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LIFE IN FERNIE

Local Happenings in and About the City

Interesting Items About Many People You Know

Father Mersoner visited Michel Monday.

Dr. Barber was sojourning at Michel during last week.

Mrs. Holbrook, postmistress at Elko, was in town last Friday.

Miss Pugsley, of St. John, N. B., is a guest of Mrs. (Dr.) Bonnell.

G. G. Moffatt is at the coast having a good time visiting friends.

Father Paveruler was in Cranbrook from last Friday till Monday.

Mrs. J. S. Gusty is home again after a visit to her mother in Sandon.

P. Rowland and wife, of Rochester, N. Y., were in the city this week.

Miss Grace Dudley left Friday to visit friends in Moyie, Cranbrook and Kimberly.

J. H. McMullin is away taking the two unfortunate crazy men to the asylum at the coast.

P. Vibert, manager of the Union Bank at Lethbridge, is in the city to day shaking hands with friends.

The Catholic church at Michel is being fitted up inside and will be ready for occupancy early next week.

A. E. Kirkpatrick, of Toronto, the Canadian manager of the United States Fidelity & Guarantee Co., is in the city.

Mr. W. S. Harding is supplying a long felt want in town by offering to repair typewriters, etc., and keep them in order.

Mrs. (Dr.) Corsan and Miss Suddaby left on the Great Northern yesterday to take in the Spokane fair. They are expected back Monday.

Mr. Wm. Henderson was in the city Sunday accompanied by architect Ewart, looking after matters in connection with the new post office building.

The work on Mr. Eschwig's new hotel has been going right ahead as though nothing had happened, and he expects to be at home in it in a few weeks.

Manager J. R. Ruttan of the Cedar Valley mill is now in Spokane interviewing the Great Northern officials regarding the completion of the spur at that mill.

Mr. G. G. Henderson returned to town yesterday. He reports good crops and good times in Ontario. He will remain with us until his new building is completed.

J. W. Banfield, the young and popular manager of the Royal Bank at Nelson has been transferred to Cuba to take charge of a very important branch of that bank.

Julius Hurel, formerly proprietor of the Morrissey hotel at Morrissey, is building a hotel at Midway and will remove to that place as soon as his new building is ready for occupancy.

Father Mersoner has received another letter from Father Cocolo who is now at Stewart Lake Mission. He has been making journeys on foot to outlying stations, sometimes traveling 40 miles in a day.

Thomas Youatt, the new manager of the Elk hotel at Elko, was in town Monday and gave the Ledger a call. Mr Youatt is a popular young man and always ready to look after the wants of his guests.

Thomas Crahan, mine host of the Michel hotel came down on the local and returned on the evening express yesterday. The maddening city whirl distracts him and he only stops with us between trains.

Mrs. J S Gusty, who has been visiting her mother here for some time, left for Fernie on Tuesday. Mrs J. Crawford and Miss A. Trenery accompanied her as far as Nelson.—Sandon Mining Standard.

Judge Forin will arrive here on the evening of the 12th to sit as arbitrator under the Workmen's Compensation Act in a case in which Hector McDonald is a claimant against the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co

The Fernie Lumber Co. are supplying the lumber to contractor Kerr for the new side walks. It will take 150,000 feet to fill the bill We are glad to know that the money for this lumber is to remain in Fernie.

Mr. A. Leitch, president of the East Kootenay Lumber Co., was in the city yesterday. Mr. Leitch is the pioneer saw mill man of East Kootenay and has been at it so long that he can't sleep well out of hearing of the buzz saw

The Elk Lumber Co. received the first cheque, for loss by fire of their mill, yesterday. It was from the Scottish Union and was for $1,957 16, being the full amount allowed by the adjuster on the policy issued by that company.

Mr. James Sloan of the Great Northern reports big business over his line this week. Many people from outside points come to Fernie to take the Northern to Spokane during the week to attend the fair. Mr. Sloan smiles and smiles and is a good fellow still.

S. B. F. Stein, of Vancouver, was in town yesterday.

James Clark, of Medicine Hat, visited Fernie Saturday.

Malcolm McInnes came up from Elkmouth on Monday.

Robert Hays of busy Butte, was a Fernie visitor yesterday.

E. and J. Brown, of Davenport, were at the King Edward yesterday.

G. H. Scott, of Tobacco Plains, was on our streets Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon, of Gateway, were in town a day or two ago.

Milt Kastner, A. Mutz, J. R. Lawry and A. J. Mott started for Spokane fair this morning.

Among those going over the Great Northern to Spokane yesterday were Mr and Mrs Blundell, Mr and Mrs H. Wiltshire, W. W. Little and J. R. Rustan.

Tom Whelan is booming a ball to be given in aid of the Fernie base ball club. Push it along. With Whelan and all the sweethearts, wives and the sisters of the base ball boys they should be able to get a rousing turnout to help the boys along.

Dr. Corsan returned home from Nelson on Monday evening after an absence of ten days, most of which time he spent in the solid comfort of a quiet rest. The Dr looks well and feels fit for duty once more He reports things in general to be rather quiet in Nelson at present.

Mrs. Maria McDonald was before magistrate Whimster on a charge of attempting to set fire to a building in block 21 but not sufficient evidence was produced to warrant a commitment and she was released from custody. Mrs. McDonald's defence was most ably conducted by Mr. Eckstein.

It seems that things are to be so arranged before the convening of the next peace conference at the Hague that nothing shall be discussed which any one of the powers does not want brought before it. This arrangement will make things easy, nothing of vital importance will be talked about.

More Hoberlein roasters are being installed at the Marysville smelter which will double the capacity of that institution next spring. The crying need of Marysville just now seems to be more school room and superintendent Robinson of the educational department is in great demand.

The Henderson building has started to grow again after a week of bad weather. The joists for the first floor have been placed and some of the door frames are in position. Mr Henderson will push the work as rapidly as possible. Bell & Farquarson have the contract and are doing well.

