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LOCAL JOTTINGS.

We had a very heavy fall of snow Tuesday night.

Mr. J. C. Durick, of Canal Flat, is a visitor this week.

J. Ryan and Arthur Taggart, of Thunder Hill, came in Saturday.

Wednesday's No. 1 was cancelled owing to severe snow storms on the prairie.

Work on the curling rink is going ahead. It will soon be completed and ready for the curlers.

Mr. E. Plowright returned on Thursday from Canal Flat, where he had been visiting Hon. F. Lacelles.

Messrs. Ed. Clarke, R. A. Kimpton, D. P. Kimpton, and J. L. Hamilton, came in from Windermere this week.

Mr. McDonald has rented Mr. Harvey's house and is busy moving in this week. His family came in from Beaver Thursday night.

Messrs. C. McKay and Taggart came in from the Upper Country on Monday night with 27 head of cattle for Messrs. Hull Bros. & Co.

Dan McDonald, the unfortunate man who was found lying in a chicken house nearly dead on Nov. 29, died on Monday morning of pneumonia. He was a native of Newcastle, New Brunswick, and was well known in this district. The body was interred in the cemetery on Wednesday afternoon.

A party of about forty Singalese who have been in Chicago during the World's Fair passed through on Saturday's No. 1 for Vancouver. From there the party will ship for Hong Kong on the Canadian Pacific company's steamer Empress of China. At Hong Kong they will take a French steamer for Colombo, Ceylon, their native place.

An official notice appears in the B. C. Gazette this week of the new lumber company which was formed here a short time ago. The company is composed of Messrs. T. B. H. Cochrane, F. P. Armstrong, S. Barber, J. F. Armstrong and M. Carlin. The amount of capital stock is $100,000, divided into 1000 shares of $100 each. The time of the company's existence shall be fifty years. The principal place of business Golden, B.C.

Presentation to Rev. W. R. Ross.

The Rev. Walter R. Ross, Donald, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 6th, preached his farewell sermon to the men at Stoney Creek bridge, on the eve of their leaving for Spuzzum. The attendance has been all that could be desired up to the closing exercises. Both pastor and hearers derived mutual benefit from these services, each feeling that these meetings were times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. At the close of the last meeting Mr. John McLeod, in the name of the men, presented a substantial token of the kind feelings they had for Mr. Ross. Mr. Ross, taken somewhat by surprise, expressed his gratification at this evidence of feeling on the part of the men. After shaking hands all round farewells were spoken, in the hope that some time in the future they would all be spared to meet again.

The Weekly Dance.

The dance in the Alexander Hall on Thursday evening was a very enjoyable affair. Dancing was commenced about 9 o'clock and kept up with much vigor until midnight. The attendance was not as large as might have been expected, but those present were very enthusiastic which had a great deal to do with the success of the affair. The music was supplied by two men from the mill who had been engaged for the occasion. Next week an entertainment will be given in connection with the dance. The usual admission fee of 25 cents will be charged. The proceeds of the entertainment held last week amounted to something over $18, which was handed over to the hospital committee. Next week the proceeds will be devoted to paying expenses, viz., hall rent, caretaker, music, etc. It is hoped there will be a large turn out, and if these weekly dances are to be made successful everybody must turn in and help.

To Calgary and Return for Single Fare

The Calgary Town Council have secured special rates from the C.P.R. viz., round trip tickets for single fare, for those wishing to attend the reception to be given on Wednesday, the 20th inst. to His Honor the Lieut.-Governor of the N.W.T. Tickets for the reception may be had at Carlin & Lake's store, Golden, B.C.

DONALD ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Beasley leave for home first week in January. Their friends here will be glad to welcome them back again.

Mr. T. Downey has returned from Vancouver where he was called by the illness of his brother, Supt. Downey, who was suffering from a severe attack of pneumonia. While Mr. Downey has not fully recovered he is on the mend and will soon be around again.

A new delicacy has been introduced by our enterprising friends Manuel & Ruttan, a barrell of oysters in the shell having come in this week.

"La grippe" has got its "grip" on many of our residents, among others being Mrs. Jamieson, Mrs. Forrest, Mrs. J. Watson, Jim Lappen, Joe Watson, Wm. Watson, Tom Laurence, Geo. Sutherland, and Nick Palorcia. In fact every one has had a touch.

