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THE LEDGE

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LIFE IN FERNIE

For storage room, apply at this office.

Wanted—A good girl for small family. Apply Box 276.

Mr. Davies is adding a story to his residence in the Park.

"Getting Even" is one of the most popular pastimes in Fernie.

BORN—In Fernie on April 30th, the wife of H. Cameron of a son.

Rev. Dunn has returned from Cranbrook fully recovered from his late illness.

G G. S. Lindsay has gone to Seattle upon official business. He will return in a week.

A great game of ball is expected in Fernie next Sunday between Coleman and Fernie.

Last week the Trites Wood Co. received a $10,000 shipment of spring goods from England.

"Big Jim" McDonel was in New York the other day and made a strong impression upon Gotham.

Colonel Tracy, of Vancouver is in the city making an estimate upon the proposed city waterworks.

Wanted—A junior clerk. Apply by letter giving references, to the Agent Bank of Hamilton, Fernie.

On May 24th it is proposed to have hose races, a baseball match and other minor events in Fernie.

The building recently vacated by F. J. Mitchell, is being fitted up for the uptown office of the G. N. Ry.

Work has not yet begun on the steel tipple at Coal Creek. The Coal Co. is waiting for some of the plans from Pittsburg.

Quite a number of cats, dogs, horses and other animals are permitted to roam around Fernie in a nude condition.

The Bank of Hamilton opens in Fernie next Monday morning. W J. H. Murison, from Saskatoon, Sask., is the manager.

W. R. Phillips who travels for a Montreal millinery house, says that he found business good everywhere in British Columbia.

Mr. Marks is rapidly recovering from the blood-poisoning in one of his hands. With one hand the other day he did up $150 worth of goods.

The Ledge office moved last week into a building in which the walls are two feet thick, and the mice never break in and steal. More anon.

A large shipment of Edison's phonographs and Columbia gramophones with a full line of records just received at the Fernie Drug Store.

It costs 15 cents a pound to bring 10 pounds of printers' ink from Vancouver to Fernie by express. This is a hard blow at the freedom of the press.

The business men of Cranbrook should build a wagon road up the St Mary's valley. It's building would mean a good deal for Cranbrook.

During the past week a work train has been loading cinders at the coke ovens, and ballasting the track with them between Fernie and Hosmer.

London, England, is the greatest city in the world, and the wise men who direct its destinies allow public houses to sell liquor upon certain hours of Sunday.

Messrs. Wood and Lynch, directors of the Elk Lumber Co., were in the city this week, tightening up their belts before they proceeded further west upon a hunting expedition.

The Fernie Aerie, F. O. E. meet every Wednesday. This evening all members and visiting brethern are requested to attend as business of importance will be transacted.

Joseph Nixon of MacLeod, has been made a government immigration agent and will be stationed at Fernie to look after the actual settlers on their way in from the States to Alberta.

George O'Brien, one of the fire bosses is on trial today for lighting fuse with a match in No 9 mine. This dangerous practice has almost caused a strike and the officers of the Union will endeavor to have it stopped.

The city of Nelson is making a vigorous protest against Japs and Chinese working at the mill at Salmo while in the lumber yards of Nelson some Chinks are quietly piling boards and saying nothing.

THE LEDGE Mascot is five years old and hails from Winnipeg. He was in luck yesterday and had a big bag of candy to his credit before the shades of night fell athwart the city. He has made a mental note of the location.

The proposed working agreement until March 31st, 1907, between the coal miners and the Coal Co. has been rejected by the men. The main question in dispute is the wages of drivers. A committee will meet Mr. Lindsey upon his return from Seattle next week when it is expected everything will be amicably arranged. No trouble is anticipated.

David Clark died last Friday evening from the effects of the terrible accident he met with upon Easter Monday. He was born in New Brunswick in 1850, and had lived in Fernie a little over seven years. He leaves a wife and a 18 year old son. The funeral took place on Sunday, and was largely attended, the funeral services being conducted by the Rev. Robson.

Mr. Draper has been very successful in his canvass for the Nelson News along the Crow. Between Cranbrook and Fernie, inclusive, he has obtained 103 new subscribers. The News is in great demand along the Crow upon account of the telegraphic news it daily contains, and Mr. Draper is just the man to handle it and to push its circulation.

Some of the papers are making it specially prominent about Bill Galliher because whoops came through his hair in New York owing to the effect of blending a little Scotch with the air and dizzy whirl of a great city. Just the same Bill with his occasional fault is vastly superior to the majority of the people who gloat over any piece of news float that tells about a public man when he is out with a pot of red paint, and has dropped the brush.

It is reported that Grace will move his paper from Fort Steele to Cranbrook. If he boosts Cranbrook as much as he has Fort Steele and the mining resources of East Kootenay, that city will have no complaint against his advent, although he has a strong competitor on the Herald. Simpson has done a great deal for Cranbrook, and his paper never misses a note when it comes to blowing the bugle for that unofficial city. With two bugles Cranbrook will have a regular newspaper brass band May they both prosper and never fight

PERSONALS

Bob Green may be in Fernie this week.

Mrs. L. P. Eckstein is visiting friends in Spokane.

J. R. Pollock visited Banff and Calgary last week.

Mrs T. H Whalen is visiting Mrs. Chenette at Cranbrook.

Dr. Howe is spending a few days at the Halcyon Hot Springs.

Mrs. C B Hart of Kalispell was visiting Mrs. T. Rookes last week.

Fred Richardson, the crack shot of B. C. was in the city last week.