Bean & Morrison's fruit and confectionery store was broken into Friday night last after the proprietors had locked up and gone home, and $91 50 in cash was taken from behind some boxes in the rear of the store under the stairway, where it had been placed for safe keeping. No clue to the robber has, as yet been obtained.

Rev. J. P. Westman, pastor of the Methodist church at Cranbrook took Rev. Robson's place in the Methodist church here last Sunday on the occasion of the anniversary services. On Monday night he lectured to a fair sized audience in the church. The title of his discourse was "You're It" and he gave his hearers a pleasant hour of entertainment. Mr Westman is "It" as a lecturer and we will be pleased to hear him again

Mr and Mrs. Thomas Whelan of the Napanee arrived home last Saturday morning Mrs. Whelan had rather a serious time of it during her sojourn in old Ontario but her many friends in town are glad to have her back with them again. She has almost completely recovered her illness Tom, well Tom looks as though he will pull through the coming winter without serious trouble if the weather is not too severe. The Napanee looks more like home now.

The little son of Rev. C. R. G. Poole lately pastor in charge of the Baptist church here, has had the misfortune to lose the sight of one of his eyes. His parents made every effort to prevent the loss when they discovered that there was something wrong and took the child to a specialist at Everett but it seems impossible to restore the sight. Rev. Mr. Poole is in charge of the Baptist church at Snohomish, Wash

Bust up a Log Jam

Fred Waters of the Elk Lumber returned a few days ago from a trip to the Red Deer Lumber Co. mill on the Red Deer river northwest of Winnipeg, where he had been called by the management to assist in unraveling a tangled ball of yarn in the shape of a log jam which had tied up the log supply and put the big mill out of business.

Fred says he dammed the river but our past knowledge of Fred's damming qualifications made us refrain from asking pointed questions about how he did the damming. There were from five to seven million feet stranded and Fred had them at the mill in about two weeks time, and the buzz saws began to hum once more.

Thanksgiving Day

The 26th instant is officially proclaimed as the particular day upon which we Canadians are to return thanks collectively, for the blessings vouchsafed us during the year. Our thanks as a nation if such a term is permissable, should be hearty and unanimous. No country in the world has more to be thankful for, and if we, as a people do nothing to interfere with the great tide of immigration now rolling in upon us from almost every corner of the world, further than to see to it that the cast off, criminal and pauper classes are not to be lavishly assisted to cast their lots with our great and growing crop of citizens, it is probable that we will continue for decades to come, to remain at the head of the list of growing nations. All these temporal blessings are things for which we should indeed be thankful, but we must not forget the greater blessings which spring out of a religious, moral and upright life. Our great Dominion as a whole ranks second to none in its respect for the Christian religion and the great moral spirit which springs from it.

Now that this great tide of prosperity has set in and wealth begins to accumulate it behooves us to take heed lest we become forgetful, whilst enjoying the temporal comfort which comes with so much prosperity. We do not have to travel far from our Canadian homes to see the blighting effects of too much accumulation of wealth in too few hands, and whilst we are thanking a Divine providence on the 26th for what has been bestowed upon us as a people, let us mingle with our gratitude a small still voiced prayer that we may have wisdom to enable us to avoid the evils which so often accompany vast accumulations of the goods of this world.

The people of Canada are strong mentally, physically and morally and if every honest upright man, woman and child in our great country should render themselves into so many committees of one, to see to it that no dishonest, unscrupulous, designing schemer after power, shall be trusted in any capacity wherein he can use his power for selfish purposes, we will be worthy of all the good things that are being showered upon us, and shall avoid the evils that follow in the wake of wealth when used to oppress and keep poor the poor and the lonely. Let us remember the 26th and be prayerfully thankful.

W. A. Galliher, M. P., Talks of Conditions in B. C.

Toronto News

"What is your opinion of the report that Americans are getting control of monopolies of all kinds on the British Columbia coast?"

This question was asked of Mr. W. A. Galliher, M. P. P. for Kootenay, by a reporter of the News.

"Well somebody has to gobble those things," was the practical reply "The fisheries are there, the timber limits are there, the mines are there. Somebody has got to exploit them. Canadians don't as a rule. Canadian capital is either too timid or too slow, or sometimes to much absorbed in schemes outside of Canada. As long as our raw material is manufactured in Canada I don't see any objection in letting foreign capital in just as far as it has a mind to come."

In conclusion he said that British Columbians were among the most loyal of Canadians.

Change of Management

W. W. Tuttle has leased his Royal hotel property to two well known Fernie boys, Charley Laderoute and Charley Davey. The lease runs for two years and the boys took possession Monday evening. They are advertising a formal opening on Saturday, and everybody will be met with the "glad smile" and the open hand of welcome.

The new firm have the good will of the late proprietor and may confidently look for a full share of patronage in their line

Mr. Tuttle's retirement from active connection with the Royal hotel takes from the ranks of hotel keepers the oldest and most widely known of Fernie's numerous landlords. The Royal hotel in the old days of Fernie will long be remembered by the traveling public as one of the green oasis of the travelers desert. Mr. Tuttle is at present in rather delicate health and a rest from active business is a necessity rather than a choice upon his part. He takes with him to private life the good wishes of many friends who hope to see him back in the harness as of old in the near future.

CITY COUNCIL.

The City Council meeting last night was uninteresting to spectators. There were present the Mayor and Aldermen Trites, Tuttle and Cree.

The by-laws repealing by-laws 14 and 15 was read three times and stand over for final action. The fire loan by-law was advanced to the same stage as was also the new sewer by-law.

The change proposed by City Clerk Nunn was found to be impracticable on account of the construction of the provincial law, and the sinking fund features will remain in as it was drawn by the city solicitor. Council adjourned.

LINDSEY'S PROPOSITION

To be Submitted to the Vote of the People.

Is it Stupidity, or Fear?

Last Thursday evening there were present at the Council meeting, His Worship, Mayor Stork, Aldermen Tuttle, Wallace and Cree. Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted, and then came communications.

