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Hindus Balk.

It would appear as if the Dominion authorities were not going to get rid of the indigent Hindus as expeditionsly and smoothly as was expected. Their suspicions have been aroused owing to alleged shady work in connection with the investigation of conditions at Honduras and the report submitted thereon. Last week they refused to receive the report of commissioner Harkin unless he would deliver it in the inner, sacred recess of their temple, which he rightly refused to do. It is now expected that the government will resort to the emigrant act and export as many as possible of them as undesirables.

Registers With Thumb Mark.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 8–Through a new ruling of the Indian department Henry Taylor, a Puyallup Indian, to-day registered his name, or "mark" in a peculiar fashion, using the impression of his thumb after having daubed the member with green ink. He is the first Indian in Washington to register his identity by a thumb mark.

In a recent ruling by the Indian bureau it was deemed necessary on account of forgeries to change the method of identification of persons who could not sign their names, especially among the Indians.

Origin of the Devil.

The term, printer's devil as applied to the boy who does the chorring around the printing office, says Printer & Publisher, has a peculiar, romantic history. In the early days printing was styled the "black art" and printers were supposed to be in league with Satan. But it was in the time of Aldus Minutius in Venice that matters took a serious turn. This was the famous printer who first published the Greek and Roman classics. He took into his employ a negro boy who was homeless on the streets of Venice. The people supposed the boy was an imp of Satan and helped in the printing. Mobs collected about to wreck it when the boy was brought forward and exhibited and shown to be flesh and blood, but, he was still called the "printer's devil" and every boy in his position ever since has been called so.

A Jaw Twister.

There was a young man named Tate,
Who dined with his girl at 8:08.
As Tate did not state, I cannot relate
What Tate at his Tete-a-tete ate at 8:08

HOLD-UP ON THE G. N.

Company Offer Reward of $3,000 for the Arrest and Conviction of the Bandits.

Yesterday morning the local agent of the Great Northern received a dispatch from superintendent Morgan of Spokane stating that No. 4, eastbound, which leaves Spokane at eleven o'clock, had been held up at Hillyard, a few miles out of the city, and that the company would pay the reward indicated above for the capture and conviction of the persons engaged in the hold-up.

No details are given, but it is apparent that the desperadoes turned the trick in professional style and were no amateurs at the job. The prompt manner in which the company are getting after the bandits, together with the substantial nature of the reward, would suggest that the hold-up was one of considerable import to them.

Men of sufficient ingenuity to successfully engineer a coup of this nature, however, are not likely to expose themselves along the branch lines of the company's roads or even take to the wilds where their capture would be almost certain. They would be far more likely to mingle with the crowds now attending the fair at Spokane, where their presence would not be noticed and their chances of apprehension greatly reduced.

Married.

[Palmer Mountain Prospector.]

On Saturday, Nov. 21, R.J. Armstrong, the widely known and old time resident of the Similkameen valley, just across the line in British Columbia, and Miss Gertude Shobe, of Gashere, Indiana, were married at Oroville. The marriage was much of a surprise to Mr. Armstrong's friends, who had no suspicion of the happy event. The groom has resided in this vicinity many years, and has a wide circle of friends on both sides of the international line. The bride is a very attractive, intelligent and charming young lady. The Prospector joins with other friends and acquaintances in wishing the couple a long and happy life.

From reports appearing in the Spokesman-Review, the big apple show at Spokane is proving a tremendous success, both in point of attendance and magnificence, and extent of the fruit displayed. So striking are the exhibits from Canada that the directors are agreed that the fair should have been international in name as it is in fact.

Up Against It.

Editing a paper is a nice thing. If we publish jokes, people say we are rattle-brained. If we publish original matter they say we don't give them enough selections. If we give them selections they say we are too lazy to write. If we don't go to church we are heathens. If we go we are hypocrites. If we remain in the office, we ought to go out and hustle. If we go out, then we are not attending to business. If we wear old clothes they laugh at us. If we wear good clothes they say that we have a pull. Just as likely as not some one will say we stole this from an exchange. So we did.

