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Public School Board—George Kirby, Ezra Mills, R. Elmhirst, Secretary.

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Member of Parliament—Martin Burrell, Grand Forks, P. O.

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THE VERDICT.

GOVERNMENT SUSTAINED BY A HUGE MAJORITY.

Almost a Clean Sweep So Far As Heard From—John Oliver Among the Slain.

Returns were received last night from 34 out of the 42 seats, summarized as follows ;

Conservatives, 31.
Liberals, 2.
Socialists, 1.
To be heard from, 8.

A motion to make it unanimous is now in order.

The Vote in 1907.

Following are the figures of the election in the Similkameen two and a half years ago :

	Shatford.	Curtis.
Beaverdell	3	8
Westbridge	4	4
Rock Creek	36	16
Sidley	13	20
Camp McKinney	7	1
Fairview	26	24
Okanagan Falls	13	3
South Penticton	31	5
Green Mountain	9	3
White Lake	2	1
Olalla	12	7
Keremeos	37	24
Bradshaw's	6	1
Hedley	56	44
Princeton	34	30
Granite Creek	2	4
Otter Flat	7	5
	298	200

SIMILKAMEEN FOR SHATFORD.

Her Favorite Son Gets a Third Endorsement and an Increased Majority.

Returns received last night from all but six of the polling places in the Similkameen riding give an overwhelming majority for Shatford —more than double what he received in 1907. The total vote also was considerably larger than in the previous election.

Very few figures were obtainable on the local option vote up to our time of going to press.

Following are the returns:

	Shatford.	Elmhirst.	Local Option For	Local Option Agst
Beaverdell	—	—	..	..
Westbridge	—	—	..	..
Rock Creek	—	—	..	..
Bridesville	34	18	..	..
Sidley Mountain	—	—	..	..
Camp McKinney	—	—	..	..
Fairview	28	9	11	21
Vaseaux Lake	3	0	0	3
Okanagan Falls	32	6	12	23
South Penticton	39	5	..	..
Green Mountain	15	1	..	..
White Lake	2	0	..	..
Olalla	7	7	..	..
Keremeos Centre	18	9	6	22
Keremeos Station	39	23	30	23
Hedley	68	53	..	..
Princeton	70	47	..	..
Ashnola	—	—	..	..
Granite Creek	9	0	..	..
Tulameen	13	6	..	..

TO GO RIGHT AHEAD.

Orders Issued to Complete Survey and Buy Remainder of Right of Way.

Word has been received in Keremeos that the G.N.R. Co.'s right-of-way agent has orders to proceed at once to the upper valley and complete the purchases of right of way along the survey west of Princeton ; also that the contracts for a considerable distance will be let at once so that work can be continued during the winter in those portions where it is mostly rock work.

A despatch from New Westminster states that a party of Great Northern engineers who have been in that city for some time awaiting orders, received word on the 17th inst. to finish the survey of the line eastward from Abbotsford, the present terminus of the western section of the V. V. & E. Only a few details remain to be completed.

It will be a welcome announcement to the people of the Similkameen that the work of building is to be carried on without even stopping for the winter; for though they have not as a rule shared the pessimism as to the Hope route that had seized many outsiders—even the Premier himself—yet they had become used to long interruptions in the work, and would not have been surprised at further delay.

