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ly via Penticton Stage from the north.
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stitutions see advertisements in this paper.)

NO TOBOGGAN SHUTE.

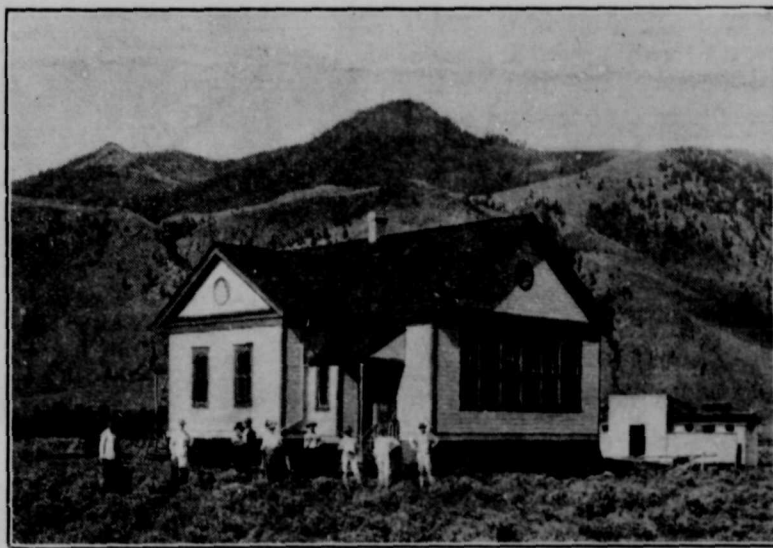
Chief Engineer Says the Hope
Route Is Practicable.

Vancouver, Aug. 17.—The errone-
ous impression that the route of
the V. V. & E. railway over the
Hope mountains between the Sim-
ilkameen and the Fraser river val-
ley constitutes a veritable toboggan
shute involving heavy operating ex-
penses was dispelled today by A. H.

THE NEW SCHOOL.

Is Finished and Accepted and
Ready For Opening.

J. R. Brown of Fairview, Govern-
ment Agent, came over on Satur-
day and accepted from the contract-
ors, Boeing & Brass, the new
school building. The completed
work was found to be entirely satis-
factory—in fact a little better than
was absolutely called for in the way



KEREMEOS PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Hogeland of St. Paul, chief engi-
neer of the Great Northern railway.

"Changes in the location of the
unbuilt portion of the V. V. & E.
route are now under consideration.
Two survey parties are now at work
in the Hope range," said Mr. Hoge-
land. "We feel quite confident
that in the revised survey we will
be able to secure a grade of one per
cent. on westbound and a two per
cent. grade on eastbound traffic.
From the information now in our
possession we have every reason to
believe that the mountains do not
constitute the insurmountable bar-
rier people suppose them to be.

"The route of the proposed line
across the mountains was completed
and filed with the government near-
ly two years ago. Going west it
follows the Tulameen and Otter
rivers to the summit and descends
the western slope via the Coquehal-
la river to that river's confluence
with the Fraser river near Hope.
From that point it will extend to
Abbottsford at the international
boundary, where connection will be
made with the completed section in-
to Vancouver.

"Our road will be completed into
Princeton from the east early this
fall. Princeton is just east of the
Hope mountains. The eastern sec-
tion of the Hill line in Canada is
built and in operation from Laurier,
a point on the international bound-
ary in the Boundary district, to Ker-
emeos in the Similkameen district, a
distance of over 160 miles. At Lau-
rier the line connects with another

of putting on the finishing touches.
A fair profit was realized by the
contractors, despite the interrup-
tions to the work through delay in
the delivery of materials. The build-
ing is constructed on the same gen-
eral plans as those used for the
Hedley and Princeton schools, with
some minor variations, especially in
the sanitary arrangements. There
are two main class-rooms, each 36
by 27 feet and 14 feet high. For
the present one of these rooms will
be sufficient for all requirements,
but the larger accommodation is
wisely provided for the needs of the
not distant future. The equipment
of blackboards, map-frames, etc., is
of the best. The painting was done
by George Burnell of Fairview, who
is well known throughout the val-
ley as a first-class hand with the
brush. The trustees will have the
grounds plowed and leveled this
fall, so that they will be ready for
the planting of trees in the spring.
School will open next Monday with
Miss McMullen of Vernon as teach-
er.

