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THE SLOAN MINES

There are 45 men working at the Ottawa.

Thirty men are working at the Enterprise.

The Northern Light is taking ore for shipment.

The Fisher Maiden wagon road is nearly finished.

The lower cross-cut on the Ottawa is in 110 feet.

The Graphic will make a shipment in a few days.

Work has commenced on the May group, Twelve Mile.

Softer rock has been encountered in the long Rambler tunnel.

Ore is being sacked at the Alice and Zuni, on Spring creek.

The face of the vein in the Mercury has plenty of ruby silver.

Last week the Enterprise shipped 20 tons, and the Ottawa 23.

Rich gold ore has been found on the Climax in the Alpine basin.

The Pioneer group will soon be doing business with the smelter.

There are several inches of steel galena in the tunnel of the Omega.

On the big vein of the Mayetta a set of timbers goes in every day.

The Ottawa has shipped an immense specimen to the Nelson Fair.

Russ Thompson and Arthur Brindle may get a lease on the Marion.

C. E. Knowles, a zinc man from Joplin—has been inspecting the Sloan mines.

On Goat mountain the Rea Idea is being prospected higher up the mountain.

George Bulko is shipping two tons from the Blanford to the Chapleau mill.

It is reported that M. S. Logan has an option on the Mountain Con for \$55,000.

It is expected that work on the Howard fraction will be resumed in a short time.

On Goat mountain Barker and Burgess are busy sacking high grade ore on the B. B.

The Monitor Mines Co., has opened an office in New Dever, opposite the post-office.

Fred Carlyle has a contract on the Mayetta, a claim belonging to the owners of the Ottawa.

Pat McGuire and Tom Armstrong are inspecting the properties around the Nansen group.

Snyder Bros. have a contract to cut and deliver at the Ottawa 20,000 feet of mining timbers.

Last week the Payne shipped 22 tons: Ruth, 40; Sloan Star, 81; Ivahoe, 21; Last Chance, 20.

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A Cute Trick

With the aid of the C.P.R. the city of Nelson turned a neat trick on the 17th. When the men received their cheques for August about 70 of them found that \$2 had been deducted to pay the road tax in Nelson. Some of them were not liable for the tax for various reasons, and these were put to a loss of time trotting to the city clerk's office to have the mistake rectified. The men do not object to paying the road tax if it is legal, but they are strong in denouncing the method of collection. They dislike to be treated as though they were mere slaves, and incapable of attending to their own business. They fail to see what the great C.P.R. has to do with collecting the accounts of Nelson and think that this city has enough of officials to collect its bills without playing sharp tricks and humiliating the working man, the backbone of every city and land. The action of the city in the matter is a slur upon the honesty of labor, and why a great railroad would lend its aid to such business is beyond our comprehension, unless some industrious official wished to make a rake-off. This matter will bear ventilation. If the C.P.R. carries a charter for the collecting of taxes and other debts the public would like to know it. If they do they should be more courteous and at least hand a man a statement of the account before taking the amount off his cheque. The method of collecting the Nelson road tax from the workmen of the C.P.R. is a slap at the independence of man, and should not have been tolerated for an instant by any of the men.

SANDON

The destiny of the K. & S. is the topic of the hour. It may be made standard and tacked on to the C. P. R.

J. W. Power is now owner of the Sandon hardware store.

The C. P. R. trestles near town are being repaired.

Wm. Hood is working on the zinc plant at Rosebery.

Miss Mable Cliffe is again in the telephone office after spending a year in the east.

The 10 per cent bounty cheques have commenced to arrive.

The new hospital will be ready for occupancy by Christmas.

J. E. Lovering is giving up teaching, and will study medicine in Montreal.

Alex Crawford is rebuilding his residence in Boston.

SLOAN MINES

Winter quarters are being built at the Colorado. When completed ore will be taken out for shipment by Ralph Gillette and his partners.

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A BIG NAMESAKE

London, Sept. 25.—Nelson, a thriving little English town to which Andrew Carnegie proposes now to give a library, is a living instance of the value of a name. Not long after the battle of Trafalgar, some tinker, tailor or other persons established a tiny wayside inn, and called it after the naval hero. There was nobody on the spot from whom to expect custom, but the road led to and from populous districts. Travelers stopped at the place and presently a cottage or two began to raise, then more of them, and the name of the public house answered for the whole. That was the nucleus of the present town. Now 40,000 people live around the site which the old innkeeper chose and called after the name of his hero.

