.

We expect that before this appears in print we will have enjoyed the pleasure connected with another smoker as Tony Casagrandi and Viginia Calletti are now Mr. and Mrs. Casagrandi, as the happy couple became man and wife at Lethbridge last Saturday. Buona fortuna Tony!

We trust that the next time our worthy secretary puts up a smoker it will not be on a false alarm, although it is true we do not object to having a smoker at intervals, still we must say it was a good joke on John to have the report of his marriage appear in the newspaper and find that it was a put-up job. Still the perpetrators of this did not have it all their own way as John got back at some of them and the others who have not come through will find that it is charged up to them and when they visit Hillcrest next they will most certainly be duly interviewed.

Uncle Benny left us a few weeks ago and would not reveal where he was going, fearful that perhaps the editor would find out and let the folks know.

If any of you are at Passburg in the near future and you see a typical good old sport with a little dog following at his heels you don't need to ask his name. Any time you feel like paying us a visit "tha knows th' art allus welcome so doant be bashfu."

Lack of orders kept the mines idle all week except Saturday, but we understand that this cause has now been overcome as the expectation is that Hillcrest will soon resume her wonted activity. The quality of the coal is her best recommendation. Ask any of the boys who use a No. 2 on the C. P. R. and they will not be long in saying which coal they prefer.

General Manager Brown has been away on a business trip is again in our midst looking as bright and cheerful as ever.

We were pleased to hear of the police giving orders to the owner of a dead dog that had lain on the side of the creek for a week that he must remove same and bury it.

Arthur O'Regan, who is noted for pulling out big fish came from the South Forks on Sunday night after three days fishing with a fine bunch of trout, one fish weighing 4¼ pounds, dressed. The last big fish that he caught in the Frank lake two years ago weighed over eight pounds.

The conveyor at the mine is squeaking again after a week's rest; we hope she will keep on squeaking.

The painters are busy and making our town look bright and clean.

W. Ryan has put in another pool table. The boys are having fine times now.

Two more old timers arrived today in the persons of Arthur and Tom Waring.

J. A. Rudd, late of this town, was married to Miss Louise DeCane on the evening of May 24.

Forgot to mention that Woodman and Onderkirk are the contractors for the addition to Warns store.

Bellevue notes not to hand.

FRANK

Mr. McVicar arrived here from Winnipeg and will succeed Bob McMillan as coal inspector.

Clark's moving pictures are well attended lately. He sure has some classy films.

The comet had a few of our people in the notion of sitting up all night on the 18th. It is reported that Lawrence Rayne was looking in all the mud holes for it.

Harry Pollock of Fernie blew in this burg last Friday looking up his old pal "Champagne Billie," and he found him too.

Mr. S. F. Lesser arrived here from Spokane to take a position with A. V. Lang. Mr. Lesser takes charge of the gents furnishing department, so watch for some classy spats and nifty rags.

Ed. Wells, alias Doctor Dippy, has gone on the road travelling for some peanut firm.

Tom Burns is away to Calgary and other eastern points bug hunting.

The Coal Company are making quite a lot of improvements lately. They are building 20 new cottages for the miners and also a long trestle from the shaft to the big tipple where all the coal from both the mines will be loaded and shipped.

Mexican newspapers have a very impolite way of calling the attention of their delinquent subscribers by publishing the names of those whose memories are on a par with their promptitude in the payment of bills. No; *the Ledger* is not going to do this so don't overburden the P. O. sending in *money orders*.

The marriage of John Erickson and Selma Johnson took place at the home of the groom's brother, Oscar, Victoria avenue, the Rev. Hugh Grant officiating as master of ceremonies. The many friends of the happy couple join in congratulations.

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Construction & Inspection

Regulations Agreed Upon Regarding The Construction and Inspection of Steam Boilers in B. C., Alberta, Sask., Man. and Ont.

(Continued from last week.)

Holes in Sheets

The drilling of rivet and stay bolt holes from solid after plates are fitted is preferred, but they may, if not less in diameter than the thickness of the plate, be punched small before rolling after edges of plates are bent. If holes are punched they must for rivet holes up to thirteen-sixteenths of an inch in diameter be punched one-eighth inch less, and for rivet holes over 13-16 inch in diameter be punched 13-16 inch less and reamed after assembling to ensure exact size and good, fair holes and roughness from punching being entirely removed.)

All burrs must be removed, the plates being separated for this purpose.

Joints must be examined after assembling before any riveting is done. When assembled joints must be close and well fitting, being brought together by fitting up bolts in holes specially prepared. The bringing of plates together by rivets is forbidden. Holes in flanged plates must not be punched or drilled on inner plates until plates are assembled when holes are to be marked off from outer plates, the holes then made and reamed after again assembling.

After reaming, all holes for rivet seams must be fair, punch marks obliterated by it, and so formed that rivet heads will lie fairly to the sheet and be fairly concentric with the rivet.

Holes for stays and stay bolts must be left small for reaming to ensure the threads in both sheets being full and in straight line.

Drift Pins

Drift pins may be used with light hammers to pull the plates into position, but they must not be driven with such force as to disturb the metal about the hole.

Templets

The use of permanent steel templets for standard work is recommended but for other work in quantity one set of plates prepared from which while flat a second set is marked and assembled the first set is correct being used as templets for the rest, is considered good practice.

