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REDISTRIBUTION BILL.

West Kootenay Gets Two Members by the Change.

VICTORIA, Feb. 16.—The one great event of the day and of the session in the Legislature, was the presentation of the Redistribution Bill, which is now before the House. This anxiously anticipated measure provides that the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia shall, as at present, consist of 33 members; of these nineteen will under the new order of things represent the Mainland and fourteen Vancouver Island, the present Redistribution Bill forsaking the idea of balance of representation by taking two seats from the Island and giving them to the Mainland.

The Westminster electoral district is to include four ridings, viz., Delta, Chilliwack, Richmond and Dewdney, each returning one member. New Westminster city is given one member, Vancouver city three members, Victoria city four members, and Nanaimo city one member. The Yale electoral district is divided into east, west and north Ridings, each returning one member. Lillooet, east and west Ridings, returns but two members.

North, south and east Kootenay three members. Cariboo (undivided into ridings) two members. Cassiar one member. North Victoria district one member. South Victoria one member. Esquimalt (undivided) two members. Cowichan, inclusive of Flores, Vargets, Mares, Tzaartoos and Deer Islands; all islands in and between Clayouquot, Barclay Sound and adjacent thereto, including what is at present known as the Alberni District, two members.

The division of the former district of West Kootenay into ridings is to be accomplished in the following manner: Commencing at the western boundary of the district, the fiftieth parallel is to constitute the boundary north and south as far east as the divide between the Arrow and Slocan Lakes, from this point the dividing line is to be continued on the watersheds to the eastern boundary of the district.

This will throw Nakusp into the northern riding and New Denver into the southern riding, and in voting strength though but equal in representation the southern riding will outnumber the northern riding two to one.

Following is a comparative list of the members under the old and new regimes:

DISTRICT.	OLD.	NEW.
Alberni.....	1	Nil
Cariboo.....	3	2
Cassiar.....	1	1
Comox.....	1	1
Cowichan.....	2	2
Esquimalt.....	2	2
Kootenay.....	2	3
Lillooet.....	2	2
Nanaimo City.....	1	1
Nanaimo District.....	2	2
New Westminster.....	1	1
Westminster District.....	3	4
Vancouver.....	2	3
Victoria City.....	4	4
Victoria District.....	2	2
Yale.....	3	3
The Islands.....	1	Nil

School Board Meeting.

The public school board, consisting of Messrs. McDougald, Jordan and Muirhead met in T. Abriel's office last Thursday evening. The meeting was called principally for the passing of accounts and the preparation of a statement relative to the building fund of the school, which is given in detailed form in another part of this issue. On motion of Messrs. Jordan and Muirhead, it was resolved that the accounts be presented to the auditor, T. Abriel, and duly passed, and that a copy of the statement of the financial standing of the school be forwarded to Superintendent of Education Pope at Victoria; also that a copy of the same be given THE LEDGE for publication. Mr. Abriel examined the accounts and declared them correct. It was then resolved that a vote of thanks be tendered D. McGillivray for his donation of a fine box stove to the school, free of all expense. After desultory conversation for some time the board adjourned to meet again some night during this month.

On Sunday divine services were held in the schoolhouse, Rev. Mr. Birks officiating. Rev. Jas. Turner will be here in three weeks.

The mild weather of this week has caused the ice on the lake to break up in many places, thus enabling the Arrow to resume her trips north. It is believed the Lytton will commence running again in two weeks.

Born.—In Nakusp, on Feb. 28th, the wife of G. E. Boswell, of a bouncing baby boy, weighing 11½ lbs., and the picture of his daddy in a thousand different ways. Mother and son doing well, under the efficient care of Mr. Hesketh.

T. Daly came in from Vancouver by way of Revelstoke on Saturday, having to row down from the head of the lake. He reported that there was but little ice at the other end. Large quantities of freight are at Bannock Point awaiting the steamer.

KASLO IN ASHES.

Almost the Entire Business Portion of the City Wiped Out.

Visitors in town this week from Kaslo tell of a great calamity which befel that city early Sunday morning, when almost the entire business portion was wiped out by fire.