The store cars went out this week without Hyland, and considering the new crew made a fair trip. How were you missed Bob?

While the snow plough was clearing the yard after Tuesday's snowfall, the engine and plough left the rails and had to be pulled back again. No one was hurt fortunately but the track was pretty well torn up.

Among others standing round the mess we saw Mr. P. White of Golden, who had come up with the Field plough at the same time.

A concert is announced for Friday evening in the Fireman's hall, preparations are being made for a good time.

Do you have to shovel snow in Golden? It is reported that you just walk over it there. We shovel it.

Look out for swells now. Mr. Arkly, of Manchester's tailoring establishment, Ottawa, is here this week and the boys are getting their bodies re-covered.

Mr. J. Simmonds was married on Dec. 6th to Miss H. Ridley, at the Douglass House, Westminster. He will live at the Pass where he has fitted up a house, and is expected home this week.

The passenger trains are running on the usual winter schedule, viz., any time at all from one to twenty-four hours late.

Your correspondent last week allowed the day for mailing the notes to slip by without sending anything, so don't think we were dead last week, it was the correspondent's fault.

Capt. Armstrong's Letter.

In another column we publish a letter from Capt. F. P. Armstrong, President of the Golden Hospital Society, in which he describes the building, the manner in which it is fitted up, the objects of the society, etc. Capt. Armstrong also very pointedly sets forth the benefits to be derived from becoming connected with this society. On payment of the subscription fee, $10 per year, subscribers are entitled to all the privileges of the hospital, private wards of course being extra. The advantages of being a subscriber will be readily recognized by the residents of the district. The committee deserve great credit for the manner in which they have worked for the completion of the hospital. It is now time for the public to come forward and show their appreciation of such services by sustaining it.

What is the nearest thing to a cat looking out of the window?

Why, the window of course.

The Golden Era

The GOLDEN ERA is published every Saturday morning in time to catch the east and west mail trains, also the mail for the upper country, Windermere, Fort Steele etc It is the only advertising medium in the East Kootenay district.

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SATURDAY, DEC. 16, 1893.

CROW'S NEST PASS.

Hugh D. Lumsden, of Toronto, who has had charge of one of the C.P.R. parties surveying for the Crow's Nest Pass route, has returned to Montreal, his work for this season being completed. Mr. Lumsden is a distinguished railway engineer in the service of the C.P.R. in the Northwest, especially with the Regina & Prince Albert railway and the Calgary & Edmonton railway. These two important lines were built by the Big Four, Ross, Mackenzie, Holt and Mann, under companies organized by themselves; and the roads when finished were turned over to the C.P.R. under a long lease. Mr. Lumsden was the chief engineer of construction on those roads, representing both the C.P.R. and Ross & Co., and managed to give satisfaction to both parties. During the present year he has also been engineer over construction on the Soo Pacific from Moose Jaw, N.W.T., to the United States boundary. The object of the Crow's Nest Pass survey, he said, is to find a satisfactory line from the Crow's Nest Pass westward through the Kootenay silver mining country to the main C.P.R. at some point west of the Rockies. The C.P.R. now controls what was popularly known as the Galt railway, running from Dunmore on the C.P.R. to the coal mining town of Lethbridge; it also owns the line extending from Calgary to Macleod, which runs about as far to the southward as the Galt road. In British Columbia it has a water and rail route extending from Revelstoke to Nelson; and other mineral roads running south from the main C.P.R. are projected. The C.P.R. proposed new line through the mountains by the Crow's Nest Pass will leave the main C.P.R. at Dunmore; follow the Galt line to Lethbridge; cross the country from Lethbridge to Macleod, a link of about 20 miles to be here built; enter the mountains to the Crow's Nest Pass and reach Nelson and other British Columbia points by the most available route. The development of the silver region of British Columbia under the proposed new tariff in the United States, which admits Canadian lead ore and galena free of duty, will, no doubt, be very great; and as the United States lines into British Columbia are already bidding for this mineral traffic, the C.P.R. may be expected to "get a hustle on" and proceed with the Crow's Nest Pass road as early as possible in the spring. Some 30 or 40 miles of the line between Macleod and the Pass are already graded. The snows in early November brought the work of the surveying parties in the Kootenay country to a standstill, and Mr. Lumsden states that they were then withdrawn for the winter. With the securing of the Crow's Nest Pass the C.P.R. has practically got control of all the passes through the Rocky Mountains in Canadian territory; as the northern terminus of the Calgary and Edmonton railway, which they are operating, is opposite to and controls the Yellowhead Pass, the only available pass that is not already occupied.—Vancouver World.