Rivets

Should be driven wherever possible by power riveters; air hammers may be used wherever practicable. Rivets must be heated their whole length, and be of such length as to fill the hole by upsetting and form full head, being left to cool under pressure of riveter until black.

Flanging Sheets

Flanging or forming should be done at one heat, where two or more heats occur the whole plate should be heated at the conclusion of the flanging and left to cool slowly and equally, being covered and unexposed to draughts of cold air, the same treatment being given plates flanged in one heat, in which case reheating is not necessary. Sharp corners in flanges must not occur; the minimum radius allowed in flanges is one inch on inner corner in any boiler.

Tubes

Must fit the holes in tube sheets as nearly as possible before expanding, the end nearest fire being a driving fit when applied, and the holes in sheets be truly round, with edges slightly rounded and true to size.

The hole in sheet where tube is entered is to be only large enough to allowed free entry of tube.

Tubes must be expanded by roller expanders.

The end of tubes must not extend more than three-sixteenths or one-quarter inch beyond sheet, according to thickness of tube, and then be beaded against tube sheet without cracking, to ensure which the ends of tubes must be annealed.

The hand welding of tubes is prohibited.

Tube Sheets

All tube holes must be truly round, The holes may be punched one-eighth of their diameter, small and bored to size with a rose cutter. The edges of holes are to be slightly rounded to prevent damage to tubes.

Stays

All screwed stays must have full, clean threads, true to size, and where riveted they must be neatly and carefully finished, the centre of stay in no case standing more than two and one-half or less than two threads above the sheets at their centres when they are screwed home before riveting, and be free from cracks after riveting.

Where stay nuts are used they must have true and smooth bearing on the sheets or washers when brought up, all the threads being true to shape and size.

Material—Plate Makers Name and Tensile Strength

Every steel plate intended for the construction of boilers hereafter built for operation under the act must be stamped by the makers with their names and the tensile strength or identification number, the plates being identified by affidavit or inspector's certificate with the mill certificates. The stamps must be so located that they are plainly visible after boiler is constructed.

Steel Plates

Steel plates are to be homogenous, made by the open hearth process and having the following qualities:

Shell plates or plates on which flanging is to be done may have from 55,000 to 65,000 (maximum) pounds per square inch tensile strength, elastic limit not less than one half the tensile strength, elongation not less than 22 per cent in 8 inches, cold and quench beds 180 degrees flat on itself without fracture on outside of bent portion. Maximum phosphorus, 04 per cent., maximum sulphur. 04 per cent.

Firebox Steel

Firebox plates to have from 52,000 to 62,000 (maximum) pounds per square inch tensile strength, elastic limit not less than one half the ultimate strength, elongation not less than 26 per cent in 8 inches, cold and quench beds 180 degrees flat on itself without fracture on outside of bent portion. Maximum phosphorus .035 per cent., maximum sulphur .035 per cent.

Rivet Steel

Steel for boiler rivets to have from 45,000 to 55,000 pounds per square in. tensile strength, elastic limit not less than one-half the tensile strength, elongation not less than 28 per cent. in 8 inches, cold and quench bends 180 degrees flat on itself without fracture on outside of bent portion. Maximum phosphorus .04 per cent., maximum sulphur .04 per cent.

It must test hot and cold by driving down on an anvil, the rivet being held in a tool; the head must flatten until its diameter is 2 1-2 times the diameter of the shank (hot test), and 1 1-2 times the diameter of the shank for cold test; all without developing flaws or cracks.

Wrought Iron

Wrought iron where used must stand the same bending tests as steel when bent lengthwise of plates or bars, but the tensile strength will be twenty per cent. less than the elongation.

The elastic limit will be on half the tensile strength.

Braces, Stays and Stay Bolts

All braces, stays and stay bolts are to be made of iron or mild steel specially manufactured for the purpose. Iron shall have a tensile strength not less than 46,000 pounds per square inch, elastic limit not less than 26,000 pounds, elongation not less than 22 per cent. in a length of eight inches. Steel to have a tensile strength of 62,000 pounds maximum and not less than 52,000 pounds, elastic limit not more than 33,000 or less than 26,000 pounds per square inch, elongation not less than 25 per cent. in 8 inches.

Stay Bolt Rounding Test

Materials for stay bolts must stand the following bending test: A bar taken at random full threaded must bend cold 180 degrees around a bar of three times its own diameter without showing any cracks or flaws. The use of the Whitworth type of thread is recommended for stay bolts.

Tubes

Of whatever material manufactured, must be truly cylindrical in form and meet the following physical tests:

For iron and steel the tensile strength, elastic limit, percentage of elongation, etc., must agree with that given for rivet bars.

Any tube must when cold stand without cracking, expanding on a mandril by repeated blows with a hand hammer until it is one-eighth larger than its original diameter.

A piece cut from the tube must flatten closely without cracking, and a piece cut lengthwise from a tube and flattened, bend back on itself both cold and after being heated to a red heat and quenched, without cracking.

Malleable Iron Castings

Where used must be clean, free from cracks. Samples from material intended for use in boilers constructed under these regulations must stand repeated blows when cold from a hammer without fracture.

Rejection of Material

In cases where tests show that for stay bars, rivet bars, tubes or malleable iron castings, three pieces (or in cases of lots of 100 or more, three per cent., of those subjected to test fail to meet the foregoing requirements, the whole lot so submitted may be rejected.

Cast Iron

It is desirable that the use of cast iron in boiler construction under the provision of these regulations be discontinued.