From The Nugget

After all that has been written on the subject by the Liberal press of the Interior, Bob Green is not going to build an \$8,000 house. Well, what if he did build a house in Victoria? Other cabinet ministers have done so. If we are not mistaken Fred Hume, when in the cabinet purchased a residence in Victoria, and no one appeared to think he committed a serious crime by doing so. Mr. Hume is a Liberal.—If it is not wrong for a Liberal cabinet minister to own a house, it surely cannot be very wrong for a Conservative. If Mr. Green chooses to spend his wages, or salary, or income, in adding to the comfort and happiness of his family he should—like any other wage earner—be allowed to do so without criticism. His public acts are fit subject for criticism; his private life is his own.

Every person in this district will give W. A. Gallihor credit for having the accounts of Carlson & Porter, sub-contractors on the Lardo Gerard branch, paid by the government. Even greater credit would be given Mr. Gallihor were it not for the fact that his law partner is collecting from 5 to 10 per cent of the face value of these accounts from the creditors of Carlson & Porter. It is possible that Mr. Wilson is legally entitled to this privilege, but at present we are unable to see how he gets into the game. It is a well established custom that the client has the privilege of selecting his legal adviser and paying him; in this case it appears, the custom has been reversed, and the lawyer retains the client, paying himself for unsolicited services out of funds appropriated by the Dominion government for the relief of creditors of a bankrupt firm of railway contractors. It may be that the firm of Gallihor & Wilson are entitled to this 10 per cent rake-off, owing to the efforts of Mr. Gallihor, as member of parliament, in inducing the government at Ottawa to reimburse the creditors of Carlson & Porter; or it may be one of the numerous methods devised to the Liberal party of payment for services rendered. The connection of the partner of W. A. Gallihor, M. P., with the distribution of this money, and the reason for his 10 per cent commission, is sadly in need of explanation. It is an example of up-to-date Liberal methods as practised in Ontario, the electors want to know the why and the wherefore of it. The creditors of Carlson & Porter would like to know why they should be compelled to pay for a legal adviser who had not been retained by them.

When in to the Fair do not fail to call at the Workingman's Store next door to Tribune office, Baker Street. W. Parker.

The World's Assay

Two trains collided near Knoxville, Tenn., on Saturday, killing 75 passengers, and wounding 100 more. Disobeying orders was the cause.

R. K. Brown lost his life in the Ymir mine on Friday by not regarding orders. The cable attached to a bucket in which he was riding broke and he was dashed to pieces at the bottom of the shaft.

At Vancouver the prices of lumber and shingles have tumbled.

There are 20 detectives still hunting for the chaps who held up the C.P.R. express two weeks ago.

A despatch from South America states that peace reigns in Uruguay.

The London Times thinks Harry Marks is not respectable enough to sit in the House of Commons, and is opposing him in a personal feud through its columns. The Times prefers morals in others to brains.

The news from Mukden and other points where the Jap and Russ make death is very slight and consists principally of stuff sent out by correspondents in order to supply the demand for something fresh from the seat of war.

R. G. Tatlow has gone to England on a pleasure trip.

It is not likely that the B.C. Legislature will sit before February.

At St. Petersburg it is reported that cholera has broken out in Port Arthur. There are 14,900 sick and wounded people in Port Arthur and God stands at every bedside.

Extremes meet. It is unlawful to shake dice for drinks in Phoenix.

For the first time coal is being shipped from Nova Scotia to Mexico. A steamer left Sydney last week with 400 tons for a railway at Vera Cruz.

Lord Strathcona has given \$50,000 to the McGill college in Montreal. A similar donation to the newspapers of Nelson would help some.

A despatch from Toronto says that the Presbyterians are sending more missionaries to Formosa. They should be tough and well preserved.

J. J. O'Rourke had his nose battered in a train wreck at Forest, Ont.

It is reported that Senator McLaren has sued the C.P.R. for \$125,000 upon account of damage to his timber limits by forest fires along the Crow road.

While fishing in Alaska last week three Indians found floating in the sea a lump of ambergris worth \$64,000. It will probably be the death of them.

A. Lapointe is building a three-story hotel in Kamloops.

Ten inches of snow fell at White Horse last Sunday. There is more freight for Dawson at White Horse than can be handled this season.

In Victoria W. J. Pendray has been paid \$75,000 by the C.P.R. for his property adjoining the site of the new hotel.

The smelter at Boundary Falls will be blown in on Thursday.

NEW DENVER

Joe Winter will winter in the Boundary.

Tom Saunders has rented a house in Rosebery, and Bill Maxwell is working on the road near Sloan City.

A protest against taking water from Goat mountain by the claim owners may defer the installing of the water works for several months.