Hill road extending to the main line
at Spokane. At several points be-
tween Laurier and Keremeos the
line dips into United States terri-
tory in order to secure the neces-
sary gradients.

"I am unable to state when the
link binding Vancouver with the
Kootenays will be finished, but it is
certain that the work will be prose-
cuted with energy and dispatch,"
said Mr. Hogeland in conclusion.

THE APEX.

STEADY PROGRESS IN ITS
DEVELOPMENT.

Preparations Well Under Way
For a Thorough Exploita-
tion of Its Immense Ore
Bodies.

One of the most promising under-
takings in mining circles in the
Similkameen in recent years is the
present systematic development
work under way in the Apex group
—promising, that is, in the sense
that an established industry on a
large scale is assured. There are
scores of claims dotting the country
to the south, east, north and west
of the Apex to which the word
could be fittingly applied in the
sense that their showing is excellent
and their probable richness great;
but this enterprise has now reached
the status of a regular industrial
project. It has ceased to be a group
of prospects and become a mine.

Situated near the headwaters of
Keremeos Creek, just east of Inde-
pendence Mountain, the Apex has
until recently been accessible only
by pack trail. In fact it is not yet
quite reached by wagons, but the
new road connecting it with the
Keremeos-Penticton stage road is
well on to completion. Unfortun-
ately the government appropriation
for building this road ran dry last
week while about half a mile yet
remained to be done. The Colonial
Company, however, does not allow
itself to be deterred on that account,
but is building the remaining stretch
itself, for which it will no doubt be
reimbursed by the government when
the next appropriations come down.
The construction of the road has
involved some very heavy work,
more, apparently, than was antici-
pated when the estimate of its cost
was made. For quite a distance it
runs through heavy timber, which
had to be cleared and the stumps
blasted out, and in places along
very steep hillsides retaining work
of heavy timbers is used where
otherwise an excessive amount of
cutting and banking would be re-
quired. For the stretch yet to be
finished the company retains the
government force and is employing
some of its own men as well, in an
effort to complete the work by the
26th inst., on which date it is ex-
pected that the mine will be visited
by a party of interested persons
from the east, including E. D.
Goodwin, of Manchester, N. H.,
treasurer and general manager of
the Colonial Gold Mining Co.

The seven claims comprised in
the Apex group lie mainly on an

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THE APEX.

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eastward spur of Independence or Lost Horse Mountain, extending across the spur and into the gulches on its north and south sides. It is on two of these claims, the Acadia and the Acacia, that most of the development work has been done, and on the latter that the efforts of the management are at present mainly directed. Near the centre of the claim a shaft has been sunk to a depth of 100 feet, and from the 80-foot level a lateral drift for 50 feet, to meet which an adit has been started and has 110 feet yet to go. As shaft, drift and adit all penetrate good pay ore, it is evident that a large mass of it lies in this claim. On the Acadia, to the east, is the second principal ore body, the outcropping of which has been laid bare, showing a width of 28 feet. Lower it is penetrated by a tunnel which has been driven in a distance of about 100 feet and shows the ore body to be slightly wider than at the surface. Surface showings indicate the presence of a third ore body, which has not yet been prospected, lying between and running parallel with the two referred to above. All three bodies are readily traceable by surface showing not only across the ridge but across and beyond the gorges on either side.

A good deal of the work on the claims was done before they came into the possession of the Colonial Co., and the efforts of the latter have so far been directed not so much to mining work proper as to the necessary preliminaries for operation on a commercial scale. The thorough and systematic manner in which these preliminaries are taken up at once challenge the admiration of the visitor and are a revelation to the novice who imagines that a mine means a hole in the ground. They involve not only the beginning of a manufacturing establishment—a relatively simple matter in a town but a good deal of a problem in the wilderness; but also founding a colony and providing for its needs—these and many other things in addition to solving the central problem of where Mother Nature has hidden her treasures, and having found the hiding spots how best and most expeditiously to rifle them.