It may be used for manhole plates, handhole plates, and nozzles for pressures for pressures not exceeding 100 pounds, but its use for manhole rings, steam domes or like purposes is prohibited.

It must be clean and of a soft grey texture.

Note: One half the provinces represented considered the words "for pressure above 100 pounds" should not be included in the foregoing.

Steel Castings

May be made by the open hearth or basic process, but must receive such heat treatment as will produce a fine grained, homogeneous, and tough metal, free from slag, cracks and cavities, injurious blow holes and surface or other mechanical defects.

Tensile strength per square inch not below 60,000 pounds.

Elongation in two inches not below 23 per cent.

Reduction in area not below 30 per cent.

Phosphorus not over .06 per cent.

Sulphur not over .06 per cent.

Fittings

The material of all mountings and fittings must be of good quality and sufficient strength to withstand the strains from internal pressure and all work for their respective uses, those attached to boilers carrying over one hundred pounds of steam shall be of the class known as extra heavy.

The nipples attaching same when over one inch in nominal diameter and screwed connections are permitted, must be made of pipe, the walls of which are at least 50 per cent thicker than the ordinary standard steam pipe.

In applying fittings or their bases when riveted to boiler they must be carefully fitted to boiler riveting and in case of cast iron a caulking strip of soft steel or iron inserted between the boiler plate and cast iron. The thickness of the flange of any iron casting riveted to a boiler must be not less than three times the thickness of the sheet to which it is riveted.

Fittings must be provided for every boiler as follows:

Safety Valves

Every boiler shall be provided with a lock pop safety valve of approved design under the following conditions:

The springs and valves are to be cased in, so that they cannot be easily tampered with.

Provision is to be made to prevent the valves flying off in case of springs breaking.

Lifting gear is to be provided to ease all valves.

The springs must have a sufficient number of coils to allow a compression under the working load of one eighth the diameter of the valve.

The valves are to be provided with metal stops or washers, against which the compression screws, abut when the loads sanctioned by the inspector are on the valve.

Testing Safety Valves

When considered necessary, the safety valves shall be tested under full steam and full fires for at least 15 minutes with water shut off and stop valve closed; if the accummulation of the pressure exceeds 10 per cent of the working pressure of the boiler a larger safety valve must be substituted.

Twin Valves

All boilers requiring safety valves to be over three inches in diameter are to be equipped with twin valves instead of one large valve. When the twin valves, or more than one valve is used, the minimum combined cross sectional area shall be in accordance with formula for same.

No Cast Iron Seat Allowed

Safety valves having either the seat or disc of cast iron shall not be allowed.

Maximum and Minimum Diameter of Valve

The diameter of a safety valve used on a boiler shall not be less than one inch or more than three inches.

Location of Valve, Escape Pipe, Etc.

All safety valves are to be fitted independently of any other connection to the boiler and must be placed immediately at the boiler and no valve of any description shall be placed between the safety valve and the boiler, nor on the scape pipe between the safety valve and the atmosphere; the escape pipe shall have an open-ended drain at its lowest point. The safety valve shall be located so as to be accessible and must not be connected to an internal pipe in a boiler.

Lifting gear must be provided to ease all safety valves.

Steam Gauge

Every boiler should be provided with a correct steam pressure gauge of proved reliable make, which shall be tested by the inspector at the time of inspection, and must be set to correspond with a standard test gauge and placed so as to be plainly visible by the operator. Traction and portable boilers shall be provided with a steam gauge having double tube connections.

The dial of the steam gauge shall be graduated to not less than one and one-half times the maximum pressure carried on the boiler, and for dark hours be well lighted.

Syphon and Cut-out Cock

All steam gauges shall be connected directly to the boiler and shall be fitted with a syphon or equivalent device sufficiently large, to fill the gauge tube with water, a cut-out cock with a T or lever handle to be placed between the syphon and the boiler, to which it is to be directly coupled unconnected with any other fitting.

A one-quarter inch size, pipe connection must be provided on every boiler to permit Inspector's gauge to be connected above the cock on syphon pipe, for the purpose of testing in service the working steam gauge on the boiler.

Gauge Glass

Every boiler shall have at least one water glass not less than six inches in length (as measured between the gland nuts, the visible bottom end of which shall be at least two inches above the fire line which in vertical unsubmerged tubesheet, firetube boilers shall be two-thirds the height of tubes, and for other boilers the highest point of crown sheet or fire tube.

All water gauges must be capable of being operated from floor or boiler room or working platform of a traction engine or portable boiler, and in dark hours, be well lighted.

Gauge Clocks

Every boiler shall have (2) (and in boilers exceeding thirty inches in diameter three gauge clocks, with ¾ pipe thread connections to boiler and minimum bore of three-eights of an in. located within the range of the guage glass, the lower cock to be placed in the same plane as the bottom of the glass. In traction or portable boilers the gauge cocks must be inserted within reach of operator in the face plate or in a water column attached to the same. The cocks must be so made that the passage can be cleaned out without removing cock from boiler. In stationary boilers where gauge cocks cannot be conveniently operated a second gauge glass may be used instead of gauge cocks, provided the second gauge glass is separately connected to the boiler.

Feed Arrangements

Each boiler shall have a feed pipe fitted with a check valve and also a stop valve between the check valve and the boiler. The feed water should be fed at the coolest part through an internal pipe where possible, but never near the parts of a boiler that are exposed to the direct heat of the fire or through the blow off connection—mud pans at water level at end of internal feed pipe are recommended, but they must not rest on the tubes.