The Newmarket is being renovated for the winter tourist trade.

Stock and moved into town, while John Williams is visiting Vancouver, and Russ Thompson has struck some hard work at Rosebery.

Alex McPherson and Pete Murray are pouncing rock near the Mountain Chief.

The last racing season opened in Boun Hall on Wednesday evening.

ONTO PRINCETON

The Great Northern Railway intends to proceed immediately with the construction of a line of railway from Midway, in the Boundary district, to Princeton, in the Similkameen, via Hedley City.

The riches of the mineral deposits of the Similkameen Valley are to be turned into the Granby smelter at Grand Forks for reduction; James J. Hill president of the Great Northern, owns the controlling interest in the Granby smelter; the Granby people own large interests in the Tulameen Boulder districts, and so it comes about that James J. Hill is going to build a line of railway right into the heart of the Similkameen to act as a feeder for his smelter and lines of railway to the south of the boundary line between Canada and the United States.

A Step Forward

London, Sept. 25.—Glasgow, notoriously a city of shameful sights and sounds, which never seemed to profit much from Sunday closing—meeting the usual fate of those who attempt practical prohibition instead of wise limitation—has tried another method, that of 10 o'clock closing of public houses. For three months the system has been in vogue, and already there is a substantial betterment, so steady in progress as to give solid foundation to a hope for permanency. A report of the experiment states that "the diminution in the week-end 'drunks' works out at an average of 26 per week, and taking the returns for complete weeks the figures show an average decrease of 32 per week. The figures for all cases, including 'drunks,' show a decrease on the whole of 48 per week." From this it will be seen that as usually happens, decreased drunkenness is accompanied by a commensurate falling off in crime generally, a notorious fact which ought to have produced greater attempts at reform than have yet been made. Liverpool people have suggested early closing for their city, but there may be local circumstances which render that course not so certain of effect as it has been so far in Glasgow. The control of the drink trade has always been full of intricacies, and some people suggest that the persistent inebriety be punished by a term of street sweeping or public appearance in the stocks, as it was under the old Act of James, as an alternative in default of forfeiting five shillings to the church wardens for the use of the poor of the parish. It was an ecclesiastical offence in former times, and there is little doubt that pulp proclamation of confirmed drunkards would go a long way to diminish the crime. However, Glasgow, enterprising as ever, has reason to congratulate herself.

HEINZE SELLS OUT

Butte, Mont., Sept. 25.—Judge William Clancy, long recognized as one of the two so-called Heinze judges of Silver Bow country, has caused a sensation by a statement to the effect that the Heinze mining interests in Butte have been, or will soon be taken over by the Amalgamated Copper Company. In an interview Judge Clancy said: "I believe the Montana Ore Purchasing company has sold, or is preparing to sell, its property. Even now to my personal knowledge three abstractors are at work in examining the records and titles of the Montana Ore Purchasing company properties."

It is understood that the Heinze interests have been for the past two months of the sale of the Heinze properties to the Amalgamated, despite strenuous denials by Mr. Heinze, and Judge Clancy's statement is regarded as almost authoritative that the deal has or will be shortly consummated.

The K. & S.

Spokane, Sept. 25.—R. C. Morgan, general superintendent of the S. P. & N., and W. H. Fortier, auditor of the road, have gone north to meet F. E. Ward, general superintendent of the Great Northern, and Robt. Irving, general manager of the Kootenay Railway and Navigation company. The four officials will go over the properties of the navigation company, which include the steamer line on Kootenay lake from Nelson to Kaslo, known as the International Navigation & Trading company, and the Kaslo & Sloean railway, from Kaslo to Sandon.

It is understood that this is an inspection trip prior to the absorption of the K. R. & N. by the S. P. & N. October 1.

LIFE IN NELSON

Albert Genest had his nose broken on Saturday while working in the sawmill.

A man named Whiteley was brought to the city last night from Sloean Junction suffering from a gunshot wound in the arm.

Gentlemen visiting the city during this week will have plenty of time to leave their measure for a winter suit with Taylor & McQuarrie.

Rev. J. G. Shearer talked to a small audience in the Congregational church yesterday afternoon upon Sunday keeping. His remarks were reasonable, and not particularly fanatical.

There will be an epidemic of poker next winter. Players are piling up money in order to burn it when the nights are cold, and players hold, stack up their gold upon any old hand they happen to hold.

Conductor Peck has returned from his jaunt to Winnipeg whither he went to attend a meeting of conductors. He reports Winnipeg as being full to the roof, and some sitting on the brake-beams.

