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NEWS OF THE CITY

Many Interesting Items About People--A Week's Round-Up of Local Happenings

Judge Wilson returned to Cranbrook this morning.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson died on Monday.

C. C. Wright, the jeweller, was in Cranbrook Monday on business.

Miller's orchestra will play for the firemens' ball at Coal Creek Monday evening.

Miss Suddaby was removed to the hospital yesterday suffering with typhoid fever.

Constable Sampson, of Michel, left for Seattle Thursday evening on a holiday trip.

Constable Lorsch, of Wardner, is in charge at Michel during the absence of Constable Sampson.

The public schools opened on time Monday, with every teacher in place and nearly 300 pupils enrolled.

W. A. Martin, manager of the Calgary Cattle Co., went to Spokane Friday evening on a short business trip.

G. G. S. Lindsay, Mrs. Lindsay, Mr. Bethune and Mrs. Wadsworth left for the Coast last Saturday morning.

Messrs. Wildman & McKellar have secured the contract for building a large oil warehouse for the McColl Bros. Co.

J. G. Cummings, D. L. S., went down to Gateway last night, where he will do some surveying for irrigation purposes.

Miss Evelyn McKay, of Lethbridge, and her sister, Crissie McKay, of Cranbrook, were visiting friends in the city Saturday.

Elsie May, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood, of West Fernie, died on Thursday, and was buried on Saturday.

Elias Rogers, former managing director of the Coal Company, arrived in town Monday evening for a brief stay in the city.

O. L. Boynton, manager of the Elk Lumber Co., left Sunday evening for Calgary and other eastern points upon company business.

Manager Holt, of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, went to Cranbrook last Thursday to meet Assistant Inspector Cambie, of Toronto.

J. Lindsey, superintendent of bridges and buildings for the Great Northern, with headquarters at Whitefish, Mont., was in the city Friday.

The monthly tea given by the ladies of the Methodist church will be held at the home of Mrs. Wood in the park on next Tuesday, September 4th. All are most cordially invited.

John Breckenridge, of the well-known contracting firm, was in the city Monday on his return to Calgary, after a visit to the company's work on the Spokane International near Spokane.

Superintendent of Transportation Price and Division Superintendent Erickson passed through town this morning in the private car Minnedosa, which was attached to the eastbound local.

A patient suffering from typhoid fever was sent to the hospital last Sunday. There are two convalescent patients recovering from the same fever, and one man, a foreigner, was taken in a day or two ago.

The free, pure food demonstration of Crescent goods by Miss Erma B. Nicol at Blundell's on Friday and Saturday will be very interesting. Crescent Mapleine and Crescent Baking Powder will be material subjects, and you should take in the exhibit.

L. M. Proctor leaves on the C.P.R. eastbound this evening to join his family in the east. Miss Dorothie leaves near the end of September to resume her studies in England, and Mr. and Mrs. Proctor, with the other children, will return to Vancouver to reside permanently.

A. B. Alexander, one of the popular boys of Coal Creek, was elected librarian, secretary and janitor of the C. C. L. & A. A. last Saturday to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Thos. Keith, who has so long filled the position to the satisfaction of the members of the club.

Fred Wilkes left for Calgary last Saturday, where he goes to look after the telegraph lines between Calgary and Laggan, on the main line. Fred Wilkes is one of the steady, every-day boys who make little noise in the world, but who, by strict attention to duty, always climb steadily up in the estimation of their employers. Fred was one of the old-timers of our town and will be missed. His family will follow as soon as he has secured a house for them in the city of cheerful liars. The Ledger wishes him and his family a prosperous life in their new home.

It is no Jolly that it is Jolly, by Jolly.

Wm. Handley is back in town on a visit to his old stamping grounds.

Sol. Wilkinson, the timberman, of Ashland, Wis., went to Tacoma Monday night.

Lew Herchmer, late of the G. N. station staff, has left this city and gone to Spokane.

L. M. Proctor arrived in town yesterday evening. He is stopping over a day or two visiting old friends before going on to Montreal to join his family.

John Turner left this morning for Elko, where he is to put in an electric lighting plant for the North Star Lumber Company in their big planer plant at that place.

Mr. D. McTavish, of the Scranton Correspondence School, was in town during the week. Mr. McTavish is a member of the Alpine Club, and an enthusiastic climber of the Rockies.

Mr. Milton and family leave in a few days for Vancouver, and after a short stay at that place, they will settle down permanently in Nelson, where Mr. Milton has accepted a lucrative position.

Malcolm McInnes, of Elkouth, was in the city Saturday. He is one of the many complaining mill men regarding the shortage of cars, which causes very inconvenient delays in the lumber shipping business.

An infant, the grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. Smith, who live across the track, died early Monday morning, and was buried yesterday afternoon. Rev. Hall, of the Methodist church, attended, and the funeral was conducted by Scott and Ross.

M. Mecklenburg, M. A., the celebrated and experienced eye specialist will again visit the following places: Cranbrook, Cosmopolitan Hotel, Sept. 9-10; Marysville, Sept. 11-12; Moyie drug store, 13-14; Fernie, Bleasdell's drug store, Sept. 15-17. Now is your opportunity to have your eyes properly attended to by a reliable and graduate eye specialist.

Last Friday a long train of freight cars left Rexford, coming north. This train was made up of 10 loaded cars and 77 empties when leaving Rexford, but had been reduced to 57 when it pulled into Fernie. Assistant Superintendent Sawyer came up with the train, and returned to Rexford Saturday. Yesterday a train of 81 loaded cars went out over the G. N. The traffic on this road is increasing rapidly, and a second train crew will soon have to be put on this division to meet the increased demand.

The Hepburn law, passed by the United States Congress last session goes into effect today on all railroads in that country, and effects to some extent the G. N. which comes to Fernie. Under the provisions of this act, no free transportation is to be permitted, and no discrimination in rates will be allowed. If this law is found workable, it will put an end to favoritism being shown to those least needing it, and will remove one of the most powerful leverages by which the larger business trusts secured domination over smaller concerns, to the ultimate disadvantage of trade.

MORE BOMB THROWING.

Last Saturday afternoon, while attending a reception given by Premier Stolypin at his official residence on Aptekarsky Island, bomb throwers succeeded in gaining an entrance to the ante chamber, and 27 persons were killed and 33 others were injured by the explosion of a bomb, which totally wrecked a portion of the building.

Premier Stolypin escaped with a few slight bruises and scratches, but his 15-year-old daughter was killed and a young son badly injured. The Premier's personal secretary, General Zamaetin, M. Khovestiff, Colonel Federoff, Chamberlaine Dakidoff and Vororim, Aide Daullariff, Prince Nakaridge, Police Officer Rosmuseff and several guards were among the slain.