Are Not Scared.

The Seattle Telegraph sees no real danger in the passage of the Wilson bill. Discussing the matter editorially it says:

We hear much now-a-days about the menace to the industries of this country from the free labor of British Columbia if coal, fish and timber are put upon the free list. It would be news to the people of British Columbia that labor is any cheaper there than here. There is a certain percentage of Chinese labor employed in British Columbia, and undoubtedly their laws against Chinese immigration are not as strict as ours, but the experienced residents of the province will dispute entirely with you the proposition that Chinese labor is cheap labor when applied to the industries just spoken. One day last week a gentleman whose business takes him to all parts of British Columbia visited Seattle and made extensive inquiries as to the cost of such commodities as are produced in British Columbia. In every case he found them cheaper here than they were in his own province. He mentioned one case of a farmer in Pierce county who had gone over to British Columbia and taken up a farm because he said the prices of produce there were so much better than they are here. The gentleman enumerated a large number of articles which cost from 10 to 25 per cent more in Bricish Columbia than they do here, that is, articles of domestic production. British Columbia cheap labor is a myth for the most part and will not interfere with the interests of this section of the country in any appreciable degree. We will call another witness on this point, namely, Congressman Doolittle, who in one of his speeches during the last campaign in a milling town on the Sound, utterly repudiated the idea that the British Columbia sawmills could under any circumstances compete with ours. At any rate this constant preaching that we are not able to compete with others in a fair field is unworthy of any section of the American people. We are surely able to hold our own against all competitors, other things being equal, and with the possible exception of a limited amount of Chinese labor, all the conditions are more favorable with us in the Puget Sound country than they are in British Columbia. We do not believe that free coal and free lumber will prove the slightest disadvantage to the people of Puget Sound. As for free fish, if we cannot go out on the high seas and catch fish and cure them as cheaply as our neighbors can, then we had better go out of the business. As a matter of fact, we can do so and do so.

BRITISH COLUMBIA COAL.

The Tacoma Ledger says that if the proposal to put coal on the United States free list goes into effect it will close the coal mines of the state of Washington. The Ledger, recently published the following interview with "one of the most competent coal experts of the Pacific coast":