Work on the Ditch.

After many long delays and much disappointment in getting lumber from the saw mills, the Land Company have at last got all the material they need and the flume work will soon be in the completed list with the pipe-line, head-gates and bridge. There yet remains a little open ditch work to do, but good progress is being made and it will soon be completed. Should present temperatures continue it is altogether likely that the bringing down of the water and the testing of the pipes will be left till the opening of spring as a satisfactory test could scarcely be made now.

On Tuesday the heavy mist that had enveloped the valley for several days condensed and fell in the form of a light covering of snow. Since then the weather has recovered its usual brightness.

H. W. Conkling took advantage of the reduced rates, now on, to visit Spokane this week. Before returning he may go to Portland to consult an oculist in regard to his eyes, which have been troubling him lately.

Rev. A. H. Cameron is negotiating with the Land Co. for an exchange of his ten-acre lot on the bench for a three-acre one on the flat. The deal will be one of convenience to both parties, Mr. Cameron having decided that ten acres is rather too much for him, and the Land Co. requiring right of way for their ditch through the lot now held by Mr. Cameron.

Eastern Excursions.

Cheap rate tickets to eastern Canada, good for three months, are being offered by the Great Northern. The fare from Keremeos to Montreal or Toronto and return is $96.55. No excursion rates are offered to points in Manitoba.

A Splendid Number.

The December number of Westward Ho! fully equals if it does not surpass the sanguine announcement of its publishers. Its Christmas greetings are suffused with that glow of hope which is sure to awaken a responsive chord in the patrons and friends to whom they are addressed. The greetings with the artistic colored design are altogether chaste and unique. The reproduction of views of the Franco-British Exhibition, which are most interesting to Canadians, is certainly superb and well worthy of preservation as a memento.

The fiction stands high, and exhales the spirit of Christmas in such plentitude that it transports us into the joys and raptures of the season. But good as it is, in respect of deep and abiding and soul stirring pathos it is transcended by the poetry. Mrs. Blanche E. Holt Murison's three poems, "Christmas Day," "Ave Maria" and "The Message of Christmas" are not only exquisite in style, and elevated in sentiment but they are of that order which pronounces them as the offspring of the Mens Divinior. What, too, could be more seasonable and sweet than Mrs. Agnes Lockhart Hughes' "Holy Sprays," or more provocative of mirth and of a full hilarous laugh than the poetical of "Wiggs' Pig" by J. C. Harris and its adroit illustrations?

The story by Arthur Davies "The Lady of the Marmion" is specially written for this number, and its best commendation is to say, it fully sustains the reputation of the author. "The Expiation of John Reedham" by Anne S. Swan is continued, and grows more intense in its interest as it unfolds. Two other stories have also been specially written for the Christmas issue: "As the House of Dreams" by Mrs. Agnes Lockhart Hughes, and "The Christmas That Was Nearly Lost" by Mrs. Ethel G. Cody Stoddard. Of Mrs. Hughes it is unnecessary to eulogize, for she towers high among the writers of fiction and poetry, and Mrs. Stoddard has written a story that is equal to her best.

"Out of the Night," by Douglas Leader Durkin, is a pathetic tale of the Russian peasantry, of their down trodden condition with happily a glimmer of that self emancipating spirit that is now kicking off the accursed tyranny under which the nation groans. Billie Glynn as usual sweeps us along with the romance of his tale, "The Girl He Left Behind Him," while "Love and Honor" are pathetically counterpainted by Nigel Tourneur.

Sport, pastime, travel and description are represented by "A Trip Down the Saskatchewan," by D. D. Ross; "Fishing and Exploring up the Checamus," by Frank Burnett; "The Marble Caves of British Columbia," by C. H. Mackintosh; "The Orchard City," by Walter R. Pooley; and "The Chilliwack Valley," by H. O. Lamb. Simon Fraser, the renowned explorer, whose name and achievements are so dear to the West, is further revivified in memory by an admirable article from E. O. S. Scholfield, while Bishop J. Carmichael is presented in an able panegyrical sketch by William Blakemore.