Wm. Handley will spend a few weeks at Virden, Man., in search of health,

W. J. Timlick has returned from a successful trip in the new western provinces.

Miss Emma Bell of Port Huron, Mich was in the city last week, visiting friends.

Mrs. Joseph Austin and children were the guests of Mrs. F. Beck, last Sunday.

W. H. Darcy, C. P. R. claims agent, was here last Saturday upon official business.

C. B. Hart who holds the lever on the Moxford express, will move his family to Fernie.

Andrew McLeod of Lethbridge came in last week to accept a position with P. G. McLeod.

Master Frank Elliott and Mark Mutz left last Friday for Calgary where they will attend college.

D. V. Mott has returned from Calgary where he attended a banquet given to the Hon. Frank Oliver.

After a three months visit in Fernie, Miss Blanche Gregsira returned on Monday to her home in Leduc.

Robert Pollard, a well known shoeman from Seattle, was in the city last week with the intention of embarking in the boot and shoe business.

Customs and Revenue

Customs collections made at the Outport of Fernie, B. C., for the month ending April 30th. 1905

VALUE OF IMPORTS	
Dutiable	$7,940 00
Free	2,256.00
Total	$10,196.00
Duty Collected	$2,232 40

Inland Revenue collections for the month of April 1905.

Spirits	$1,383 17
Malt	609 12
Cigars	33 00
	$2,025.29

Total Collections $4,257 69

MATRIMONIAL

Edward Marsham, one of the staff of Chas. Richards' store was married last Saturday evening to Miss Isabel Vane, who arrived from England last Thursday. The wedding took place at the residence of W. J. Davis on Pellatt avenue, and the ceremony was conducted by Rev. Robson in the presence of a large number of friends. The happy couple will reside in Fernie.

Long glasses are in vogue at the King Edward.

Stop at the Queen's Hotel when in Trout Lake City.

CITY COUNCIL

The council met on Monday evening and adopted minutes of previous meeting.

Wilson, Senkler, and Bloomfield sent in a bill for the total costs against the city of Fernie in the case with the B. C. Telephone Co. amounting to $2030.53, and requested a cheque by return mail. The account was laid over until next meeting.

The court costs in B. C Telephone Co. case amounting to $902.42 were ordered to be paid at once.

J. S. T. Alexander was given permission to throw stones over the bank of the Elk River at Prior street.

The following letter from Mr. Lindsay was referred to the committee on waterworks:

"We recognize the necessity for immediate increase of pressure for fire purposes, in the water service.

I have given instructions to build a reservoir on the east side of the town sufficient to carry 80 pounds pressure and to connect with the mains by a 12 inch pipe. So far as I am advised this will bring the water supply up opposite Hanson street. In order to provide proper pressure for fire purposes, and to cover the greatest possible area it is desirable to have one large main, and I have given instructions to lay down a 12 inch main along Pellatt avenue, from Gemmill street north, and to bring this same main along Gemmill street to Victoria avenue, and along it to the track. From this main, laterals of 6 inch capacity will be started along Wood. Hanson and McEvoy streets. I would be willing to allow the city to put in hydrants to connect with these laterals and main, and supply them with water at reasonable cost for fire and street watering purposes. I feel it to be my duty to advise the city of our intention so that it may be generally known."

A letter from Hermon and Burwell of Vancouver re wooden water piping was filed.

By-law No. 13 relating to streets was read and passed its first reading.

It was decided to ask tenders for building a six foot sidewalk from Victoria avenue to the G. N. depot.

The tender for grading Thompson street was let to H. Plante, the contractor to file a bond of $250 for the fulfillment of said contract. The work must be finished by the end of May.

The Finance committee was instructed to pay the police magistrate's salary to the end of April from date of taking the office.

Adjourned until May 9th.

THE LATEST NEWS

The total wheat crop of western Canada in 1904 was 56,165,516 bushels, or an average of 17 bushels to the acre.

But it is possible to find something much more interesting than official statistics to prove that western Canada is really the most wonderful wheat country in the world. A recently issued pamphlet shows that eighteen wheat farmers, living near Indian Head, Assiniboia, have, in sixteen years, increased their joint worldly wealth from $10,000 to $691,000. These farmers report an average crop of about thirty-one bushels to the acre during that time, on summer fallow, and about twenty-one bushels to the acre on stubble.

The Canadian Pacific road will be completed 300 miles to Edmonton by Sept. 15th, according to George H. Shaw, traffic manager. It will be an extension of the main line from Port Arthur. The system, by the middle of September, will be 1200 miles long. The climate in the vicinity of Edmonton which will soon be the western terminus of the line is as temperate as that of Minnesota. There is a wide gap in the mountain ranges to the westward, through which the warm breezes from the Japanese ocean current blow over the interior plains. The wheat crop is already in and looking fine. Farmers in Saskatchewan and Assiniboia are expecting very heavy yields in the fall

Albany, Texas, is the inventor and sole proprietor of a remarkable coincidence viz: The pastor of the Methodist church is named Brown, the pastor of the Baptist church is named Brown, the pastor of the Presbyterian church is named Brown, and the pastor of the Christian church is named Browne. The negroes have a church and a pastor and his name is Brown.