J. R. McEwing wrote asking leave to move the small house between his store and Stork's Shop on Victoria Ave. back across the alley to Baker Ave Permission was granted.

Mr. A. Mutz wrote asking the privilege to continue the Union hotel business in the Old Town until the 31st of December next, at which date the license would expire and for which he had paid. Ald. Cree moved and Ald. Tuttle seconded that the extension be granted on condition that the petitioner agree not to apply for renewal of license and to discontinue the business after the expiration of the present license. Alderman Wallace strenuously opposed the motion. He stated that the Union hotel was making more money than any hotel in town and in view of the agreement entered into at the time of incorporation, he thought it was unfair to the hotel men, two of whom were members of the Council, to allow the Union to continue at all. The reason Mutz was anxious to have the Union continue was that he got a rake-off of 25 cents on each keg of beer that went to that hotel, which went into his own pocket and not into the treasury of the Fort Steele Brewing Co.

What a saving of taxes would accrue to the people of Fernie if Ald. Wallace was to turn his searchlight eyes onto all the transactions that concern the city! If he could only widen the scoop of his vision sufficiently to include the $40,000 to $50,000 of rakeoff that would go to the C. N. P. E. L. and P. Co. during the next ten years, if the city were to consent to the "suggestions" of Manager Lindsey, he would be doing something for the city whose interests he has sworn to protect. But just how a 25 cent rakeoff to Mr Mutz on beer sold at the Union hotel effects the financial affairs of the City of Fernie is hard to make out. If the Union hotel pays 25 cents a keg more for the beer consumed in that hostlery it would seem that the city hotels would have just that much advantage over the Old Town establishment, and we would advise Ald. Wallace to stand in with Mr Mutz and help him to raise his rakeoff from 25 cents to $2.50 which would help Mutz at the expense of Mr. Wallace's rival in the beer trade. Mutz could no doubt make it all right with the Brewing Co. so that everything would be lovely. Aldermen Tuttle and Cree stood their ground however, and the motion to let the Union continue to the end of the year was declared carried, Wallace voting in the negative.

The Mayor reported that the committee appointed to interview Mr. Lindsey as to better terms re waterworks "suggestions" had seen Manager Lindsey who had promised to make a written statement to the Council.

Two petitions from ratepayers asking for bylaws were read by the clerk.

One asked for a bylaw to be submitted authorizing the borrowing of sufficient money to properly equip the firehall and to procure necessary equipment for an efficient fire brigade The other petition was for the submission of a bylaw to the voters for the purpose of raising funds for the installation of a sewer system When asked if the petitions bore the requisite number of signatures, the City Clerk stated that the Coal Co. alone was the registered owners of over one tenth of the assessed real property and as there were other names on the list there was no doubt that the petitions bore a sufficient number of names

The finance committee then reported the following accounts recommending their passage.

Salaries	$6.3.95
Supplies	185 52
Expenses, J. G Cummings	449 75
Other expenses	169.81
School Board	810.00
Goldie and McCulloch, safe,	27.15
J. S. T Alexander, fire hall lot	770.00
Balance on chemical engine	372.15
Total	$2918.33

The Clerk reported that Kerr & Co. had returned the sidewalk contract signed by J. R. McEwing and F. W Vance as bondsmen to the extent of $860.00. Bond was accepted.

Mr. Lindsey's letter in reply to the committee appointed to see him was then read. This letter will be found in full on another page

Alderman Cree moved that a bylaw enbodying Mr. Lindsey's proposition be drawn and submitted to vote and Alderman Wallace seconded it The Mayor declared the motion carried, Cree and Wallace voting for, and Tuttle against it.

On motion the petitions for fire protection and sewer bylaws were accepted and filed.

The Council resolved itself into a committee of the whole with Alderman Cree in the chair and took up the consideration of bylaw No. 19 to provide funds for fire protection. The sum of $5,000 was fixed as the limit of the amount to be borrowed for this purpose. The City Solicitor submitted a draft of the bylaw which provided for the raising of a sinking fund and for interest in the usual way. He stated that he had followed the forms used by Nelson, Rossland, Vancouver and Victoria and other cities in the province After listening to an argument offered by the City Clerk favoring a change from this course to one providing for the redemption of one $500 debenture each year, which he stated would put it out of the power of any future Council to change the payments if they should so desire, and do away with the sinking fund feature of the bylaw, the committee referred the draft back to the City Solicitor with instructions to change it so as to conform to the suggestions of the City Clerk.

The sewer bylaw went over for the same reason.

The committee rose and reported progress.

After His Worship had resumed the chair Alderman Tuttle explained to the Council his reasons for voting against taking up Mr. Lindsey's amended suggestions as to the hydrant feature of the water works question He contended that under section 77 of chapter 190 Revised Statutes of the province which applies to the C. N. P. E. L. & P. Co. made it the duty of that company to supply a sufficient supply of water and to provide and maintain whatever hydrants might be required by the City and to extend and supply additional hydrants as the City might require.

The City Solicitor cited other clauses which to his mind seemed to bear out the contention of Alderman Tuttle along these lines.

Alderman Wallace said that even granting that this view was correct the city should nevertheless enter into an agreement with the Co. in order to safeguard the interests of the city If the matter was delayed the company would be entrenching itself stronger and stronger all the time Mayor Stork said Ald. Wallace was right and that possession was nine points of the law.

This is why, we presume the Mayor is so anxious to possess the hydrants imagining that thereby he can control the troublesome water supply.

Mr. Cree was appointed chairman of the finance committee, after which the Council adjourned to Monday evening to take up the consideration of pending bylaws.

FINE FOR FERNIE

Mr. O. L. Boynton, manager of the Elk Lumber Co., returned last week from a trip to the coast where he had gone in search of material to be used in the construction of a new mill on the site of the one totally destroyed by fire. He has been engaged in working out plans and specifications for a new mill almost ever since the fire and left for St. Paul over the Great Northern Monday to consult with his directors and to make final decisions as to size and capacity of the mill which is to be built as rapidly as possible.