The principal market for the British Columbia coal product is San Francisco which takes from 40,000 to 50,000 tons every month. There are in British Columbia three important mines, viz., The Vancouver Coal Company at Nanaimo, the Wellington, three miles from Departure Bay, and the Comox, situated about 40 miles north of Departure bay. These are all on the east coast of Vancouver Island. The quality of this coal runs about 92 to 93 total combustion. The advantages possessed by the mine-owners of Vancouver Island are that their mines are situated near the shipping points. Usually from 5 to 10 cents per ton will cover the cost of delivering coal from the pit on board the ship. The mines of Washington are further back from the coast, varying from 24 to 35 miles, and hence have a longer railroad connection, with a freight rate to tide water varying from 50 to 75 cents per ton. Then again, the quality of the very best Washington state coal is not equal to that of Vancouver Island. Besides being limited in extent it is exceedingly soft and pulverizes readily, so that the item of breakage amounts to at least 30 per cent. The Wellington coal is exceedingly hard, almost as much so as igneous rock, and consequently stands handling and shipment so well that the item of breakage will not exceed 10 per cent at the outside. The coals found on Vancouver Island are what are known as upper cretaceous measures, and none of equal quality have been found in this State. Therefore, for the reason that there is a difference of at least 50 cents per ton in favor of the Vancouver Island product, by reason of its being so much nearer the point of shipment, our northern neighbours would have a very important advantage if all tariff duties were removed. The Vancouver Island article always sells in the San Francisco market at a dollar per ton higher than ours. This added to the 50 cents per ton advantage by reason of proximity to tide water, makes $1.50 so that, subtracting the 75 cents per ton duty, they are still 75 cents per ton ahead of us, so to speak. It will thus be seen that the present tariff is not sufficient to protect the product of this State, and that, instead of removing the duty, it should be increased. The Southern Pacific, as is well known, owns the Comox mine, the product of which is quite as good as the Wellington—for steaming purposes it is said to be even better, for it is somewhat higher in carbon and produces a very powerful heat under strong draft. The only thing that has prevented the Southern Pacific from operating this mine extensively is the duty of 75 cents per ton. If this is removed it is altogether likely that the company will close the Carbon Hill mine, in this State, which it also owns. The importance of the coal mining industry in this State will be recognized when it is stated that our product is now fully 100,000 tons per month, a large part of which is shipped by water to San Francisco. Asked what will be the effect upon the coal mining industry of this state, if the Wilson bill is enacted into law, he replied that if coal is placed on the free list, as is proposed, it will surely result in largely increasing the output of the Vancouver Island mines, and in proportionatley decreasing that of the mines of Washington. As a necessary and inevitable result many of the mines of the State must close. Even a material reduction in the rate of wages paid the miners there would not equalize matters. We could not possibly work as cheaply, he said, as the laborers of British Columbia, who are largely Chinese and Japanese. An additional advantage enjoyed by our British brethren is found in the more convenient and accessible position of their coal veins. While ours are pitching veins, the angle varying from 45 to 60 degrees, theirs are at low angles, usually not over 5 degrees. They are, therefore, enabled to employ electric and other machinery, the use of which is not practicable in the mines of the States. For all the reasons stated Washington finds itself handicapped in the coal industry in spite of the present tariff duty. As to the effect on the eastern mines, while they can stand open competition better than we can, he concluded, because of the high quality of their product, which has no superior in the world, still the Nova Scotia coals, being much nearer the shipping points than these of Pennsylvania and Maryland, and water transportation to American ports beng at minimum prices, the Nova Scotia coals must largely take the place of Pennsylvania and Maryland articles in the eastern markets.

Some Facts About the British Columbia Murderer.

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 8.—Hugh Condren, ex-sergeant of police at Windsor, Ontario, tells the following story of his experiences with Kennedy now in the penitentiary at Westminster, for the murder of Jack O'Connor, the Reade Island logger. Condren's story confirms the popular impression that Kennedy is an experienced jail-breaker and generally tough character. At 5 o'clock on Sunday morning, January 27th 1884, when on duty, Matthew Kennedy, alias Meyers, and a man named William O'Callaghan, drove a team and cutter into Windsor. Mr. Condren arrested them on suspicion, they acting in such a manner as to lead him to surmise that something was wrong. On searching the prisoners and cutter, he found evidence that Harrow post office, thirty miles distant had been robbed by them, as mail bags in the cutter bore the name "Harrow P.O." The post office authorities were notified of the robbery by the police before they had made the discovery themselves. On charge of the robbery, Kennedy and O'Callaghan were remanded to the county jail to await trial. On March 16th following O'Callaghan shot and killed Jailer Leech, took his keys, went into the next ward, opened Kennedy's cell and let him out. By this time the assistant jailer had appeared on the scene, but in short order Kennedy laid him out with a bottle. Both escaped, O'Callaghan being still at large. Kennedy was re-captured the same day, and in order to save him from an angry crowd, the officers dressed him in police uniform, and in that way conveyed him back to jail. For attempting to murder the assistant jailer he was sentenced to seven years in Kingston penitentiary and for burglary to a like period. After serving eighteen months he escaped to Cleveland, Ohio. There he committed a fur robbery and took the proceeds to Pittsburg, Pa., where he was arrested with the boodle. A detective and police captain were dispatched from Cleveland to Pittsburg for Kennedy. They got their prisoner all right, but at a wayside station, while returning with him, eight men boarded the train, killed one of the officers, wounded the other, and rescued Kennedy. A large reward was offered by the city of Cleveland for the arrest of the murderers or the rescued man. Three of them were subsequently apprehended and paid the death penalty, but no more was ever heard of Kennedy in that part of the country.

A Bold Bank Robbery.