Trinidad, Colo.,—On the cross just as the Saviour died centuries ago, a fanatical member of the Penitents is reported to have died at Torres, Las Animos county, Colorado. Several Trinidad people claim to have been among the witnesses, but agreed not to talk for publication, so details are not known. According to reports current he was nailed to a cross of his own formation and died in an agony that he did not seem to feel, wrought up as he was to delirium by religious fervor. The story of the crucifixion is vouched for by Henry Roberson, of this city, who saw the crowd of Mexicans who had been witnesses and were discussing the tragic scene. In old days, so it is said, the carrying out of actual crucifiction was not uncommon among the Penitents.

FERNIE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Monthly report for April.

Honor Roll for attendance, punctuality and deportment.

DIV. I.

4th. Sr. May Lamb, Philippa Walkem, Aileen Tully.

4th. Jr. Fred Clapp, Katy Milton, Raymond Giddings.

DIV. II.

The following pupils were neither absent nor late during the month of April.

2nd. Reader Class. Saunder Rode, Nellie Hazell, Irene Robson, Laura Telfer.

3rd. Reader Class. Eliza Holmes, Charlotte Rennie, Edna Tuttle, Laura White, William Ross.

DIV. III.

2nd. Reader. Attendance, Leonard Dudley; deportment, Nellie Wallace; neatness, Menlo Giddings.

1st. Reader. Attendance, Robert Atkinson; deportment, Margaret Patterson; neatness, Garnet Dudley.

DIV. IV.

1st. Reader. Neatness, Hazel Handley, Alice Beck; attendance, Walter Rennie, Alice Quail, Tony Carosella. conduct, Edith Tully, Fairy McDougall.

2nd. Primer. Neatness, Angus McDougall, James Patterson; attendance, Marjorie Broley, Thomas Graves, James Graves; conduct, William Walkham, Bessie Read.

DIV. V.

A. Class. Harold Wildman, Cora Plante, How Hum Foon.

B. Class. Clarence Nicks, Lewis Card, Catherine McClement.

C. Class. Clyde Hammond, Fred. Handley, Albert McBean.

Average daily attendance

		ENROLLMENT
Div. 1.	32	36
" 2.	32	40
" 3.	43	53
" 4.	44	50
" 5.	62	81
Total	213	260

THE ODDFELLOWS

Owing to illness of Rev. Dunn the proposed services last Sunday in commemoration of the 86th anniversary of the establishment of Oddfellowship have been postponed until next Sunday.

The order was founded in the United States, April 26th, 1819, and its membership at present is close to 1,500,000, more by 100,000 than any other fraternal society in this country or Europe can boast of.

The society is growing faster than any similar organization and since 1903, considerably over 150,000 members have been added. The Odd Fellows is not an insurance association, but they give relief to members who are ill or in distress, and since 1830 over $100,000,000 has been expended in relief work.

The total receipts of the society since 1830 exceed $365,000,000. There are thirty-three Odd Fellows' homes in the United States, and there are similar homes in twenty-three other countries.

A Bungling Official

Some of the officials employed in the government offices at Victoria are of little practical use except to draw their salaries and bungle the business of the country. A case in point is the establishment of the Supreme Court Registry in Fernie. It was to have been in readiness by April 1st, but no seal arrived until last week, and it is of no use except in the County Court. The bungling official in the Attorney General's office should be fired, and someone hired who will attend to the business properly. Mr Ross has done all he could to hasten the establishment of this registry, but his efforts have been nullified by a blockhead in the wrong vocation.

Judge Forin will hold court in Fernie on May 10th.

City of Fernie.

TENDERS WANTED

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned, up till noon on Tuesday, the 9th inst. :—for the laying of sidewalks (labour only) within the limits of the City of Fernie.

All the necessary material will be supplied and delivered on the ground.

Tenders to be so much per 1000 feet of lumber.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

J. A. RENNIE,
City Clerk.

The Telephone Expense

The City Council has received the expense bill in connection with the fight against the B. C. Telephone Co. It amounts to $2030.00. Of this amount the court costs amount to $902 42, and the lawyers want $1128-11 for their valuable services. The court costs have been ordered paid, and the lawyers letter filed. The lawyers may be induced to throw off that 11 cents and make the account even money. Law comes high, but no doubt Fernie will profit by the experience. THE LEDGE gets nothing for its advice in the matter.

The Foresters

The Fernie Independent Order of Foresters will install the following officers on the 30th of May.

W. J. Morrison, Chief Ranger
James Elliott, Court Deputy
G. Padley, Vice chief
Louis Carosella, Financial Secretary
Philip Carosella, Treasurer
J. P. Lambert, Rec. Secretary
A. Milton, Forester
J. Sunberg, Sen. Woodward
E. N. Galloway, Jun. Woodward
F. Raubischaud, Sen. Beadle
F. Miscisa, Jun. Beadle

Another Fernie Block

The Trites Wood Co are cleaning their lot on Victoria avenue, and putting in trenches for steam heating purposes, and foundation piers. The company will shortly commence the erection of a durable and compact store building. It will be two stories high, 90 feet in width and 114 feet in length. The front of the store will be Edmonton pressed brick, trimmed with Calgary sandstone. The building will be completed in time for the autumn trade, and its cost will be $20,000 Thus does Fernie move along in the race of prosperity.

An Excellent Showing

The annual meeting of the parishioners of Christ Church took place Monday evening. Owing to the energy of the Churchwardens and vestrymen during the past year, the financial standing of the church is excellent. The liabilities are now only $1,599 55, with assets amounting to $7,692 17. The departure of E H Bird to Nanaimo, is deeply regretted, his financial tact and ability having done so much towards the material progress of the church to which he is devoted.