The new mill will be of not less capacity than 75000 feet per day of 10 hours and may be as large as the first one. If Mr. Boynton's recommendations are adopted by his board, the mill will be practically fireproof, covered with corrugated iron on all sides, with steel frames and cement floors below. Work has already begun on the new [illegible] boiler house which is to be the same size as the old one 50x62 feet and the walls this time are to be of concrete blocks. Teams began hauling the blocks onto the ground on Monday. This boiler house will be covered with iron roofing, the steel trusses for which are now here and ready to be put in place as soon as the walls are ready for them.

Mr. Waters, the energetic bush foreman for the Co., has started a gang of men to rebuild the camp on the hill side destroyed by fire last summer and will soon have a force of 75 men at work in the woods and at the mill where he will at once begin the construction of a bridge over the Elk over which the C. P. R. spur will be brought to the mill. This bridge will consist of three sixty foot spans making a total length of 180 feet with trestle work approaches on each side. The five piers will be piles with plank casings filled with rocks. When this bridge is completed the machinery for the new mill can be unloaded from the car to the mill, thus making a great saving in unloading and placing.

The rebuilding of this great mill and its operation at our very doors means the distribution of over $100,000 in wages every year in our midst. An institution of such magnitude should be encouraged in all possible ways by the people of Fernie, as it, together with its sister institution the Fernie Lumber Co., is next to the Coal Co the mainstay of our city.

THE JOKER WITHDRAWN THE DEUCE SUBSTITUTED.

It will be seen by a reference to Mgr. Lindsey's letter to Mayor Stork, dated Sept. 30th, that he has so far modified his "suggestions" of the 4th of July, as to consent to put in 20 hydrants free of charge to the city, provided the city looks after them and keeps them in repair. He also says that the installation of hydrants is of no great importance. If this is correct why so much insistence that the city should put them in, and later, that if he shall put in 20 of them the city should keep them in repair? Mr. Lindsey should not spend so much time insisting upon what he calls trivial matters.

It looks to an ordinary individual as though the law, under which the C. N. E. L. & P. Co's charter was granted, provides that about all such companies have to do in order to secure a charter is to agree to supply water in sufficient quantity and maintain a sufficient force to provide proper protection from fire, to the municipalities to which they propose to sell water, AND TO PROVIDE A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF HYDRANTS FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND TO KEEP THEM IN A PROPER STATE OF REPAIR.

This is all the charter can cost these people, but it seems that Mr. Lindsey for some reason don't want to comply with the requirements of the law. He states that he is prepared to install these 20 hydrants now, but will not do so until there is some kind of a contract entered into, and suggests that cold weather is approaching which might prevent the installation of them, if it is delayed till freezing sets in. He would be extremely grateful if the council would relieve him of the undertaking of July 4th last. Now this 4th of July undertaking was a most stupendous one and we don't wonder that he should be extremely grateful if he should be relieved. Think of it! He undertook to continue supplying the city with water at the same old rate and to allow the city to buy his old hydrants and to buy all the new ones that might be needed It was an awful undertaking upon his part and he certainly would feel greatly relieved if released from such a load of responsibility. As the city has never accepted Mayor Stork's joker we fail to see why Mr. Lindsey should consider himself under any present obligation growing out of the playing of that great card.

It didn't take a trick, and we are sure the city could not now hold Mr. Lindsey to his suggestions if it so desired, and it has manifested a decided bashfulness in its expression of any desire in that direction. We really hope that Mr. Lindsey will waste no sleep over any financial obligation arising out of his "suggestions" of the 4th of July. He also states that "so far I have had no answer from the council to my communication."

On the other hand we are not aware that he has had the consent of his directors to the July suggestions or if he has, that he has communicated this to the mayor or council, so that the gate seems to be open at both ends of the lane, and no one need worry about any obligations arising out of those remarkable suggestions. We can find no fault with Mr. Lindsey for doing all he can to further the interests of his employers. That is what he is paid for, and he would be lacking in duty if he failed to make as a good a bargain as possible for them. But what about a city council that seems so blind as not to be able to see through the gaps in the fence which Mr. Lindsey has been trying to build around the "real kernel" in this hydrant proposition. Why is he so persistent about having some kind of a contract? Is it because he wants to protect the city of Fernie from excessive water charges? Or is it because he is desirous of shifting a responsibility from his company to the council? If the city refuses to put in these hydrants or to take care of them after they are in, and we believe that is what they will do, where does it leave his company? We think this a question for Mr. Lindsey and his company to worry over, and that the citizens of Fernie will not have to pay for hydrants to be placed upon anybody else's water pipes.

COAL CREEK

From our own Correspondent

A ball and supper will be given by the C. C. L. and A. A. at Coal Creek on Nov. 2nd.

The C. C. L. and A. A. will hold a smoker in their new club room on the evening of Nov. 1st.

Considerable grumbling exists among the miners because of the shortage of cars in the mine.

W. H. Evans, of Coal Creek, will have charge of the new club when it is finished and ready for business.

The football match played at Coal Creek last Saturday between the Coleman team and Coal Creek boys resulted in a victory for the latter. Score, 3 to 2.

Voting is proceeding today at the mines to elect a vice-president and auditors, the previous vote being indecisive in the election of these officers of the District Union.

Tom Banns, one of the Coal Creek football players injured in the Coal Creek and Coleman game on the Fernie grounds on Sept. 30th, is around again and went to work in the mine last Monday.

Harry Dolin, Dave Johns, William Williams and Mr. McAllen left yesterday for Nanaimo, where they will go to work as fire bosses in the mines of the Western Fuel Co., just resuming work after the long strike.

A collection is being arranged to be taken up for a miner who has been off for a long time through accident. One wonders when the collections will cease, seeing an accident fund exists to aid our sick and disabled comrades.

Miss Ewing, a high class dressmaker from Manchester, England, has come to reside at the Creek. Miss Ewing has been for some months engaged at her business in Fernie. She is a sister of the Rev. W. P. Ewing, Methodist church pastor. Her temporary residence will be 191.