Assassins drove to the palace in a coach, arriving at 3.20 p. m. There were four in the party, three of whom were killed by the explosion.

This was the most terrific bomb explosion since the killing of Alexander III. A great panic resulted, and the members of the aristocracy are greatly alarmed and incensed over the awful affair.

WORK AT HOSMER.

Road Superintendent McNish has ten men working on the new road to Hosmer, and they are now engaged in preparing for the approaches, to the new bridge over the Elk, a mile and a half above the Fernie Lumber Company mill.

Digby and Waddie are driving the piles for the piers of the bridge, and the bridge will soon be in place.

From the crossing of the bridge the new road will be located on the west side of the river until near Hosmer, where it will re-cross to the east side. It is expected to have this work completed this fall, when a good wagon road will be open to the public as far as Hosmer. It is the intention to continue this work through the Pass to the Alberta line, and to improve and extend the south end of it on to Elko, thus making a continuous wagon road from the International Boundary on the south to the prairies of Alberta on the east.

LABOR DAY AT COAL CREEK.

The people of Coal Creek will celebrate Labor Day next Monday, and a well arranged programme of sports races, etc., has been prepared for the particulars of which see large posters and bills.

Trains will be run from Fernie and a large turnout may be expected.

In the evening the boys of the Coal Creek fire brigade will give a ball in the club entertainment hall. The music will be furnished by the Miller orchestra, and refreshments will be served.

Tickets for gentlemen $1.00; ladies free.

DEATH OF LITTLE DON.

Little Don, the favorite of the town, petted by everyone and admired for his bright, cheerful view of life, is no more.

The sprightly little fox terrier had been the property of a colored gentleman who now resides at the provincial building, the guest of the city, but as his owner failed to pay the license fee charged by the city for the pleasure of owning nice little dogs like Don, he was one day taken to the city pound and sentence of death, passed upon him not for anything that little Don had ever done, but because his owner didn't perform the duty required of him by the law, and which was an obligation which he owed to the little fellow when he assumed the responsibility of ownership.

Don did not lack friends, however. The O. K. barber shop boys came to his rescue and he was spared to his friends for a little longer.

But this world is as full of pitfalls, snares and danger for dogs as it is for men, and last Saturday little Don came home to the shop holding the stump of one foreleg up and looking in at the door of the shop, he told as plainly as dumb animal could speak, the story of his calamity, and with pleading little eyes asked for aid in his troubles. Not by speech did he do this, for never a whine or whimper escaped him, but his was the silent mute appeal of a speechless little friend.

On examination it was found that the little fellow had in some way lost the whole of one little forepaw, and the leg was left so mangled that it was at once seen that the most merciful thing that could be done was to end the little fellow's life. So one of the O. K. boys took little Don tenderly into his arms, and holding him to a heart full of sorrow, took him away and returned without him.

A pistol, a cartridge and a little pressure of a finger upon the trigger, a sharp, quick report, and Don was done with life.

OFF FOR CRANBROOK

Fernie will be well Represented on Labor Day.

A large crowd will go up to Cranbrook on Monday to witness the Labor Day celebration and sports.

The Italian band will go along and take part in the programme, which will be a fine, long and well arranged one.

Our fire brigade racers have received their new cart at last, and will practice steadily with it. It is a fine light, high wheeled, rubber tired construction, and will be a great improvement over the old service cart which they have been using. Two extra coaches will be attached to the regular west bound train Monday morning, and a special will bring the crowd back in the evening.

A low rate for the round trip will be made, and a large crowd of Fernieites will go up to see the sports and cheer our flyers in the wet test run for the trophy cup.

Cranbrook will receive all comers with open armed hospitality, and there will be a high time in the banana belt burg that day.

COME TO MY PARTY.

D. V. Mott—Next Wednesday at four o'clock, I am giving a farewell party to my friend, Katie Milton, and I hope your mamma will let you come. We will have refreshments at five o'clock and games after. Trusting that you will be able to attend, I am, your affectionate friend,

MAY A. TUTTLE.

P. S.—As you are the only boy invited, and should you not accept the invitation to my party, come down about five o'clock and look over the fence.

The Ledger Kid accepts with most hearty thanks, and if his ma will permit, he'll be there.

JOLLY GOOD FELLOWS

Prominent Firemen in the City on the Way to Calgary Convention

On Monday a delegation of fire chiefs from cities in the States of Washington and Idaho, passed through Fernie on their way to the convention of firemen, which opened yesterday at Calgary.

The delegation included A. H. Myers, chief of the fire department of the City of Spokane, Chief Granger, of Davenport, Chief Lydon, of Lewiston, and Chief Kelly, of Wallace, Idaho. These gentlemen are a1 enthusiastic lovers of their calling and were a fine lot of men. Along with them were Mr. Fred A. Wood, of Seattle, representing the Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph Company, and Mr. J. F. Lindsey, who represents the Washington Rubber Co., with headquarters at Spokane.

They were in the city from the arrival of the G. N. train from Rexford until they left on the east bound C. P. R. express, bound for Calgary.

They were most of them old-time acquaintances of the Whelan boys, and they were most royally entertained at the Napanee.

Tom Whelan had arranged to give them their dinner before boarding the train in the evening, and when they sat down to the tables the service was so arranged that not a moment was lost in waiting for changes.

So neatly was this done that one of them remarked that Davenport would be dizzy with delight at the sight of it.

They also learned that they could get their silver grilled as neatly by the quarter-in-the-slot system here in Fernie as in Spokane.

The whole party were taken to the Coal Creek mines after lunch to have a run through the big power plant and the great steel tipple.

While they were discussing the Napanee dinner, the local fire brigade boys got on their racing harness and had the big hose cart standing at the starting point just outside, and were ready to give the visitors an exhibition run just before their departure for Calgary.

The home boys made a record run, and were highly praised by these veteran visitors.

Mr. Wood, of Seattle, was the chief factor in promoting the first national fire tournament and convention, and is an enthusiastic racer, having been connected with the champion contesting brigades in many tournaments. Mr. Wood stands over six feet in height, and is a fine specimen of physical manhood.

Chief Myers, of Spokane, is a man of experience in the art of fire fighting, having been connected with various departments for more than thirty-seven years.

He was a member of the Oakland department for seven years, then of the San Francisco department for seven years, and since then he has been a member of the Spokane department for twenty-three years, the last ten of which he has held the responsible position of chief of that extensive department. Spokane has now nine well equipped fire stations, with two new ones in course of construction. There are 75 men on the force and 20 more will be added as soon as the new stations are ready for use. The city has six steamers, three first-class, two second-class and one third-class engine. It costs Spokane more than $100,000 a year to maintain this equipment, and Chief Myers' estimate for the present year was $130,000.