A Larger Store

F. J. Mitchell has moved into the L. T. W. block where he has one of the neatest stores in the city. Mr. Mitchell is a tailor of many years experience, and is rapidly building up a great business in Semi-Ready clothing. Practical experience enables him to suit all in search of tasty durable and up-to-date clothing.

The Big Mill

The Elk Lumber Co. had steam up at their big mill on Monday and will be running full time just as soon as the machinery gets lubricated up. Logs are being successfully driven on the river from Hosmer. The payroll from this mill will soon have a salutary effect upon the commercial life in Fernie.

A Rapid Rise

West Fernie is a delightful suburb of Fernie just across the Elk, and perfectly safe from city taxes. Four years ago land sold for $100 an acre. Last Monday, John Turner sold three lots for $100 each, which will give outsiders an idea how this district is forging a head against all the difficulties that have been blown across its trail.

City Police Court

During April there were 36 cases in the police court and the amount paid in fines and costs amounted to $454. Of this amount $328 was contributed by fallen women.

Provincial Police Court

During April there were 12 cases tried in the Provincial Police Court, and the fines and costs amounted to $140.

A REPORT comes from Princeton that Peck. McSwain has a new dog. Peck is very fond of cats, dogs and cold water. While in Sandon years ago every animal was welcome where he worked, and he fed them on sour paste or anything that might be eatable. When the editor had eaten all the paste, Peck would buy meals at the hotels for his pets. He broke himself by his philanthrophy, and had to leave the camp on a freight pullman. Peck is also a noted poet, and his poem upon How The Parson's Dog Lost The Liver is a gem that should be read on four continents.

WE read in a paper the other day that a newly-married lady in Kaslo by mistake gave the dog a pie she had made for her hubby. The dog died but hubby has bought her another one.

ALONG THE CROW

BLAIRMORE

From the Times

J. Poupore returned on Tuesday from a visit to Ottawa and other eastern points. This was Jim's first business trip east in some years and he remarked many a change for the better even in the slow going east.

At the Frank mine the fire is supposed to be under control, but it will be some days yet before it will be thought safe to open up that portion of the mine to see what damage has been done. In the meantime a force of miners are at work in that portion of the mine between the mouth and the fire, which is about one and a half miles.

The Canadian Metals Co. who are erecting the zinc smelter at Frank, have purchased the big steel stack, 105 feet high, formerly used by the Republic Power & Cyanide Co. of Republic Wash. The stack weighs ten tons and will require three flat cars to transport it. Besides the stack they have also purchased from this company about three carloads of machinery including two sets of 26 inch steel, an II crusher and a number of mine and mill cars.

Rapid progress is being made on the smelter plant, the pottery group building being more than half up and the foundation for the main building is completed and the walls are being run up by the masons.

Thursday afternoon one of the sporting houses in the red light district below town was discovered to be on fire. A strong wind was blowing at the time and the fire quickly spread to the adjoining houses and destroyed the three houses in this row. One of the houses was the property of Geo. Atwell and was insured for the sum of $1500, the other houses belonged one to Tom Legge and the other to Ethel Williams. It is not known if there was any insurance upon these last two. The fire loss will amount to over $10,000, as besides the buildings the contents were almost entirely consumed.

At Coleman the mine is producing over 750 tons of coal per day, about 500 tons of which is shipped and some 250 tons used for the making of coke upon the premises. The payroll of the company now carries 275 names on it, which in itself is enough to support a fairly good town. The No. 2 or main entry, is now in some 400 feet, while No. 4 or the coking seam is in 3500 feet. Thus it is seen that the development work of the mine is well in advance of the miners and places them in a position to largely increase their output at any time. The company are now installing a private telephone system to connect all of the different parts of the works and building. The pumps have been started at the slope which will soon be pumped out and thus make room for another force of miners.

MOYIE

From the Leader

The output of the St Eugene mine for the month of April was approximately 3200 tons, or an average of a little over 100 tons per day.

The members of the Moyie and Cranbrook gun clubs are talking of having a friendly contest in either Moyie or Cranbrook before long. The Cranbrook team will probably be made up of Hyde Baker, Alex Moffatt, J. F. M. Pinkham, and Dr. Green, while the Moyie team will probably be made up of Hugh Cameron, Robt. Campbell, Charles Armstrong and Webster Purton.

Six muckers, F. Kelly, Fred Fge, P. Hartigan, Charles Helding, Otto Webster and R. Sheridan, employed at the St. Eugene mine pleaded guilty and were each fined $2 50 and costs yesterday for violating the Eight Hour law. The case was tried before Lewis Thompson, justice of the peace, Thos. Morgan, the mine inspector for the district, intended to be present, but the train was delayed and the trial was over when he arrived. On the 8th and 9th of March these men were working in the shaft level. There was a rush of work and they were asked to work overtime in order to have the muck cleared away for the shift following. The matter was reported to the mine inspector, who in turn caused the arrest of the men. There is also a heavy fine for a company violating this law, and the case against the St. Eugene company will come up later on. Mr. Cronin is not in town, so it is not possible to give his views on the matter.

CRANBROOK

(From the Herald)

The incorporation question will be settled next week at Victoria, one way or the other. Those who are informed say that the counter position contained about as many names, property considered, as the original petition.

Messrs. Chenette and McNeal, of the Falls View hotel of Marysville, will give a ball on the evening of May 3rd. Every arrangement will be made to give those attending an enjoyable evening.

There has been a slight change in the closing arrangements. The stores will be kept open Saturday nights, C. P. R. paynights, nights preceding holidays and Wednesday nights. Other nights all stores will close promptly at six o'clock. This seems to be a fair arrangement to all concerned.

