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Things in General

In an interview given to the Daily News appearing on Nov. 21st., Mr. W. J. Brandrith, secy of the B. C. Fruit Growers' Association, seeks to defend Mr. James Johnstone and the Fruit and Produce Exchange of British Columbia more familiarly known as the Central Exchange. Mr. Brandrith seeks to lay all the blame for the non-success which attended this seasons operations wholly upon the local association and the growers. We are willing to admit that so far as the packing of the cars is concerned the management of the local association were to blame in a large measure but will Mr. Brandrith explain why the agents of the Central Exchange allowed these cars to remain unloaded for as long, in some cases, as 36 hours after arrival. Further, local growers would like to know why their fruit was sold at any old price to beat out competitors. Further, they would like to know why two months after the last car was shipped the Central Exchange should report that they have lost two cars of berries which up to the present have not been found and for which they cannot account although consigned to their agents. Again, can they explain why other associations than Kootenay have had similar trouble and in consequence of such trouble have turned the Central Exchange down? The Kootenay Fruit Growers' Association certainly has to blame itself for some of the failures but the larger percentage is with the Central Organization and had the local association been fully advised that the promises of the Central Exchange could and would not be kept when they found that they could not keep them then the local association would not have made the mistakes that they did, as they undoubtedly would have looked more closely after their own interests instead of relying upon the Central Exchange. When the Central Exchange can answer all these questions to the satisfaction of the local fruit growers then, but not till then, will they be willing to shoulder the blame.

Mr. Brandrith seeks to argue that because Mr. James Johnstone failed to realize more than 60 cents per box for his cherries sent to the Calgary fair that that is one of the reasons why poor prices were realized. Would it surprise Mr. Brandrith to know that cherries sent at the same time to the fair arrived in good condition were sold for $1.50 after being on show for several days. Mr. Johnstone has been blamed, and many think rightly so, because of the fact that he, being president of the Exchange did not go to the headquarters when he learned of there being trouble, instead of which he stayed at home and has on more than one occasion stated at local fruit growers meetings that he was as much in the dark as the local association. Mr. Johnstone as president of the Exchange and owing to personal promises which he gave, had a duty to proform towards not only the Kootenay Association but to all the members of the Exchange, and was his duty to be in Revelstoke when he knew how seriously affairs had developed.

Mr. Johnstone has been accused of all manner of wrong doings but no more so than have others of the directors of the local association. It is to be deplored that such should have been the case and such conduct on the point of irresponsible members of the association does not tend toward harmony and good relations. All right thinking men regret this but it does not give Mr. Branrith or any other person license to place all the blame for the great loss of this season on the growers.

In a long interview between Hon. R. Lemieux and Sir Edward Grey, the British Foreign Secretary, concerning the Japanese question. Sir Edward expressed the great satisfaction of the Imperial Government with the manner in which the Liberal Government in Canada has handled this extremely delicate question. The Liberals have attained their object of excluding the Japanese from Canada and at the same time have succeeded in keeping up the friendly relations between this country, England and Japan. It is a diplomatic and political achievement of which any government may well be proud. A wire from Ottawa gives the following statistics regarding the number of Japanese immigrants into Canada during the past seven months of the fiscal year.

April to October, inclusive, was 434, composed of 285 men, 123 women and 26 children. For the corresponding period of last year the Japanese immigration was 6,648 and the decrease this year is, therefore, 6,214, showing the complete effectiveness of the arrangement concluded by Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux. That the total even reaches this small number is due to the fact that nearly all the Japanese who are now able to enter the Dominion do so from the West Indies and other countries and over whom the Japanese Government has, of course, no power.

Rumours continue to come to hand from the east to the effect that it is extremely probable that Sir Wilfred Laurier will shortly retire from public life and entrust the premiership to a younger member of the party. It is said that the great liberal leader intends to remain at the head of the present government until the immediately projected undertakings of the party are well under way, so that they may be carried on as if he were still actively engaged in politics.

Whether this report is correct or not Sir Wilfred, when he does retire into the calm and peaceful waters of private life, may do so with the assurance that he carries with him the gratitude and respect of all Canadians, irrespective of party or creud, who will long honor the memory of the noble man who has for so many years so unselfishly and disinterestedly devoted his life and his magnificent intellect to the progress and wellbeing of his country.