Although Mr. Myers is past 57 years of age, he is still an active, wide-awake man, and as full of the fire that fights fire as ever.

Chief Kelly, of Wallace, Idaho, has charge of a fine force of men, well equipped, which renders Wallace fine service.

Wallace is the chief city of the Coeur d'Alenes mining district, which turns out more silver lead than any other camp on the continent, and is consequently all puffed up on itself.

Chief Granger, of Davenport, Washington, could not boast of much lead but could crow over the fact that Lincoln County, of which Davenport is the county seat, produces more wheat than any county in the United States. Mr. Granger was quite enthusiastic over our boys racing qualities, and complimented Chief Baldrey and Ed. Wildman upon their neat and rapid work at the hydrant.

Chief Lydon, of Lewiston, could think of nothing in which his city excelled, unless it was in the number and beauty of her girls, a point which he was prepared to maintain against all comers.

Lewiston is in the hills, and is supported by a diversity of industries ranging from small fruit growing to large mining operations.

The last of all these jolly good fellows, but by no means the least was Lindsey. Mr. Lindsey is one of those fellows who gets next to you by letting you know that he appreciates the fine things which you have laying around loose.

He was the most enthusiastic of an enthusiastic crowd, over the grandeur of our mountain scenery. He especially admired the lofty peaks of the Three Sisters, and if they were not securely settled upon solid foundations the Ledger would be a little uneasy lest he should try to swipe them or annex them to Washington.

After having enjoyed what they were pleased to call a most pleasant stop over, they continued their journey to Calgary, promising, if possible, to stop over on their return trip and accompany our boys to Cranbrook on Monday.

Bon Voyage, Boys!

It is Jolly, "buy" Jolly.

A MAGNIFICENT TROPHY.

Cranbrook Herald.

The silver speaking trumpet presented by Messrs. Tate & Son, for the winner of the hub and hub race on Labor Day has arrived, and is now on exhibition at their store. The trumpet, or megaphone, is of silver, beautifully engraved, and is one that any hose team on the continent might be proud to possess, and Messrs. Tate & Son have certainly shown a high appreciation of the fire department by presenting this handsome trophy. The following are the conditions and rules to govern the contest:

CONDITIONS.

1. Prize to be competed for not more than once in the same town in any one year.

2. Winning team must put up for competition the Tate Challenge Prize on the day of their annual celebration.

3. The team winning three times, either successively or otherwise, to become the permanent owners of the same.

RULES.

1. Teams to consist of not more than twelve men.

2. To run one hundred and fifty yards.

3. Pistol start, hubs to be over starting line.

4. Teams to run with approximately the same weight reel.

5. Judges to be appointed by the competing teams.

"Buy" Jolly, it is Jolly.

MOVIE.

The school was re-opened on Monday, Aug. 27th, for the fall term. Mr. John Simpson will be principal, and Miss Nicholson retains her charge of the junior room.

The Moyie hose team are making every effort to prove themselves efficient at Cranbrook on Labor Day. They fully intend bringing home both the cup and the money.

The heavy steel which the C. P. R. Co. is laying along the Crow's Nest line, in order to meet the increased passenger and freight traffic, has been put down through Moyie.

F. J. Smyth, the editor of the Leader, was laid up with an attack of bronchitis last week. He was an inmate of the hospital at Cranbrook for several days, but seems to be almost recovered.

News reached here last week of the death of Ben Murphy, who died of tuberculosis at his home in Alberta. Murphy was one of the pioneers of Moyie, being interested in the Lake Shore mine. On selling out in 1899, he received $20,000 for his interest.

Wm. Bird, a timberman at the St. Eugene mine, had his left arm broken, and his elbow badly smashed on Saturday through a fall of rock whilst engaged at work. Dr. Hardie attended the injured man, and sent him down to Cranbrook hospital on the afternoon express.

MIGHT BE FATAL.

Action of a Boy at the Mines not Likely to be Repeated.

While at the mines Monday in company with the visiting firemen from over the border, a Ledger reporter got at first hand, the particulars of what might have been a fatal accident.

While looking at the rotary tipples at work on the main floor of the tipple, he learned that some one had been caught in the big waste hopper, and at first it was whispered that a man had been killed. Descending to the floor below the tipples and groping his way among pulleys, belts and shafting, he finally reached the big hopper into which the waste from the mine is dumped by means of carriers. Two boys, one on each side, are stationed at the end of the carriers from which the rock is carried into the hopper by means of inclined sprouts. The duty of these boys is to see that these sprouts are not clogged. One of these boys, Walter Holt by name, aged about 17, had left his station and climbed into the hopper, and when the slide at the bottom was opened to let down a carload of the waste, he suddenly found himself being drawn downward by the descending waste, and was soon buried to his neck and so completely wedged in that he could not move. His mate on the other side of the hopper, seeing his predicament, gave the alarm, and men were set to work to dig him out.

It took several minutes to remove the waste from his imprisoned body down to below his knees, when he was pulled out, and came up the ladder smiling and not much the worse for the accident. Had he not been seen, he might have been drawn down through the narrow neck of the hopper and been crushed or smothered to death.

UNFORTUNATE MISHAP

Cattell, one of the Best Men on the Hose Reel Team Breaks a Leg while at Practice.

A most distressing accident occurred last night when the brigade boys made their practice run.

The new cart arrived from Cranbrook Monday evening, and the boys had intended to make a run with it, but it was found that the reel did not work smoothly, and the first run was made with the old 600 pounder. This proved a most unfortunate race. Just as the team had finished a fine run, Cattell, who of late has been taking the leading position, slipped and fell in front of the heavy cart, and before it could be stopped by Black, who was at the pole, and the others, it went over Cattell. In some way his right foot was caught in the spokes of the wheel and was brought in contact with one of the arms of the reel, which was revolving rapidly in the opposite direction from the motion of the wheel, and his leg was broken squarely off below the knee.

Mr. Black is a large, powerful young man, and as suple as a cat, but his great strength, with the aid of that of the other boys just in front of the cart, was not sufficient to stop it. It was due to the quickness of mind and action that the sharp edged tire of the big wheel did not strike poor Cattell's head. The probable result of such a contact makes one shudder to contemplate.

Mr. Cattell took his painful and distressing mishap with the courage and fortitude of a hero, and was tenderly cared for and taken to the hospital, where Dr. Bonnell set the bone and made his patient as comfortable as possible under the conditions.