Notice.

Owing to the dis-solution of the partnership hitherto existing between H. Tweddle and Jas. Reith, all accounts owing this firm must be settled on or before Dec. 15 next. Parties having claims against the same firm are requested to present same to the undersigned on or before above date.

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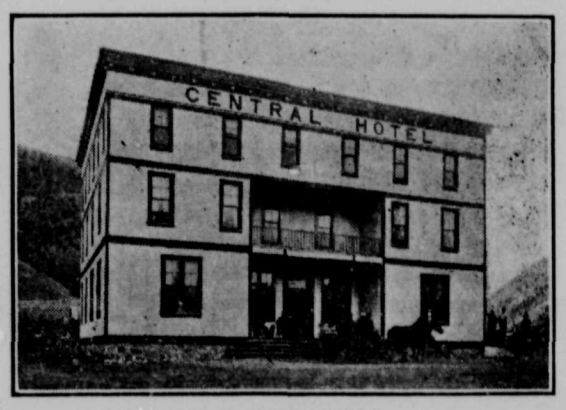

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J. A. BROWN, Publisher.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1908.

Value of Land Grants.

While in Winnipeg on his trip east Mr. E. Burt purchased from a broker a warrant for a South African veteran land grant. The price paid was in the neighborhood of $500 and is an indication of the values which the South African boys are placing on their donation from the federal government.

According to the act, each veteran, on fulfilment of the ordinary homestead duties is entitled to a grant of 320 acres. This does not infringe upon his right as an ordinary individual to homestead, so that any veteran, who is in a position, and willing, to perform the homestead duties, may acquire three quarter-sections of land absolutely free of charge. Should he also take advantage of the new regulations in regard to pre-empting, he may secure another quarter-section, making a whole section, or 640 acres in all.

If ordinary judgment is used in the selection of this land, at the end of three years the homesteader should hold a title to property worth from $15 to $20 per acre or upwards of $10,000 in all. It is an alluring proposition to anyone, and one which any young man of moderate means, not otherwise tied down in business, should contemplate well before disposing of his opportunity for a few paltry hundreds.

Though the act does not permit of a veteran having the homestead duties performed by a substitute, it does permit of the transferring or selling of the warrants, the party purchasing becoming possessed of all the advantages pertaining to the grant. The wise provision in reference to the actual performance of homestead duties effectually removes the grants from the grasp of speculators, but we have strong suspicion that brokers and middlemen are making handsome commissions by finding purchasers for the warrants of such veterans as are in a hurry to dispose of their holdings. The writer is himself a holder of one of these warrants and would advise his comrades to be in no haste to dispose of what is most certainly a valuable asset.

With the completion of the big irrigation scheme now well in sight and the consequent placing on the market of a vast number of the choicest fruit lots in British Columbia, everything points to new life in our district next season. In order to take full advantage of the tide, when it comes, citizens of Keremeos should get together and form some sort of organization instead of each pulling in his own way, and at odds and ends with his neighbor. During the comparative lull of the ensuing winter months much in the way of preparation can be accomplished.

With this object in view the Trumpet some time ago suggested the forming of a board of trade as being the most convenient form for such organization to take. It is unnecessary at this stage to again point out the influence which such an organization could be made to exert. It is sufficient to say that now appears to be the time to act.

A satisfactory explanation of why our school building was not erected this year is not forthcoming. Estimates for the purpose were passed and tenders invited. At least two were received and they were as low as was compatible with good workmanship and the price of material at this point. In comparison, however, with the price paid for similar buildings, at or near the coast, these tenders appeared high and were turned down by the department. The announcement was then made, and the assurance given our school board by the member of this constituency, that the department would undertake the work itself and that it would be pushed to completion without any unnecessary delay, so that the building would be ready for use by the first of the year.