FERNIE UNION DIRECTORY

Lizard Local General Teamsters No. 141. Meets every Friday night at 8 p.m. Miners union hall. A. L. Boles, President; William Long, Recording Secretary.

Bartenders' Local No. 514: Meets 2nd and 4th Sundays at 2.30 p.m. Secretary J. A. Goupill, Waldorf Hotel.

Gladstone Local No. 2314 U. M. W. A. Meets 2nd and 4th Saturday Miners Union hall. D. Rees, Sec.

Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners: Meets in the Miners' Union Hall. A. Ward, Secretary.

Typographical Union No. 555: Meets last Saturday in each month at the Ledger Office. A. J. Buckley, Secretary.

Local Fernie No. 17 S. P. of C. Meets in Miners Union Hall every Sunday at 7.45 p.m. Everybody welcome. D. Paton, Secretary-Treasurer.

Amalgamated Society Carpenters and Joiners:—Meet in Miners Hall every alternate Thursday at 8 o'clock. A. Ward, secretary. P. O. 307.

Other bodies are requested to send in their cards.

NOTICE

In the matter of an Application for the Issue of a duplicate Certificate of Title to Lot 4 Block 57 Annex, Town of Fernie (Map 734A)

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 Arthur Wright, which certificate is dated the 28th day of January 1908, and numbered 8128A.

District Registrar
SAM'L. R. ROE
Land Registry Office,
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April 19, 1910

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LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Corporation of the City of Fernie intends to proceed with the construction of cement sidewalk on Victoria avenue opposite lots 1—5, Block 6, 1—10 Blk. 10, 1—10 Block 14, 6—10 Block 5, 11—20 Block 9; 11—20 Block 13, and that it is the intention to have the total cost of such sidewalks borne proportionately by the owners of property fronting upon such sidewalks, and to obtain the requisite money therefor by issue of Local Improvement Debentures.

Notice is also hereby given that assessments will be made against such property so benefited by such proposed sidewalks in order to meet the principal and interest of such Debentures; the crossings will be divided pro rata among the owners of the lots.

The owners of corner lots are assessed for full frontage walk and two-thirds of sideage walk, the remaining third being divided among the owners of inside lots pro-rata.

The term of payment of such Debentures has been made for 10 years with interest at five per cent (5 per cent.)

If any owner or owners desire to object to the proposed work or any portion thereof, the requisite petition or petitions should be filed with the undersigned within ten days from this date.

G. H. BOULTON,
Fernie April 22, 1910 City Clerk

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A Page For Our Foreign Brethren

QUESTION D'INDEMNITE

Puisse je par ces quelques lignes edifier les travailleurs et leur montrer comment se comprennent parfois les choses.

Il y a quelques lois plus ou moins en faveur du pauvre, je dirai, plus ou moins car la plupart sont trop elastiques et trop aisees a d'interpretations diverses.

Les quelques lignes qui vont suivre en diront suffisament a ce sujet et montreront la ou voudraient en arriver les patrons pour se soustraire a une chose qu'ils devraient respecter; la memoire d'un pauvre ouvrier victime de son labeur, d'un desherite de la fortune oblige de peiner jour pour jour pour entretenir ce qui lui est cher et qu'un fatal accident vient de frapper cruellement; pas la moindre parole de consolation, pas le moindre sentiment de pitie pour ceux a qui la mort impitoyable a ravi l'etre cher, le soutien bien aime; mais ces Messieurs vont plus loin, ils vont jusqu'a frustrer dans leurs interets, la vauve, l'orphelin, le pere, la mere, ils leur refuseront une maigre indemnite qui suppleera bien difficilement au fruit du labeur de celui mort a la tache, victime de son devouement envers les siens. Qu'est-ce ceci autre qu'une action indigne, un vol manifeste? J'arrive au fait: Le 2 d'Avril 1909 un terrible accident coutait la vie a un de nos freres— A. Kruz—employe dans les mines de la "Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co." a Michel. Ce malheureux avait la femme au vieux pays et il se faisait un devoir de subvenir a son entretien.

La Cie s'efforce de tirer profit de la situation sous pretexte probablement que sa femme ne cohabitait pas avec lui ici au Canada. Aura-t-elle gain de cause en l'occurrence? Ce qui en d'autres termes signifie: que tout etranger ayant dans le pays d'ou il est originaire, soit femme, parents ou enfants et aux besoin desquels il est astreint a subvenir n'aurait nul droit a l'indemnite prescrite par la loi.

Apres de nombreuses difficultes et aussi apres des debats acharnes de la part des representants du travail: Hawthornwaite, Williams et Davidson cette indemnite etait accordee, parce qu'a cette epoque les deux anciens partis politiques se trouvaient quasi sur le meme pied—donc une compensation de 1500 dollars fut votee.

Plus tard, de vains efforts furent faits a l'effet de porter cette indemnite de 1500 a 2000 dollars mais alors le parti gouvernemental etait trop puissant et par consequent absolument independant, que l'on ne se preoccupe pas davantage des revendications des membres du parti ouvrier.

La Cie a charge M. W. R. Ross deu ses interets dans cette affaire, que sans scrupule n'hesite pas a se ranger du cote oppose a ceux qui l'on aide a entrer au parlement.