The inhabitants here extend a very hearty welcome to the new Mrs. Jemson. Older residents will recognize her in the Miss McNee of bygone days, who on leaving the Creek, was the recipient of a valuable present, by the many friends who held her in great esteem. Few guessed the errand of Mr. Jemson, on leaving some two weeks ago for Vancouver. We wish them much happiness in their new home amongst us.

JAFFRAY

From our own correspondent

Mr. Jake Fink of the firm of Fink Bros., Cranbrook spent a day here looking after business during the week. Jake is one of Cranbrook's enterprising citizens. He reports business good in his line.

John Hudon, formerly of Jaffray, but lately with the East Kootenay Lumber Co. of Cranbrook is now here putting his camps in order for the making

Miss Martin of Tobacco plains has resigned her position there as teacher and is here visiting Mrs. Frank Dersar.

Mr. A. Leitch, Pres. of the East Kootenay Lumber Co. spent a day here during the week looking after business.

Rev. A. Finley, Presbyterian minister, who has been holding service here twice a month has gone to Moyie and Creston. The Jaffray people are expecting some one to take his place but nothing definite has been decided upon.

FRANK.

From the Frank Paper

J. Breckenridge passed through Frank this morning. He stated that the shaft at Lundbreck is finished and crosscutting is going on. One seam has already been reached.

General Manager Fernau of the Canadian-Metal Co., returned Thursday evening from British Columbia. He is again away at the mines.

The good fortune of being able to see one another in time prevented what would otherwise have doubtless been a bad train wreck of two freight trains near Crow's Nest last Saturday. By an error in the telegraphic department the two trains were run together but they met near Sentinel where each engineer was able to see the other train and they stopped in time to avoid an accident.

Business at the Trail Reduction works is growing. G. O. Buchanan is reported in yesterday's Nelson News as saying that the weekly output of silver has reached 50,000 ounces, and that a shipment of nearly two tons was forwarded to Shanghai a day or two ago. The shipment of silver to China began in 1901 going to the Hong Kong and Shanghai bank. It eventually goes into Chinese mints at Canton and Tientsin. China is a promising market which may eventually absorb the silver product of the Kootenay.

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Take Horace Greeley's Advice

Last week we wrote a short article upon the possibilities for small farmers and fruit growers in the Kootenay valley so near Fernie and in such close touch by rail with all the Pass towns.

The C. P. R. and the Great Northern, passing through this valley as they do, brings the southern half of the valley within two hours run by train to our town, and in a very short time the Kootenay Central will be in operation from Golden to a junction with the C. P. R., which will bring the upper portion of the valley within easy reach by rail. We wish to impress upon those contemplating taking up lands for market gardening purposes or for fruit growing, that they cannot do better than to secure some of this land before it passes into the hands of large companies to be parceled out by them to the small rancher or fruit grower at a profit. As stated before, these lands now belong to the Kootenay Valley's Land Company and to the C. P. R both of which companies are anxious to dispose of them to settlers. Their prices are very moderate and the terms of payment are so arranged that a man with a very moderate amount of cash can possess himself of a foundation for a home in what will, in a very few years become the source of supply for all the towns along the C. P. R. as far east as transportation charges will permit of fruits, vegetables and other products being shipped.

The possibilities of the valley to the west of us with its fine climate and a soil so adapted to the growing of all kinds of fruits can scarcely be estimated, but that success awaits those who have the courage to lend in such an enterprise is as certain as that they put their hands to the plow and don't look back.

The Fire Inquest.

The juries in the the three fire investigations having spent several days in each case and, as it seems, having made as thorough a search for information as was possible, have rendered verdicts in accordance with the facts in each case and have been discharged.

In the Silverwood case nothing of a suspicious nature was revealed and there is no doubt in the minds of the people as to the origin of the fire being purely accidental

As a result of the investigation into the circumstances and the facts relating to the fire in block 21 the jury finding was of such a nature as to lead to the arrest of Mrs. Maria McDonald, who is now confined in jail, awaiting trial upon a charge of incendiarism. That this block 21 fire was of an incendiary origin scarce admits of a doubt and the result of the trial will be awaited with interest by our citizens.

The verdict of the jury in the Purdy case is of even more importance to the public than that of either of the others.

"We, the jury appointed to investigate into the cause of the fire which occurred in A. J. Purdy's store on the morning of Sept. 20th 1905 find no reasonable cause for the said fire except it be of an incendiary origin. We believe that too much insurance had been placed on the building according to its actual value."

The evidence of the stock taker, Mr. Brown, shows that the stock and fixtures were worth $3,180 and this was insured for $3,000 or within $26 of its total value. Had the agent of the Scottish Union consented to the concurrent of $500 in the Phoenix of Hartford the total amount of insurance on building and contents would have been $4800 and the total value as arrived at by Contractor Smith and Accountant Brown was $4826. This leaves a very small margin between actual value and amount of insurance carried.

The matter of protection lies with ourselves but the insurance people will be to blame in future if over insurance is permitted. One over insured property is a menace to all others near it, as well as to the companies and it is within the power of these companies to have these agents see to it that over insurance does not occur.

As to who set fire to the Purdy building it is useless to speculate. No evidence has been produced that would in any way implicate anyone, and it is a greater misfortune to Mr. Purdy than to anyone else that this over insurance should have been allowed on his building.

Pincher Creek Candidates

Frank Sherman has started his campaign in the Pincher Creek riding where there are at this time four candidates for legislative honors. Mr. Marcellus represents the Liberal party, Mr. Kemmies is the regular conservative candidate, whilst Mr. Charles Kettles, an old timer of Pincher Creek is making a canvas of the district as a representative candidate of the independently inclined voter.

As to which of these candidates will receive the largest vote we are unable to say, though it would seem that the real fight lies between Marcellus and Sherman. But there is one thing that may be considered as almost a certainty and that is that no candidate is likely to receive a majority of the votes that will be cast in that district at the first provincial election. This would seem like a degeneration from a majority to a factional rule which does not often result in good laws or the proper enforcement of laws already enacted.