South Bend, Ind., Dec. 8—The boldest robbery in the annals of crime in Indiana was committed yesterday about noon, the victims being the South Bend National Bank, one of the leading banking concerns in the state. The amount taken was $15,900. No clue to the identity of the robbers has yet come to light and they seem to have made good their escape. From the manner in which the details of the theft were carried out, it is certain that it was engineered by a gang of experienced criminals, who have for some time been shadowing the bank and its officers and had become thoroughly conversant with their business habits. The South Bend National bank is located on North Michigan street, the First National being just north of it, an iron fence joining them. Shortly after noon to-day while Cashier Campbell was absent at dinner, Assistant Cashier Kelly, who resides in the rear of the building, was called to his front door by a man who said he wanted to see him on business. Just about this time a man approached the bank building on the north and effected an entrance to the director's room, prying open the window sash with a steel chisel. He then forced a heavy oak door and was immediately in front of the vault. The outer vault door was open, but a two-inch middle door had been closed by Cashier Campbell. This yielded readily, the combination having for some reason failed to work, and before the robber stood the counter tray containing between $3,000 and $10,000. In the safe a pile of $14,000 in gold and many thousands in green backs was arrayed on shelves. The prime idea seemed to be to take as much as possible of the money in sight without arousing suspicion before the robbers had had plenty of time to make good their escape. For this reason the counter tray with its loose thousands was undisturbed, the robber confining his theft to the safe, from which he took $4,000 in yellow coin, about all he could carry, and $11,900 in bills. No silver coin was touched. The vault was then closed and the robber made his escape by means of a back door before assistant cashier Kelly had again passed through the building. It is probable that but one man entered the bank, he being protected by an outside guard who could easily have been placed where they could watch closely through the large plate-glass window the movement of anyone inside the building without attracting attention to themselves. The money was not missed until some time after Cashier Campbell returned from dinner, and then information of the theft was suppressed for some time in the hope that some clue of the robbers might be discovered.

Nicaragua Canal.

New York, Dec. 8.—The reorganization committee of the Nicaragua Canal Construction company report that they have found an investment of actual cash and interest thereon of $4,451,-568.64, and in securities issued for purchase of plant, $2,923,300—a total of $7,374,768.64. Against this expenditure should be credited the concessions from Nicaragua and Costa Rica, and the charter from the United States a thorough survey of the canal route, the construction of a thousand feet of breakwater, warehouses, wharves, etc. at Greytown, sixty miles of telegraph, eleven miles of railroad, dredges, tug boats, etc., etc. Under the terms of the contract between the Construction company and the Canal company, as it progressed, payment for it and for the concessions acquired by the Construction company has been made by the Canal company in capital stock and in obligations for its first mortgage bonds not yet issued. Of these securities the Construction company has $14,896,759 Maritime Canal company stock and $5,559,950 obligations for first mortgage bonds. The funded and floating debt, including disputed items amounted to $575,456, of this $225,000 is due the Maritime Canal company, which can be liquidated in case the proposed reorganization is accepted by holders. The plan offered by the company follows:

A new company with a capital stock of $12,000,000 is to be formed, of which $6,000,000 is to be retained in treasury and $6,000,000 is to be distributed to stock holders of the present company, in exchange for their old stock or is to be sold for cash requirements and to protect and maintain the present plant. The new company will own all the assets of the present company. It will have in its treasury stock of the Maritime Canal company amounting to $14,876,750 and obligations for first mortgage bonds of the Maritime Canal company amounting to $5,459,950. $5,000,000 of its own full paid stock will go into the treasury, or will be held by trustees for the benefit of the company. Depositors of stock will receive for each ten shares, one share of the new corporation, par value $100. Each depositor of stock electing to pay $3.50 per share, will receive for each two shares of his stock so deposed one share of the stock of the new corporation, par value, $100. Depositors will have the right within the limits defined in the plan to make subscrip-

tions for further stock of the new corporation, which is to be offered for sale for cash requirements.

Why He Couldn't Enter.

He stood before St. Peter and meekly applied for admission in the better land.

"Can't admit you, sir."

"Can't admit me?" exclaimed the dismayed aspirant. "Haven't I lived a Christrian?"

"Yes, in the main."

"Haven't I obeyed the laws of the land?"