Les patrons gagneront ils? Alors plus d'indemnite. Ceci est une chose capitale pour les etrangers appartenant a notre union et nous souhaitons qu'ils y attachent l'attention qu'elle merite.

Les patrons n'ayant plus a payer en cas d'accident d'indemnites aux personnes qui ont momentanement abandonne dans leur patrie, femme, mere, mere ou enfants, et auxquels ils sont astreints a subvenir. Ceux ci dis-je ne seront plus soumis au meme controle, aux memes soins, a la meme protection dans leur travail que si la Cie avait a leur les 1500 dollars. C'est sous peu que la cour de Vancouver aura de statuer sur cette affaire et vous pourrez juger d'apres les debats ce qu'il en coute pour faire indemniser les malheureuses victimes qui ont perdu la vie dans de si deplorables accidents. Une annee s'est passee depuis cet accident et les choses ne sont encore la.

L'ARIA PURA

"L'aria pura e piu preziosa dell'oro" diceva il venerabile medico; essa e la migliore medicina del mondo, prolunga la vita e cura molte delle malattie per cui io vengo chiamato ad esercitare la mia arte." Il dottor De Chaumont, calcolo che un'assemblea di duemila persone in due ore—la durata ordinaria di un comizio—esala, per tramite della respirazione e della transpirazione, circa diciassette galloni di acqua.

La quantita di anidride carbonica emessa da un uomo e di circtre quarti di piede cubo all'ora ossia di 19 piedi cubi-in-24-ore. Si-puo-percio-dire-che ogni individuo distrugge circa 15 galloni di aria all'ora, ossia 380 piedi cubi d'aria in 24 ore. Un uomo che occupa una camera da letto e tiene le finestre chiuse mentre legge alla luce del gas o di una lampada a petrolio si accorgera presto che la lampada consuma tant-aria buona quanto lui. Egli respiera cosi a poco a poco una quantita insufficente di aria ossigenata con grave pregiudizio del normale funzionamento della macchina del suo corpo.

Molte delle malattie che affiggono i minatori sono originate dalla scarsita di ossigeno che quasi sempre si riscontra nelle miniere.

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Preto pozor nerobte skeba.

Ernest Mills,
taj pokl.
Western Federation of Miners.

SOCIALISTICKE POJEDNANIE

(Pokrachovanie)

Pust'te teda zo zretela raz na vzdy, tu okolnost, ze ste tesar, tovarny robotnik, svobodomyslnik, katolik, republikan, demokrat, rolnik alebo co kolvek a myslite o zahade len cho chlovek. Keby ste mal k rozlusteniu pochtovy problem, alebo keby ste v malom chlnku bol vydany moci morskych vlu, tu by ste iste nepochinal v prvom pripade ako "strielbrar" alebo privrzenec ochranneho cla, ale pouzil by ste pochtovych pravidiel, a v druhom pripade vesloval by ste zo vsetkych sil a obzeral sa pilno, chi nepluje v blizkosti neaka lod, nech uz pod akoukolvek vlajkou. Zeadam vas teda, mily obchane, aby ste na pokojne vy pochul a potom rozhodol, chi mam pravdu alebonie.

Teda cho je tento problem? Ja to nazyvam problem zivota. Vidime tu zem a lud, a v zemi s obyvatelstvom je problem; ako ma lud zem najlepsie vyuzitkovat k svojmu prospechu.

Pohladnime na vlastnosti nasej zemi a nasho ludu. Zem je urodna, ako maloktora druha. Najdeme vsade velke zasoby vsetkych veci, ktorych lud potrebuje. Lud je pracovity a silny a povestny svojou vytrvalostou a dusevnous silou.

Z toho dalo by sa sudit, ze takemu ludu v takej zemi je lahko mozno opatrit a zaistit vsetkym obyvatelom zdravie, stastie a dostatek vsetkeho. Myale velmi dobre vieme, ze velka cast nasho obyvatelstva neni ani zdrava, ani stastna ani zamozna.

To su predsa skutocnosti, chi neni pravda? Az potialto sme teda dohodnuti.

Ja ale teraz hovorim, ze keby praca nasho obyvatelstva bola spravne organisovana a mudre pou zita, nasa zem pri velmi malej namahe poskytovala by pre vsetkych velky prebytok. Ja tvrdim, ze praca obyvatelstva neni rozumne organisovana a pouzita a chcem dokazat, ako lnak mohlo by sa to zariadit a akych pozehnannych vysledkov by to malo, keby so take navrhy prevtedly.

Ideal dnesneho zivota je individualismus, konkurencia, to je: kazdy sam pre seba. Kazdy clovek hladi dnes nahrabat tolko penazi, kolko mu jen mozno, pouzit ich pre svoju zabavu a poruchit ich svojim detom. Taky je dnesny ideal. Terajsou narodnou snahou je, urobit stat "diel'nou pre cely svet," t j narod ma vyrabat cho mozno nejvlac tovaru vsellakeho druhu pre cudzo staty a predajom tohoto tovaru vyrobyt viacej penazi, nez by mu bolo mozno vyrobit vyrobou pri vyvine vlastnej krajiny k vlastnej potrebe.

Moj ideal je naprotl tomu, ze kazdy chlovek ma sa snazit svoj prospech spojit s prospechom ostatnych ludi, a ze sa ma narod snazit svoju rodnu zem privlest cho mozna k najvyssimu vyvoju a vyuzitkovat jej prirodynch darov prv, nez sa pusti do tolko obchodon s inymi zemami.