This, Mr. Shatford claims, was the understanding between himself and the chief commissioner of lands and works, when the former left on his trip to Nova Scotia. On his return he was much surprised to learn that nothing had been done, absolutely nothing.

Apparently there was a breach of faith somewhere, either between the department and Mr. Shatford or between the latter and his constituents in this school district, but, whether the delay is the result of deliberate intention or of culpable neglect, it is all one to the people of Keremeos who have to put up with the inconvenience.

It is now too late to accomplish anything this year but it is to be hoped that our school board will wake up, shake themselves and see that everything is in readiness to commence the work at the earliest possible moment next spring. It is indeed a question if their apathy was not largely responsible for the delay this year. While it may be argued that it should not have been necessary, a little pressure, or at least some slight flicker of interest on their part might have supplied the necessary stimulus to the officials at Victoria. So far as we can learn they never once wrote to inquire why the promised work was not being commenced, but passively allowed days to pass into weeks and weeks into months until the season was past. With such cool indifference on our own part we begin to wonder if, after all, we have any real kick coming.

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Local and General.

The Dominion parliament will meet on January 13th.

W. A. Haning has a shipment of oysters due to arrive tomorrow.

Have you purchased tickets for the school concert in the town hall on Friday evening, 18th inst? If not, why not?

Members of the Vancouver board of trade are convinced that the scheme of shipping wheat from Alberta to England via Vancouver is perfectly feasible and preparations leading to its accomplishment are already under way.

Judge Grant of Vancouver has laid down the law that wholesale naturalization of Japanese on formal affidavits must cease. In future persons certifying to the qualifications of applicants must have personal knowledge of the correctness of the facts.

Rev. Mr. Hibbert occupied the pulpit of the Keremeos church on Sunday morning last and preached in Hedley in the evening. Arrangements have been made for a Methodist minister from the Okanagan to visit these appointments once every four weeks. The next visit will be from Rev. Mr. Nixon who is well and favorably known around Keremeos.

W. J. Stover bade good-bye to Keremeos friends on Monday and left for San Diego County, California, where he purposes spending a comfortable winter among the birds and flowers with some old college chums of his. Prior to his departure he made arrangements with Wm. Mattice to take charge of his lot during his absence. He may or may not return to Keremeos in the spring.

Herman Ulrich of Calgary has just purchased a ten-acre lot, No. 19, in block 458, from C. A. McDonald. He is very favorably impressed with the Similkameen, both from its horticultural and agricultural possibilities and its mineral resources. Mr. Ulrich will settle up his affairs in Calgary and move into Keremeos in the spring, adding one more to our list of active fruit growers.

Our Okanagan neighbors are fully alive to the publicity gained and advantages resulting from exhibiting their fruits abroad and never miss an opportunity. Last week Messrs. W. J. Ross and Wm. Simpson of Summerland were in town with about 70 boxes of apples which they were sending to the Spokane fair. The fruit was brought across here in spring wagons and shipped from this point in preference to sending it round-about by the C.P.R.

Following their leader, 210 sheep out of a baud of 500 went over a canyon west of North Yakima, Wash., on Saturday and were killed. The band was being driven from the hills to the valley to pasture when one of them made a short turn on the trail and went over the cliff. Before they could be stopped the others followed blindly, did the same and were either killed or smothered. Many that went over fell on their companions and escaped uninjured. The loss is over $1,000.

The Globe Fire Assurance Company of Regina is insolvent and unable to pay any portion of the $60,000 liability incurred by the Fernie fire. It transpires that the company was doing business on a paid up capital of $3,000. It is a severe blow to many business men in Fernie and the Ledger administers a well deserved rebuke to insurance agents who represent companies of whose financial stability they are not assured. Armstrong Dean of Regina, promoter and principal shareholder of the Globe, has been arrested and will be prosecuted for obtaining money under false pretences.