It is intended shortly to install considerable new machinery, among other things a diamond drill. The power problem is one not fully decided yet, but the balance of advantage seems to be in favor of steam. Electric power is not yet available, gasoline is costly and up-grade freighting-in an item of importance; while fuel for steam, in the form of wood, is abundant right at hand, parts of the district being heavily timbered; so it is likely that steam will be used, for the time being at any rate. Also there are additional and more commodious buildings to be erected for various purposes, and

other things to be done which will pretty well occupy the working force till winter sets in.

The question of communication is solved for the present by the new wagon road until a stage of development is reached that would warrant a more advanced form of transportation. Though rather roundabout, the road affords a fairly easy grade, and what is more important, a favorable outward grade for the whole distance to Keremeos. A shorter route to the railway line might be found by way either of the 15-mile or 16-mile Creek, but either of these routes would have the serious disadvantage of an adverse outward grade for part of the distance.

The development of the Apex will, it is hoped, prove the beginning of a new era for the rich district of which it is the centre. To the north, east, south and west of it the landscape is simply peppered with claims and prospects. And these are very far from being wildcats. They are the locations of experienced old-timers, men who know their business, but whose means are limited, and who are therefore able to prosecute their work only to a very limited extent. The projected metropolis of the district is the City of Centrimeno, lying a short distance east of the Apex. Centrimeno townsite was laid out about six years ago. It is still only a paper town, but if half the surrounding claims should fulfill the hopes and anticipations of their owners Centrimeno would have Johannesburg backed plumb off the map.

The Apex is not a sensational mine. It has no flash-in-the-pan patches of phenomenal richness. Its value lies in the proved presence of large compact bodies of even ore—ore that, situated as it is, classes as moderately high-grade, but in a region of established industry would rank as decidedly high-grade. The managing engineer, Mr. Robbins, impresses one as a master of his craft, and there can be little doubt that his eastern clients when they come to size up the situation will give hearty approval and support to an aggressive forward policy.

Costly Homesteads.

According to the estimates made of the number of people that will register for the drawing of lands in the Spokane, Coeur d'Alene and Flathead reservations the figures will run above 300,000. As there are probably only about 4000 tracts to be parceled out in the reservations the individual applicant has about one chance in 100. It would be a low estimate to put the average expenditure of each person registering at \$10, including railroad fare, hotel bills and incidentals. That would bring the amount of money paid out through the agency of the drawing to some \$3,000,000, far more than the land is worth.—Oroville Gazette.

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Wedded at Seattle.

Word has reached Keremeos of the marriage of W. J. Stover of this town to Miss Simpson of San Diego, Cal., which took place at Seattle on Wednesday, the 11th inst. The marriage, it will be remembered, was to have taken place some weeks ago at Spokane, but was postponed on account of the unwillingness of the bride to leave her native land; while the groom, like most of those who have once tasted of living in the Similkameen, was naturally reluctant to abandon his beautiful little ranch here and go to the sun-baked plains of the south. However, he yielded as in duty bound, and the couple will make their home at San Diego. The ceremony was performed in the parlor of the Hotel Mansfield at Seattle, by the lady minister of the Nasarene church. Mr. and Mrs. Stover will remain for about ten days at Seattle, after which they will make a tour of Portland, San Francisco and the Yosemite Valley before returning home. Mr. Stover's many friends here, while regretting to lose him as a citizen, extend congratulations and wish him all success in the south.

A Close Call.