Mily obchlane, vy ste rozumny, prakticky clovek a ja by som vam predovsim radil, aby ste si urobri jasny usudok o tom, chcho je nam nejvlac potreba pre telo a ducha. A ked budem o tom upne na cistom, potom by sme mali iud dla toho zorganisovat, aby tychto zladoucich veci skor dosiahol. Lebo my chceme docielit cho mozna najlepsich vysledkov s upotrebenim najmenej prace.

KAPITOLA II
Prakticka Skola

Ako som uz povedal v prvej kapitole, je problem, jehoz je nam rozlustit, nasledome:

Vobydlenej zemi vynajst, ako sa moze lud a jeho zem cho najprospesnejsie vyvinut. Najprv je nutne aby sme zem a jej obyvatelstvo dobre znali. Musime poznat ich vlastnosti a ich sily. Musime znat cho zem moze dat a urodit, cho moze konat lud a co se z neho moze stat. V tomto ohlade lisim sa od tak zvanych ludi, praktickych "Mansesterskej skoly" ako su nazyvani ucitelia narodneho hospodarstva, ktory haja kapitalisticky system lebo ja som pevne presvedcheny, ze nasa zem vsetkych tych veci, ktore robia zivot ludi prijemnym a zladuenym mohla by poskytnut o mnoho vachsie mnozstvo, nez by narod spotrebovat mohol, ze by teda cele jej obyvatelstvo zit mohlo o mnoho stastnejsie, zdravsie a pohodlnejsie a Bohatsie ako dnes.

Ta tak zvana mansesterska skola narodneho hospodarstva, na ktoru sa kapitalisti odvolavaju, chce nam stepit vieru, ze nas lud je prills zkazeny a nerozumny, aby mohol viest cisty, rozumny a statochny zivot. To nesuhlasi so skutochnostou a ja sa pokusim previest dokaj, ze tieto skutochnosti davaju za pravadu mne a nie mansesterskej skole.

Mili obchane, vy ste prakticky a rozumny niecho posudit, ste schopny chlovek. Ako taky, konal by stt iste radsej prijemnou nezli neprijemnu pracu, volli byste radsej zdrave, vam svedchlace zamestnanie nezli opachne. Byval by ste radsej vo zdravony, krasnom a prijemnom okoli, nezli v nezdravony, a neprijemnom. Pracovial by ste radsej styrl hodiny nezli dvianast hodin denne, koual by ste radsej take prace, ktore rad konate a aby ste dosiahol veci, ktorych si prajete, nezli robit to, cho nerad robite a postradal veci, po ktorych tuzite.

Byvate v Chicagu, alebo v Pittsburgu alebo v Milwaukee a pracujete v toviarne. Keby som sa vas opytal, precho prave tam byvate a do tovarne chodite, dal by ste mi odpoved, ze preto aby ste mohol vyzit.

Myslim ze nasa nahledy sa budu shodovat v troch bodoch: 1 ze take tovarne mesta, vseobecnie vziato nie su prijemnymi miestami k byvaniu. 2 Ze tovarna nie prijemnym miestom k praci a 3. Ze nemte take zivobytie, ake by ste si prial.

Vy musite konat mnohe veci, ktore byste radsej nehal a zase su ine veci, po ktorych tuzite, ichz vsak nemozete dosiahnut.

Noze pokusme sa zistit, ktore veci su vasemu zdraviu najprospesnejsie a ako je nam ich mozno najlepsie a najsnadnejsie dosiahnut. Dujam ze az postal boly moje duvody zretelne, prakticke a pravdive. Cital state dozaista knihu Robinson Crussoe a budete sa pamcitat, ze po stroskotanie ode zachranil sa na ostrove, kde sa sam musel starat o svoje zivobytie. Sial kukuricu, pestoval kozy, susil ovocie, zbudoval si dom, hotovil nadoby b hliny, robil si odev z kozi zvierat, urobil si clnok a hotovil rozlichne uzitochne veci.

Keby miesto toho bol sa pustial do vyrabania perlovych nahrdelnikov, vejlerov z peknoho piera prv nezli sa postaral o potraviny a pristresie, povedal byste, ze bol hotovym blaznom a nevedel svoj chas a svoj ostrov nalezite vyuzitkovat. Co byste ale povedal, keby sa bol uskromnil alebo dovela hlad trpel, len aby bol mohol robit perlove nahrdelniky a vejlere pre inych ludi, ktory boli pohodlnymi sami pracovat?

To cho by ste mne povedal, mozete povedat i sam sebe, lebo vy prave tak jednate, alebo rozmrhavate chas a silu, aby ste zivil a vydrziaval lenivych ludi a hotovil marnive veci. A teraz k nasmu problemu. Ako mame zachat, aby sme z nasej zeme a z nasho vlastneho zivota, urobili to najlepsie, cho sa urobit da? Ktorych veci je skutocne treba k zaistenlu stastneho, zdraveho a dosttojneho zivota? Tieto veci mozeme rozdelit na dva druhy—hmotne a dusevne. Tu zase elso sa moja mienenie velmi od mienenia ludi tak zvanych mansesterskej skoly, narodneho hospodarstva, mojim idealom je striedmost pre telo a hojnost pre ducha. Ja by som radil pre vsetkych telesnych potrebach a pozitkoch cho mozno najvachsiu striedmost a jednotnchost, aby nam nam ostalo co najviacej chasu k uzivaniu radosti a pozitkov vysseho druhu.