There has been some good work done by the constables in clearing the town of a most undesirable class but there should be no let up to the good work. Cranbrook has been a great haven for this class and they will not stay away unless they are made to understand that Cranbrook air is unhealthy

We had a notification from the post master at Butte Mont., the other day to the effect that the paper addressed to Sam Mitchell was refused. This is an old game. Sam Mitchell has been taking the Herald for several years and has not paid his subscription. He adopts this method of getting out of it. If his soul can stand such a contemptible act we can stand the loss of the money, but he can rest assured that St. Peter will have that account marked against him.

You are going to hear a lot of healthy kicking in Cranbrook as well as in many other towns in this province when the new school act goes into effect It will hurt when the tax notices show the effect of raising $2000 to $3000 in a small community like Cranbrook to carry on our schools, especially when all the other money that is raised here in the same manner goes to the Coast and only a small portion of it comes back again.

EAST KOOTENAY MINING

(From Fort Steele Prospector).

Placer mining on Wild Horse creek is now in full swing and before the month is closed nearly every placer camp in this district will be in steady operation.

What is the future of the St. Mary's copper district is a question that has lately received much attention from mine owners operating in this portion of Southeast Kootenay. Individual opinion is to the effect that copper ore exists in great quantities in the hitherto unexplored regions of the St. Mary's and its tributaries. It is predicted that within two years the Marysville smelter will have several copper stacks in operation.

Conditions in Flathead oil fields are not what they should be. It is announced that work will soon start on a derrick to be constructed on Sage Creek.

It is again reported that the North Star mine will soon be in active operation.

Southeast Kootenay mining district is still in its infancy, and there is any amount of good mining country that has never been prospected. Capital cannot find a richer field for investment than in the Fort Steele district.

Operations will commence on the Mystery copper property Monday. Robert Dewar left Steele Thursday with several men, and a large amount of supplies, to commence operations on the Mystery claim which is located on Whitefish creek, a tributary of the St. Mary's.

Strike in Fernie

A strike was on in Fernie last Monday for a few anxious moments. The employees of the Fort Steele brewery demanded a raise of 25 cents a day and walked out, but returned to work pending a meeting of the directors, when it is expected that an agreement will be made between men and company for a period of four years.

Mining Anthracite

The cost of mining anthracite coal in Pennsylvania is from $1.80 to $2.09 a ton. The freight and selling of it costs $1 11 to $1 79 a ton, giving the coal companies a profit of from 34 to 38 cents a ton.

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T. Whelan, Manager

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FERNIE

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Wm. Mills, Prop.

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Distributers of Chamberlain and Pharaoh Cigars

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FEAR rules more people than common sense.

THE fine Italian hand is plainly visible in the row at Ottawa.

THE grafter has blossoms on his gall around Hedley city.

ACCORDING to the Eye Opener Calgary is a dangerous place for lady type writers.

A BILL should be introduced in the parliament of Ottawa restricting the immigration of bedbugs. They are already too numerous in some parts of Canada.

THE Dominion government could have saved a great deal of ill feeling in Fernie by building a postoffice on each corner in the city.

BEWARE of wheat. A man in Milwaukee robbed a bank of $1,500,000 in order to speculate in wheat. He should be sent some place to saw wood for a few years.

FRANK OLIVER was once a poor editor, and now look where he is in this broad Dominion. Frank has climbed from the ink barrel to a seat near the sack in Ottawa by being honest. He would use language occasionally that is considered profane, but as far as we can learn he never stole anything except a little sleep, and a few ideas from other papers. We like to see an honest man get a show in Canada even if he is a Grit, and we expect Frank will make them all sit up in Ottawa.

CANADA is too young a country to have trouble over separate schools. The government should not permit clericals to interfere with the laws. Such interference ruined Spain and caused a war in Mexico. It is largely the cause of the terrible trouble in Russia and in South America the Roman Catholic people themselves are demanding that their bishops keep their hands off the politicians. Surely Canada should take a warning by the experience of other countries.

THE REAL PLAGUE

Unsanitary conditions in any place where a large number of people are living will cause disease of every kind. Typhoid, cholera, small-pox and many other so called diseases are all caused by filth. The Asiatic cholera had its origin in Mecca from the rotten food collected together by the followers of Mohomet. In reference to the recent plague scare at Tonopah the San Francisco Mining Review has the following:

Three years ago when the great mining camp in Nevada was in its infancy, reports floated across the desert and found willing ears in Reno and San Francisco to the effect that a mysterious disease had spread its wings over the city and that its inhabitants were dying rapidly every day.

Astute medical men, who were at a loss to account for the prevalence of the disease, gave it as their opinion that the ore in the mines of this wonderful camp contained arsenic which was poisoning the people. Others thought that fine particles of granite were being inhaled and were destroying the lungs. The water was also, according to other eminent authorities, responsible for so many deaths.

Finally some old fashioned practitioner, whose common sense was used prior to looking for the cause in a scientific way, suggested that perhaps the unsanitary conditions of a town which had grown up like a mushroom, and became populated so fast and so thickly, might have something to do with the deaths. He prescribed plenty of chloride of lime, less bad whiskey, and cleanliness. Presto! the plague disappeared.

Like all patients, Tonopah had evidently forgotten the remedy which restored her to health. It might be well to try it while waiting for a good sewer system.