One of the guests of the ill-fated Okanagan Hotel at Vernon who narrowly escaped cremation was J. A. Russell, who it will be remembered was a visitor to Keremeos just before going to Vernon. Mr. Russell was collecting notes and material in this district for a series of lectures he is to give in England this winter for the C. P. R. The Vernon News thus describes his experience:

As an instance of the extreme difficulty with which any of the occupants escaped, the experience of Mr. Russell, who occupied a room on the second story, may be cited. Mr. Russell was awakened by screams, some time before the fire alarm rang. He jumped out of bed and opened his room door, only to find the hall filled with smoke and flame. Making a hasty snatch for his trousers he ran to the window opening on the verandah, and before he got outside the window flames were bursting through the door. He slid down a verandah post to the ground, and had hardly got out to the centre of the street when he saw the ceiling of the room he had just left fall down, and a gust of flames swept out of the window for several feet. All his notes were destroyed along with \$180 in cash which he had in his coat. He escaped only in his trousers and shirt, and was a thankful man to get out alive.

A boy named Micono at Kamloops went hunting with a home-made gun improvised from a bicycle frame. When he shot at a bird the weapon back-fired and he lost an eye. The bird was killed.

Local and General.

Harvesting is general on the prairies. Crop is good.

Dr. McLean is now a resident of Greenwood. With him is associated Dr. Arbuckle, late of Vancouver.

J. R. Bullick, C.P.R. chief constable in Vancouver, and a C.P.R. detective were in the city this week. They are still working on the Ducks train robbery, and had with them a photograph of William Haney, the man who is said to have killed Constable Decker, and the brother of the robber who was shot by Decker. Haney has relatives in Los Angeles, but so far they have been unable to locate him.—Revelstoke Herald.

A representative of the Vancouver World is making the round of the valley in a canvass for advertising for a special edition of the World, copies of which are to be mailed to all visitors to the A. Y. P. fair who have registered at the World's building there. As these people number many thousand, are all people of at least means enough to travel for pleasure, and come from all parts of the continent, the proposition is an attractive one for some classes of advertising.



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J. A. BROWN, Publisher.

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Taking as a text some recent brief comments in these columns on Washington's sumptuary laws, the Princeton Star censures the CHRONICLE with a heat that would hardly seem to be warranted by the nature of the subject. What we pointed out was simply this, that in legislation as in many other things a good purpose does not necessarily lead to a good result. The amateur physician who "tries" patent nostrums does so with the best of intentions, but with as much likelihood of doing harm as good; and the same is true of the untrained lawmaker, who is dabbling in a science as abstruse as that of medicine, though it is commonly and mistakenly supposed to be simple. It is an axiom of government that the most carefully framed enactment never works out just as it is intended. Often its intended effects are dwarfed by its unforeseen or secondary effects—as, for example, in Ireland, where the apparently simple measure of putting a high tax on liquor had the unforeseen and secondary effect of popularizing the fatal habit of ether-drinking. So it has been from the days when a window tax for revenue impelled people to live in pens, to the modern days in Quebec, where church tithes on grain turned grain-fields into hay-fields. This "trying it on the dog" might be excused if the lessons it gave were heeded; but the lessons are soon forgotten, and meantime it is hard on the dog.

Canadians are proud, and rightly so, of the tradition of British freedom. We never tire of proclaiming that it has made Britain great. Yet we seem at times to forget its real meaning. It is founded on the doctrine that the main duty of the law is to guard the free action of the individual so long as that action does not interfere with the equal freedom of others. Such a doctrine of individual freedom tends to an individual feeling of responsibility—conduces to self-discipline—produces a high type of character. That is what is meant when it is said that freedom has made Britain great. Being police-ridden is not conducive to a sturdy independence of character.

But, says the eager reformer, freedom means only freedom to do right. In our humble judgment it means something more than that—it means the right of the individual to judge for himself what is right, barring a plain infringement on the public weal. That right of individ-

ual judgment, in religion and in other matters as well, was won only after long effort. It should not be held lightly. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

It is not enough to say of a law that its purpose is good. It is not even enough to say of it that it produces good results. The end does not necessarily justify the means, casuists to the contrary notwithstanding. A law to forbid boating would undoubtedly save many lives every summer, but it would be tyrannical all the same.