RIDING.	CONSERVATIVE.	LIBERAL.	SOCIALIST.	LATE MEMBER.	ELECTED.	Govt. Gain or Loss.
Atlin	Young, Dr. H. E	Kearns, Thos		Young (Con)		
Alberni	Morgan, Dr. A. D	Brewster, H. C.		Brewster (Lib)		
Cariboo—2	Callahan, Dr	Jones, Harry		Jones (Lib)		
	Fraser, J. A	Yorston, J. M		Yorston (Lib)		
Chilliwack	Cawley, S. A	Munro, C. W		Munro (Lib)	CAWLEY	Gain
Comox	Manson, M	Forrest, J. M	Cartwright, J	Grant (Con)	FORREST	Loss
Cranbrook	Cavan, T	King, Dr. J. H		King (Lib)	CAVAN	Gain
Cowichan	Hayward, W. H	Evans, John N		Hayward (Con)		
Columbia	Parsons, H. G	Buckham, J. A		Parsons (Con)	PARSONS	
Delta	Mackenzie, F. J	Oliver, John		Oliver (Lib)	MACKENZIE	Gain
Dewdney	Manson, W. J	Thompson, A		Manson (Con)	MANSON	
Esquimalt	Helmcken, H. D.	Jardine, John		Jardine (Lib)	JARDINE	
Fernie	Ross, W. R	Fisher, A. I	Harrington, J	Ross (Con)	ROSS	
Greenwood	Jackson, J. R	Macdonald, Alex	Heatherton, G	Naden (Lib)	JACKSON	Gain
Grand Forks	Miller, E	Patterson, D	McInnes, John	McInnes (Soc)	MILLER	Gain
Islands	McPhillips, A. E	Purvis, Percy		McPhillips (Con)	MCPHILLIPS	
Kamloops	Shaw, C. P	Vasey, H. M		Fulton (Con)	SHAW	
Kaslo	Mackay, N. F			Mackay (Con)	MACKAY (Accl.)	
Lillooet	Bell, Jas	Eagleson, M		Eagleson (Lib)		
Nanaimo	Planta, A. E		Hawthornthwaite	Hawthornthwaite (S)	HAWTHORNTHWAITE	
Newcastle	Stewart, John	Thomas, D. J	Williams, P	Williams (Soc)		
Nelson	Wright, Harry	Crease, E. A	Mathewson, J	Hall (Lib)	WRIGHT	Gain
Okanagan	Ellison, P	DeHart, F. R	Johnson, Jas	Ellison (Con)	ELLISON	
Revelstoke	Taylor, T	Lindmark, E. F	Kempster, G. H	Taylor (Con)	TAYLOR	
Richmond	Cotton, F. L. C	Farris, J. W		Cotton (Con)	COTTON	
Rossland	Braden, W. R	Winn, E. S. H		Macdonald (Lib)	BRADEN	Gain
Skeena	Manson, Wm	Kergin, Dr		Kergin (Lib)	MANSON	Gain
Saanich	Eberts, D. M	Brydon, Thos		Eberts (Con)	EBERTS	
Similkameen	Shatford, L. W	Elmhirst, R		Shatford (Con)	SHATFORD	
Slocan	Hunter, Wm		Davidson, Wm.	Hunter (Con)		
Vancouver—5	Bowser, W. J	Wade, F. C	Kingsley, E. T	Bowser (Con)	BOWSER	
	Macgowan, A.H. B	Senkler, J. H	Mackenzie, W. M	Macgowan (Con)	MACGOWAN	
	McGuire, Dr	Campbell, J	McGregor, M	Tatlow (Con)	MCGUIRE	
	Watson, H. H	Macdonald, G. E	Garvey, P	Garden (Con)	WATSON	
	Tisdall, C. E.	Stables, J. B	Pettapiece, R. P	McGuire (Con)	TISDALL	
Victoria—4	McBride, R	Oliver, John	Oliver, George	McBride (Con)	MCBRIDE	
	Davey, Fred	Drury, R. L	Morley, A. J	Davey (Con)	DAVEY	
	Behnsen, H.F.W	Houston, W.		Behnsen (Con)	BEHNSEN	
	Thomson, H. B	Munn, H. A		Thomson (Con)	THOMSON	
Westminster	Gifford, T	Johnston, J	Dodd, W	Gifford (Con)	GIFFORD	
Yale	McBride, R	Henderson, S		Henderson (Lib)	MCBRIDE	Gain
Ymir	Schofield, J. H		Oliver, Alex	Schofield (Con)	SCHOFIELD	

Which Is the Best Apple?

There are no less than five hundred standard varieties of apples grown in America, says Frederic Haskin. Each section has its peculiar favorites, and some are grown to eat and some are grown to sell. The man from Oregon or Washington will stake his fortune, his life and his sacred honor upon the proposition that a northwestern Spitzenberg is the best apple on earth. Any Virginian will accept his challenge and ride forth to battle as the knight of the Albemarle Pippin. The rural New Yorker will defend his Baldwins to the last ditch. The Missourian and Arkansas traveler will join forces in defence of the primacy of the Winesap.