There will be a grand Bonspiel in Nelson during the winter, and it is probable that the local curlers will import a carload of Scotch whiskey from the east, especially for the benefit of the chaps from Revelstoke.

The C.P.R. machinists are on strike for higher wages between Fort William and Vancouver. About 35 men in Nelson quit work on Saturday. The men should have more pay, especially in this city where living expenses are so high.

George Horton who sells the famous Blue Prize cigar was in town last week. He says that for the present real estate prices have reached the limit in Winnipeg, and that Portage La Prairie will have 25,000 inhabitants in less than 10 years. George also remarked that Billy Harmer was keeping the best hotel west of Winnipeg at Maple Creek.

A Fernie man came in yesterday to sell us a snake. He said that it was over 200 feet long, and he had it fenced in at present. He would have brought it to the Nelson Fair but thought transportation charges were too high. We declined to make a bid, and then he informed us that Bill Tuttle was too busy to come to the fair, but it was an even bet that Tom Whelan would reach here.

Owing to a shortage of water the City Council are liable to refuse it at any time to the users of motors. This will cause loss and inconvenience to many who put in motors, thinking that the city fathers were wise and would always have plenty of water in their tank. This city with its apology for an electric light, and its failing water supply speaks volumes for the lack of gray matter in the brains of some of our civic leaders.

J. Haslett writes us from Golden, Atlin that he will always take The Ledger while it remains fearless and independent. He encloses \$5 which covers him and his family for the bull-dog until August, 1907. If the world was filled with more men like Haslett our bank account would be so fat that an ordinary string of burros could not pack it two blocks without gasping for breath.

LIFE IN NELSON

Ore sacks are not very plentiful in Nelson.

W. Parker was selling goods at Oro Denoro last week.

Typographical triumphs are still turned out in this office.

"Big Jack" Robinson has gone to work at the Molly Gibson.

Mrs. Paul Smith and daughter returned to Spokane yesterday.

We called on the King this week and traded \$7.50 for a ton of coal.

Billy Noble was in town last week, and called on Alex McDonald.

That bright dramatic star, Jessie Shirley, will shine in Nelson all the week.

When looking for groceries Simpson & Co. can give you some valuable pointers.

Sir Sandford Fleming, one of Canada's grand old men spent a day in Nelson last week.

Hugh Williams is in town from Poplar after feed for his horses. He will winter in that camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Stanley mourn the loss of their first-born. The child died yesterday.

A million old newspapers for sale at this office. Call early, and avoid being disappointed.

J. H. Love has moved his office into more commodious quarters on Baker Street, just two doors from a bank.

There will be a lively game of baseball in Nelson next week. Tom Whelan is coming up from Fernie.

Dukes, lords, baronets and the elite of the world always stop at the Strathcona when they halt at Nelson.

Fred Hume has ordered a dynamo to supply his own electric light. This is one result of the dim system.

In Bonham, Texas, a lady entertains the people by riding steers. This is an attraction the Nelson Fair overlooked.

Business has been dull this week. Only one man called to tell us that we were culus, and had nothing in our upper stoop.

Brown & Co. and J. W. Gallagher are doing the clothing trade of the city. Visitors to the Fair can make money by buying at these stores.

The pleasure of a dance in Fraternity Hall on Friday evening was heightened by two Siwash giving a fish-eating Indian war dance.

The boarders at the Strathcona must have made the ghost walk. The front of this grand hotel of the mountains was touched with paint last week.

It is the aim of Taylor & McQuarrie to retain each customer once obtained. The secret of their success is the excellence of the suits made by them.

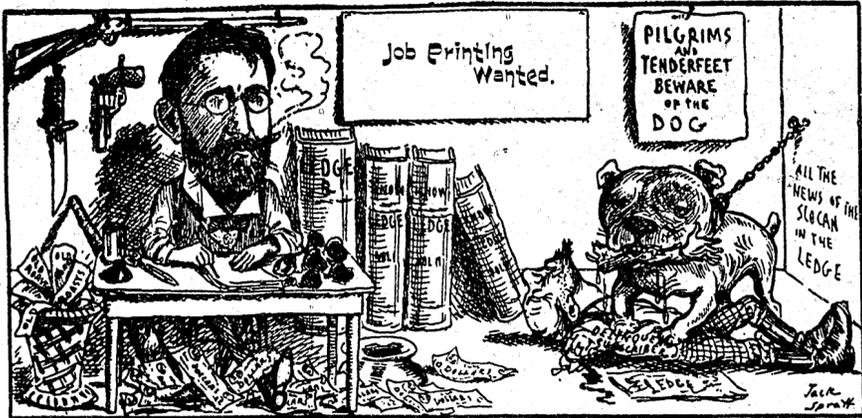
Bill Braddy an oldie Harrie have returned from a hunting excursion on which they killed plenty of big game. In part of a day near Saucis they caught 105 beautiful trout.