(Pokrachovanie)

CANDIDATS FANTAISISTES

Les elections parisiennes se sont faites avec calme cette annee. On peut meme dire que la caracteristique indeniable de la periode electorale a Paris fut une indifference a peu pres generale.

Ce ne sont plus les belles luttes de jadis au temps de la Boulanger ou de l'affaire Dreyfus, quand les affiches des candidats etaient recouvertes par celles des adversaires avant seulement d'avoir eu le loisir de secher sur les murs. Ou sont aussi les spirituelles declarations d'antan, comme celle qui couvrit un beau matin tous les murs de Paris et qui disait: "Citoyens, l'heure est grave! Au moment ou vous allez mettre un vote d'une importance aussi exceptionnelle, il est impossible que vous n'eprouviez pas le besoin de laisser votre portrait a tous les votres. Allez donc tous vous faire photographier chez Nadar!" Est-ce que la fantaisie serait decidement morte en France?

Le seul candidat vraiment fantaisiste que nous ayons a nous mettre sous la dent, si l'on ose ainsi parler, estt un certain M. Renaudin, dont la candidature a ete posee dans le sixieme arrondissement. Son comite, dont M. Renaudin est a la fois le president, le vice-president, le tresorier, le secretaire et le seul membre, s'intitule modestement: "Comite republicain - plebiscitaire - progressiste - radical - socialiste-unifie-independant." Vous voyez que M. Renaudin est ecletique et qu'il fait appel a toutes les bonnes volontes. Son programme, d'ailleurs, a de quoi contenter tout le monde: "Encouragement a la repopulation prime de 500 fr. pour chaque nouveau-ne.—Mariage obligatoire a trente ans pour les deux sexes.—Droit d'election pour les femmes ayant quatre enfants, avec eeglbilite.—Liberte de l'exercise de la medecine.—Retraite a tout citoyen avant cinquante ans, avec pension mensuelle de soixante francs."

Les credits necessaires M. Renaudin les demandera a la suppression de tous les impots" et au "vote facultatif du budget." Voila qui est fort simple

Malgre ce programme allechant, les electeurs du sixieme arrondissement ont eu le mauvais gout de ne pas voter pour lui. Est-ce que nous ne devrions pas, ne fut-ce que par reconnaissance, accorder nos suffrages a ceux qui nous dopportent un peu de gaite, un peu de joie? Les sauvages—que les civilises devraient bien imiter—ne s'en font point faute et leur gratitude va tout droit a ceux qui savent les amuser. C'est ainsi que les negres du Senegal —si l'on en croit les mauvaises langues de l "Indiscret"—seraient immuablement fideles a leur representant, M. Carpot, tout simplement parce que celui-ci, au lieu de leur envoyer des agent electoraux, fait simplement circuler, de Saint-Louis a Dakar et autres centres, deux magnifiques maneges de chevaux de bois mis gratuitement, pendant la campagne a la disposition des electeurs. Qui donc a dit que les negres etaient de grands enfants?

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Alex Susnar

A LARGE AMOUNT

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481	Beaver Creek,	J. C. McNeil, Beaver Creek, Alta, v Pincher
431	Bellevue	J. Burke, Bellevue, Frank, Alta.
2163	Blairmore	James Turnbull, Blairmore, Alta.
	Burmis	Wm. Ashton, Burmis, Alta.
1387	Canmore	Wm, Angell, Canmore, Alta.
69	Coal City	T. Dernley, Coal City Taber, Alta.
2633	Coleman	W. Graham, Coleman, Alta.
2227	Carbondale	G. M. Davies, Carbondale, Coleman, Alta.
2378	Cardiff	J. Aplin, Cardiff, Alta.
279	Cardiff	F. K. St. Amant, Cardiff, Alta.
2577	Corbin	Pat Gaughan, Corbin B. C.
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2314	Fernie	D. Rees, Fernie B. C.
1999	Frank	G. Nicol, Frank, Alta.
2497	Hosmer	J. W Morris, Hosmer, B. C.
1058	Hillcrest	J. O. Jones, Hillcrest, Alta.
2850	Kenmare	R. Evans, Kenmare, N. D.
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2829	Maple Leaf,	F. Bonacci, Maple Leaf, Bellevue, Alta.
2334	Michel	M. Birrell, Michel, B. C.
393	Police Flats	Neil Duncan, Passburg, Bellevue, Alta.
2352	Passburg	Oscar Carlson, Passburg, Alta.
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LOCAL ITEMS

Nicola Valley now has a daily mail service over the C. P. R.

Fred Stork was elected mayor of Prince Rupert with a majority of 116 over his opponent, William Manson.

Grand Theatre on the 31st of May "St. Elmo," based on the famous novel of Augusta J. Evans will be dramatized by Grace Hayward, assisted by first class support. Remember May 31st.

Messrs. Foote and Pradolini are now making good progress with the excavation work for the new Canadian Bk. of Commerce on McKenzie avenue, in Revelstoke, and have a gang of men at work on the site for the new school building on Sixth street.

The Revelstoke shops of the C. P. R. will be enlarged and improved to accommodate 500 employees. The relations between the company and the men must be O. K. as there were rumors in the past that these shops were to be removed; this was always more noticeable when a dispute was in progress.