Rumour also has it that the Hon. R. L. Borden intends to retire from the public eye at an early date. We understand that the conservative leader's health suffered considerably during the turmoil and rush of the late election and that he has been warned by his medical advisers that another big political campaign might result in a complete break down. If Mr. Borden is compelled to give up his position as leader of the opposition it seems very likely that the next conservative general will be chosen from the West. In this connection both the Hon. R. L. McBride and Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper have been mentioned as likely men. The former's gift for organization would undoubtedly be of benefit to the party but Sir Hibbert Tupper might be more acceptable to the conseravites generally and his debating powers would certainly ensure him some measurue of success. However it is difficult to make an accurate forecast at this early date. It is however, well known in political circles that there existed a long standing private fieud between Sir Hibbert Tupper and Mr. McBride and if there is a fight for the position between the two gentlemen it is certain that the contest will be a bitter one. Sir Hibbert's grievance against Premier McBride dates back a good many years, but the Tuckers are not of the breed that "turn the other cheek" and forget; they have long memories for the sins of their enemies and it may be that the time for which Sir Hibbert has waited has come. But before speculating further it is perhaps wisest to wait until R. L. Borden definitely announces his retirement.

The definite announcement this past week by mayor Taylor that he will be leaving Nelson to permanently reside in Vancouver has been received with much regret by the citizens of Nelson, although it has not come unexpectedly as it had been rumoured for some time. Mr. Taylor has been identified with the city for eleven years past and during the past year has occupied the highest position of honor in the gift of the city. It is not too much to say that mayor Taylor's term of office will long be remembered in the history of the affairs of the city, by reason of the cleaning up of the matters in dispute over the power plant and the commencement of the second unit. Mayor Taylor will be much missed and Nelson's loss will be Vancouver's gain.

It is a remarkable fact that within the year Nelson will have lost at least three, practically four lawyers counting W. Galliher, ex-M. P., many are speculating over the reason. Is it because the citizens have become wise and foresworn the delights of litigation or is it that Vancouver offers a wider field? There are rumours afloat that other leading lights of the law in Nelson will also be shortly leaving for the coast cities.

With the advent of the snow, coasting down the side walks began in earnest this past week and pedestrians in negotiating the steep grades going home had much difficulty at times and were more often than not compelled to take to the roads rather than risk a probable collision with some ardent and juvenile coaster.

It is satisfactory to note that the police and the council have decided to restrict the practice and to reserve the side walks for pedestrians. We cannot altogether agree with the drastic resolution as it seems a shame that the boys and girls should be deprived of their sport, but it is very right that the sidewalks should be preserved to pedestrians as it is no easy task to climb the hills when snow is on the ground and in addition to make the sidewalks like ice is no joke to those attempting to get home. It is to be hoped that without unduly interfering with the children's sport a check will be put upon this practice.

The current issue of the Kootenay Liberal is the last under the present management. The next issue, Dec. 14, will be under the management of Mr. A. W. Dyer. We bespeak for the incoming management the same courtesy and patronage which has been extended to us. Mr. Dyer, who is well known in Kootenay, will publish weekly, paying special attention to mining, lumbering and the fruit industry. Twelve years experience in journalism in Kootenay fully qualifies Mr. Dyer to undertake the publication of such a weekly newspaper as described and it is with confidence in his ability to render the required service to the public that we ask that the interest of our patrons be continued to him.

Gold Coins For Canada

That Canadian gold coins will soon be an assured fact is made apparent by the visit to the Pacific slope of Mr. R. Pearson, chief assayer in the Ottawa mint, who has been travelling through the Kootenay and Boundary, with the object of investigating the gold resources of the lower part of the province.

Mr. Pearson states that almost the entire production of gold in the Dominion would be required for the manufacture of coins at Ottawa.

Paper bills, will still be used after the introduction of gold coins, but it is believed that gold money will be more generally preferred.

The British Columbia Curling Association held their annual meeting at the Hume Hotel on Wednesday afternoon last when it was decided to hold the Annual Bonspiel at Rossland this year to commence probably Tuesday January 19th.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.

I hereby certify that "The Kootenay Engineering Works, Limited," has this day been incorporated under the "Companies Act, 1897," as a Limited Company, with a capital of fifty thousand dollars, divided into five thousand shares of ten dollars each.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this second day of November, one thousand nine hundred and eight.