The Star says:

"Mr. Chronicle says that a certain place is paved with good intentions, thus inferentially arguing that a law of good intent and tendency should be condemned anyway, or because this 'certain place' is paved with good intentions."

Doubtless the Star will discover something dreadful in this article also. However, the words of a writer who can perpetrate such a travesty on reasoning as the one just quoted are not likely to carry much weight with his readers.

From one cause and another the Similkameen is attracting a greater amount of attention and interest in the outside world this summer than at any time, perhaps, since the placer gold boom of ancient days. The extension of the railway to the upper valley is having a marked effect in a renewed interest in mining and lumbering. In mining circles the outlook is particularly good at several points. The Nickel Plate, to all appearance, is about to enter on a new stage of development on a considerably greater scale than its old one. The Apex group under a strong company and capable management is building the foundations of development on a basis suitable to a mining property of the first rank. The Kingston group, a well proved property on which much work has already been done, the Golden Zone, the Pollock and others of great promise are being handled with renewed zest in view of the better facilities now afforded them. In the upper valley a similar quickening in mining circles may be looked for, and in lumbering as well. The Similkameen Lumber Co., it is understood, is prepared to operate on a large scale as soon as the rails are in easy reach. Since it has become evident that the Similkameen is held to be an important province in the great game of railway empire, both from its own resources and from its strategic position, the more particular attentions of captains of industry are sure to follow. An agreeable feature of the situation is that there is little of the hostility between towns that usually marks the growth of a new district. The positions of the towns in the Similkameen are complementary rather than competitive. Each has its special and vastly potential resources close at hand, resources great enough to engage all its attention and tax all its energies, leaving little excuse or occasion for envy and jealousy.

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In competition at Spokane the only exhibit sent took first prize, while at the Provincial Fair at New Westminster out of 100 pounds of assorted fruits Keremeos captured some 23 prizes.

The upper portion of the valley, including Hedley and Princeton, both rich in their mining industries, offers the local market means of disposing of all produce.

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Bumper Year in Immigration.

Between 175,000 and 180,000 United States farmers, experienced in the ways and work of the west, and familiar with prairie conditions, will this year take up their homes on Canada's plains. This estimate is made by W. D. Scott, superintendent of immigration for the Dominion. Mr. Scott estimates that immigration will run considerably over the figures for last year, and will make a very respectable showing beside those of the banner years of three or four seasons ago when about 225,000 settlers took up homesteads in Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Needless to say these settlers are of a class which are warmly welcomed, because in addition to their experience they nearly all have a considerable amount of money.

The statistics also show that a very considerable number are either of Canadian or of British birth, and are thus merely coming under a form of government with which they were familiar earlier in life.

Even if this were not so, any fears of the "Americanization" of the Middle West of Canada, upon which subject some British editors seem to be rather nervous, is without any real foundation. Mr. Scott points out that in the first place a man who leaves the United States to settle in Canada is not a tail twister. If he

were, he would stay at home. In the second place the emigration records do not show the vast influx of eastern Canadians to the plains which take place every year and which provides the west with the most important element in forming its public opinion. In addition, there is the more important fact that all the centres of thought in each community—the teacher, the preacher, the doctor, the lawyer, the editor—are almost invariably Canadian, and give a Canadian tone to public life to the whole.

Another encouraging feature of the situation on the plains is mentioned, and that is the increasing number of Old Country people who are settling there. One of the Scottish farmers who visited the west last year took up thirty-nine quarter sections of land and on this land he is this summer planting as many Scotch families. This is but one of numerous examples of the same kind.

The movement in New Ontario to secede from Old Ontario has been revived. The agitators announce a public meeting to be held at Port Arthur.

The big Greenwood-Phoenix tunnel is in 240 feet, and work has been suspended until machine drills can be installed. That wonderful 125-ft.-a-day borer seems to have been forgotten.

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W. C. I. CONVENTION.

Irrigationists of B. C. and Alberta Meet at Lethbridge.