The blaze started in the rear of the Bon Ton restaurant about 1:45 a.m., and spread with lightning rapidity in every direction. A general alarm was sounded and every man turned out to fight the flames, but the heavy wind blowing at the time made every such effort utterly futile. Attention was then paid to removing the stocks and furniture from the various buildings, but comparatively little was saved.

Bucket brigades were formed to the lake, while men were kept on the roofs in a vain endeavor to check the advancing flames. The fire traveled the entire length of Front street, wiping out every building on the north side between Third and Fourth streets, and, crossing over, burned from Fletcher's corner to the Leland House, which, with the remaining buildings to Wilson's, were saved after Herculean efforts.

Byer's hardware store was blown up with 150 pounds of gunpowder, in order to preserve the wharf and Wilson's store, and of the immense stock it contained only 15 kegs of nails were removed. All the windows in the vicinity were shattered by the explosion.

The total loss is away up in the thousands, with comparatively little insurance, almost all the policies having been cancelled a few weeks ago. The Byers Co. had \$8,000 insurance on their stock and building; H. Giegerich, \$3,000; and G. O. Buchanan, \$2,000 on his block. Archie Fletcher will re-build at once, as will also H. Giegerich, but it is doubtful if any of the others will.

At 6 o'clock there was scarcely anything left but a few charred timbers where but a few hours before had stood the business emporiums of British Columbia's youngest city. The burned district contained nine hotels, several large stores, and innumerable restaurants, offices, etc.

Incendiarism is believed to have been the cause of the conflagration, as the Bon Ton had been on fire three times in as many weeks. Several persons were arrested and locked up for purloining goods during the excitement.

Many persons enjoyed a fine skate, at the point on Friday and Saturday

THE CLAIM JUMPER.

An Episode in Mining Life in the Western States.

It was New Year's eve in camp, and the Gold Nugget saloon was doing a rushing business all along the line. Drinks were being rapidly dispensed over the bar, and in the rear, faro, roulette, and draw poker were flourishing.

"Pete" was in high humor tonight. He had "bucked the tiger" successfully and had quit enough ahead to work his claim in Corkscrew gulch.

True, he had not done his assessment work this year, and by law any one could "jump" the "Lone Star" that very day at midnight. But Pete was not the man to be fooled with, as he had two graves to his credit in Doc Turner's ranch (the name applied to the cemetery in honor of a local doctor), which contained the remains of two "tenderfeet" who had "differed" with him and were accidentally shot. So the inhabitants of Galenasville concluded he was a safe man to let alone, and he laughed at the idea that anyone would be so foolish as to "commit suicide," as he termed it, by attempting to jump his claim, says the Colorado Sun.

The old year had but a few minutes to live when Hank Smith tied up his horse among the tall, snow-laden pine trees near the "Lone Star," and loosening the thongs which fastened a pick to the saddle, and transferring a couple of sticks of dynamite and some candles from the saddle-bags to his pockets, shouldered his pick and slowly mounted the rough and tortuous trail.

He had long awaited this moment. Four years ago he had owned the Lone Star himself, but sickness came and he could not work his assessment and when he returned to the prospect and found Pete, armed to the teeth, in possession, he had accepted his hard luck with good grace, but had "laid" for Pete ever since. But now, at last, his opportunity had come and he determined to regain his property and defend it at the risk of his life, if necessary.

The tunnel was soon reached, and the moonlight, shining aslant its dark mouth, easily disclosed to his eyes Pete's location stake.

He looked at his watch. It marked exactly midnight.

Reaching down he fiercely wrenched the stake from the ground and flung it from him down the mountain side.

He then lit a candle, and finding a board, quickly sharpened one end of it and smoothed off the broad end, wrote his location notice on it—rechristening the claim the "Bright Hopes" and planted the stake firmly in the ground.

Thinking he would go into the tunnel and "see how she looked," he took

up his candle and pick and started in.

Just as he did so he thought he heard a sweet, low, whistle. He paused and listened; some one was coming up the trail below whistling softly. Quickly dousing the light, he crouched behind a big boulder at the mouth of the tunnel and drew his revolver.

A few minutes later Pete stepped into view, with a week's supplies in a sack slung over his shoulders.

Before he could put his burden on the ground Hank rose up suddenly before him, with the muzzle of his revolver almost touching the other man's face.