Mr. Cattell is one of the finest specimens of physical compactness and proportion to be seen any where, and was the pride of the boys of the team and the people of the town who were taking such interest in the practices for the races.

Coming down the street in front of the team, he seemed a picture that was a joy to look upon.

His fine physique and robust health will bring him through this, again, but in the meantime the practices must go on, and the race at Cranbrook be run without the aid of the fleet-footed leader.

Mrs. Cattell was greatly shocked when she learned from her husband's brother of the accident, and went down to the hospital at once to see him.

He will be watched with care, and the whole town will welcome him back to his accustomed place in the community.

The boys of the team feel most keenly the loss they have sustained as a racing team, but this feeling of loss is overshadowed by the sympathy they have for their comrade in his suffering.

The practices will go on, and the boys will go up to Cranbrook with a fine combination of runners.

The new cart is a great improvement over the weighty old one, and excepting a little stiffness in the working of the reel, which can be easily overcome, is in good condition for service.

A Ledger representative called at the hospital this morning and found Mr. Cattell resting quietly after his severe ordeal of last night. Like a true fireman, he evinced much more concern for the success of the other boys in their races than he did in his own misfortune, and was anxious to know that the boys were going right along with their practices.

The boys will be worthy of Cattell's plucky good will, and will work just a little harder to make up as far as possible the loss of his help.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

The police court record for the week is villainously vile.

One R. Thomas, a man of color, was fined $30 and costs or two months at hard labor for living off the proceeds of the business carried on at the north end of town.

James Buchanan, charged with vagrancy, was let off on suspended sentence.

Charles Loe, "Frank, a Chinaman," K. Fugito, Masunago and Medkashoma, an assortment of Japs and Chinamen, were accused of being frequenters of houses unmentionable. All plead guilty, and were fined $25 and costs each.

M. H. Montgomery, a frequenter of forbidden places, was also compelled to contribute the sum of $25 and costs towards the maintenance of the city.

Y. Sam a gentleman of leisure from the land of cherry blossoms, was arrested at one of the unguilded dens at the north end, and a bundle of correspondence found in his possession went to show that he was engaged in the business of procuring recruits for immoral purposes for people in Chicago. He was fined $50 or two months, and is now a guest of the city, pending the arrival of sufficient of the proceeds of his style of business from the Chicago end to satisfy the demands of our city police court.

Still another affair, in which it is stated that two of the inmates of a Jap joint were badly carved up with knives or razors, occurred last Saturday, but as yet the perpetrators of the butchery have not been arrested, though the police are keeping a lookout for them.

Dr. Kamyam pleaded guilty to the charge of practicing medicine without a proper license, and was fined $25, which goes to the council of the provincial medical association.

COUNTY COURT.

His Honor Judge Wilson came down from Cranbrook yesterday evening and held a session of the county court.

Frank Trynski, alias Frank Smith, was tried on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, found guilty and sentenced to two months at hard labor in the jail here.

The case of Trites-Wood vs. McGuire was decided in favor of the plaintiffs.

A chamber application in Fernie Lumber Co. vs. Christie, application for speedy judgment, dismissed with costs. L. P. Jackson for plaintiff, Herchmer & Herchmer for defendant.

Chamber application, Bakerwell vs. Cuthbert estate. Ross and Alexander for plaintiff. Application to serve ex juris granted. Herchmer & Herchmer for defendant.

OFF FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

Ernie Tuttle, the South African veteran, son of Alderman W. W. Tuttle, of our city, leaves tomorrow night over the G. N. bound for Ladysmith Natal, South Africa where he takes charge of the electrical machinery in the Rlands Langlo Coal Company coal mines, situate 15 miles out from Ladysmith. This plant is operated by the Jeffrey manufacturing company of Columbus, Ohio, for whom Mr. Tuttle has worked before. Mr. Tuttle will journey via Spokane, New York, Liverpool and Capetown.

Everybody is glad to know of Ernie's good fortune in securing so important and lucrative a position, and he will leave hosts of friends in Fernie, who will wish him good luck in his far-away field of occupation.

Mr. Tuttle's father will miss him very much, as the two have been boon companions as well as the nearest of relatives. Mrs. Tuttle and little May will likely follow later to be with their bread-winner in Natal. Ernie Tuttle, like Fred Wilkes, is a very quiet, unassuming young man, with whom it takes time to become well acquainted, but who, having been found out, is always held in the highest regard.

The best wishes of the Ledger is joined to those of his many friends, as he goes to reap larger reward, and it hopes to welcome him back to Fernie when he has made his stake in the land of the Kaffir.

RATS AND MICE

BRASS AND DICK

Dr. Kamyam had scarcely adjusted himself to the air of freedom and got the mists and cobwebs of the prison washed from his spectacles, when he found himself once more entangled in the meshes of the law, with the strings being pulled by a woman of seemingly fastidious taste, as she seriously objected to swallowing dissected mice and Chinese rats which he claimed to have discovered in the cure-all medicine the Dr. had prescribed and prepared for her. If it didn't do anything else, it is hoped that it has cured her of the Chinese doctor disease.

She had preferred a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses against the Dr., but the charge was later withdrawn and the Dr. has departed this neck of the woods.

There were other victims, so it is rumored, caught by this Celestial hysician, and who paid dearly for his pleasure of being duped, but as they were men of true western sporting proclivities, they are sawing wood and saying nothing.

Rumor has it that a couple of fellows afflicted with a certain ailment of so long standing as to be almost chronic, were induced by the Dr. to take medicine in the shape of small cubes of pills with little white spots accurately distributed over the sides of them, after they had been vigorously shaken in a little round leather box. For this special line of treatment it is said the Dr. collected a little bill of $100.

Still another man suffering from large quantities of brass and copper in solid form, scattered through his system, was relieved of the metal and also of some $40 in silver which was transferred to the pocket of the "Heath on Chin."

Mum is the word.

There are occasions in politics when he who is not against the crooks is for them.

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A CHINESE PUZZLE.

A Vancouver telegram, dated the 24th, states:

"Confirmation of the story that the Chinese had purchased the controlling interest in a British Columbia newspaper has been received from one of the leading Chinese merchants of the city, who is also an agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company." The telegram also states that the name of this Chinese gentleman is Yip Sang.

It seems that the press is, to some extent at least, taking this most extraordinary statement seriously, or, at any rate, pretending to do so.

The Ledger has not the pleasure of the personal acquaintance of Yip Sang, but if he is as shrewd and alert in managing his business affairs as Chinamen of his rank, standing and experience are known to be, then he is not getting from these press reports the credit due him.

There are no people in the world who would so quickly comprehend the futility of a campaign of the nature suggested than the heathen Chinee.