But it is singular, and would be laughable if it were not such a serious subject, how soon the public forgets. The same old cry of plague is heard again. It is nothing new in mining camps which have suddenly, by the very fact of their richness, sprung into existence and become populated thickly before sanitary arrangements were perfected.

The same condition prevailed in Dawson, in Nome, in the Coeur d' Alenes, in Randsburg and in every "rush" mining camp in the world.

That is one of the conditions which confront a new mining camp. Another is a baptism of fire, because precautions are rarely taken ward either off until expensive lessons have been learned.

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THE GREAT WEST

The progress of the Canadian west this year is evidenced by the immense amount of activity in railway building and improvements. The Canadian Pacific will doubletrack the 420 miles between Winnipeg and Fort William, on Lake Superior. The same company will build several hundred miles of new lines on its various branches this year and is spending large sums on improvements of the permanent way.

The Grand Trunk railway has not begun any actual construction work, but it is said that arrangements are making to put 45,000 men at work as soon as the company's plans are matured.

The Canadian Northern railway is rushing its main line on to Edmonton, besides devoting much attention to branch lines. It has just established thru train service on its main line from Winnipeg to the elbow on the North Saskatchewan river. This company has 1,950 miles of track west of Lake Superior. In addition to this extension, it is planning large terminal improvements in Winnipeg, which will probably be worked out in association with the Grand Trunk Pacific.

In building new lines the Canadian Northern has to cross the Saskatchewan river, north or south, five times. The five necessary bridges are of steel and masonry, and will cost the company $1,500,000. On the main line the first crossing is that of the South Saskatchewan, fifteen miles from the flourishing city of Saskatoon and 485 miles from Winnipeg.

The main line next crosses the North Saskatchewan river 514 miles west of Winnipeg. At a point 577 miles west of Winnipeg, the main line again crosses the North Saskatchewan; again at Fort Saskatchewan, 811 miles west of Winnipeg, the North Saskatchewan is crossed. On the Prince Albert extension the South Saskatchewan river is crossed at a point 525 miles from Winnipeg and sixteen miles southeast of Prince Albert.

The extensive railway building planned for this season and the following seasons is the salvation of the country. Immigrants are flocking in in such numbers from the States and Europe that it would be absolutely impossible to provide them with markets for their products if thousands of miles of new railway line were not built.

The indications are that the wheat acreage alone of western Canada this year will be about 4,500,000 acres With fair luck this will give a crop of almost 100,000,000 bushels, nearly twice as much as was raised last year. When the other crops, to say nothing of the cattle, of this country, with its vast distances, are considered, it is plain that the railroads have a tremendous problem to deal with.

The immigration this year from the States seems to be larger than ever. A curious feature is that many of the new settlers come from as far south as Texas and Oklahoma The other day a party of settlers from Texas arrived at Edmonton, 350 miles north of the boundary in Alberta.

Alberta is proving very popular with settlers who desire irrigation, cattle raising and mixed farming. The first and second of these flourish in southern Alberta, and the second and third in northern Alberta. All the towns and cities of Alberta are profiting from the influx of immigration. Among them are Red Deer, Panoka, Innistail, Olds, Airdric, Nanton, High River and Claresholm. All are in a prosperous agricultural country, and there are splendid openings for commercial and industrial enterprises as well as for farming in the surrounding country.

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"Yes," whispered the young man, as his fingers closed over hers. "Capital punishment!"

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Congressman James R. Mann of Chicago, was in the chair the other afternoon, when Congressman Robert Baker of New York, was declaiming vigorously on the horrors of the Russian situation, "Words fail me, Mr. Speaker," exclaimed the orator, "words fail me." "Well, its all the same," said the presiding officer, calmly, "the gentleman's time has expired anyhow."

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In southern China the air is so humid in summer that, despite the intense heat clothes cannot be dried in the open air.

The first Japanese newspaper was published in 1863, only 42 years ago. To-day Japan has 1,500 daily newspapers and periodicals.

The water is so clear in the fiords of Norway that objects an inch and a half in diameter can be distinctly seen at a depth of 150 feet.

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An old negro died in Kansas not long ago, and as he belonged to no church or society, three or four negroes volunteered to bury him, and they were the only followers in his train. After the coffin had been lowered into the grave, all seemed to feel that something ought to be said. They appealed to the oldest man present, who delivered the following: "Brother, you is gone, but we hope you is better off than we think you is."

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Logic sometimes triumphs over dogma, as illustrated in the case of a little girl who had been brought up a believ in Christian Science. She was visiting her aunt, a non-believer, and in the course of the afternoon fell down stairs, whereupon she began to cry lustily. "Are you hurt, dear?" inquired the aunt. "No," was the sobbing response. "Then," said the aunt, not without a touch of wicked enjoyment, "why do you cry?" "I'm crying," was the reply, "because I can't feel that I ain't hurt."

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The American entertainer known as Malini recently performed some of his tricks before a gathering which included the Queen. At the close, one of the visitors asked Malini to tell him how much money he had in his pockets. "That is easily done" replied the magician. To allow of no deception, Malini was blindfolded, and at his request the visitor placed all the money on the table in full view of the spectators. There was a dead silence for a few seconds. "You are sure it is all on the table?" "Quite sure." "Then sir, you have no money in your pockets." No one enjoyed this simple joke more than the Queen, who had chaffed the "victim" on his temporary poverty.