"Hands up!" he cried. "I've got the drop on yer now."

Pete, seeing the other man had a full hand, promptly threw up his, and Hank deftly relieved him of his firearms.

"Tain't worth fighting about, anyhow," said Pete, carelessly. "There ain't a pound of ore in the hull claim."

"Oh, come off!" said Hank. "How about all that ore you shipped last summer?"

"That was out of a pocket I struck, which petered out mighty quick; but if you don't believe me, I'll go into the hole and show," and, taking a candle, Pete started into the tunnel, Hank following, but keeping his hand within easy reach of his gun.

The breast of the tunnel was soon reached, and Pete, holding his candle up before it said: "There, now, what did I tell yer? It's nuthin' but dead rock."

Hank took his candle and carefully examined the breast, roof and sides, but not a trace of mineral could be seen.

"You're welcome to her," said Pete, "I've blown in all the money I want o; you can have a blast at her now, if you want o."

Hank did not reply, but appeared to be lost in thought. Finally he said, "Hold my candle a minute, Pete," and taking up his pick in both hands, he struck the breast a heavy blow, and the rock and mud with which Pete had plastered it to fool curious and unwelcome visitors fell away, revealing a vein of glistening white metal.

Almost at the same instant there was a deafening report and Hank fell to the ground with a bullet through his heart.

Pete, with a smoking revolver in his hand which he had snatched from Hank's belt as he struck the blow, stood over him with a grim smile as he muttered "Another accident!"

But retribution was close at hand. The reverberations of the shot had hardly died away among the neighboring peaks when a rock which had long been loose, started by the sudden shock, fell from the roof, bringing tons of earth with it, and Pete and his third victim were crushed into a shapeless mass.

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To Develop the Mineral Resources of the Slocan.

W. C. Haywood has been telling the Seattle Telegraph how anxious the people of the Slocan are for the completion of two lines of railway to tap that district. One is the C.P.R. branch from Revelstoke, which runs south and is almost certain to form a through line by rail and water into the Slocan country during the year. The other is the Kaslo road started last summer, and is also sure to be built into the centre of the galena producing district during the ensuing season.

Mr. Haywood says that now they are shipping ore out of the district to Everett, Tacoma, Denver, Omaha, and even to Swansea, Wales, but most of the mine owners are content to work what they can, increasing their dumps and await the coming of the iron horse, which they regard with the utmost certainty will reach them this summer. Work is going on now on the road, clearing, rock cutting, etc.

There are 20 mines that are and have been shipping ore for some time. Mr. Haywood thinks that if the C.P.R. can give the mine owners a reasonably low rate most of the ore will go to Swansea, as there everything is saved. There is no certain per cent. of the value subtracted, but absolutely all the chemicals, lead, etc., are given. He names a probable rate of \$12 per ton.

Ore is now being shipped that runs from 150oz. to 1,000oz. per ton, and as the world already knows, the Slocan pays from the grass roots. A vein has never yet been known to pinch out. The reverse is true: they widen and improve.

A Big Contract.

Dan McGillivray has closed a contract with a placer company operating in the Horsefly country to construct a 17-mile ditch. On this he will set 300 men to work so soon as the frost is out of the ground. This is calculated to relieve the overstocked labor market in Vancouver.

The Bubble Has Burst.

J. C. Lawrence, who left Whatcom, Wash., about November bound for South Africa, has returned, having only gone as far as London. There he heard such discouraging reports that his gold fever was effectually cooled. He says Jim Wardner was a passenger from Cape Town on a steamer that left in December, and he believes that he is now in Milwaukee. Thus ends another dream of millions for many.

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" " Thursdays 3 p. m.
Arriving at Kaslo 7 p. m.
" " Saturdays 9 a. m.
Arriving at Kaslo 1 p. m.

INWARD.

Leaves Kaslo Mondays 9 a. m.
Arriving at Nelson 1 p. m.
" " Tuesdays 9 a. m.
Arriving at Nelson 1 p. m.
" " Thursdays 9 a. m.
Arriving at Nelson 1 p. m.
" " Fridays 9 a. m.
Arriving at Nelson 1 p. m.
" " Saturdays at 3 p. m.
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THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1894.