[L.S.] S. Y. WOOTTON
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies

The following are the objects for which the Company has been incorporated:—

(a) To acquire, purchase and carry on the foundry and engineering business now carried on by the Kootenay Engineering Works at Nelson, British Columbia, and to purchase the whole buildings, lease, plant, contracts, stock in trade, goodwill, property and assets of the said business of the Kootenay Engineering Works, and to pay such price as may be agreed upon between this Company and the Kootenay Engineering Works, which price may be paid either in cash or in shares of this Company, or partly in cash and partly in shares, as may be agreed on.

(b) To carry on the business of iron founders, mechanical engineers, bridge builders, tramway builders, manufacturers of agricultural implements and other machinery, tool makers, brass founders, metal workers, boiler makers, millwrights, machinists, wood workers, iron and steel converters, smiths, builders, painters, metallurgists, electrical engineers, water supply engineers, general contractors and builders, lumbermen mill operators and owners, storekeepers wholesale or retail merchants, and to buy sell, manufacture, repair, convert, alter, let or hire, and deal in machinery, implements, rolling stock, hardware of all kinds, supplies, lumber, timber, timber limits or licenses, and to carry on any other business which may seem to the Company capable of being carried on conveniently in connection with the above, or otherwise calculated, directly or indirectly, to enhance the value of any of the Company's property and rights for the time being.

(c) To carry on any business relating to the winning and working of any minerals, the production and working of metals, and the production, manufacture and preparation of any other materials, which may be usefully or conveniently combined with the engineering or manufacturing business of the Company or any contracts undertaken by the Company.

(d) To undertake and execute any contracts for works involving the supply or use of any machinery, timber or building material, and to carry out any ancillary or other works comprised in or necessitated by such contracts.

(e) To purchase, take or lease or otherwise acquire lands, easements and rights to water, timber and otherwise in connection with lands, together with buildings and appurtenances to lands; to acquire and erect buildings, houses and works; to construct, lease or otherwise acquire in connection therewith or separately, roads, canals, lakes, waterways and wells, and generally to work, improve and develop the Company's property, and to sell or otherwise dispose of the same or any part thereof.

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(g) To carry on business of timber merchants and saw mill proprietors, and to buy, sell, prepare for market, and deal in timber and wood of all kinds, and to manufacture and deal in articles of all kinds in the manufacture of which timber or wood is used.

(h) To acquire, manufacture, work, let or hire, or otherwise dispose of plant, machinery, apparatus and materials of every kind for the production and distribution of electricity and for the application of electricity to the separation of metals and ores, as well as for lighting, heating and motive power, and other cognate purposes.

(i) To sell, grant, let or exchange, surrender or otherwise dispose of absolutely or conditionally or for any limited estate or interest all or any part of the Company's undertaking, lands, properties (real or personal), and assets, or to purchase the business of any other company, firm or person carrying on any business included in the objects of the Company, and all or any part of the property or estate thereof as a going concern or otherwise.

(j) To apply for, purchase or otherwise acquire any patents, brevets d'invention, licence, concessions and the like conveying any exclusive or non-exclusive or limited right to use, or any secret or other information as to any invention which may seem capable of being used for any purposes of the Company, and to use, exercise, develop, or grant licenses in respect of or otherwise turn to account the property, rights and information so acquired.

(k) To issue shares as fully or partly paid up for property or rights acquired by the Company, for work done or services rendered to or on behalf of the Company, or for any valuable consideration other than the actual cash payment of cash.

(l) To borrow money for the purpose of carrying out the objects of the Company, and to execute mortgages and pledges of the Company's real and personal property, rights and powers; to issue debentures secured by mortgages, pledge or otherwise; to sign bills, notes, contracts and other evidences of or security for money borrowed or to be borrowed, by them for the purposes aforesaid, and to pledge debentures as security for temporary loans, and to give, enter into or deal with any of the securities mentioned in or covered by the "Bank Act;" and the powers given by this sub-section shall be exercisable by the directors for the time being of the Company.

(m) To do all or any of the above things as principals, agents, contractors or otherwise, and by or through agents, trustees or otherwise, either alone or in conjunction with others.

(n) To distribute any or all of the assets of the Company among the members in specie.

(o) To promote any company or companies for the purpose of acquiring all or any of the property and liabilities of this Company, or for any other purpose that may seem, directly or indirectly, calculated to benefit this Company.