In sending in his assessment J. G. Richardson states that the wheat around Hartney, Manitoba was not hurt much by the rust, and that it will yield 18 bushels to the acre.

In adopting the cash system the Fred Irvine Co. will eventually build up the greatest dry goods store in the interior. Their milliner learned her trade in one of the greatest cities in the United States.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy was in the city on Friday evening, but was too busy to call at this office. We are sorry for we wanted the great man to write us a short essay, entitled "Pass one, from station to station."

The dressing rooms in the Nelson Opera House are in by gaw, as these lamps are not safe amid the paint and drapery, especially when the actors are in a rush to catch their cues. The management are evidently bound to see that the chances of fire are reduced to a minimum.



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Fellow Pilgrims: THE LEDGE is located at Nelson, B. C., and is traceable to many parts of the earth. It has never been added to by the sheriff, nor is it ever to be taken away by the fear of man. It works for the truth blazer equally as well as it does for the champagne-flavored trust fund. It aims to be on the right side of everything, and still firmly believes that hell should be administered to the wicked in large doses. It has stood the test of time, and the past week has never entirely puffed out, although at times it has been no bigger than the shadow of a knifeblade. It knows that one of the noblest works of creation is the man who always pays the printer.

Address everything to— THE LEDGE, Nelson, B. C.

A pencil cross in this square indicates that your subscription is due, and that the editor wants once again to look at your collateral.



Blue Laws

At a meeting of the City Council in New Westminster the other night the Rev. J. S. Henderson, C. W. Houghton and G. H. Morden appeared on behalf of the local Ministerial Association, the Lord's Day Alliance, and the Church of England, and requested that the playing of the band on Sunday be stopped. After the parsons had delivered their reasons why the band should not be allowed to discourse music on Albert Crescent Sunday afternoons the weak-kneed Mayor and aldermen discussed the matter in favor of blue laws, and the Mayor was given the power to take whatever steps he thought advisable in the matter. As he has declared himself opposed to Sunday concerts it is easily to see what he would do with the Sunday concert. If the playing of the New Westminster band is full of discord it might be advisable to squelch their wind upon any day, but if their music is allright and they are prohibited from playing on Sunday the blue law cranks have won a victory, and liberty is struck another blow. No bondage is more galling than that enforced upon the people by narrow-minded creed boosters, and if the citizens of British Columbia do not look to their rights this province will eventually become a land of slaves and ridiculed by the intelligent people of all nations.

A Plain Fact

The editor who is honest and fights for the rights and liberties of the people against the encroachments of state, church, and corporations finds himself constantly stubbing his toes against boulders. The people who admire an editor of that kind are careless how they back him up. With few exceptions they expect him to live on wind, while they take their ads and job work to some servile paper that is afraid to utter an opinion for fear that some subscriber might get warm and cut off his subscription. A fearless editor would have a field day adding him, or else he gets away packing the flag, and foraging for ammunition. Canada is full of servile papers whose editors are always no fear, and whose pen is ever on the side of freedom, and

be proper upbuilding of the human race.

THE reign of the ice man is drawing to an end, and the coal man already has his paws upon the throne.

POPULAR is now without a parson. Some agent of Satan must have been putting plugged nickels on the collection plate.

A school has been established in Paris to teach people to sleep. One is needed in Sandon to teach the way to keep awake.

It seems strange that in a country so full of churches as Ontario that the politicians are the most corrupt in the world.

BE TEMPERATE and you will be happy. The Indian says: One drink, good; two drinks, too much; three drinks, not half enough.

THE public men of Canada made millions out of the C.P.R., and it is safe to say that the experience will be repeated in the case of the Grand Trunk Pacific.

THE trust magnates in the States, put up \$10,000,000 to help out the Republican party. A pile like that would help some at the Dominion election in Canada.

THE electric light in Nelson is so poor that lamps have often to be lit in rooms where it is used in order that ordinary print can be read without discomfort.

THE way to get favors from a politician is to grease his hand, and sprinkle it all over with soft gold. Try it when you want some concessions in your district.

AS a rule when you hear a man ranting about the way he would wade in blood for his country it is time to reach for the Union Jack and hold it tight in your two hands.

THERE is a hotel in New York where a room costs as high as \$125 a day, and a modest meal can be had for \$12. Some of the beds cost \$10,000. There is nothing in B.C. to compare with this hotel not even at Three Forks.