No government depending upon a minority vote of the people for its power can be of any lasting benefit to the people. Party organizations often become corrupt and do not represent the will of the rank and file of the voters in their ranks, but the voter always has in his power to chastise his leaders and the most effectual way of doing this is to make his vote count twice by voting for the candidate of the opposing party. A study of recent elections in the United States will demonstrate this power as shown by the returns of several states wherein the candidate of one of the great parties for president received large majorities while the candidate of the same party for governor that had been foisted onto these privates in the ranks by unscrupulous machine manipulators were completely snowed under at the same election. If these dissatisfied voters had contented themselves with bolting from their party and setting up candidates of their own they would have defeated their own object and would have, in all probability helped to place these machine made candidates in office by a minority vote.

Majority will is what is aimed at by popular government, and that is only attainable through the organization of the people into two opposing parties. If one of these after being entrusted with the direction of the administration of affairs proves unworthy of the trust reposed in it, then the voter who wishes to wield the greatest influence upon the results of an election will see to it that his recreant leaders get one vote less and the opposition one more. A vote for a third party candidate can have only half the effect as one changed from one of the leading parties to the other, and often results in a weak vaccillating government at the mercy of every wind that blows.

President Roosevelt is in his position today as a result of hundreds of thousands of democratic votes, and these votes are ready to leave him the moment he departs from the straight and narrow path of official duty. The democratic leaders know that the selection of a man as a candidate at the next election who does not in every respect meet the demands of the rank and file of their party, means humiliating defeat, and the same result awaits the bad candidate who should happen by machine methods to secure a nomination from the republicans.

Thus it will be seen that the most effectual way to secure good government is to have as few party organizations as possible, and using the franchise in the most effectual way. In our own province we have lacked organization along these lines so long that it seems hard to get people to take any interest in the affairs of the province.

It is safe to say that for years no government has had the confidence of a majority of the people and the result has been incompetency and misgovernment. Party organization is necessary to carry on popular government, but it does not follow that the best way to secure the best government under such a system is always to vote for the candidate of the party with which the voter is affiliated. Sometimes the best thing that can happen to one's own party is to give it a rest from its labors of governing.

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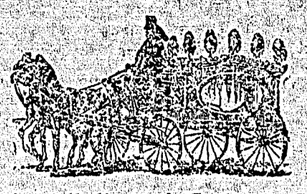
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LINDSEY'S LETTER

Fred Stork, Esq.,
Mayor of Fernie, B. C.

Dear Sir: I beg to reply to the requests preferred to me yesterday by yourself and Aldermen Wallace and Herchmer, representing the Municipal Council that I should amend my suggestion of the 4th of July by agreeing to install hydrants at this company's expense and that this company should provide you with free water for your Fire Hall which I understand you to limit to two house taps and two bath room taps.

I am impressed with the statement of the committee to the effect that my proposition of July 4th has met with some opposition from some of the citizens of Fernie. So far I have had no answer from the Council to my communication. I have consulted our Land Commissioner and he tells me that since my absence dating from July 4th there has been some opposition on the part of some of the citizens to the accepting of my suggestions. I beg of you therefore to relieve me of what I then proposed on behalf of this company, if you feel that this can be done. If for any reason I cannot honorably retire from the position then taken, then please let me know whether my proposition is accepted or rejected.

I am advised this is something for the people to pass upon. If the people will relieve me from my offer I shall be obliged to them.

The question of the installation of the hydrants, is a comparatively trivial one. I should have thought that it would have been good business for the Municipality who alone can need hydrants for fire protection purposes to have owned them themselves. If that be not the better view I am quite willing to install hydrants up to the number of twenty, as needed, at this company's expense, subject to the condition that, inasmuch as they are used exclusively by the Municipality, the duty of repairing and looking after them shall be theirs. This term may be added to my suggestion of July 4th.

I do not wish to incorporate in an agreement of this kind, so trivial a matter as the supply of water to your fire hall but when your Council requested on a previous occasion free electric light for the same institution, I granted their requested and I am quite willing to meet your request for free water to the extent asked for, for your fire hall whether we reach any agreement with you or not.

I am prepared to install the hydrants now but I will not do so until such time as this matter has been resolved in contract one way or the other, as should we reach no agreement, I do not propose to install hydrants. The question therefore of getting this matter settled before the cold weather sets in, rests with the people and their representatives and I again repeat that if you will be kind enough to relieve me from the undertaking which I gave you on July 4th if it can be done with honor to all concerned, I shall be extremely grateful.

Yours truly
G. G. S Lindsey
General Manager

Book Review

A very interesting book is that entitled the "History of the Northern Interior of British Columbia" by the Rev. A. G. Morice O. M. I. The region covered by the author was once called "New Caledonia" and extends from Fort Thompson, now Kamloops, on the south to the head waters of the Peace River and Stewart Lake on the north. The period through which Rev. Morice's history xtends is embraced between the years 1660 and 1880.

The author weaves his facts together in a most delightfully, fascinating manner, which relieves the volumn o the grievous fault so common to many authors who, in their desire to be merely accurate, neglect the mustard which should go with the mental meat with which they desire to fill the minds of their readers. Father Morice's book is as fascinating as a work of fiction and one is loth to lay it down once one has taken a peep between its covers. The names of such pathfinders as MacKenzie, Simpson, Douglas, Fraser and John Tod and many others whose experiences in the heart of this great province, during the advent of the white man are related, should be made familiar to every school boy and girl in British Columbia.

We need more provincial pride, more of the knowledge of what has been endured by these early colony builders, that we, the present occupants and possessors of the fruits of their labors may more fully realize what we have and how much we owe to the trail blazors of civilization.

If such books as Father Morice has produced could be placed in the hands of every school boy and girl in the province the good results could not be estimated and we trust it may find its way into every British Columbia home.