(p) To pay out of the funds of the Company all expenses incidental to the formation, registration and advertising of the Company and the issue of its capital, including brokerage and commissions for obtaining application for or placing shares.

(q) To procure the Company to be registered in any place or country.

(r) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

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Mining Notes

Of the 67 metal mines that paid devidends of $23,799,841 in 10 months this year, and $417,037,097 since their incorporation with a capitalization of $207,105,133 according to a careful compilation by the Mining World, the copper properties lead. Eighteen copper mines sent to their shareholders so far this year checks for $14,986,002 which brings the total dividends declared since organization to $314,030,906, while the current issued capital is only $37,097,000.

Indications are that 15 cent copper is nearer at hand than 60 cent silver, though both are dependent somewhat upon the resumption of buying by interests that were scared from the market by the panic last fall. The restoration of confidence in copper, as in other products of the mining industry, is slow but sure and now that the presidential election is over, the rehabilitation of the metal markets ought to be hastened somewhat.

The chief mines working at McGuigan are the Rio and the Rambler. The latter is steadily completing development work and shipping about 160 tons a month. This is not as much as might be sent out but owing to the low prices of silver and lead only enough is being shipped to pay working expenses and interest on capital.

The Blue Bell at Riondel are working 3 shifts daily and sending out a barge load of concentrates each week.

A tunnel has recently been run 150 feet on the Sally group at Beaverdell. The face of the tunnel is all in ore and it is expected that there are from 50 to 60 feet of stoping ground above it. It is probable that the shipments from the Sally will this winter exceed those of any previous year.

There are nineteen men working at the Westmount at Slocan. The last two cars shipped averaged 453 ounces silver and $2 gold. It is reported that the Crofton smelter will recommence operations about the beginning of the new year.

The Reco mine at Sandon is in a position to ship a carload of ore a day all through the winter. Shipments are at present hampered on account of the ore having to be packed down and the pack train is inadequate to handle even 25 per cent. of the tonnage that can be produced. A pile of 5,000 sacks is ready for rawhiding as soon as sufficient snow falls.

The Eureka, which is the property of the Trail Smelter, is employing a fair number of men and making regular shipments.

Mr. F. J. Moody, who is at present in Vancouver has been over a great deal of the interior and has apparently kept his eyes open wherever he has been. He is at present chiefly interested in a mica mine, north of Revelstoke, in the Big Bend country. A company has been formed in Calgary to work this property and as good mica mines are scarce prospects are promising. The mica is of excellent quality, free from iron, which makes it particularly suitable for electrical work, and is found in big sheets.

Besides specimens from the mica mine Mr. Moody has a nice sample of sodalite, from near Field. This is also somewhat rare. It polishes like marble and shows much prettier coloring than granite, the blue markings being very beautiful. There is a 6,000 foot ledge, 23 to 40 feet wide, where this specimen came from. Another pretty sample is from a copper-gold lead Mr. Moody found south of Golden, this lead is from 15 to 20 feet and has been traced 15 miles. Mr. Moody has also some very odd-looking phosphate crystals found near the mica mine. Perhaps one of his prettiest specimens is a bit from a copper-silver-gold proposition north of Beaver. The heaviest specimen for its size Mr. Moody got from Spallumcheen. It is of a 4 to 8-inch pay streak, and goes $20 in gold and 30 per cent. copper.

We understand that the government intends to take action against the false and sensational reports sent out by unprincipled correspondents to various papers outside Canada. Recent exaggerations which have been wired to Chicago, Spokane San Francisco, etc., have made it appear that the Canadian west has lately passed through a terrible storm, that the country was completely tied up and that the transportation facilities were demorlized.

There is no punishment sufficiently heavy for the man who, in order to make a few paltry cents, wilfully and basely defames his country and it is hoped that vigorous action will be taken and the offenders brought to book. It is suggested that the act of parliament which makes the sending of false dispatches a criminal offense may be amended during the coming session so that these decriers of their country may be more easily reached and justly punished.

B. C. has at various times suffered and is still suffering considerably in this direction, though not, we are glad to say, through the efforts of newspaper correspondents. The "knocker" in this province is usually the man who, coming from another country, starts in business with no experience and without an idea as to the nature of the work upon which he is setting out. He knows nothing of the land, of our commercial methods, of transportation or of social conditions but wrapped in his sublime self conceit imagines that because he is in a practically virgin country he has only to buy a ranch, or a store, or set up in any other business, to be in a position in a few months to "buck the universe" and return to his native country a colonial millionaire. For a man who commences business in B. C. with such ideas as these and totally inexperienced there can only be one result and that is failure.