It is a well known fact to the people of the Ozark mountains in Missouri and Arkansas that the Winesap apple is the best fruit grown on earth. Dave Craig, when past the meridian of life, forsook the primrose path of dalliance, and, turning his back upon the devil, enlisted in the army of the Lord and the Baptist church. From that day forth he never tasted red liquor nor Winesap apples. He knew, as do all good Ozarkers, that the Winesap was the best fruit ever grown, and he reasoned that it therefore was the very variety of apple that Mother Eve ate in the Garden of Eden.

Perhaps the most popular apple with growers is the Ben Davis. A Ben Davis apple is fair to look upon. It is big, red and tempting. It packs well, keeps well, ships well. It grows in profusion; and its trees are hardy frost resisters. From the sordid money-making point of view the Ben Davis apple can not be beat. But pity the poor foreigners who buy them in ignorance. Every apple eater of parts knows that a Ben Davis apple was designed only to sell. It should never be eaten.

The Houston Post and the Kansas City Journal long have labored to warn the public against the hypocrisy of the Ben Davis. It looks like an apple, it smells like an apple, it is an apple—but it doesn't taste like an apple. No editor has come to the defence of this snare and delusion, but much remains to be done before Ben Davis is driven from the market places. It is the foundation stone of more than one swollen fortune made in apples.

The big red apple is the king of fruits. Fifty-five per cent. of all the fruit trees in America are apple trees, and they yield more than 80 per cent. of all the orchard fruits produced. There are 200,000,000 apple trees, and the average crop per year is about a bushel for each tree. If all the trees were to bear a full crop in any one year America could feed the whole world with apples. Notwithstanding the decline in the apple yield, the apple still is the best money-maker in the whole catalogue of fruits. It is King Apple.

Wood Lake Mystery.

No word has yet been heard of R. J. Brown, who left his home at Wood Lake on Friday afternoon, October 29th, saying he might be late in getting back that evening. He has never returned. He walked to Okanagan Centre, about five miles distant, and transacted some business there and started to walk home. Shortly after leaving Okanagan Centre he met Mr. Bolton, and they had a short conversation. This was at 5.15 p.m. A man who may have been Mr. Brown was seen at 6 o'clock, passing Copeland's on Okanagan Lake, and walking northward on the road. Since that time no trace or clue of the missing man has been discovered. Large search parties have been scouring the country ever since without result. There is no ground for suspicion of foul play, and no reason can be offered for the man's disappearance. Any information as to his whereabouts will be gratefully received on behalf of his family by the provincial police of Vernon or Kelowna, B.C. Other papers please copy.—Vernon News.

Canadian Naval Plans.

The plans submitted by the admiralty and war office at the imperial defense conference of last summer for the naval and military defense of Canada in co-operation with the imperial forces, and on which the proposed action of the government is based, were laid on the table of the house by Hon. L. P. Brodeur. In brief, the naval program adopted by the government involves the construction of three cruisers of the improved Bristol class, and destroyers of the improved river class, costing for the cruisers about $5,750,000, and for destroyers about $1,500,000, with an annual outlay for maintenance of something like $2,000,000. Two of the cruisers will be placed on the Pacific coast, and one cruiser with four destroyers on the Atlantic coast. The total number of officers and men for this nucleus of a fleet is estimated at 1408, with a pay-roll of about $400,000, and an extra $100,000 for victualing.

The Coming Comet.

"Halley's comet will not only pass across the face of the sun on May 18, but the earth will pass through the tail of the comet," says Director Pickering of Harvard university laboratory. "The tail of the comet is made up of gases—acetylene, carbonic, and several others. The gas will be rarefied so that we shall not perceive it. In case these gases were apparent to the people the result would be very disagreeable. In 1860, when another comet was passing, there was a great display of shooting stars. We may have such a manifestation when Halley's comet passes."

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J. A. BROWN, Publisher.

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False Prophets.