THANKSGIVING DAY has been fixed for November 17, instead of some date in October as has been the Canadian custom for some years past. As that is just after the elections will be over the Grits will kill two turkeys with one stone.

NELSON will be full of farmers this week. If they will call at our office we will instruct them how to enjoy life in a great city without having to telegraph home for more money. We will also trade subscribers prize pumpkins or big onions.

NOW that the rush is on for oil in East Kootenay it is just as well to know that the Dominion government pays 12 cents a gallon upon all crude petroleum produced in Canada. This is about 60 cents a barrel and of itself gives a handsome profit to the owners of large wells.

RECENTLY in Kingston a conductor was arrested for running a street car on Sunday. Buggies are still driven in that city, and few of the people stop eating on Sunday. Up to date no one has been arrested in

Nelson for running a street car or riding in one on any day of the week.

D. W. HIGGINS, who came to this province in 1858, and has been a prominent figure ever since, has just published a book entitled, "The Mystic Spring and other Stories of Western Life." It is filled with readable stories of the early days in Yale, Victoria, and Cariboo, and is a welcome addition to Western literature.

LAST winter Ontario was rendered desolate by snow and frost, and last week an earthquake shook that province. These are just warnings. If the Grits do not cease being corrupt, especially around Sault Ste. Marie the earth will open up some day and swallow the entire country. We would advise all the good Tories to come west as fast as possible, ere it is too late.

TYPHOID is more or less prevalent in East and West Kootenay. It is a disease of the stomach and generally fastens upon reckless livers in September and October. You cannot get it in the air like smallpox, but must eat or drink it. Probably the best way to prevent it is to avoid eating or drinking anything. Still, when taken typhoid germs should be boiled, baked, fried or roasted. Taken raw they are apt to get gay, and cause a funeral in the family.

MANY a union man never thinks about any other trade but his own. For instance he will shout for protection to his own work, and then buy goods without the label. Take the cigar business for instance. Nelson and this country are filled with cigars made by the almost child slave labor of Quebec, and many union men in the west pay no attention to the label when they dip their hand in the box for a weed. If they did few scab cigars would be smoked in Kootenay, and fewer millionaires in the east would build themselves up at the expense of labor in the cent belt, and the generosity of the western people.

FROM all indications the Spokane Interstate Fair will be better attended and more worthy of patronage than any previous fair held in that city. The horticultural and agricultural department, the mining department, the stock and other departments will each be under the care of special managers this year, who are making every effort to get together exhibits that will be representative and really creditable. The amusement and racing features, too, promise to be of a higher order of excellence than heretofore. The railroads have granted special concessions. Crops are large and prices high this year, which means a prosperous community with the money and opportunity to attend the fair this fall and help to make it a success.

A YOUNG FINANCIER

The accidental reading of a young boy's diary, by his father, in an Eastern Town, proved an object lesson to both the parents, and may serve to set others thinking a bit in the right direction. The youngest was nine years old a short time ago, and among his birthday gifts was a diary. He kept it religiously from day to day, and the parent found

that a faithful record of each day's happenings was being kept, and this rather surprised him. Opening it at the beginning, he read:—"I am nine years old to day. Looked in the glass, but whiskers ain't sproutin' yet."

"Sassed a boy. Got lickt." "Pop borrowed ten cents for car-fair; that makes \$1.15 he owes me. Wonder if Ile ever get it."

"Jimmie stole my ball. I ickt him for it."

"Ast Pop for some of my money ann he gave me a nickel. I want that doler."

"We fellers got up a baseball club to-day. I'm picheer. If I had that doler 15 I could get a uniform."

"Pop got paid to-day and giv me my money."

"Mama borrered a doler. Dam these people, anyway. A feller can't save nothin'."

"Ast Pop about banks. I want to put my money ware carfair ain't so skearse."

"Got lickt again."

There was more of this, but "Pop" had read enough. As a result, there was a conference, and now the arrangement is to pay 5 per cent a week interest and settle every Saturday.

The "kid" got his "unaform."

GET YOUR SHOES FOR MOUNTAIN CLIMBING.. PURLEY WARD, SANDON

HOTEL SLOCAN Is the pioneer hotel of Three Forks, and a pleasant home for the weary traveller. Rooms reserved by telegraph.

HUGH NIVEN, Proprietor. GRAND CENTRAL HOTEL

Opposite Court House and new Post-office. Best 25c meal in town. European and American plan. Only white labor employed. First class bar. THOMAS & ERICKSON, Props.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RY.