It is among this class of men that we find our "knockers" out of sympathy with the conditions of the province and disappointed in the result of their ill considered undertakings, they endeavor to vent their spleen by writing annoymous letters to papers in other countries, basely attempting to make intending settlers to see this magnificient country with its enormous possibilities through their own jundiced eyes. If such men are unable to refrain from hostily rushing into print let them at least show the courage of their convictions and sign their misleading effusions.

But we hope that the projected alternation in the present law, mentioned above, will be formulated in such a manner that "knockers" of all kinds will be so heavly punished that they will find it expedient to put a check upon the vagaries of their pens or to leave the the country and find other fields for their noble exertions.

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Application for entry must be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the district in which the land is situate. Entry by proxy may, however, be made at an Agency on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

The homesteader is required to perform the homestead duties under one of the following plans:

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

(2) A homesteader, may, if he so desires, perform the required residence duties by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent in the vicinity of his homestead. Joint ownership in land will not meet this requirement.

(3) If the father or mother, if the father is deceased, of a homesteader has permanent residence on farming land owned solely by him, not less than (80) eighty acres in extent in the vicinity of the homestead, or upon a homestead entered for by him in the vicinity, such homesteader may perform his own residence duties by living with the father or mother.

(4) The term "vicinity" in the two preceding paragraphs is defined as meaning not more than nine miles in a direct line, exclusive of the width of road allowances crossed in the measurement.

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The head office of the Company is situate at the City of Edmonton, in the Province of Alberta.

The amount of the capital of the Company is one hundred thousand dollars, divided into one thousand shares of one undred dollars each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate at Nelson, and Jame O'Shea, barrister at law, whose address is Nelson, B. C., is the attorney for the Company.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 27th day of October, one thousand nine hundred and eight.

[L.S.] S. Y. WOOTON
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies

The objects for which this Company has been established and licensed are:

(a) To acquire and take over as a going concern, and to continue the operation of the business carried on at the cities of Edmonton and Calgary, in the Province of Alberta, under the style and firm of Gorman, Glancey and Grindley, as warehousemen, builders' supply agents, commission men, agents for all manner and classes of builders' hardware, plumbing supplies, building materials, stone, brick, lime, cement, plaster, sewer tile, roofing, lumber, shingles, lath and structural steel.

(b) To carry on the trades and businesses of iron masters, steel makers, steel converters, colliery proprietors, coke manufacturers, miners, smelters, engineers, builders of cars and locomotives, tin plate makers and iron founders in all their respective branches, and dealers in electrical and mechanical machinery, equipments and supplies of all kinds.

(c) To carry on the usiness of electricians, mechanical engineers and manufacturers, and workers and dealers in electricity, and to carry on the business of an electric power and lighting company in all its branches.

(d) To carry on the business of architects, designers, consulting and civil engineers, draughtsmen, transitmen, contractors, builders and decorators, including the erection and construction of railroads, canals, reservoirs, water works and so forth.

(e) To carry on the business of general merchants, and the business of milling and manufacturing grain of all kinds and descriptions into flour, meal, feed and other products.

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(h) To buy and sell, take on lease, exchange, hire or otherwise acquire, either as principals or on commission as agents for other persons, all kinds of farm and ranch land, or town or city real estate.

(i) To purchase or otherwise acquire any landed property in the Province of Alberta; to test, prospect and bore for oil, gas, coal and water, for minerals, or an, of them, to acquire, manage, develoy work and sell mines, mineral claims ap, mining properties, and to win, get, trend refine and market minerals there from.at,

(j) To carry on the business of a telephone and of a telegraph company, and to transmit and receive and to facilitate the transmission and reception of telephone and telegraph communications over and along the line or lines to be constructed by the Company.

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(l) To acquire and undertake the whole or any part of the business, property and liabilities of any person, firm or corporation, now or hereafter carrying on all or any business that this person is authorized to carry on.

(m) To possess property, movable or immovable, suitable for all or any of the purposes of this Company.

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For Fruit Growers

The following is an extract from a lecture delivered to Okanagan fruit growers at the end of last week by Mr. Bryden of Victoria.