The book which is now in its second edition is published by William Briggs, Toronto, contains 340 pages, is well bound and is illustrated with numerous portraits and scenes taken from various pictures of the vast country described. The price is $2.50 and any one desiring a copy can secure it by sending an order to the author at Kamloops B. C.

Didn't Understand Foreigners

A modest young lady, who desired to make a purchase at a drygoods store, addressed the young man behind the counter thus: It is my desire to obtain a pair of circular elastic appendages, capable of being contracted or expanded by means of oscillating burnished steel appliances that sparkle like particles of gold leaf set with Alaska diamonds, and which are utilized for retaining in proper position the habiliments of the lower extremities, which innate delicacy forbids me to mention. After scratching his head for a few minutes, the bewildered clerk called the boss and said a young Slav lady wished to speak to him.

The Flower of Innocence

An angel handed to a child a flower and bade the girl guard it as her life, for it was more precious than any riches; and the child looked upon it with wonder and marveled at the beauty of its petals. And she guarded it carefully, day by day, and in a little while, when she had grown into beautiful maidenhood, she stood at the gateway of life and talked to her flower which she loved and she told it of her beautiful dreams; and the flower grew ever sweeter and fairer in the knowledge that it was to be carried up the hill of life and into the gateway of Peace by so pure a maiden.

And then one day the Ghost of Gayety came into the life of the maiden and pleaded with her to wander into the Grove of Pleasure, to which she held the key; and the girl answered that she found pleasure in the path of life and needed not to go aside into the grove.

And the maiden had climbed high up the hill and had hidden the flower from every ray of the sun when one day there came to her a black-robed spectre called Sorrow; and Sorrow stayed with her and mocked her and refused to leave her, but when Sorrow stretched out grasping hands for the flower, the girl thrust her hands away, and, she would not even give up the flower to be rid of Sorrow.

As she went on she met a gray spectre called Poverty, and Poverty walked beside her and would not leave her, but the maiden who had grown into a woman, drew her mantle around her fair shoulders, and sheltered her flower from Poverty's cruel gaze. And though the way had at times been burning hot and then again bitter cold, the flower was fresh and fair and not a petal had lost its fragile beauty.

And then one day, there came to her a spirit dressed in rose and gold and the face bore the likeness of a friend, and she was glad because the way was sometimes lonely, and stretched out her hands in welcome. And the spirit that bore the likeness of a friend showered flowers and pleasures in her pathway once again, and the spectre of Sorrow and Poverty dropped behind. And the woman opened her heart to her companion and she drew from the shelter of her mantle, the flower that had lived in such beauty, and the eyes that were in the face that bore the likeness of a friend gloated upon the loveliness of the flower, and they walked onward, side by side, and after a while she trusted her flower into the hands of the one who walked with her, and he carried it for many days most tenderly, but there came a day when he broke from it a petal and the woman seized it with a cry of agony and thrusting it into her bosom, walked on alone and left behind her the one who had worn the likeness of a friend; and he laughed a scornful laugh and he tossed the faded petal carelessly away. And gray haired Wisdom who had been in the shadows beside the way picked up the petal and hiding it in her hand joined the woman and walked hand in hand with her, while just a little in the distance the Phantom of Regret hovered with threatening eyes.

And the woman grew weary and her eyes were full of sadness as she looked upon her flower, whose broken beauty made her heart bleed. And sometimes she faltered and stumbled on the way and Wisdom helped her halting footsteps. And in the distance up the hill of life, which had seemed so short, stretched itself into a weary way, and the woman grieved because she could not heal her flower.

And one day gaunt Despair came and offered her riches for the petals that were left, but she waved him away; and another day, flowering Ease came and offered her prosperity for the broken beauty, and she would not listen to him, and Wisdom smiled to herself and pushed aside a few sharp rocks from the woman's bleeding feet.

And at last, when she was gray and tired with her long battle, she came to the gateway of Peace, and at the gateway an angel stood, and lo!—it was the angel who had given her the flower while she was only a child. And his face was stern when he looked upon it and saw the broken petal; but when Wisdom handed to him the bruised part she had carried in the warmth of her hand, and when she told him that the woman had refused to give up the other petals for any pleasure and of the long and grievous journey she had come, he took the flower and breathed fresh life into it, and opened to the woman, the door of peace and she passed in trembling and smiling.—Lenora Newman Dennison.

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TAKE Notice that 60 days after date, I intend to apply to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor in Council, under the "River and Streams Act" for permission to clear boulders, log-jams and other obstructions from the bed of Wilson Creek, East Kootenay B. C., from its point of entry into the Elk River to its source, and to construct dams, flumes and make such other improvements as may be necessary for driving logs and fluming timber thereon.

Dated, August 10th, 1905.
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Dated the 17th day of September, 1905.
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Frank Gessler, of Coleman, is at the Napanee.

Dan Olton, of Coal Creek, was at the Central Sunday.

That sliced boiled ham at Blundell's is delicious.

J. P. Myers, of Cranbrook, registered at the Central Sunday.

J. Deebner, from Cranbrook, stopped at the Central on Sunday.

Go to Wright the jeweller, for that watch you've been promising yourself. Prices are greatly reduced.

G. R. Fagan spent Sunday at the Napanee.

Let us make you a fancy vest from one of those choice new patterns. Come in and see them. J. Carmichael, the tailor.

A. H. Hugs, of Elko, registered at the Central on Sunday.

George Millette, of Morrissey, was a guest at the Central Monday.

You know you have to get that ring. Why not buy it now when bargains are going at Wright's the jeweller.

F. E Pouboken, of Winnipeg, is a guest at the Napanee.

Carmichael, the tailor, has just received the nobbiest stock of Tweeds for Fall suits and overcoats ever brought into Fernie.

Mr. and Mrs Charles Wilson, of Calgary, are stopping at the Napanee.

The coal output for week ending Friday the 6th, was as follows:—

Coal Creek,	8869 tons
Michel,	6206
Carbonado,	1936
Total	17011

Barney Farmer, of Michel, was registered at the Napanee last Friday.