The third annual convention of the Western Canada Irrigation Association was held at Lethbridge, with delegates present from B. C., Alberta and Saskatchewan, among the distinguished speakers present being Hon. F. J. Fulton, Minister of Public Works for B. C., and A. C. Rutherford, Premier of Alberta. The subject was discussed in many aspects, and the gist of the conclusions reached recorded in resolutions.

IRRIGATION BULLETINS.

The matter of disseminating irrigation information was introduced by a resolution moved by William Pearce and E. B. Knight, which read:

Whereas with many owners of irrigated lands or those of which irrigation is possible in the provinces of Alberta and British Columbia, the best soil product, and the application of water thereto, is a new and untried problem;

And whereas to meet these conditions the United States government has instituted a system of bulletins, issued at frequent intervals, giving information on the subjects specified in the foregoing paragraph;

Therefore be it resolved that the Provinces of Alberta, British Columbia and Saskatchewan, through the proper departments of the same, be requested to institute and give effect to the issuance of such bulletins, and it is suggested that a prominent feature of said bulletins be contributions and inquiries by parties giving their experiences and obtaining of information.

All were strongly in favor of the resolution. Those who were familiar with conditions in the States could not say enough for the bulletins issued by Secretary Wilson, of the department of agriculture in the United States. All agreed that the great need in a country where irrigation is to play a great part is education, and all claimed that this could be accomplished by means of bulletins issued by the department of agriculture.

NOXIOUS WEEDS.

The resolution on noxious weeds was as follows:

Whereas owing to the prevalence of high winds and from other causes great danger exists of the spread of noxious weeds by means of irrigation canals and ditches;

And whereas the promptest and most expeditious measures are required to destroy the weeds growing upon the banks of water distributing systems before such weeds shed their seed and become a danger to the whole district;

Therefore be it resolved that the governments of British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan cause such amendments to be made to existing legislation dealing with noxious weeds, placing the duty of keep-

ing all canals and distributaries clear of noxious weeds upon the company or individual responsible for the maintenance and repair of such canal or distributary.

IRRIGATION EDUCATION.

One resolution impresses upon the government the necessity of having lecture staffs, etc., on irrigation. It reads:

That this convention, recognizing the great need that exists for educational work in regard to irrigation, owing to the fact that the vast majority of the farmers who settle on irrigable lands in the western provinces have had no previous experience in the use of water, desires to urge upon the Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia departments of agriculture the importance of incorporating amongst their institute lecture staffs experts on irrigation farming.

This resolution to a certain extent overlapped with resolution No. 2, advocating as it does a specific method of carrying on a campaign of education.

Prof. Fairfield said that irrigation farming means intensive farming, which is another term for specialized farming, and therefore requires special instruction.

FOREST RESERVATION.

The following resolution carried:

That the Dominion government be petitioned to cause a forest reservation to be made covering the entire east slope and higher foothills of the Rocky Mountains, and within the railway belt of British Columbia, in order to prevent the deforestation of this area, leading to the rapid melting of the snow at the headwaters of the mountain streams, thus causing destructive floods and wasting the water required for irrigation.

Provincial and General.

An isolation hospital will be built in or near Grand Forks, the provincial government to bear one-third of the cost and the Boundary towns two-thirds.

Parliament will probably open Nov. 11 or 18. There was talk of opening early in the month, but such a date is not popular with members who go hunting on Nov. 1.

A six-year old boy named Richard Dunkerly was smothered in sand at Trail. He and other children were playing "bear," and he crawled into a hole in a loose sand-bank which fell upon him. He was not missed for fifteen minutes and when recovered he was dead.

The Great Northern station at Fernie was broken into by burglars during the early hours of the morning of the 11 inst. who stole some \$235 in cash and checks and got away with their booty. The theft was evidently the act of expert cracksmen who broke open the safe containing the money and checks with nitro-glycerine.

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AN EXPERT'S VIEW.

"Dry Farming" Campbell's Opinion on Irrigation.