Mr. Bryden stated that his personal experience had led him to the belief that one-year-old trees were preferable for planting to those of older growth. With a tree of this age the fruit grower was master of the situation from the start, and could train and prune it to suit his own ideas.

He strongly advocated a strict system of clean cultivation in the orchard, showing that by thoroughly and frequently working up the land during the summer months and keeping a dust mulch on it, the moisture was conserved in a wonderful degree, and the orchard became practically independent of rain or irrigation. In the first year he claimed that a strip 8 feet wide from the rows of the trees should be kept cleanly cultivated, and the intervening space sown in peas, oats or clover with the idea of enriching the land by adding humus and nitrogen to the soil. Red clover was the orchardist's best friend.

As to spraying, a double strong bordeaux mixture should be thoroughly applied in the fall, after which winter prune, painting the wounds; first thing in the spring spray with lime, sulphur and salt; again when the buds began to swell, with 1 lb. of arsenate of lead and 50 gallons of water; again, except apple trees, after blossoms began to fall with bordeaux mixture in proportions of 3 lbs. bluestone and 4 of lime, he would spray the apple trees about a month after blossoms had fallen with the same bordeaux mixture with 1 lb. of arsenate of lead mixed in.

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Locals

R. M. McDonald leaves for the coast to-night and Mrs. McDonald follows next week.

Local merchants announce that business has been much brisker of late and that the Christmas trade is doing well.

The inside work in the new Methodist Church is being pushed forward and contractor Gillett states that services will be held in the building on Christmas day if the necessary glass for the windows arrive.

Since his return from the coast, mayor S. S. Taylor has definitely announced that he will leave Nelson early next year and will proceed to the coast where he will start a new law firm. Much regret is expressed by the citizens of Nelson at the announcement.

The men's meeting held in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church on Sunday afternoon last was largely attended and the very lucid and able address delivered by principal McKay, of Westminster on the subject "Jesus Christ and the Social Question" was intently listened to. Mayor Taylor made an able chairman and an appropriate solo was sung by Mr. Holloway.

Work on the new school building is going on apace and in order to give the contractor a chance to complete the building by the close of the Xmas holidays the school will not close as early this year, in all probability the closing exercises not taking place till Xmas eve.

The fall of snow and accompanying cold spell this week has caused local hockey enthusiasts and skaters in general to get out their paraphernalia in anticipation of early use.

The Empire Moving Picture Show put on some very excellent films this week, in addition Prudence Eden, a professional soprano, late of the Orpheum Circuit in the United States, sang very tastefully some splendid illustrated songs. Miss Eden has a very pleasing and rich voice and uses it to the best advantage. Her singing has been much admired and the management is being congratulated on this splendid acquisition to its programme. Miss Eden also sang as leading soprano soloist at Trinity Episcopal Methodist Church, in Denver and has appeared as a soloist at Butte, Montana, and Spokane, Wash.

The ladies of the Methodist church gave a very successful social to the ladies of the church last Wednesday afternoon, there being a large attendance.

One is being made aware that Christmastide is drawing near by the fine displays of Christmas goods being exhibited by the local merchants in their windows.

Correspondents are invited to address letters to the Kootenay Liberal on matters of general local interest. We must request, owing to shortness of space, that correspondents make their communications as concise as possible.

The Kootenay Liberal learns that it was in error last week in connecting Mr. Smith Curtis with the lead bounty administratorship as he is not an applicant for that or any other office, but intends to devote his time to his land and mining interests.

The Canadian government will be represented at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition to be held at Seattle from June to October 1909. The space to be occupied and building to be erected will be the largest on the grounds.

Nelson is to be favored with a new butchery enterprise which will be opened on Baker Street shortly.

F. J. Dean's new house on Hoover Street is now complete and he is now busy moving in.

If the present cold snap continues local curlers anticipate some sport in a day or so.

C. F. McHardy, of McDermid and McHardy, arrived back from a visit to the prairie on Wednesday night last.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lamont left this week for San Diego, California where they will sojourn for the winter. Mr. Lamont has been in indifferent health for some months past and it is hoped that the change will be beneficial.

The completion of the sale of the local improvement debentures took place on Wednesday last. These debentures were sold by McDermid and McHardy for 100-cents on the dollar, net in Nelson with accrued interest and with no charges or expenses. This is an indication of how Nelson is regarded by eastern financiers and it also leaves the city free of any offerings of securities on the market at the present time.

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