The idea that the Chinese government or any influential members of the race are so stupid as to invest in a syndicate of newspapers in Canada for the purpose of advocating the abolition of the $500 head tax is, as we believe, an absurdity, equaled only by that other absurdity that seems to be lingering in the minds of some people who are not heathen Chinese, that the people can be humbugged by such statements, or that papers that are known to have been bought for the purpose of aiding this or that political or financial scheme wield any appreciable influence for the accomplishment of the object aimed at.

The statement in this telegram that Mr. Yip Sang is also an agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company may mean a great deal more than any other part of it, as there is some probability of this corporation reaping large financial returns from the stimulus such a course would give to Oriental trade and travel.

That negotiations have been pending for some time for a transfer of a large portion of the stock of the Colonist company has been the gossip of the newspaper world for some time, is well known.

As early as last May, rumors were rife that Grand Trunk Pacific interests were at work through trusted agents in an endeavor to get control of the stock held by Lieutenant-Governor Dunsmuir in the Colonist company, and it was mooted that the deal had been consummated, but nothing definite could be learned.

It is hardly probable that the Canadian Pacific people would be caught napping in such a game, and no one conversant with the methods of that great company would be surprised to learn that it had outgeneraled the Grand Trunk Pacific in its attempt to acquire possession of the oldest newspaper property on the Coast, the stand-by of the Conservative party in the province, and the mouthpiece of the McBride government.

There seems to be little doubt that there has been a change of ownership of the Colonist, and a very little time will bring to light the nature of the change, and what its effect upon the future policy of the paper is to be.

All the efforts which may be made to hide from public knowledge the real authors of the policy to be pursued will be unavailing, and the more obscure the real ownership, the more obscure and futile will be the influence wielded by the paper.

Everybody in the reading world, excepting a few corporations and other largely consolidated private interests, have learned to take the news and editorial comments eminating from such sources at a decided discount, until it is probable that such efforts work injury to the interests intended to be assisted by this boot strap effort at self elevation.

This whole Colonistic transaction has had so much mystery thrown around it that the reading public, that particular quantity which it is supposed these new owners desire to reach and influence, are loosing interest even as to who does own and conduct it, and that being the case, the expected influence will be a disappointment to its new owners, whoever they may be.

If Mr. Yip Sang and his supposed Chinese associates are so foolish as to be led into buying the Colonist with the hope that through its influence the $500 head tax and other restrictive legislation will be removed, then whatever price they pay for the property will be too high and the results disappointing.

If all this talk about the heathen Chinee entering the journalistic field is only so much dust kicked up to hide the real owners from sight, the result will be just as disappointing to them, whoever they are, as it would be to John Chinaman.

The real nigger in this newspaper wood pile is sure to be dug out, and is as likely to turn out to be a fair-haired Christian white man bent upon deceiving somebody, as a heathen Chinee, with "ways that are dark and tricks that are vain" trying to humbug a quick, discerning reading public.

That the oldest paper in the province which has always been considered the leading organ of Conservatism should have its prestige and influence so shaken and shattered just at the beginning of a provincial campaign is unfortunate for the McBride government, coming so close upon the denunciation of one of its ministers by the leader of the party which has kept it alive up to date.

Josh Billings' homely old saying that when a man starts down hill every hing seems to be greased for the the occasion, seems applicable to the Victoria government.

To the bountiful supply of a thick coating of slippery dope composed of bad legislation supplied by themselves, is added the eel-like slipperyness of corporate influence mixed with shadowy hints of yellow peril, which must make the steep declivity down which the ministry are looking seem all too smooth and oily to give hope of a slow and easy ending.

For ways that are dark
And for tricks that are vain,
Some people are very peculiar.
But that heathen Chinee
Should so blandly agree
To part with his money,
In this land so bright and so sunny,
To lay up old papers
From which to make tapers
With which to light pipes;
From which he sucks visions
Of brigades and divisions
Of almond-eyed heathen
Steaming over the Pacific,
Is a dream too terrific
For Yip Sang, by dang.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A short time ago the republics of Chile and Argentina were threatening each other with war over a piece of disputed territory; today the people of Argentina are actively helping the people of Chile in their great calamity and peril. Every dollar invested by them in this way will do more to prevent war than a thousand spent in equipping and training an army. It would be a great gain to both countries if a political union could be brought about with the approval of the masses in each. They are contiguous, and it would tax the resources of both to make communication frequent across the Andes mountains which separate them.—Toronto Globe.

Would the Globe have its readers believe it favors another shaking up of these poor, shaken-up Chilians in order to finish the task of uniting them with the people of Argentina?

The loss of life resulting from the earthquake on the west coast of South America only a few days ago, seems to be less than at first reported.

It is now estimated that the loss of life will not exceed 3,000, and the loss of property is reported to be not more than $50,000,000.

Three thousand lives and $50,000,000 would be but a small loss compared to the loss of life and property suffered by one side in a very short-lived war. If it could be arranged to have one or both sides to a national quarrel shaken up by an earthquake just before the fighting point has been reached, it might be the means of ending the barbarity and cruelty of war.

To shake the fight all out of a nation and replace the desire to whip its neighbor with a strong and overpowering sense of the power of the Maker of the universe, at the cost of some buildings and the lives of a few people, would be an improved method of settling international disputes.

The only trouble with this way of doing the thing, would be the difficulty of having the political upheavals come on at just the right time and place to be settled by an unsettling quake.

On another page of this issue will be found a pathetic little story of life near a light house, written expressly for the Ledger by the young lady who was the sojourner at the light house of the story. The Ledger in a bantering way asked its visitor, who had never before attempted such a task, for a short story, but to its surprise it was taken seriously, and the young lady has shown by her effort of an hour, that she has the capability of an author, and her little seaside story is well worth the reading.

The Ledger hopes to prevail upon her for more stories to lay before its readers.

GAME LAWS.

Below is a summary of the game law, with which every hunter and sportsman should familiarize himself before starting out with loaded gun in quest of game.

The hunting season begins next Saturday, Sept. 1. Sportsmen are looking forward to the campaign and getting arms and ammunition in order. Game is said to be plentiful this season, as in former years. Experienced huntsmen who know the favorite grounds of grouse, duck, snipe and deer, will probably leave Nelson on Friday so as to be ready to open the campaign at the earliest lawful hour, which is one hour before sunrise Saturday morning.

British Columbians as a rule are fair sportsmen, and will observe the spirit of the game laws without compulsion. Those who will not do so will have to reckon afterwards with the game wardens and the provincial police.

Every conscientious sportsman will familiarize himself with the game laws of the province, which are here summarized, before starting out.