Service will be held as usual in the Baptist church on Sunday morning and evening. In the morning Pastor Spidell will preach on "The Emancipation of Great Experiences." In the evening at 7.30 his subject will be "Does It Matter What a Man Believes? Special music has been arranged for the evening service.

The Industrial Worker is once more on deck in Spokane, and requests that it be made known that there is a strike on of the cooks and waiters. A significant feature of this strike is the remarkable readiness it was responded to and although there are 1000 men and women out, not one defection on the part of the women is reported—in fact they are surpassing the males in their enthusiasm.

A quiet wedding was celebrated at the home of the bride's parents on May 24th when the Rev. Hugh Grant united in the bonds of matrimony, Hector McDonald and Mary Barr. In the evening the many friends of the contracting parties gathered around the festive board, everybody congratulating the new couple and wishing them long life and prosperity. They will make their new home at Hosmer, in which place Hector has a host of friends among his co-workers.

Wm. Ross and Wm. McKay (both Billies) have formed a partnership and taken over the Central hotel, where they will be glad to meet their many friends and former patrons, and can assure them of fair and square treatment. Everybody knows "Yorkie," and he has been engaged at a large salary to look after the "liquidation" of the concern. This is a first class home for workingmen and as good accommodation as is procurable. June 1 will see everything in full swing.

Marriage licenses issued: John Horbick of Hosmer to Mary Robson, May 14; H. Ushijima of Cranbrook to Laura Marquis, May 23.

John Erickson to Telma Johnson, May 25.

DISINFECTION

The impression entertained by some citizens relative to the spreading of the germs of contagion by members of the City Fire Department are decidedly erroneous.

The fumigation of the fire hall and the complete disinfection of all occupants entirely eradicated any possible infection.

Harold Anderson M. D.
City Health Officer

BUSINESS LOCALS

Servant wanted, apply to Mrs. D. V. Mott.

Hot tea or coffee served at Ingrams pool room.

Always ready: ham sandwiches and coffee at Ingram's.

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

Plain sewing wanted by Miss B. Blaney, P. O. Box 102, Fernie.

Just the thing early in the morning or late at night: a hot lunch at Ingram's.

There is no use talking, the spot to buy your furniture and stoves is at the Trites-Wood Co. Ltd.

Do you know they sell refrigerators—yes sir, and they are cheap at the Trites-Wood Co. Ltd.

Eggs for sale from pure bred Buff Orpington. Apply T. Kynaston, Block 107, Annex Extension.

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For estimates in lathing and shingling write or call on Robt. Wright, West Fernie. 45p

Halley's Comet is coming, so are the flies. Better get screen doors and window screens at the Trites-Wood Co. Ltd.

House for Sale with 2 lots in West Fernie; 5 roomed house, water. Enquire of E. Harper, McPherson avenue.

For Sale: Team of horses, good general purpose animals, price $185. A. MacDonald Co., Wholesale Grocers, City.

If you have any building to do 'twill pay you to see A. McLean, phone 167. He keeps all kinds of building material in stock. 46p

For sale: Cabbage plans 50c per 100; cauliflower $1 per 100, also rhubarb roots and strawberry plants. John McLachlan, West Fernie. 43c

For Rent: A six roomed house with water over sink and toilet inside, near Methodist church, $15 a month, ready 1st June. Apply Walter Hunnable.

For Sale: A lot 50x132, all cleared, with a five room house, nicely finished and painted, completely furnished.

For sale at one half of actual cost. See Lyons, Henderson Block.

To rent or to sell. The Gill boarding house, containing 14 rooms and a well established dining custom. Situated on Pellat avenue. Apply at the house.

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Two acres of land, 1 3-4 acres cleared, house 24x26 three board, stable 14 x14 2 storey, chicken house 14x12 also three board. Price 1050 dollars; $500 down, balance in ten months. Apply to E. Harper, McPherson avenue, Fernie, B. C.

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Quaker Brand Corn and Beans
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Quaker Brand Tomatoes
2 Tins 25c; 9 Tins $1

White Swan Laundry Soap
Carton of 6 Bars 20c

Barrington Hall, the steel cut chaffless Coffee
1 Lb Tins 50c

Reindeer Condensed Milk
2 Tins 25c

GROCERY SPECIALS FOR SATURDAY

Toasted Corn Flakes, 3 pkts.....25c
3 Lb Tins Preserved Apples per tin 10c
Table and Cooking Onions, 8 Lbs.....25c
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Our values in Trunks, Travelling Bags, Suit Cases etc., cannot be duplicated.

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For Saturday 70c pair

Men's Tan Blucher Oxford, welted sole, made up in a wide fitting last. Good value at the regular selling price of $4; for Saturday's selling,

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" " "	2lb. Cartons	" 25c,	" 20c
Braid's Best Tea	3 lb. Tins	reg. $1.50	" $1.00
" " "	1 lb. "	" 50c.	" 40c
Cowan's Cocoa,	1 lb. Tins	" 60c	" 50c
" " "	½ lb, "	" 30c	" 25c
" " "	¼ lb. "	" 15c	2 for 25c

Specials

Apples, Cooking or Table use - 5 lbs. 25c
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Special lot of Table Syrups on Sale Saturday Only

25 Per Cent. off Any Dinner Set or Tea Set

For Saturday Only

Fresh Strawberries

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