HISTORY OF THE KOOTENAY.

A complete history of the Kootenay country, from the earliest days to the present time, is being compiled by R. T. Lowery. Experienced men with valuable information would confer a favor by sending their address to this office.

KASLO'S GREAT CALAMITY.

By reference to another part of this issue it will be seen that the city of Kaslo has been visited by the all-devouring fire fiend, which devastated almost the entire business section of the community, destroying many fine buildings and entailing a loss of several thousand dollars. In this respect the peculiar experience that seems to be the portion of western towns has at length been apportioned to our unfortunate sister hamlet.

But, alas! how totally unprepared the citizens were for it, inasmuch as there was an entire lack of proper appliances wherewith to successfully combat the flames. We fear, too, that in many cases the loss incurred means bitter failure and perhaps ruin; but let us hope that good may spring from evil, and that, phoenix like, a more substantial and enduring city may rise upon the ashes of what has been.

The people of Nakusp join with those of the district in their expressions of sympathy with the sufferers. And just here we would urge upon our fellow-townsmen the necessity of organizing a fire brigade and securing the necessary paraphernalia to overcome a conflagration, for there is no telling when the scenes enacted in Kaslo last Sunday may be repeated here.

WEST KOOTENAY DIVIDED.

The Redistribution Bill has at last been laid before the Legislature, and by this time its provisions are pretty generally known. Exactly the same number of representatives will have to be elected under the new order of things as formerly, but the Island has

lost two members, they having been transferred to the Mainland, Vancouver getting one and West Kootenay the other.

This district has been divided into two ridings, to be known as the Revelstoke and Nelson electoral divisions, the latter having about double the voting strength of the former. Unfortunately for us, we believe, Nakusp has been placed in the Revelstoke division, while New Denver and Three Forks go into the south. It will probably be of little moment whether we protest or not against this slicing of the district, but it must be patent to all that our interests are entirely with the south, and that, comparatively speaking, we have nothing in common with the Revelstoke people.

Of course the point is advanced from various quarters that the north division will now practically be a Government hive, and that we may confidently look for larger and more numerous grants to public works. This may be, but it is an exceedingly selfish view to take of the matter, for, as we stated before, we believe our townsmen would have been more content to have cast in their lot with the south.

However, we have one grain of comfort under the circumstances. Nakusp will have a vote of close to 100, or perhaps more, at the approaching elections, and which ever side of the line we should have been placed that vote would have to be respected, as some of our public fishers in the north may realize. Now is the opportunity for our local candidate to make himself heard!

But, after all has been said and done, Hon. Mr. Davie deserves commendation for acceding so graciously to the requests of the Mainland for increased representation, despite the vapid frothings of a portion of the opposition.

Hon. J. Turner backed up his presentation to the Legislature last week of the estimates for the province for the ensuing fiscal year with a speech that has won for him golden opinions from all quarters. His statements were concise and to the point, showing the financial condition of the province to be excellent—on paper. West Kootenay will come in for the magnificent allotment of about \$41,020, to cover the expenses of all Government work. Such generous treatment by the powers that be will, of course, be duly appreciated by the people, especially when it is considered that this district ranks third as a revenue producer. Three Forks is to get a \$1,000 lock-up; New Denver, \$1,500, for a recorder's office; Nakusp, \$1,000 for school; and Fire Valley \$1,500 for trails and wharf.

Population of Nakusp.

During the past week a commendable undertaking has been concluded by Provincial Officer Fauquier, viz., the enumeration of the inhabitants of

Nakusp. This was done partly to satisfy a wager and partly for reasons politic. The work commenced on Thursday and was completed by Friday night, the result showing a total population of 419 persons resident in the place. Of these 48 are Italians, 4 Chinese, and 9 colored. This, of course, does not include the scores of citizens who are sojourning on the outside for the winter. When it is taken into consideration that there were considerably less than 50 people here one year ago, the citizens have every reason to feel gratified at the advancement shown.

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Shooting Affray at Three Forks.