The popular misconception that Prof. Campbell, the world-renowned soil culture expert of Lincoln, Neb., was opposed to irrigation was finally dispelled at a meeting at Strathmore, when that gentleman explained in no uncertain terms his attitude in regard to irrigation. The occasion was the delivery of an address upon "Soil Culture" in which he stated his conclusions as to the advisability and advantages of irrigation in western Canada. Questions and answers are a feature of all of Prof. Campbell's meetings and the following was delivered partly in answer to a number of questions asked by the farmers of the district and others, who turned out in large numbers to listen to that gentleman.

Prof. Campbell said in part: I find that the newspapers throughout America have dubbed me 'Dry Farming' Campbell. I greatly deplore this evident misconception of my work. I am an advocate of 'Soil Culture,' not 'Dry Farming,' which only becomes necessary where irrigation or a sufficient rainfall is not available.

In order to more fully explain my attitude let me say that when the average farmer asks me what land it is advisable to settle on in either the American or Canadian wests, I invariably recommend irrigated land if it can be obtained at a reasonable outlay. Now, my reason for this lies in the fact that irrigation is the simplest and safest agricultural practice extant and means maximum crops and maximum crop areas. It is a foregone conclusion that the cultivation of irrigated land is less expensive than the cultivation of land where it is necessary to introduce a soil culture system calculated to conserve all the natural rainfall.

It is true that there have been farmers who, after practicing irrigation for a few years, abandoned their system to again commence farming under natural rainfall conditions. I have in mind several farmers in Colorado who abandoned irrigation. They were not practical irrigationists, however, and in almost every instance used water indiscriminately and ruined their crops. Furthermore, they depended too much on the water and neglected cultivation. A competent irrigationist who also understands the value of rational soil culture, never abandons his water right in favor of even a copious natural rainfall, which cannot be regulated to meet the needs of individual crops.

A building boom is on in Merritt.

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Provincial and General.

Probably at no time in the history of this country has the mining situation in the Boundary and the Kootenays looked quite so satisfactory as at present. There is no boom, and what is more one is not wanted, but there is a distinct revival in the mining industry, based, not on the efforts of wildcatters, but on legitimate values. — Nelson News.

Morley Jull, a poultry expert, has been appointed by the provincial government to have charge of that section of the department of agriculture. The new official is a native of Ontario. He graduated from the agricultural college at Guelph, and later became professor of poultry at Virginia Agricultural college. He will give attention to Farmers' Institute work and other duties in the agricultural department.

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LOCAL NOTES.

1909 wheat for sale. J. R. Shaw.

Peaches are scarce, but we have some fine ones. The Big Store.

Chas. Anderson is W. Butler's successor in the Booster's Tonsorial Parlor.

At Coal Creek, near Fernie, twenty-three buildings, including the jail, were burned on Sunday. Loss \$200,000.

The rail-laying force now claims to be two days ahead of schedule time, in spite of the delays to which it has been subjected.

The first of this year's wheat crop to reach Keremeos arrived on Wednesday, when J. R. Shaw got in a quantity from W. H. Crook of Mar-ron Valley.

Eva Wade passed the entrance examination for the high school at Delta, Ont., at the head of a class of 75. Eva's friends in the school here will be glad to hear of her success.

The track-builders' steam shovel arrived on Tuesday and is being put in shape for immediate service as soon as the engine and cars for it follow, which it is expected will be in a day or two.

At J. A. Nesbitt's, Penticton—just received, all kinds of kites, complete and varied assortment of masks, dominoes, false noses and moustaches, suitable for masquerades; baseball goods, etc.

In the coming round of sittings of the County Court Fairview does not appear on the list, no business having been entered requiring a sitting there. Fairview owes Judge Brown a pair of white gloves.

A number of applications under the new Water Act have been made to the government office of this district, but none have yet been dealt with. For some unexplained reason the office has not yet been furnished with a statement of the scale of fees.

Notice has been received here that Prof. Craig, of Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y., will address a meeting on the 25th inst. at 8 o'clock p. m., in Steward's Hall, Penticton. The subject will be "Commercial Fruit Growing." Martin Burrell, M.P., will also be present.