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do	3 00	2 50	do	2 00	1 65
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Regular	$ 2 50	$ 2 00	Regular	$ 2 00	$ 1 60
do	2 00	1 50	do	1 75	1 45
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Now is the time to come and get a piece of this property while it is going at the present price, for when the water is running on the ground it will double in value.

Home-seekers or excursionists from the East have a choice of routes to Keremeos. The Great Northern Railway, which taps the Prairie Provinces at numerous points, furnishes a quick, comfortable and convenient means of reaching the Similkameen at rates the same as to corresponding points on the C.P.R. Or excursionists may come as far as Midway over the Crow's Nest branch of the C.P.R. and the remaining 90 miles over the Great Northern.

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Local and General.

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Curling enthusiasts in the Okanagan are organizing for a bonspiel this winter.

Albert and Arthur Mattice are among the visitors to the big apple show at Spokane.

G. Reynolds took advantage of the reduced railway rates to visit Spokane this week.

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The boards of trade in the Okanagan are co-operating with the view to having the daily boat service resumed on Okanagan Lake.

Mr. Edw. Burt has arranged for the purchase of a veteran's land grant and as soon as the warrant is available will go east and locate.

The Loomis Prospector remarks that the days are so short that the cock hardly gets through crowing before it is time for him to go to bed again.

Official election returns for Yale-Cariboo, which should have been announced on the 3rd, were delayed a week owing to returns not having come in from a few polls.

The Women's Auxiliary of St. Savior's church, Penticton, took in $235 at a bazaar. There is still money lying around loose if you prospect in the right way.

Now is the time to buy your Xmas presents for friends at a distance. We offer a wide range for selection. Something for everybody.—Keremeos Commercial Co.

Mr. E. Burt, who has been east disposing of some property he had at Cartwright, Man., returned home on Sunday, having come to Penticton via the C.P.R. and driven across by special.

Rumors from Hedley have reached this office of nocturnal visits to wood piles, feminine trepidation, a searching investigation by the chief of police and a sensational arrest. No prosecution.

The Penticton Press is endeavoring to reform the police service in Vernon. Penticton must be an exemplary town if the editor has to go so far from home to find material for a reform campaign.

On Wednesday evening a party of Keremeosites went by G. N. special down to Mrs. Lowe's ranch where they took full advantage of the bright moonlight night for a delightful skate on the pond.

The tramway from the Daly Reduction Company's mill at Hedley furnishes a convenient elevator service for anyone wishing to ascend to the upper stories of the Nickel Plate. Last week the Major made the trip and gave readers of the Gazette an interesting and graphic description of the wonderful cloud effects in the valley as viewed from above.

Long evenings and respite from the strenuous duties of life such as residents of Keremeos are at present enjoying are conducive to merry making but the hilarious mood does not appear to have struck our community with any great force.

Mr. Wm. Ring left on Monday to attend the big apple show at Spokane and to visit a number of the more renowned fruit districts of Washington with a view to acquiring information which will be of practical utility to him in his work here.

Up in Hedley the people have troubles of their own. Wood is a burning question; electric lights have ceased to shine, when they are most needed, and water will soon be retailing at so much per drop. There is still plenty of free ozone.

No. 1, Vol. 1, of the Orchard City Record is to hand. It is an 8-page, 6-column journal, neatly printed on good paper at Kelowna by Chas. H. Leathly. In the field of politics it will espouse the cause of conservatism, hitherto unrepresented in that thriving city.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Richter left on Monday to attend the big national apple show now in progress in Spokane. Mr. Richter hopes to pick up some new ideas in regard to the "king of fruits," particularly with reference to the merits of different varieties. They will be gone a week.

A new departure is being made by the Canadian Pacific Railway in the construction of a series of observation and library cars for their transcontinental service. The plans are not yet complete and it will be several months before they are put on the road, but it is stated that the new cars will be the best of their kind on the continent and will be built at the Angus shops at Montreal.

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