When John Oliver, in announcing his railway policy a few weeks ago, stated that Jim Hill seemed reluctant to build through to Hope, and that if he didn't build the government itself should build, the CHRONICLE took the liberty of observing that Mr. Oliver was addicted to talking too much. In the light of what has developed during the latter part of the campaign, the same thing may now be justly said of the Premier too; and, singularly enough, the Premier chose the same subject on which to make a faux pas. In defending his Canadian Northern proposal he naturally enough attacked his opponents at all points; and as one of their points was to object to the Fraser river route for the C.N.R., he naturally denounced any proposed alternative route. His attack led him too far. He assumed without good ground that the Coquihalla "toboggan slide" was commercially impracticable; also without good ground that Mr. Kennedy had pronounced it so; also without good ground that Jim Hill had given up the notion of building over it. And while it is surprising that he should have come to any such conclusions, it is still more surprising that such a past master of political tact should have allowed himself to be betrayed into such a needless and damaging ineptitude as the "knocking" of the Hope route. If he had stopped to think for a moment he must have realized that he could not have dealt his own cause a worse blow in the Similkameen than to make a statement calculated to quench the hopes of the people for an outlet to the Coast. Fortunately he is wrong, and John Oliver is wrong; and incidentally J. P. McConnell is wrong—all three at different tangents. The much decried Coquihalla "toboggan slide" is in reality a considerably easier grade than some of the grades on the main line of the C.P.R. that have been in use for the last quarter of a century. Jim Hill has not been "hesitating" in the sense of being undecided. He knew what he was about when he built to Princeton, and it was not for the local tonnage of this narrow valley alone. If he has been exasperatingly deliberate in his movements it was because he could afford to be—he had no subsidies to earn with their attached time-limit, and there were other big and urgent undertakings to carry out while this could be dealt with more at leisure, and its route in the meantime more minutely surveyed. The time has come now when it is found expedient to complete it. Whether Hill has concluded that further delay is dangerous, that he might be forestalled or forfeit his charter, or whatever the reason may be, it has been decided to push forward without further interruptions, and at both ends—from Abbotsford on the western side of the mountains and from Princeton on the eastern side. It would be interesting to know just how much, if any, of this acceleration is due to the government's railway policy as it applies to the C. N. R. and the Kettle Valley line; but that will probably be made known in course of time.

The delegates to the twenty-ninth convention of the American Federation of Labor have apparently discovered what Canadians have for a long time suspected—that there is more real liberty in Canada than in the United States of America. So impressed were they by the discovery that they embodied the fact in a resolution and passed the resolution by a unanimous vote. For all time it will remain on record in the proceedings of the American Federation of Labor. It is as follows: "That the freedom of speech which we have exercised during the present convention, without judicial restraint based on super-constitutional and self-arrogated authority, has been more in conformity with the fundamental principles of a free and self-governing country than is possible at present in the United States of America." In addition the resolution thanked the press for the fairness with which their debates had been reported, and for the space granted to the federation's proceedings.

There is rejoicing in Germany over the fact that according to recent statistics less than 20,000 emigrants left the country last year. In the '80s the number of emigrants to the United States alone was over rather than under a quarter of a million a year. The character of the emigration as well as its numerical amount has also changed. Time was when the word emigrant was associated with notions of poverty and wretchedness. Now it is said that not more than one-third of those who leave are really poor.

This is what the Governor of Washington says about a law now on the statute books of the state of Washington: "I don't know whether the law is constitutional or not; I am not a lawyer. I don't care whether it is constitutional or not. I don't believe the law prohibiting tipping is being observed at all, and I am not afraid of being arrested." Which is an example of how grandmotherly legislation is regarded even by those whose duty it is supposed to be to enforce it.

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The Indian Trouble.

F. S. Hussey, superintendent of provincial police, has received an exhaustive report on the situation respecting the threatened Indian outbreak from F. Maitland-Dougall, chief constable at Hazelton, in which that official expresses the opinion that the force of constables now on the ground is ample to maintain peace throughout the winter.

Constable Maitland-Dougall tells the story of the arrest and conviction of the six Kispiox Indians who had been charged with assault and intimidation on the members of a gang of men employed in doing some road work. The situation did look serious for some time after the men were arrested, but as soon as additional constables were sworn in the Indians commenced to get it into their heads that the authorities meant business, and there was a decided cooling amongst the hot-heads of the tribes.

Constable Maitland-Dougall is of the opinion that there is an ample force available in the district adjacent to Hazelton to cope with any emergency. There is an ample supply of ammunition on hand, and should it be necessary all the white men of Hazelton, several hundred, would take up arms. The Indians realize this, and therefore the department does not think that any danger need be apprehended. The police are, however, not going to take any chance. Ten more constables have been sent up from Prince Rupert.

War on Wolves.