Thos. Orchard, his sister Mrs. Bower, and his niece Miss Reta Bower, are guests at M. C. McAuley's, having driven over from Kelowna. They found the drive an arduous one, the roads being very poor between Kelowna and Penticton. At Summerland Miss Reta had the misfortune to have her valise stolen.

The rumor current a couple of weeks ago that contracts had been let for the Oroville-Wenatchee road was a little premature. The contracts are to be let to-day at St. Paul. The section from Oroville

to Brewster, the least difficult part of the road, will be proceeded with first. From Brewster to Wenatchee the water route by the Columbia river will probably be used for a while and the rails laid at such time as is found convenient.

While the Penticton stage was making its way southward on Saturday one of the horses fell sick about midway between Penticton and Clark's, and Driver Stirling was obliged to go on ahead to Clark's, a distance of seven miles, to get a fresh one, while the lonesome passenger put in the time as best he could. The stage arrived several hours late.

The long pending sale of the Nickel Plate mine and plant and reduction works at Hedley was consummated on Friday the 13th inst., in impious defiance of the great god Hoodoo. The new owners will undoubtedly greatly enlarge the scale of operations, and it is believed will build a smelter. We are informed from various sources that the price paid was \$1,000,000, also \$4,000,000, likewise \$6,500,000, as well as something less than a million. The one thing important to know is that the new owners intend to throw on the high gear.

Bruce, of Vancouver Saturday Sunset, announces that he is about to make a tour of the Similkameen and adjacent country, coming in this week by way of Princeton. For some time past Bruce has been hammering into the heads of the Coast people the vital fact that while they are looking at far distant fields of trade they remain comfortably blind to the possibilities of their own immediate hinterland. At present he is publishing a series of entertaining and instructive articles, based on personal observation, on the upper country on the Hope route, and his present trip will doubtless be followed by a further description of the lower valleys. The Similkameen is much indebted to Bruce for his persistent advocacy of its claims to a larger share of attention from the powers that be, and for making known to the world its importance in the scheme of provincial development. It is not quite so certain now as it was a short time ago that if you tell a Vancouverite you are from Keremeos he will reply, "Ker—Kere—that's a new one on me. How d'ye spell it?"

The Hindoo who murdered Sir C. Wylie was hanged on Tuesday.

Report from Rock Creek says the Kettle River Fruit Co. is bringing in Japs to work on its lands.

Next year's convention of the Western Canada Irrigation Association will be held at Kamloops.

Phoenix is a clean little city. If you have an old tin can or any rubbish that would be unsightly all you have to do is to let go of it.—Grand Forks Gazette.

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GAME LAWS.

WHEREAS section 23 of the "Game Protection Act, 1898," enacts that it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council from time to time to make rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, for carrying out the true intent and meaning thereof, and for the protection of game in the Province:

It is hereby ordered by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, by and with the advice of his Executive Council, and in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in His Honour by the said Act, as follows, that is to say—

That the hunting, killing or taking of Mountain Sheep in the Counties of Yale and Westminster shall be prohibited until the 31st day of August, 1911.

That the disabilities as to the shooting of Duck of all kinds, Geese and Snipe, with respect to the Mainland and the Islands adjacent thereto, shall be removed from the 1st day of September, 1909, to the 28th day of February, 1910, both days inclusive.

That the disabilities as to the shooting of Grouse of all kinds (except Prairie Chicken) with respect to the Mainland (except East and West Kootenay), and the Islands adjacent thereto, shall be removed from the 15th day of October to the 31st December, 1909, both days inclusive.

That the disabilities as to the shooting of Deer on the Mainland and the Islands adjacent thereto shall be removed from the 1st day of September, 1909, to the 15th day of December, 1909, both days inclusive.

That the disabilities as to the sale of Deer on the Mainland shall be removed from the 1st day of September, 1909, to the 15th day of November, 1909, both days inclusive.

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