Do not kill any pheasant, robin, gull, chaffinch, English blackbird, thrush, linnet, skylark, swan or birds that eat noxious insects, beaver, cow or calf of caribou or moose wapiti or elk, fawn or deer, ewe or lamb of big horn.

Open Sept. 1 to March 1.—Duck, snipe, bittern, meadow lark, heron, plover.

September, October, November and December.—Kill grouse, prairie chicken and ptarmigan, bulls of moose, elk, caribou wapiti and rabbits.

Sept. 1 to Dec. 15—Deer, mountain goat or ram of big horn.

Nov. 1 to March 31, take land otter and marten.

Bag limit—Five caribou, 5 deer, 2 elk, or wapiti, 2 moose, 5 goat, 3 sheep, 250 duck and 250 snipe on one season.

Sell duck, snipe, heron and plover only between Sept. 1 and Feb. 28.

Sell goat, moose, big horn or caribou only during October, November and December, also hare.

Buck deer, Sept. 1 to Nov. 15.

Do not at any time export game in a raw state, or any part or portion of game, except bear, marten or otter, and game killed on non-resident license. Do not take or kill any game imported for acclimatising.

Don't hunt deer with a dog or for the hide. Do not trap, net or snare or take with baited line or drugged bait, etc., any protected bird or attempt to do it.

Do not take or attempt to take trout with explosives, lime, poison, net, seine, drag or device, other than hook and line. In lakes of 50 square miles or over you may use nets.

Do not use salmon eggs as bait nor buy and sell heads of sheep, elk, wapiti, moose, caribou, nor elk teeth.

Do not sell grouse, ptarmigan or prairie chicken, or expose for sale any game bird plucked, or any deer, goat, sheep, moose, elk or wapiti or caribou beheaded.

Kill no game from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise. Sunken punts, swivel guns and batteries are forbidden for duck and geese.

Do not cold storage game nor export from the province deer or any portion.

Trout under six inches long are protected.

Don't tell your hunting stories before the other fellow has told his. Always reserve to yourself the last chance at the tale of your hunt.

Don't look into the muzzle of your gun to see if it is loaded.

Don't try to pull your gun out of a wagon, a boat or through a fence or over logs or through bushes with the business end of it towards you.

The exact date of the origin of trade unions in America is unknown. There have been no mediaeval conditions, and it is believed that there were no labor unions in the colonies, but a strike of journeymen bakers, it is said, occurred in New York City as early as 1741.

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San Francisco Chronicle.

Henry J. Houge, the United States superintendent of agencies of the Scottish Union and National Insurance Company of Edinburgh, who is in charge of its San Francisco loss adjustments, states that the company's position is set forth in a circular, reading as follows, which is being sent to agents:

We have refrained from addressing you regarding our position here—and we would not now had our agents from time to time written us for explanation of newspaper articles and hurtful rumors circulated by others—preferring to wait until the smoke from the battle for supremacy has lifted, and the newspapers have spilled enough ink to appease the sensations on which some of them exist.

At the outset, we beg leave to assure you that we have no apology to make to any one. We stand squarely upon our record, which is as honorable as that of any company in the world; but as we have been grossly misrepresented, we think it not out of place to relate a few facts.

Until sixty days after the earthquake and fire of the 18th-21st of April, we did not attempt to adjust losses, our time being occupied in receiving proofs, procuring the services of competent adjusters, expert accountants and builders, deciding upon a policy that we have not deviated from one iota, nor shall we, and in "putting our house in order" generally for the mighty task ahead of us.

You are, no doubt, familiar with the New York resolutions, indorsed by the foreign companies, which were obscure to many, if not all, and an earnest effort was made by the company representatives here to interpret their meaning and agree on some basis that would be acceptable to all insurance companies and fair to the San Francisco three hundred million dollars) claimants. When the vote was taken, our views not being in entire accord with either side, we, like seventeen others, withheld our vote.

We have no hesitancy in saying, in view of the fact that the truth as to earthquake damage can never be established in one case in a hundred and the destruction in nine cases out of ten of such books of record as to preclude the possibility of verifying claims that every claim should have been made a subject for impartial compromise agreement.

On the 25th of June we withdrew, for good and sufficient reasons, from the "Underwriters' Adjusting Bureau" except that we are still subscribing members), and understand that thirty-five companies did the same many days later. We are adjusting out losses (on our own account) as nearly as we can in strict accordance with our appreciation of our contract liability, without fear or favor. The rich are receiving the same careful treatment that the poor deserve.

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HOLIDAYED TO DEATH.

"John was a good man," said the widow. "I can say nothing against him, 'cept that he never drew a sober breath. And that does wear on one so. My nerves ain't what they used to be. He would have been alive today, ma'am, only for holidays.

"You see, he would celebrate New Year's, and would be drunk for weeks till the anniversary of our marriage, which was the 28th of January, when he would break out fresh, ma'am, and he would be just soberin' up nice when St. Patrick's Day came along, when he would have an awful toot, though he wasn't Irish —just Pennsylvania Dutch—but he said that he had a lot of friends among the Irish, and he liked to show them that he wasn't proud nor nothing.

"Then, ma'am, he would be pretty well steadied up by Good Friday, but the Easter festivities broke him all up, ma'am. By the time the 24th of May came along, ma'am, he was rotten—pardon me, ma'am, for using such a word, but it's the only one in the English language that expresses it, ma'am.

"Then came Dominion Day, and that kept him on the bum till the Grocer's picnic, and that kept him howling till Civic Holiday, and the Civic Holiday jag was followed by Labor Day, though he never done a day's work since I married him, and that's as true as time, ma'am, and I wouldn't speak ill of the dead, let alone my own husband. On Labor Day he claimed that he represented the down-trodden unemployed.

"After Labor Day came the big industrial exhibition, and he didn't draw a sober breath, ma'am, while it lasted. After that was over every township fair within twenty miles of us meant another spree, and then there was Hallowe'en and the Fifth of November.

"I took him to the hospital on his birthday early in December, and a big snappin' turtle used to sit on his buzzum, ma'am, and sing 'Rosin the Bow,' and 'What Shall the Harvest Be.'

"He died, ma'am, on last Christmas Day. He overheated himself, ma'am, killing snakes in the corridor with a chair.

"Oh, yes, I would get married again. I wouldn't mind a drinkin' man, ma'am, if there wasn't so many holidays. It's the holidays as does it."

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It is to be hoped that Sheriff Tuck will keep the whole lot of them tucked away under his official belt till the printer gets his pay.

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Scenting fun ahead, the two tenderfeet from the Pass began to banter and flirt with the girl, with little success, and becoming more bold and feeling they were not maintaining the reputation of westerners, one of them, after purchasing a few big, red apples of the girl, said:

"These are fine big apples, and they look good to eat, but I'd rather eat you; you look sweeter than the apples."