Ranchers in the Medicine Hat district have suffered heavy losses from wolves of late. One reports having lost twenty head of cattle, another thirty, another forty, and these instances are said to be merely typical of a state of affairs which is chronic in some of the remoter parts of the range. The provincial government pays a bounty of $15 for grown wolves and $5 for pups. The ranchers have always supplemented this by themselves giving a substantial bounty. They now propose to form a fund and pay a bounty of $50 for grown wolves and $20 for cubs, which, added to the government bounty, ought to effect an abatement of the pest.

72 Miles of Apples.

Seventy-two and one-fourth miles is the distance that would be covered in an unbroken line if the apples on exhibition at the Spokane apple show were placed side by side. There are 1,525,831 apples in the various exhibits, and the average fruit is three inches in diameter. The string would stretch from Spokane to Rossland and back.

There are three cars of Winesaps, four of Rome Beauty, one of Wagener, two of Spitzenberg, one of Yellow Newtown, one of Grimes Golden, one other standard variety, and one mixed car.

Local and General.

Mrs. (Rev.) J. R. Elmhurst of Summerland died on Saturday.

The output of the Trail smelter for 1909 will be about $6,000,000 in gold, silver, copper and lead.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier celebrated his 68th birthday last Saturday. He is 11 days younger than King Edward.

Greenwood school is to have a new heating plant, to cost $3,595. E. W. Bishop has the contract for installing it.

The contractor on trench-digging for the Armstrong waterworks put nine Chinks and three Japs on the work. The white men threw down their shovels and quit.

During a fierce gale on Puget Sound a week ago an old man named John Peter Ohlit, of Bellingham, was blown over a bluff into the sea and drowned.

During a Liberal campaign meeting in Fernie opera house last week a three-inch water main in the back of the hall burst and brought the proceedings to a sudden close.

Mike Lyden, employed on the dump of the Granby smelter, last Friday was struck in the right eye by a flying piece of steel and had the sight of the eye destroyed.

A decision of the U. S. circuit court at St. Louis declares that the Standard Oil company is illegal and orders it to be dissolved. An appeal will be taken to the Supreme Court.

The Dominion estimates for this year include $11,000 for Fernie drill hall, $10,000 for Fernie public building, $10,000 for Grand Forks public building, $10,000 for Greenwood public building, and $25,000 for Vernon public building.

Advices from Pekin, China, state that an order will be issued when the mourning for the empress dowager ends that all officials, military men, students and policemen must cut off their queues. This is giving great satisfaction to the Chinese.

At the foot of Little Shuswap lake, between Kamloops and Revelstoke, the town of Chase is rapidly growing. Over fifty residences have been erected this year, in addition to many business houses. The location of a large sawmill by the Adams River Lumber Co. is the cause of all the activity.

Rev. R. W. Hibbert and his bride arrived in Phœnix Saturday evening after spending several weeks with the former's parents in Nova Scotia, and was warmly welcomed by members of the Methodist church, of which he is the popular pastor. During his absence the congregation purchased the residence formerly occupied by R. Silverthorn, on Old Ironsides avenue, and have furnished it for a parsonage. Mr. Hibbert occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church Sunday evening. —Phœnix Pioneer.

A Fatal Rock Slide.

On the night of the 16th inst. a westbound C.P.R. freight train was struck by a rock slide at a point nine miles west of North Bend, and the engine and four cars were precipitated down the 300-foot embankment of the Fraser river canyon. Engineer Gough of Kamloops was killed, but fireman McKay and brakeman Foster, who were also on the engine, had a miraculous escape, neither receiving severe injuries. The eastbound passenger train had passed the point only half an hour before. The rock slide struck the engine broadside, hurling it over the edge of the canyon, and it dragged down seven freight cars before the couplings broke. The engine and four cars went down to a point near the river edge. Gough was catapulted out of the locomotive as it landed.

Similkameen Land District.

DISTRICT OF YALE.

TAKE NOTICE that Frederick P. Sadler, of Cambridge, England, Inspector of Inland Revenue intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of lot 1761, group 1, Osoyoos, thence north 40 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence west 20 chains to point of commencement, 80 acres more or less.

FREDERICK PERCY SADLER
By his Agent,
W. C. BATE.

5th October, 1909.

Similkameen Land District.

DISTRICT OF YALE.

TAKE NOTICE that H. A. Barcelo, of Keremeos, occupation Farmer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about one and a half miles east of the south-east corner of William Cohen's pre-emption, thence north 20 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence west 20 chains to point of commencement, 40 acres.