Nelson Exhibition Sept. 29 and 30.

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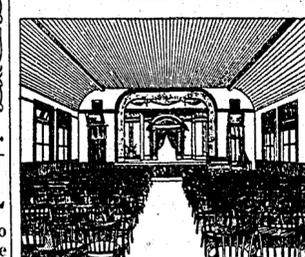
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Name of Property	Description of Property	Delinquent Taxes		Costs	Total
		Taxes	Interest		
Udwin, H. E.	South Half of Block 8, being subdivision of Lot 82, Group 1, and containing 7 acres more or less.	2.50	1.00	2.00	5.50
Meeker, A. C.	N. E. quarter of section 2, being a subdivision of Lot 82, Group 1, and containing 6 acres more or less.	1.00	1.00	2.00	4.00
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THE NELSON FAIR

The second annual fair in Nelson will open on Wednesday, Sept. 28, and continue two days. It promises to be a great success judging from the number of entries made, and the expressions of the public throughout the entire country. The exhibits will consist of Goats, Poultry, Garden, Field and Orchard products, Flowers, Shrubs, Oil, Gold, Silver, Lead, Copper and other ores, etc. Amusements of various kinds will be provided upon both days, and visitors are sure of a glorious time. Good weather has been ordered and a single fare secured from all points. There are plenty of beds, booze and beans in the metropolis and it will be just like home to all outsiders. The city will be fairly wide open and it may even be possible to spit on the sidewalk, without being fined \$100. Visitors from the rural districts will be delighted with our street cars, but are requested to bring candles if they wish to see our electric light. The Fair will be the greatest event in the history of Nelson, and should not be missed by anyone who is interested in the progress and productions of Southern British Columbia. No shell games on the street corners will be permitted. The thousands who read this paper all over the country can find the best places to buy goods in the city by reading our advertising columns. Nearly all the live firms of the city carry ads in this famous journal.

WALKING FROM NEW DENVER

The artistic and varied display bills of the Nelson Fair are fine plates and quite decorative of the places on which they are placed. They are realistic and tempting enough to make the mouth water and practically are an object lesson that tends to incite and arouse interest and enthusiasm in the development of the great resources of the Kootenays and our inland in the lines of floriculture, horticulture and agriculture in all its diversified divisions, not forgetting our mineral and metallic lines, which also belong to agriculture, i.e., producing from mother earth.

The invitation to Nelson and the Fair recalls many pleasant memories of early days in Ontario and in fancy's view we can again hear the rich full voice of our old chum Geordie Hamilton, warbling the song of Glasgow Fair.

The sun frae the eastward was peepin' And braid thro' the winnows did star, When Willie cried, Tam are ye asleepin? Make haste ye and rise to the fair. For the lads and the lassies ro gangin' And a' body's noo in a steer. Fie, haste ye and let us be gangin', Or else we'll be langsome I fear. So Tam he got up in a hurry, And heigh out he made himself snod, And a pint of milk brose he did worry To mak' him mair tough for the road.

And if walking is good and the weather fine we may take "shanks mare" and cut across lots for the Nelson Fair. SCOTTE.

A GREAT RAISE

Ottawa, Sept. 25.—An order has been promulgated increasing the pay of the militia as follows: Colonels, per day, from \$4.80 to \$5; majors, \$3.00 to \$4; captains, \$2.80 to \$3; lieutenants, \$1.58 to \$2; provincial lieutenants, \$1.28 to \$1.50. Recruits for the first year will receive 50 cents, and if their conduct is good will get 70 cents. The second year they will get 70 cents and if their conduct is good 90 cents and the third year they will get 90 cents and if their conduct is good \$1.

A DEAR DRUNK

It is dangerous to be an engineer on the C. P. R. and get drunk while on duty. An engineer at Regina was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for being intoxicated while on his engine. This is probably the most severe sentence ever given a man for being drunk, and shows that the C. P. R. endeavors to protect its passengers at all hazards. Of all men the man at the throttle should always be sober.

THE REAL YELLOW PERIL

An American commercial traveler in Japan writes: "At Kobe I saw the yellow peril! My business took me to Osaka, to one of the large shoe factories, turning out about thirty thousand pairs of shoes per month for the army. A tannery is connected with it, and the manager, a conceited little chap, took me around, and with great pride showed me the various machinery used; even had the gall to ask me whether we had the same machinery. Fortunately for my national pride, I did not need the interpreter for my answer. I simply pointed at the little shield on the machine—"Machinery Works, Detroit, U. S. A."—and presume he understood my meaning all right. The yellow peril alluded to consists in the fact that these people import our machinery, have cheap labor, and these two things combined form, according to my ideas, the real yellow peril. It is not the Japanese officers drilling Chinese hordes in the art of warfare, but Japanese brains using our machinery and conquering the markets of the Orient—the world's largest dumping place at present. Herein I see the peril which menaces us."