A Canadian named Casey was appointed to a government place. Technically it had to be held by a lawyer, which Casey was not. The Benchers of the Law Society, however, undertook to obviate the technicality. "Well, Casey," said the examiner, "what do you know about law, anyway?" "To tell the truth," replied the candidate, "I don't know a single thing." The examiner reported in his affidavit "that he had examined Mr Casey as to his knowledge of the law; and, to the best of his information and belief, he had answered the questions that he had put to him correctly." The aspirant was thereupon admitted.

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Robert Mantell says the new press agent of a dime museum went home with a glass eater to spend the night. Both were overjoyous and made a great ado in opening the door. As they scraped over the key-hole a window was raised on the floor above and a whiskered person reviled them in terms that would have been pungent in sheol.

The press agent was there with a line of fancy invective himself, and he cut loose with one of those scorching phases from which there is no adequate come-back from any male.

"Nix, cull, cheese!" cried the glass eater in alarm. "That's my wife—the bearded lady."

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A professor in an agricultural college had a hobby. He believed and preached on all occasions that the food of animals should be cooked, just like that of human beings. One day, while out driving in the country, he passed a farm the owner of which was standing in a pen near the road feeding to a drove of swine generous quantities of corn in the ear. This caused the learned theorist to stop and forthwith hail the violator of his theory: "My friend, don't you know that it is wrong to give those hogs feed that has not been cooked? Don't you know that if you would cook that grain before issuing it they would digest it in just one-half the time it takes them as it is now eaten?" "Waal stranger, suppose they would; I'd like to know what in the —— time is to a hog!"

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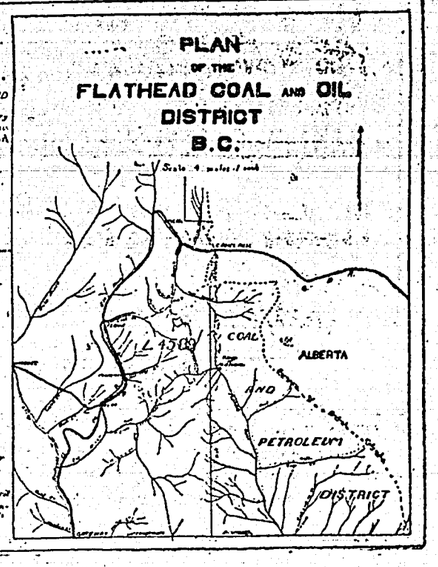


Shortest Route to the Flathead

GENTLEMEN

If you want a Suit of Clothes that NEVER LOSE THEIR SHAPE, and FIT PERFECTLY

Call on—

Kenny & McLeod

TENDERS WANTED.

BULK Tenders will be received at the office of Crow's Nest Trading Company up till May 4th for all Trades for the erection of two storey brick and stone block. Plans and specifications may be seen and all other information obtained from N. E. Brodey, Post office block. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Fernie, B.C., April 26, 1905

Dissolution of Partnership

TAKE NOTICE that the partnership here-to-fore existing between Nicholas Klausman William Eschwig and Sarah Jennings under the firm name and style of the "Fernie Brewery" has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. The said Nicholas Klausman will collect all moneys due to the said partnership and will pay all liabilities.

(Signed)
Witness, Nicholas Klausman.
Sherwood Herchmer.

WE ARE SOLE AGENTS IN FERNIE

For The following Lines. These goods are of necessity **BOUGHT** right, and if you will give us a call, we will convince you that we **SELL** them right:—

STEWART Stoves and Ranges
HARDY Universal and Acme Miners' Picks
STRANSKY Enamelled Ware, the best made
CETURY Refrigerators
PRISM Mixed Paints
HOLLYWOOD Paste Paint
GRANITINE Floor Finish
ELASTILITE A Superior Varnish

N.B.—Have you tried a 10 cent Sample Bottle of Liquid Veneer?

Sheppard & Elliott

FERNIE, B.C. 'Phone 1. Opposite the Post Office. Right in the centre of the city.

Get the Habit

This week we are showing

SPECIAL VALUES IN SUMMER UNDERWEAR

Straw and Linen Hats for Hot Days. The Newest Shapes and Best Makes.

In Fancy Vests and Sweaters we are very strong.

SEE OUR WINDOWS this week for Samples of these Goods.

The W. C. Hamilton Co.

Fit-Reform Wardrobe Men's Outfitters

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Call on Kenny & McLeod and get a suit for Victoria Day.

Get a nobby suit for summer at Kenny & McLeod's.

The Fernie postoffice may be built with Sirdar granite.

BORN—In Fernie, on April 26th, the wife of W. Purcell, of a son.

Decorate your parlors with the latest spring furniture. Robins has it.

Before you get married pick out your furniture at the B. C. Furniture store.

Pressing and cleaning suits called for and delivered. See F. J. Mitchell.

The Fernie Cigar Store is still giving away coupons with every 25 cent purchase.

W. J. Blundell sells Armour's celebrated brands of ham and breakfast bacon.

Have a look at the leather Turkish chairs when you pass the B. C. Furniture Co.

Trunks and Valises—The Largest Stock in the Kootenays at the Trites, Wood Co.

The Coal Creek people want a better mail service and Mulock should see that they get it.

An auction sale of lots in the Fernie Annex will take place next Saturday. See ad. in this issue.

At the King Edward hotel ice cools the beer, and makes it taste better than Sunday ice cream.

Before the days get hot call on Geo. W. Carruthers and leave your measure for a cool summer suit.

At the last Palm drawing of the season Mrs. Fred Stork won a four-pound box of chocolates.

Masterson, Griffith & Co., Trout Lake, have all the supplies needed by lumber camps and mines.

Material is being got together for the erection of the Fernie office building of the C. N. P. Coal Co.