"Oh! yes."

"Then what is my offense?"

"You wanted to stop your paper and instead of dropping a line to the publisher and paying all arrearages you had the postmaster send him a line to the effect that his paper was refused. A man so contemptible would find no company in Heaven, so please move on to the land where they don't shovel snow."

Demand for Men who Dance.

The growing dislike on the part of men for the pleasures of the dance brings sorrow to many a feminine heart. An up-to-date young woman in San Francisco thus voices the general plaint. "The dancing men are so appallingly young that a waltz with a grown up person with a mustache is quite an event and the occasional gleam of a bald head a positive relief to the eye. If you only saw the beings that we are obliged to dance with, yes and be thankful for too, you'd pity us. Creatures who half a dozen years ago would have been flouted on all sides, we have to make much of and appear to be enjoying ourselves with, too, for of course anything is better than sitting out. The fact that men as a rule won't dance after they are twenty-one, and that girls won't leave off before fifty-one, leads to some curious sights."

"Where did you put the hoe I saw you wid?"

"It's gone entirely, feyther."

"Then I'll break every bone in your body wid it if you don't find it."

Down With High Prices For Electric Belts.

$1.55, $2.65, $3.70; former prices $5, $7, $10. Qualty remains the same—16 different styles; dry battery and acid belts—mild or strong current. Less than half the price of any other company and more home testimonials than all the rest together. Full list free. Mention this paper. W. T. BAER & CO. Windsor, Ont.

Metal Report.

We are indebted to the Engineering and Mining Journal of New York for the following quotations:—

NEW YORK. Dec. 1, 1893.

Silver. Eastern buyers have waited till repeal was an accomplished fact, and during the past few days have bought liberally for China and Japan. Large amounts have been placed to the satisfaction of the parties in interest. London price, 32 7-16d New York, 70cts.

Copper. There has been a slightly better demand from consumers. G.M.B.'s London, at £42 5s.

Lead. Lower prices have been accepted. Prices 3.45 to 3.50c. per lb. Spanish at £9 15s. 0d. to £9 16s. 3d. per ton; English lead 2s. 6d. higher.

Golden Hospital Society.

THE HOSPITAL is now open for the admission of patients.

TICKETS may be had from the undersigned or any member of the committee.

PRICE—Ten Dollars per year or Six Dollars per half year.

NO EXTRAS except private wards.

HARRY CONNACHER,
Secretary.

Application for License to Cut Timber

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend applying to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to cut and carry away timber from the following tract of land: Commencing at a stake planted on the North and East side of the North fork of Michel Creek about 10 chains below the canon, thence due East 20 chains, thence due South 70 chains, thence due West 140 chains, thence due North 70 chains, thence due East 120 chains to the place of beginning containing by admeasurement 980 acres..

HARRY SYMONS.

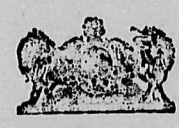
Toronto, Ont., 18th Sept. 1893.

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL having invited His Honor the Lieut.-Governor of the Northwest Territories to a civic reception on Wednesday evening the 20th December, next all the citizens of Calgary and residents of Alberta are requested to attend.

Admission: Gentlemen, $2.00; Ladies, $1.00 Proceeds to be donated to the Ladies Hospital Aid Commitee.

A. LUCAS,
Mayor.

Tickets for Sale at Carlin & Lake's Store, Golden, B.C.



NOTICE!

A Sitting of the County Court will be held Court House, Donald, at 10 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday the 9th day of January, 1894.

By order
S. REDGRAVE,
Registrar.

Donald, B.C.,
Dec. 7th, 1893.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the B.C. Southern Railway Company will apply to the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an act to consolidate and amend the several Acts relating to the Company; also for power to construct a branch line, commencing at a point on the main line at or near the forks of Michel Creek thence by way of Michel Creek to Martin Creek.

Dated this 7th December, 1893.

BODWELL & IRVING,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE!

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between C. A. Watts and Thos. F. Pirie, of Grandview, doing business as farmers, is this day by mutual consent and agreement dissolved. All debts owing to the above firm are to be paid to T. F. Pirie, by whom all accounts are to be paid. In witness we have set our seals and signatures.