"Sure, and ye'd have more brains in your stomach than ye have in yer head if ye did," came the quick retort, and the boys moved on.

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Per A. B. DOCKSTEADER, Agent.

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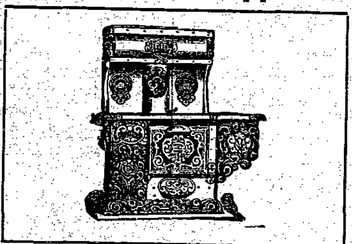

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MICHEL.

Mr. Wm. Picton is visiting his Michel friends.

The infant child of Mr. Andy Sack, of No. 94, died on Monday evening.

Again there is a shortage of box cars, impeding the work of getting out coal.

Seating capacity is at a premium now since the newly formed choir is getting in its nice work.

The afternoon shift had to lay of Saturday on account of a famine in box cars, and all the ore cars of the mine being full.

Dr. McSorley has been in poor health lately. So much sickness has been in camp that the Doctor and staff have had heavy work.

While fishing on Sunday, Mr. Ernest Barnes ran a fish hook in his thumb, burying the hook deeply in the flesh, making it a very difficult and painful task to remove it.

Miss Johnson, the lady day school teacher of last term, rejoiced her friends by arriving on Saturday's train. Her holidays must have agreed with her, as she looks well and in good trim for another strenuous period of labor among the budding intellects of Michel.

Mr. Mike Joyce and Miss Jenkins, both of Michel, took a flying trip to Fernie Saturday, where they were married by Rev. Mr. Wilkinson, of Christ church. The happy couple returned to Michel Sunday evening and began life together in the little nest already carefully prepared by the fortunate groom. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Joyce wish the young couple a long and happy journey together through life. Mr. Joyce has been a miner in this part of the country for a few years.

We hear the tramp of armed men up and down our streets every day now, and we hear the constant rattle of their musketry in the neighboring hillsides, as the various nimrods, old and young, endeavor to put themselves in practice for the game season so soon to open....It is expected, with such glowing anticipation, that much of the large game now roaming at large in the "free and open" will soon be gathered in as trophies of the chase.

Mr. Ruben Carl, who is now living on a little ranch near Michel, sold his fine brood mare and young colt with wagon, etc., to Mr. Geo. Kometz last Sunday for the sum of one hundred and thirty-five dollars. When the water pipes freeze up this winter and the Michelites descend again to the low level of water carriers, Mr. Kometz will be able to ride aloft in his chariot of state while he supplies the home water tanks. His young son George now holds a very enviable position among the juveniles as he sits astride the old mare walking sedately to the jingle of the cow bells.

Mr. Dan McTavish, agent of the Scranton correspondent courses, was in town last week doing up his regular monthly work, and succeeded also in getting several new students enrolled. He and Mr. Kinney were seen together quite a bit, for besides knowing each other several years, they made several noted climbs together last July, with other members of the Alpine Club, up the Yoho, so they doubtless had many experiences and climbs to talk over. Mr. Kinney is finishing up a lot of superb mountain views, taken on that Yoho trip, some of which are views taken from over ten thousand feet above the sea, among the ocean of peaks and everlasting snows.

The day school has not yet commenced its sessions, and the present prospects are not very bright for its opening very soon, though one of the teachers is already on the ground. About six weeks ago the public were notified to the effect that a public meeting would be held for the purpose of electing trustees for the school, and though there are over three hundred children in Michel there were only two people at that meeting, so no trustees were elected. It was with very great difficulty that the teachers of last year received their salaries, for which they worked so hard. This year, unless the people of Michel, who can turn out en masse to a football game, do not arouse themselves to a little better public spirit, their fine school house will remain closed, and their little folks be deprived of educational facilities. Public notice will soon be given to this effect, and one more opportunity will be offered for the election of those trustees. Michel stands in the unique position of possessing only two bits of property within its limits that are taxable, viz., The Trites-Wood Co. store and the Michel hotel, but as these two places do about all the business, except mining, there should be no question as to financial support.

The Fernie special, bearing the Coal Creek football team and their friends arrived here in Michel about six o'clock, and inside half an hour the football grounds were crowded with enthusiastic people to witness the final league match between the two teams. A good game was anticipated, because of the teams being about evenly matched, and good players all. Nor were the crowd disappointed. At half-past six the referee whistled the signal of strife, the teams immediately lined up, Michel kicked off the ball and the battle of the season was on. The pigskin was at once chased fiercely from end to end of the field in rapid succession, and many brilliant and expert plays made, till one of the Michel team deliberately made a foul, and was caught in the act by the watchful referee. A free kick was given the visiting team, the ball was carefully and quickly nursed through the Michel rear guard and skilfully rushed through the goal posts, and Coal Creek scored its first goal within ten minutes after the game began.

Then the fight was on in earnest. Time after time the ball hovered dangerously near the Coal Creek goal posts, again and again the Coal Creekers, with their superb individual play and their remarkably fine combination work, would send the ball zig-zagging to the other end of the field, till by and by Michel fouled within the penalty line, and Coal Creek easily kicked a second goal.

Spurred to more desperate effort by these losses, Michel did even better playing than at first. Again and again the enemy's citadel was beseiged by quick and dauntless efforts, until Gordon, of Michel, cleverly made the goal of the day, making the score two to one in favor of Coal Creek. Two more goals were soon scored by Coal Creek, one of which was obtained from another penalty kick. The spectators were pleased at the wonderfully clean game put up by the visiting team, while several dirty plays were made by one or two of the Michel team. At least two of the goals scored by Coal Creek were obtained through the advantage given them on account of the foul work made by the home team. With the exception of these two or three shady tricks, the game was a splendidly clean one, and very evenly contested. Most of the time the pigskin was kept by Michel team dangerously near the Coal Creek goal. Mr. Ed-Gom prettily scored a goal during middle of second half, but was followed by Coal Creek getting two, one of which was a penalty, while ten minutes before time, Marshall, who had starred all through the game for his skillful work, cleverely won from Coal Creek the final score. The game ended with the score standing four to three in favor of Coal Creek.

Coal Creek displayed her usual remarkable defence, while McKenzie and others of Michel won distinction for their pretty defence work. The one unpleasant feature of the day was when Tony Barnes, one of Coal Creek's best and cleverest players, got hurt by kicking a blocked ball, and had to retire from the game for a while.

ELKO, ROOSVILLE AND TOBACCO PLAINS NOTES.

Many a glum man smiles but its only the bartender sees him do it.

Practice makes perfect, and makes 90 per cent. of the boarders want to smash the piano.