A DUCK'S RECORD

A white Aylesbury duck, in the Wiltshire village of Foxley, has achieved a record in laying daily from February 26th to July 13th with one exception. The total number of eggs laid in that time was 138. This duck should have been obtained for the Nelson Fair.

THE RIGHT MEDICINE.

A Chinaman convicted of starting a bush fire near Vancouver was fined \$200. In Fernie a bunch of Italians were fined \$50 each for the same offense with the alternative of putting the fire out in lieu of paying the cash. They put the fire out.

SHY BRIDEGROOM

At Pottsville, Pa., recently a wedding was delayed because a funeral service was in progress. The bridegroom lost courage and fled to a neighbouring house, whence he was sought by a party of indignant maidens and dragged back to the altar.

SLOAN ORE SHIPMENTS.

In August the Sloan Mines made the following shipments:

Payne	.....	Tons 424
Sloan Star	.....	846
Ivanhoe	.....	155
Ottawa	.....	239
Hambler	.....	128
Mountain Con	.....	61
Enterprise	.....	80
Wakoleid	.....	102
Newport	.....	20
Comstock	.....	20
Black Prince	.....	22
Idaho	.....	121
Silver Bell	.....	20
Molly Hughes	.....	20
Ruth	.....	46
Highland Light	.....	1
Total	.....	1756

CANADIAN APPLES

Liverpool, Sept. 25.—The Canadian apple season is just beginning, and two thousand barrels have already arrived at Liverpool from America.

This country's trade with the Canadian growers is very large, and Manchester is jealous of the monopoly of the apple cargoes which Liverpool has established.

Manchester means to get at least a share of the apple trade if possible, and is attempting to persuade the Canadian Government to decentralize it by dividing it between Manchester, Liverpool and Bristol.

The Liverpool buyers are determined not to be "decentralized," and they have represented to Lord Strathcona, High Commissioner for Canada, that it is an advantage to take the apples to Liverpool, where most of the buyers are gathered together.

They claim that at Liverpool the best prices are realized for the Canadian growers, and that at Manchester buyers are too few to make the trade profitable.

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LATEST FROM POPLAR

Poplar, Sept. 25.—The sawmill is buzzing daily with a force of 12 men cutting lumber for export.

Arthur G. Johnstone has charge of the Post-office. It is reported that work will resume on the Handy next month.

The Young Dominion on Cascade ck. will make a shipment next month. Two shifts are working on the Mother Lode and over 200 feet of shaft and tunnel work has been done on the property within three months.

There is two feet of ore in the face of the lower tunnel on the Spyglass. Twelve men are working at the mine and a test shipment has already gone forward to the smelter. The condition of the trail, especially near Poplar makes it difficult for this mine to ship ore at present.

KASLO

Bob Green does not forget his friends. Neil F. Mackay is now McBride's secretary.

Mrs. Giegerich and daughter are visiting friends in Nebraska. The matrimonial epidemic has not yet subsided.

Arthur & Haddler have sold their interest in the Sandon hardware store to J. W. Power.

Joseph Strot and Miss Annie Rogerson were married last Monday.

Charley Johnson committed suicide at Mirror lake last Monday while suffering from mania potu. He cut his throat from ear to ear with a razor. Johnson was a Swede, and had lived in Kaslo for eight years.

LOCAL PICK-UPS.

Send your watch to O. Strathearn Kaslo, for repair.

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

Musical goods and stationery at O. Strathearn's, Kaslo.

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Visitors to Sandon need never fear the pangs of hunger. The Sandon Chop House is always open.

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WANTED—Quickly, few persons to represent big established wholesale house among retail merchants and agents. Local territory of few counties. \$5 salary and expense paid weekly. Expense money advanced. Commission extra. Permanent engagement. Satisfaction guaranteed. No experience necessary. Enclose self-addressed envelope. Address, WESTERN TRAVELERS, 35, Dearborn St., Chicago.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That, 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. The Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated on the west end of Summit lake, in West Kootenay District, commencing at a post marked "D.M. S.W.C." planted about one half mile south of A. B. Finckland's post, and at M. Gintzberger's N.W.C., thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains and thence west 80 chains to place of commencement. DAN McLEOD, Lessor. FOREST PEELTON, Agent. Dated this 18th day of August, 1904.

NOTICE

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