HENRY ALLAN BARCELO.

27th October, 1909.

Similkameen Land District.

DISTRICT OF YALE.

TAKE NOTICE that Manuel Barcello, of Keremeos, occupation Farmer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the north-east corner of lot 289, thence north 40 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 20 chains to point of commencement, 80 acres.

MANUEL BARCELO.

26th October, 1909.

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Obituary.

The Greenwood Ledge says of the late Hugh Cameron: Hugh Cameron died in Camp McKinney last Friday from heart disease, aged 69 years. He had kept hotel at that camp for many years, and was noted for being one of the most generous men that ever lived. He never charged a woman anything who stopped at his hotel, and was ever ready to help his friends with money. Often the less security a friend could give the more likely he was to get money from Hughie. He did not leave a will, but has a brother in Victoria, which will prevent the state from getting his wealth. He was worth about $100,000 in cash and property. A Greenwood bank has $15,000 of his money and another one in Victoria has something like $20,000 on deposit. After being embalmed and coffined in Greenwood the remains were escorted yesterday to the C.P.R. by the Pioneers' Society and shipped to New Westminster for interment. The pall-bearers were J. R. Jackson, Midway; Jas. Lynch, Torodo; C. S. McRae, Deadwood; S. T. Larsen, Rock Creek; John Blough, Camp McKinney; and J. W. Nelson, Greenwood. Rev. S. Lundie of Phœnix conducted the services at the undertaking parlors.

Wilcox, Conservative, was returned in North Essex by-election.

Bengough.

The man who can draw well, who adds to his artistic abilities a keen sense of humor, who recites well, and sings comic songs well, is a man who can entertain any audience. Such a man is Bengough, who will appear here on Saturday, Dec. 4. The Sydney (Australia) Referee comments on his entertainment thus: "An instantaneous success was achieved by Bengough, the Canadian cartoonist, reciter and burlesque artist, who opened his Australian tour on Saturday. Bengough gets going at a good pace, and succeeds in keeping his audience wide awake and amused, whether he is dashing off things at his easel or spinning little tales of innocence and mirth between the pictures. He is a combination of many enviable qualities and accomplishments. He is a clever artist, with a method as sure as it is swift, a free-and-easy humorist, and at all points a smart showman who has mastered his business and who understands the value of time. Bengough will be assisted by Borneo Gardiner, the marvelous boy whistler, Claude Allan, baritone, and Dora Carroll, pianiste."

In the government sale of Point Grey lands last week, lasting three days, 686 acres was sold, realizing $2,611,000.

A Plucky Brakeman.

Charles Deyo, a G. N. R. brakeman, by his courage and nerve saved the Oriental Limited from a great catastrophe at the Dryden switch, a few miles from Wenatchee. Deyo was rear brakeman on a freight train which was going on the switch at Dryden to get out of the way of the Oriental Limited. The freight was behind time, and when going on the switch the speed was so great that Deyo in jumping off the train to the switch broke a leg and rolled down the bank. Realizing that the open switch would mean an awful crash should the passenger train then due come along at its usual speed, Deyo, suffering intense pain and in a fainting condition, crawled and rolled 100 yards to the switch and closed it, just in time to let the passenger train speed safely by with its passengers unconscious of the fact that their lives were imperiled.

Sheriff Thorp of Okanogan county had a lively gun-fight recently at Conconully with a safe-cracker whom he arrested in a saloon. The man was taken only after he was shot twice, one bullet cutting the fingers off his right hand and the other going through his lung. Afterwards, to the astonishment of the authorities, he broke jail despite his wounds and got away.

Navigating Upper Fraser.

Steamboat navigation on the upper Fraser has made great progress during the past season. In the upper reaches of the river and its tributaries it has been proved that there is more than 1000 miles of navigable waters, requiring only a little dynamiting of rocks to make long stretches for regular steamboat runs. They traverse a splendid agricultural section, which up to the present time, except for the past two or three years, has been almost entirely given over to fur trappers with the exception of a small portion used for cattle raising, but with the coming of steamer transportation, which will be much cheaper than the old route by wagon road, it is anticipated that the country will develop many farming communities as well as prosperous towns, and means will also be provided for getting out some of the splendid areas of timber in the district.