Boys' Blouses—All sizes in Dark and Light Colors.

Trites, Wood Co.

Semi-Ready garments same price in the East as in the Fernie Store. Prices put in pockets at factory.

We have what every man wants and that is a first-class suit of clothes at a medium price. Semi-Ready.

Semi-Ready leads, others follow. We are the original others imitate. Styles most up to date. See F. J. Mitchell.

Mrs. E. Todd has just received a large shipment of English ready-to-wear hats direct from England.

J. C. Hutchison is still doing business at the old stand. Have a chat with him about your next suit of clothes.

The Good Templars are talking of an excursion to Elko on Victoria Day. Many who are not Good Templars excurt their every Sunday.

A compressed air locomotive haulage system at a cost of $30,000 is to be put in at No. 8 mine in Michel. It is run at about half the cost of mule power.

The Kootenay at Sandon has not locked the door for nine years. Right handy for strangers when they're out late, and cannot trade their thirst for anything.

J. F. Spalding, the well-known and artistic photographer of Fernie gives free to every purchaser of cabinets to the value of $5 an extra sitting, and half a dozen photos upon beautiful folding mounts.

D. J. Robertson & Co., Nelson have received several carloads of spring and summer furniture recently that they are selling at prices compatible with the financial pulse of the country. Drop a line and catch their prices.

At their undertaking parlors Scott & Ross have a fine exhibition of caskets in oak, rosewood also broadcloth caskets in black and steel gray, and children's caskets in white and plush. A brass crucifix holding seven candles is used at Catholic funerals. Mr. Scott is well versed in the business, having gained his experience with one of the largest firms in Toronto.

The streets of Fernie are filled with flying scraps of dirty paper, while many an empty can lies cold and neglected in the narrow alleys. If the municipal authorities have no power in the matter the children might be trained to keep the city reasonably free from the above blotches upon the beauty of our streets. The system inaugurated by Lady Aberdeen might be tried to advantage in Fernie.

ALL ROUND THE ROUND of luscious roast beef the appetizing odors escape and the rich brown gravy trickles temptingly to the dish. That is the kind of roasts our beef produces. Tender, juicy, nourishing. I will make you brainy and brawny

Of course we sell the choicest cuts of veal, lamb, pork, etc, also. But just now we are talking beef. Beefware of our offerings.

CALGARY CATTLE CO., LTD.

Philip Carosella

FERNIE, B. C.

General Merchant and Wholesale Dealer in

WINES LIQUORS AND CIGARS

Disinfectant

This is the time of year when disease germs begin to renew their activity.

Such places as drains, closets, outhouses, cellars or anywhere where dirt has been allowed to accumulate, should be thoroughly disinfected.

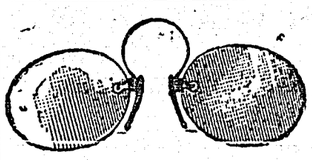
For this purpose we have :—

Chloride of Lime,
Copperas,
Creolin,
Carbolic Acid (pure)
Carbolic Acid (crude)
Etc., etc.
At best prices.

Moth Balls to protect your furs and winter clothing. Price 20c lb.

N. E. Suddaby

Dispensing Chemist, Fernie Drug Store



Your Eyes

need the best treatment you can procure for them because eyesight is invaluable.

Let none but the best opticians fit your eyes with glasses.

The best is the cheapest.

Our optician has given the best of satisfaction to others. He can do the same to you.

A. C. Liphardt

Jeweller Optician

Dressy Suits

I have moved my tailor shop next door to Sheppard & Elliotts; right in the centre of the city; and am prepared to manufacture any number of up-to-date suits.

Geo. W. Carruthers

PROMPT DELIVERY

W. & R. JACOB'S

FANCY BISCUITS

Cash Only

We have just received a consignment of W. & R. Jacob's Biscuits, Ireland, the best assortment ever seen in Fernie. The proper thing for Afternoon Teas Café Noir, Kill Fingers, Ginger Nuts, Polo, Butter Cream, San Toy, Afternoon Tea, At Home, Home, Marie, Alexandria, Variety, Cyclist Chocolate, Windsor Wafers, Italian Wafers, Etc.

THE CHEAP PRICES WILL SURPRISE YOU.

TELEPHONE 5

W. J. Blundell

The People's Grocer, P. O. Block, Fernie

Bank of Hamilton

Capital = $2,500,000 Reserve = $2,100,000

Total Assets = $27,500,000

HON. WM. GIBSON, President.
J. TURNBULL, Vice-President and General Manager.

A General Banking Business transacted

Current Accounts opened with Merchants, Manufacturers and Municipalities on most reasonable terms. Interest at current rates allowed on Savings Bank Accounts from one dollar.

An office of this Bank has been opened at Fernie

W. J. H. MURISON,
Acting Agent, FERNIE BRANCH

Fresh Asparagus
Green Onions
Spinach
Rhubarb
Radishes

Turnips, Parsnips, Beets, Carrots, Etc.

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Prompt Service at any Hour or Day

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A complete stock of Coffins, Caskets, and Burial Goods, also Metallic Lined Shipping Cases

AN UP-TO-DATE HEARSE IN CONNECTION

Parlors in the T. Beck Block Victoria Avenue

Trites-Wood Co., Ltd.

Just Received this week

A GRAND ASSORTMENT OF

New Dress Muslins
Delanes, Ginghams
Prints in all the
New Designs and
Colorings
New Hosiery
New Parasols
New Gloves

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