Mr. Wm. McEwan returned to Elko after a four month's pleasant visit on the European continent.

R. C. S. Randall left Elko for the Flathead country via the south fork of Elk river on official business.

George Mellett, of the Columbia Hotel, will build a large billiard hall and bowling alley in the near future.

Mr. Burney and family, of Morrissey Junction, have moved to Elko, and have taken over the dining room at the Columbia Hotel.

On to a number of Montgomery Ward, T. M. Roberts and Sears Roebuck, Americans, passed through Elko during the week, everyone as clean as a Chinese laundry ticket.

A large party of Elko residents are picnicing on the south fork of Elk river, about twelve miles from town. Miss Watson, from Regina, is with the party, and by all accounts they are having a swell time, and may possibly stop until the snow flies.

It is delightful just now at Elko. Think of the sunshine, the pleasant drives, the beautiful groves, the blue sky, the luxurious trout dinners supplied at the hotels, and in the evening strolling where the Elk river winds its silvery way. What a contrast from Fernie, where they breath coke-oven fog and live on Chinese vegetables.

Miss Amelia Son-of-a-Gun, from Tobacco Plains, brought in a big stock of Indian curios to Elko this week. She was wearing a low-cut evening dress smile, and had her hair done up that tight she had to take out three hairpins before she could wink. She purchased a very pretty flower garden hat, and looked as cool as an iced salmon when she left town.

Napoleon Boneparte, Monte Cristo and Joe Bush arrived in Elko from the east with two hungry and thirsty bears, giving open-air performances and they made a big haul from the millionaire tourists visiting Elko. The bears were treated to several beers, and looked hungry enough to eat the brass padlocks off a barn door. It is supposed the trio collected several hundred dollars, and each wore a ten-candle power smile when they left for the west.

PASSED THROUGH FERNIE.

C. C. Van Arsdol, locating engineer of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway in the west, passed through Fernie on his way from Victoria to Edmonton yesterday. A representative of the Ledger called upon him at the Waldorf and renewed acquaintances which was made with this very pleasant and affable gentleman upon the occasion of his first visit to the western end of the proposed road three years ago. Mr. Van Arsdol informed our representative that work on the western division would be commenced next year, but as the scarcity of material and labor was effecting, to some extent, all railroad construction work, he would not like to make any statement as to date of completion of the line to the coast. Edmonton is Mr. Van Arsdol's headquarters, from which point he looks after the preliminary and permanent surveying of the line.

MINING NOTES.

The contract signed last summer between the Le Roi Company and the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company, by which agreement the entire output of the Le Roi mines was to go to the Trail smelter during three years, was cancelled last week, and a large portion of the ore from the Le Roi mines will now go to the Northport smelter as formerly it did under the management of Mr. MacMillan. It is further reported that 75,000 tons of the Le Roi output is still to go to the Trail smelter, after which the whole output of those mines will be treated by the Northport smelter, which is the property of the Le Roi people.

The Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company have purchased the Iron Mask property, and will work that property as rapidly as it can be opened up. This will mean more work and more wages to be distributed at Rossland.

The reported find of rich ore in the Rambler has not as yet been developed to such an extent as to determining its extent or value.

The shipments of ore for the week ending last Saturday, as reported to the Nelson Daily News, was as follows:

	Tons.
Boundary mines	23,067
Rossland	4,719
Slocan Kootenay	2,421
Total	30,207

The smelter receipts for the week were:

	Tons.
Hall mines smelter	997
Dominion Copper Co. smelter	4,742
Granby smelter	17,964
Trail smelter	5,430
Marysville smelter	506
Total	29,640
Total for year to date	1,049,886

The B. C. Copper Co., at Greenwood, expects to blow in its large new furnaces within a few days, when that smelter will again be adding to the smelter receipts by a greatly increased quantity. It is expected that the new plant will be able to turn out 1,500,000 pounds of blister copper every thirty days.

The output of coal from the mines for the week ending Friday, August 24th, was as follows:

	Tons.
Coal Creek	10,792
Michel	1,329
Total	17,121

CONVENTION CALL.

Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

Office of the Secretary-Treasurer, P. O. Drawer 1017.

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 15th, 1906.

To the Officers and Members of Labor Councils, National Trade Unions, Federal Labor Unions and International Local Trade Unions in the Dominion of Canada!

Greeting:—

Fellow Labor Unionists and Brothers,

The twenty-second annual session of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada will convene in the hall of the Board of Trade, Board of Trade Block, Bastion Square, City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, beginning at 10 o'clock, Monday morning, September 17th, 1906, and will continue in session from day to day until the business of the convention has been completed.

Closer connection with the workmen of the west is an absolute necessity.

The approaching visit to the Coast marks an important epoch in the history of the congress. For years our efforts have been centralized in the east, and we have had a more or less perfunctory alliance with the west, but the growing importance of western development has rendered closer connection with the workmen of the west an absolute necessity. It is only fair, therefore that our western brothers should receive the encouragement of a large attendance of delegates from the older provinces, and all organizations in the east, entitled to representation, should make a special effort to elect and send representatives to Victoria, regardless of financial outlay.

The congress executive, acting in conjunction with the Manitoba executive, has made a special effort during the several months previous to our meeting to organize from Winnipeg to the Coast. The report of the organizer will be presented.

The past session of the Dominion Parliament has been an important one, embracing a discussion of Senate Reform, Public Ownership, the Lord's Day Bill, Immigration and, among other features, the unearthing of W. T. R. Preston's connection with the notorious Louis Leopold. Our solicitor's report will deal in extenso with these matters.

No less interesting will be the reports of the provincial executives, while the matter of international affiliations must be taken into immediate consideration.

Ways and means must be devised to increase the number of labor representatives in the Dominion Parliament and Provincial Legislatures. Probably the most crucial feature will be the consideration of our future relations politically. The congress will be favored with the personal experiences of our president in parliament, and the recommendations of Mr. Samuel Gompers in favor of independent political action will be considered. Efforts will have to be made to increase the number of labor representatives in the Dominion Parliament and Provincial Legislatures, and the delegates will have to give their best attention to ways and means for this purpose.

Special efforts should be made to signalize our visit by a large attendance of delegates so as to assure our western brothers of the interest we take in them and in the general betterment of labor.

Fraternally Yours,

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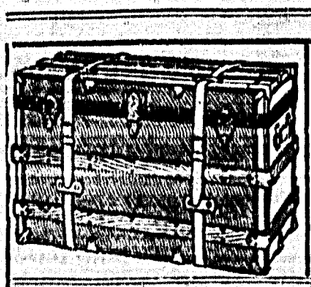

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