Last Saturday night a dance took place at Three Forks, at which R. Carlin and Bert Crane were present. During the evening, it is said, Carlin became incensed at Crane for some reason or other and, rushing over to Lemon's store, seized a loaded rifle and fired at Bert through the building, but fortunately missed him. Carlin was promptly arrested and on Monday morning was taken to Nelson to await his trial.

A Rancher Missing.

Word reached town at the beginning of the week that a rancher by the name of Sandusky, residing at the lower end of the narrows, was missing, and it was feared he had been drowned. A month ago he left his ranch to go to Fire Valley, purposing to return in two weeks. Since then nothing has been heard of him and his friends are anxious. The narrows were then full of drifting ice and the belief is prevalent that his boat got stoved in and disappeared beneath the surface, carrying its owner along.

An Enjoyable Event.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Martin celebrated the second anniversary of their wedding at the Nakusp House, on Friday evening last, with great eclat. About 20 guests were present and they failed not to remember the host and hostess with many valuable gifts. The party enjoyed themselves immensely with card playing and dancing, the affair not terminating till 4 next morning. At midnight a fine collation was served, embracing all the delicacies obtainable at this season of the year. Numerous toasts were proposed and fittingly responded to, the various orators referring chiefly to the nature of the gathering and speaking in felicitous terms of Mr. and Mrs. Martin.

New School For Nakusp.

In the estimates brought down in the Local Legislature recently, appears an item calling for the expenditure of \$1,000, for the purpose of erecting a schoolhouse at Nakusp. The trustees expressed themselves as being surprised when made aware of the circumstance, but they are none the less gratified on that account. The building now used as a school, and which has been built and paid for by public subscription, will, in the event of another structure being erected, be set apart for the use of the citizens, either for church purposes or general gatherings. With the money appropriated by the authorities, a lot in the centre of the town could be purchased, a more commodious building put up thereon, and be supplied

with proper desks, a deficiency sadly apparent at present. Besides providing labor for a number of men for a time, the projected schoolhouse will tend greatly to improve the appearance of the town.

Captain W. E. Nesbitt, of the Lytton, has gone to San Francisco to enjoy the sights of the Midwinter Fair.

Pete Larson has filed a mechanic's lien against the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway, for the sum of \$328.04.55, still owing him on his contract.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

For Member of the Legislative Assembly
West Kootenay Electoral District.

THE undersigned announces himself as a candidate for member of the Legislative Assembly from West Kootenay District, subject to the action of the convention to be held at Nelson on April 12th, 1894.

Nelson, January 10th, 1894.

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Fancy Toilet Soaps,
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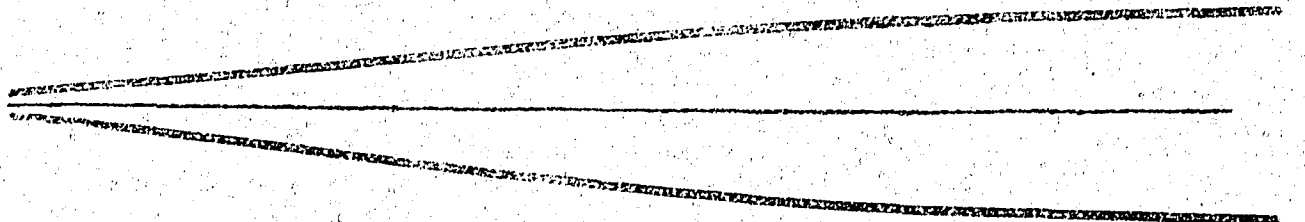
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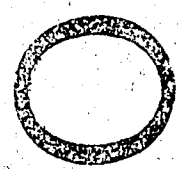
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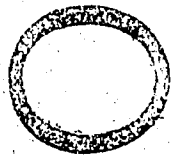
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An Important Suggestion.

Editor of the Ledge:

DEAR SIR,—I write to suggest to your notice the advisability of holding meetings in all the towns and camps of West Kootenay to move a vote of thanks to Hon. Col. Baker for his excellent speech in favor of bimetallism, and to sign a memorial in favor of bimetallism, to be forwarded by Col. Baker to the proper authorities at Ottawa and Westminster. A move of this kind will show the outside world that we are alive to the importance of holding up the value of the white metal. Yours truly,

E. C. CARPENTER.
Three Forks, Feb. 15, 1894.

Mr. McGillivray Speaks.