W. S Harding, machinist, agent for several Typwriters, Cash Registers, safes etc., is in town. His prices are extremely moderate. Mr. Harding repairs and adjusts all kinds of machines, and satisfaction is guaranteed. He may be found at the Singer Sewing Machine Store or a note may be left at Post Office.

Mr. Ryan's Morito and Salable were among the winners at Spokane on Monday.

Every man owes it to himself and his family to master a trade or profession. Read the display advertisment of thesix Morse Schools of Telegrpahy, in this issue and learn telegrpahy and be assured a position.

Rev. Ayk oyd Stoney, incumbent of St. Paul's church at Michel has resigned his charge and left to day over the G. N. for Topeka, Kansas, where he expects to remain permanently. Rev. Stoney has been a worker in the Pass towns for three years.

The King Edward Hotel occupies a prominent position in Fernie only a step or two from the C. P. R. depot, and convenient to business houses in the city.

J. Johnson, W. Dorriet, Geo. Scott, Wm. Wilson, Keith McFarlane, Wm. Graham, Samuel Thompson, David Robertson, Jack O'Neil, James Aiken, Thos. Smith, Joseph Stephenson and Peter Kennedy, of the Coleman football team stopped at the Central hotel on Saturday.

Brand after brand of "scab" cigars come and go but George's Union made smokes stand the test. His brands Crow's Nest Special and Miners Favorite are constantly increasing in demand and it is but justly so, for they're good smokers and union men believe in patronizing union-made cigars.

There have been threatening rumors of a very bad smell being likely to offend the nostrils of the delicately refined inhabitants of that part of Fernie known as "quality hill". These vile rumors blossomed into actuality this morning and the smell was awful. The Mayor of our city and one of his near neighbors were engaged in a desperate effort to suppress this vile smelling thing and finally after making things much worse than ever, they succeeded in suppressing the cause of all the trouble and the skunk now lies beneath the dirt just over the bank on the opposite side of River Bank Ave.

Mr. S. B. F STEIN

The representative of the **Art Bell Piano** is in town. Its the piano that has been adoped by the best musical institutions in Canada

The Moulton Ladies' College of Toronto are using **Art Boll Pianos** exclusively. **The Hamilton Conservatory** have also adopted the **Art Bell** and **The Toronto Conservatory** have purchased Bells recently and Mr. Small at the request of the musical director of the Grand Opera House has installed Art Boll Pianos on its eastern circuit on account of its staying in tune and the patent quick repeating actions. It is the piano that delights the musician.

Another Fire

The St. Eugene had another disastrous fire this week. The shaft house and blacksmith shop at the Lake Shore workings were burned to the ground early Friday morning and the hoist and other machinery in the building is a total loss. The direct loss to the company will be nearly $20,000, which is covered by $8000 insurance. The worst feature, however, is the length of time it will take to get the building rebuilt and to get the machinery installed. The hoist will have to be made to order in the east, and will probably take between three and four months to get it here and set up. This is the greatest delay.

The fire caught on the timbering both in the main tunnel and in the shaft and did considerable damage. The mouth of the tunnel is in very loose ground and this caved in.

As near as can be ascertained the fire started about 5 o'clock and its origin is a mystery. Everything seemed all right when the men came off shift at four o'clock.

The fire, coming as it does just on the eve of winter, is a bad blow to both the mining company and the town. The mill will be shut down for the time being and no ore will be shipped for some time. However, a good force of men will be kept on the payroll rebuilding and pushing development work in the mine.

Low Settlers' Rates to Kootenay and Pacific Coast

The Canadian Pacific Railway have placed on sale daily till Oct. 31st at Winnipeg, St. Paul and all points east of these terminal points, low rate, one-way colonist excursion tickets to all Kootenay and North Pacific Coast points. Send for your friends while the low rates are in effect. Full particulars rom J. S. Carter, D. P. A. Nelson.

Mr. G. G. S. Lindsey returned home yesterday.

Fred and W. R. Cochrane, of Spokane, were at the Napanee Saturday.

W. H. Coulton of Wanatchee, Wash., stopped at the Napanee Saturday.

Thos. Morgan, of Cranbrook, was at the King Edward last Friday.

Joseph Thompson, of Sparwood, was in town stopping at the King Edward Saturday.

J. D. McNally, agent for the Mason & Risch Piano Co., was at the King Edward Saturday.

S. H. Pearson of the Pearson Jewell contracting firm, was at the King Edward Monday.

John Thompson, of Vancover, registered at the King Edward Monday.

HEADQUARTERS, FERNIE B. C.

Kootenay Rifles, No 1 Company
Cap. Jas McEvoy commanding.
The company will parade at Stork's Hall on Thursday evening Oct. 12th at 8 p. m. Plain clothes. Bayonet exercise and physical drill.

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G. H. Boulton
Lieut. and Act. Adjt

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Spokane Races

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Mr. Ryan has his celebrated string of flyers at the Spokane track under the management of George Wentworth so well known all over this country as one of the very best trainers in America. Mr. Ryan has in his stable, Red Cross Nun, Dora J, Ishalana, Shellmount, Mocorito, Salable and Ishtor. Most of these are of the Marcus Daly stock of racers.

Lovers of horse racing are looking for a great race on Thursday at Spokane on the occasion of the run for the $1,000 Derby purse. Mr. Ryan's "Salable" is likely to be one of the contestants for this prize, and there will be rejoicing in Cranbrook if he wins the race.

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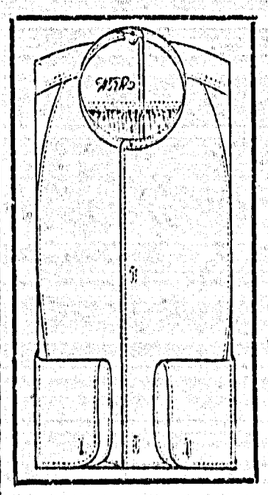

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