C. A. WATT.
THOS. F. PIRIE.

W. G. BOTT, witness.

Upper Columbia, Nov. 27, 1893.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY CO.

NOTICE

Is hereby given, that in pursuance of the Act, a Map or Plan has this day been filed in the Department of Lands and Works setting forth the lands to be taken by the said Railway for right of way purposes between Station 3148 to Station 4204, on the east side of the Elk River to the confluence of Michel Creek, thence up the left side of the valley of Michel Creek to the crossing of same, and thence along its right bank, all in the District of East Kootenay, B.C., a distance of 20 miles.

(Signed) W. HANSON,
Managing Director.

October 5th, 1893.

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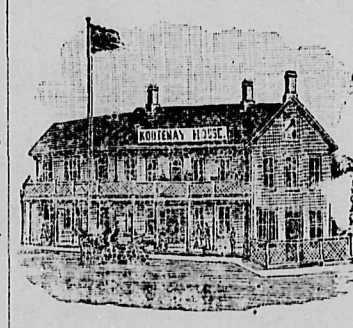

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THE HOSPITAL.

Editor GOLDEN ERA:

SIR,—Now that our hospital is open for the admission of patients, I beg to request that you will give me space to describe the building and explain to the public the purposes of the Golden Hospital Society.

A meeting was held on Aug. 18th when the following gentlemen were appointed a committee:—W. G. Neilson, Beaver; J. C. Pitts and A. Denman, Donald; F. P. Armstrong and C. A. Warren, Golden; M. Carlin, Field; R. A. Kimpton, Windermere; Jas. Brady, Thunder Hill; N. Hanson, Wasa; and R. L. T. Galbraith, Fort Steele. Capt. F. P. Armstrong was afterwards elected President, and the Golden members of the committee were instructed to act as a Building Committee.

The building was begun in August from plans of Messrs. Child & Wilson, Calgary. It is a two story structure, 34x40, finished outside with rustic siding suitably painted, and inside in hard plaster. The main entrance is into a wide hall, and on the right is the general ward, containing at present four beds but capable of holding six. Back of this ward is the dispensary, and adjoining this is the operating room, which is lighted by a large skylight, in addition to usual windows. On the left of the main hall is a reception room and dining room and back of it the kitchen which is fitted with a fine Gurney range.

Upstairs we have a private ward, women's ward, doctor's room, matron's room, and fever ward. The last is completely isolated from the rest of the building, there being no communication except from outside. Food is taken upstairs by means of a lift from the kitchen.

The whole building is heated by hot air, and this and the ventilation systems are as perfect as can be had. In furnishing the committee have acted on the same ideas as in building and nothing but the best has been purchased. This has been made possible by the very creditable action of the Golden merchants who have supplied everything at cost, and not only the merchants for the Saw Mill Co. have done the same and it is said that even the contractor for the building has given his labor for nothing; I would not, however, be sure that this was intentional.

Having thus a building, perfect in its equipment, the committee has recognized that the staff should be in keeping. On the advice of Dr. Craik Dean, of the Medical Faculty, and Dr. Roddick, Chief Surgeon of the Royal Victoria Hospital of Montreal, Dr. J. N. Taylor of Ottawa, a graduate of McGill University, and one of the first of his year, was offered the position of Medical Superintendent and his services were fortunately secured.

The matron is lately from the Jubilee Hospital, Victoria, and is highly recommended by Drs. Richardson, Davie, Jones, and Duncan, of Victoria, B.C.

It is the intention of the committee to keep up the institution in the highest state of efficiency, as long as the people of East Kootenay trust them with its management. Should there be deficits we have no fear they will not be met. The public were generous before they could realize the amount of good their charity would accomplish, will they not be even more so when the usefulness of the hospital is fully demonstrated.

However there is no prospect of a deficit in the near future. The initial subscriptions and Government aid cover all expenses incurred previous to the opening of the building, and we start with a number of workmen paying monthly dues.

What we want now is subscribers. The society, though it undertakes the care of ALL sick persons, rich or poor, is essentially a subscription society. It proposes, in consideration of a small sum of money paid to us by one in a state of health, to furnish him when sick, free of charge, a comfortable home, skillful and careful nursing, medical attendance and medicines and whatever else is necessary to conduce to a speedy and permanent recovery.