A Spokane Beauty apple displayed at the apple show by F. L. Post of Chelan, Wash., is credited with being the largest apple in the world. It measures 17⅛ inches in circumference and weighs over 41 ounces. A Wolf River apple from Sharon, Wash., is 18⅜ inches in circumference, but weighs only 37 ounces. It is expected Post's apple will be reproduced in a metal apple of its exact shape and size.

LOCAL NOTES.

Forget politics now, and think of Christmas.

Bengough, Keremeos Hall, Keremeos Centre, Dec. 4.

The Fernie Ledger announces that it is about to issue a daily paper.

Mrs. F. Richter returned home on Saturday after spending a few weeks with friends at Loomis.

John Knudson has sold his property in Nelson and intends shortly to move his household to Keremeos.

British Columbia visitors at the Spokane apple show will send a few boxes of the choicest fruit to King Edward.

The government inspector of railways is to arrive here on Monday to examine and report upon the new Keremeos-Princeton stretch.

P. D. McTavish, of the B. C. Fruit Land Co., was in town over Sunday, leaving on Monday's stage. It is the company's intention to close its office here for the winter.

"With the V. V. & E. built over Hope Mountain, what is left for us to argue about?" asks the Hedley Gazette plaintively. Our contemporary should not enumerate his poultry prior to incubation.

Sid Brown, formerly conductor on the Oroville-Keremeos run, came up yesterday to cast his ballot. Sid has recently been in Manitoba taking a train between Souris and Estevan through ten-below weather and deep snow. The Similkameen looks good to him after such an experience.

Charles Peterson, a tunnel watchman of the V. V. & E., committed suicide on Thursday of last week by jumping in front of the passenger train when it was passing through the tunnel six miles west of Midway. He was 65 years old and had no relatives in the country. No inquest was held.

Mr. Elmhirst, with George Kirby as his first lieutenant, has made a vigorous campaign of it, especially in the last ten days or so. Last week they held a series of meetings in the east end, and this week has been devoted to Princeton, Hedley and Keremeos, where meetings were held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

An outsider named Reg.C.Brown, representing the Canadian Development. Co. of Vancouver, went into Princeton and quietly stole a march on the mining enthusiasts of that burg who had not kept quite up to date on the coal situation. His lay was to stake claims which had lapsed, principally those of the B.C. Colliery Co., which—though the fact was not suspected by the general public—had failed to keep up the requirements for holding its lands. Accompanied by George Allison and Bert Thomas, two men who knew the country well, he set out on a hunting trip—but the game he was after was not the four-footed kind. When the party returned to town they had staked about 18,000 acres of coal lands, including the former claims of the B. C. C. Co. and of various prospectors who had neglected their holdings, as well as some entirely new claims. The local men who shared in the staking come in for a substantial interest in the property.

F. C. Laird, of Spokane, Wash., has been spending a few days in the valley, looking into the coal situation at Princeton, and incidentally watching with much interest the progress of the political campaign. Of the Princeton coal Mr. Laird says it is a good clean-breaking and clean-burning coal, but assays high in ash. He thinks it will need to be put into Spokane at a lower price than the coal now used there in order to secure a market.

The Ladies' Guild will open their sale of work in the hall at the Centre on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 2, at 3 o'clock, when they will display some very fine articles suitable as Christmas presents for husband, wife, lover or sweetheart. Refreshments consisting of tea and cake will be served during the afternoon, and at 6 o'clock an old-fashioned home-made supper will be served. The Centre orchestra has been engaged for afternoon and evening. Come and have a good time.

Martin Burrell was very prompt to take a hand in the game at Ottawa this session. In the first discussion to come up he was one of the four speakers, the subject being the government's delay in appointing judges for the newly constituted court of appeal in British Columbia. The court was constituted on the 1st of September, and it is charged that the Dominion government is waiting till the provincial elections are over in order to make appointments among party workers. In the meantime the interests of litigants suffer.

Although he had not recovered full strength after his recent illness, Mr. Shatford has not spared himself in carrying through his late campaign. As an example of one strenuous day's work, on Tuesday he drove from Oroville to Fairview, thence to Keremeos, and thence to Hedley. After his meeting at Penticton last week he took a turn through the eastern part of the riding to undo the work of his enemies, and the last days of the campaign he spent in the upper valley, concluding with a meeting at Princeton on Wednesday evening. He can now take a good rest with an easy mind.

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