The Vancouver World states that Dan McGillivray has returned from the Slocan, where he had been taking a look over his contracts. There are now 300 men engaged on the Arrow Lake line. A sled road has been built to the lake, and the steamer Arrow makes daily trips from the terminus of the road to Nakusp. All the grading and bridging on the Nakusp & Slocan Railway have been completed, and work is now at a standstill waiting for rails, which are expected to arrive in the spring. Ore is being stored at Three Forks and Silverton, waiting for the opening of the road, and the intention is to have the track laid to Three Forks by May 15. They are having splendid weather in that district at present and everyone seemed pleased with the prospects.

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The display of the aurora borealis on Thursday night was especially fine.

All the local merchants have now been supplied with their half-yearly licenses.

For the first six weeks of the year 1,899 tons of ore were shipped from Kaslo, valued at \$246,870.

The first mail under the new arrangement came in last Saturday and was comprised of two large bags.

The Hall's Mines Co. have discharged a portion of their staff, because of insufficient storage room.

O. G. Dennis, assessor and collector for West Kootenay, announces that all taxes must be paid him by June 30.

When in Kaslo stop at the Great Northern Hotel. Rates reasonable. Headquarters for Hudson Bay Co.'s goods. †

Upwards of 40 ore teams have been thrown out of work by the partial shutting down of the mines in the Slocan.

Hugh Mann recently lost a fine bay team, valued at \$450. They were carried over a precipice while raw-hiding ore.

Ed. Thomas brought his team over from Kaslo last Thursday, having been hauling ore for some time. He is now freighting to Slocan lake.

J. Walsh purposes leaving this district in the spring, having secured a mail contract on the route of the proposed Nicola Valley Railroad.

F. Bourne went up to Revelstoke on Friday, using a canoe to the head of the lake. W. Tomlinson, of the New Denver branch, is in charge here.

Mr. Shaw, the telegraph operator here has had a high old time during the week attending to his wires, which have been down on both sides of the town.

The Government has made an appropriation of \$1,500 for the building of trails in Fire Valley, and also for the continuation of the wharf at that place into deep water.

Sunday the snowfall was very heavy, being upwards of a foot, while at the Half Way House it fell to the depth of two feet. Tuesday it rained almost making the roads impassable.

Capt. McMorris, late purser on the Nelson, has purchased the Kaslo Examiner of C. Coy. He promises to completely renovate that sheet, and introduce many much-needed improvements.

A majority of the mines in the Slocan are shutting down, because of the low price of silver, the smelting companies refusing to guarantee any returns for less than three months. This has thrown many men out of work for a short time.

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STATEMENT

—OF—

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

—FOR THE—

Nakusp Public School,

UP TO DECEMBER 31st, 1893.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
By Government cheque for Stationery, etc. \$40 00	F. W. Jordan & Co., stat'n'y. \$13 20
Total \$40 00	J. R. Campbell, 4 cords wood. 12 00
	M. Butler, teacher's desk. 4 20
	J. McGee, lumber for bl'kb'd 1 00
	Janitor's salary to Dec. 31, '93 2 50
	Balance on hand 7 10
	Total \$40 00

D. A. McDOUGALD,
Chairman.
W. C. MUIRHEAD,
Secretary.

Audited this 1st day of January, 1894, and found correct.

THOS. ABRIEL,
Auditor.

STATEMENT

—OF—

THE : BUILDING : FUND

—OF THE—

Nakusp Public School.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
Local subscriptions \$165 25	Genelle Bros., lumber \$140 70
Proceeds of concert 46 00	J. T. Nault, contract 48 00
" of ball 51 15	" making door ... 2 50
Return of lumber, etc. 1 25	" sawdust 2 50
By balance still owing 11 69	" stove pipe & cap 75
Total \$275 34	" window sash ... 10 00
	" glass, putty, etc. 7 15
	" desks & benches 29 25
	" hauling lumber 12 15
	F. W. Jordan & Co., hardware 12 99
	Bourne Bros., lamp glass ... 60
	Cummings & Co., stove pipe. 6 75
	Expenses to concert. 2 00
	Total \$275 34

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