The majority of men have not the means laid by to pay a big doctor's and hospital bill when they fall sick, and many a one has suffered for want of proper treatment rather than be classed as a pauper. There are few of these who could not pay our subscription, and then in their trouble they could go to the hospital, not beggars, but conscious of their right to all its privileges. When, therefore, I ask everybody in the district to buy our tickets I don't feel that I am asking charity; the committee proposes to give the money's worth and more. At the same time every subscriber helps to make it possible to extend the really charitable features of the institution.

The maternity ward is a feature to which I would draw special attention. It is the most cheerful room in the building and next the matron's room. Being designed for a special purpose, greater comfort and convenience may be expected than obtains in any patient's own home.

In fixing the general charges the committee have been governed by the following considerations:

The destitute should be provided for when sick.

Those who help the society with their subscriptions should enjoy all its privileges at the least possible cost to themselves.

Those who could afford it but pay nothing to the society while in good health, should when under its care, pay such rates as will make up for the many poor who are treated gratuitously.

Tickets may be obtained from any of the committee.

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Private wards ten dollars per week.

Maternity ward two dollars per day.

I would take this opportunity of thanking, on behalf of the committee, the many subscribers who have made our guarantee of $1,000 swell into $2,000. Any surplus will be reserved for improvement and additions to the building, which must naturally soon be made.

I would also thank the ladies who kindly did the sewing required for the hospital. Apropos—ladies would confer a great kindness on patients if they would send them all reading matter they may have to spare.

In conclusion I would ask all readers to think the question over seriously, or if they are inclined that way, figure it out. Is it better to pay $10 a year and be entitled to all the advantages I have described, or when sick to go into an hospital as a beggar, or remain in some boarding house or old shack dependent on the kindness of comrades for attendance?

Yours, etc.,
F. P. ARMSTRONG,
President.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Montreal, Dec. 12.—The funeral of the late Hon. Rodolph Laflamme was one of the largest and most representative ever seen in Montreal. The chief mourners were the deceased's two sons, Mr. Leopold Laflamme, his brother, and Mr. Justice Jette, his brother-in-law. The pall-bearers were Chief Justice Lacoste, Sir Joseph Hickson, Judge Pagnuelo and several other members of the legal fraternity.

Mr. Henry Morgan, the head of the well-known house of Henry Morgan & Co., is lying seriously ill at his residence at Maisoneuve.

The Canadian Pacific Railway traffic receipts for the week ending December 7th were $380,000, and for the same week last year $439,000.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—At last night's meeting of the Young Conservative Association, a motion expressing approval of the Manitoba Government in refusing to reopen the question of National schools, was put to a vote. It resulted in a tie and the resolution will be submitted again at the next meeting.

The latest move in the Mayoralty campaign is a deputation which waited on ex-Alderman MacDougall asking him to run against Mr. Warring Kennedy. It is now stated that Mayor Fleming will also be a candidate. The contest may yet be a three-cornered one.

Mr. William H. Howland, ex-Mayor and one of the most prominent citizens of Toronto, died this afternoon of pneumonia, resulting from an attack of the grippe. The deceased was a son of Sir W. P. Howland, ex-Lieut.-Governor of Ontario, and known all over Canada and in many parts of the United States, particularly in regard to his connection with all kinds of philanthropic, temperance and religious work. He was 49 years of age.

Mr. John Shaunessy, in the hotel business in Toronto for the past 29 years is dead. He was one of the most prominent members of the Masonic Order in this city.

Kerwood, Dec. 12.—Frank Taylor and Mrs. James Wilson, while driving home, were struck by a Grand Trunk train, and instantly killed.

Brantford, Dec. 12.—William Hooper, a brother of the alleged wife murderer, was sentenced here yesterday to nine months in the Central Prison for theft.

Quebec, Dec. 12.—Mayor Fleming, of Toronto, and Quarter-Master General Lake, of Ottawa, were in town yesterday, the latter inspecting the Levis forts.

A great many prominent citizens are reported down with influenza.

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL having invited His Honor the Lieut.-Governor of the Northwest Territories to a civic reception on Wednesday evening the 20th December, next all the citizens of Calgary and residents of Alberta are requested to attend.

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