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THE GAME LAW.

Open Season for Shooting All Ordinary Game Begins September 1st.

Now that the the shooting season is upon us, and for the information of those particularly interested, many of whom have been enquiring, of late, when the season opens for such and such game, Prospector readers may find it interesting to peruse the following resume of the game act. Those who are interested in shooting or disposing game, should cut this out, and place it where it can be conveniently referred to:

The open seasons for game, are, respectively, as follows, both dates being inclusive:

September 1st to February 28th —Bittern, ducks of all kinds, heron, meadow lark, plover.

September 1st to December 31st—Caribou, elk, wapiti (bull), grouse of all kinds including prairie chickens, hare, moose (bull).

September 1st to December 14th—Deer (buck), deer (doe), mountain goat mountain sheep (ram).

November 2nd to March 31st—Beaver, land otter, marten.

Unless specially provided, it is unlawful to shoot or destroy the following: Insectiverous birds, English blackbirds, caribou (cow or calf), chaffinch, (deer or fawn under twelve months), elk, wapiti, (cow), elk, wapiti (calf under two years). gull linnet, moose (cow or calf under twelve months), mountain sheep (ewe or lamb), English partridge, cock pheasant, hen pheasant, quail of all kinds, skylark, thrush, and eggs of protected birds.

Farmers only may shoot robins in gardens, between June 1st and September 1st.

It is unlawful to buy sell, or expose for sale, show, or advertisements: Insectivorous birds, bittern, English blackbird, caribou (cow or calf), chaffinch, deer, (fawn under twelve months) or doe, elk or wapiti, of any sex or age, grouse of all kinds, except blue grouse, which may be sold during the open; gull linnet, meadow lark, moose (cow or calf) mountain sheep (ewe or lamb, English partridge, cock pheasant, hen pheasant, quail, robin, skylark, thrush, at any time.

It is unlawful to buy, sell, or expose for sale, show, or advertisement: Caribou, hare, bull, moose, mountain goat, mountain ram, before October 1st; buck deer, duck, blue grouse, plover, during close season.

It is unlawful to kill or take in one season, more than five caribou, ten deer, two elk, 250 duck, two moose, five mountain goats, three mountain rams, and to hunt deer with dogs, or kill deer for hides alone.

The open season for shooting cock will be proclaimed later, by the Lieut.-Governor.

The Lillooet-Lytton Road.

The completion of the Lillooet-Lytton wagon will be about the end of this month. At present forty men are at work on the slide and are gradually opening up a thoroughfare on the perpindicular rock. The trail is wide enough to permit people to cross on foot and in a couple weeks time should be in pretty good shape. The bank is being taken off considerably so as to slant back from the road. When completed across the rock work it will make a first class road with solid foundation. The distance across the slide is one-half mile. The piece of road built this year on the Lytton end of the slide is a good piece of work.

Mr. J. H. Anthony made a trip over the road last week for the government, with his bicycle and cyclometer measuring the distance and marking the miles. The distance from the Lytton station to Lillooet is forty-seven miles, exceeding the distance which it is supposed to have been by four miles. The old distance was was taken from the trail and the numerous short cuts made the difference.

What Booze Will Do.

Last week a half-breed by the name of Jimmy Raines arrived in town from the Bonaparte and secured enough firewater to get several Indians camped at the bridge "full up to the neck." During the saturnalia of debauchery a couple of the aboriginies proceeded to fight and as a result one of them is badly punctured in the chops probably with the assistance of a broken bottle. Raines left for parts unknown with Con table Burns in his track. A big Indian called the Colt is now in the skookum house awaiting for further development of the fracas. An official report will be made shortly by the stipendiary and if the assays are not satisfactory the bacchanalian artist will be forwarded to a neighbering town to prospect further on the roads and government property.

Having secured the closure of fruit stands on Sunday, at Vancouver, the church people are now preparing long petitions urging a curfew by law.

A Washington despatch says that a modus vivendi will be shortly arranged by which Canada will get free ports on Lynn canal and Pyramid harbor.

The Westminster lacrosse team have challenged the Shamrocks, the champions of the east, for a match on the exhibition grounds in October for the championship of the world. It is stated that the easterners willl come, their expenses is guaranteed by the coast team.

Parties interested in the construction of the large dredger at Lytton arrived there this week and will make arrangements to commence work as soon as possible. Four car loads of machinery have arrived and a few more are expected along at any time. The timber, etc. for the scow is also expected shortly. The dredger will be 110 feet in length and when it commences work will be able to handle considerable gravel a day.

J. M. Buxton, one of Vancouver's most prominent citizens, died very suddenly at Sicamous last Sunday afternoon. He had recently had an operation performed for appendicitis, and since then he has complained of very severe pains. On Sunday he started with a friend on a hunting expedition. While at Shuswap he fell in a fit, but recovered. On reaching Sicamous on Sunday afternoon he took another fit on the railway platform, which proved fatal. Mr. Buxton was a prominent member of Cascade Lodge. A. F. & A. M.

LOCAL NEWS.

W. Durban is attending to the duties of constable during L. G. Burns absence.

T. J. Cole was in town for a couple of days this week from his ranch near Pavilion.

J. F. Gibson leaves shortly for the North Fork to spend several days looking a ound.

Major Burnett, P. L. S. will leave shortly for Cariboo where he goes on surveying business.

J. H. Freeman, a commercial traveler was in town the first of the week with a B. X. special stage.

In another column will be found some verses re the late rains and crops. This is fall poetry and hot-stuff.

R. Terry is busy up Seaton lake cutting cordwood to supply the residents of town during the coming winter.

T. C. Harris returned this week from fixing the Anderson lake trail between the Portage and McGillivray creek.

Frederick Souer, of Clinton, government agent has been appointed stipendiary magistrate for the county of Cariboo.

The 111-Mile House telegraph office was completely destroyed by fire last Sunday. All the books, papers and telegraph instrumen's were destroyed.

Major Burnet received word this week from Vancouver that Miss Burnet is very much improved in health. She has been very ill the past few weeks.

Some of the boys in town had a slight pain under their vest Wednesday night. They appropriated a water melon belonging to another party and devoured it holus bolus with the above results. They do not say anything about the pain but it is a fact.

The Pemberton mail was sent in last Tuesday. The arrangement at present is only temporary and the probabilities are that the service will be continued. Not only will it be a grert convenience to the Pemberton people but it will accommodate the miners along Anderson lake and McGillivray creek as this section is being opened up and prospected.

The social held in the Methodist church Thursday evening was a success. The church was crowded and the program was rendered in good style all taking their parts well. The refreshments were served by the ladies of the congregation and all seemed to enjoy their ice-cream, notwithstanding the chilly weather. A collection was taken up which amounted to $12.50 to go towards the fund of purchasing an organ for the church. This social is probably the best one yet held in Lillooet everything being satisfactory arranged and not a hitch in the proceedings — not even a howl from the numerous infants which usually are in abundance at these gatherings.

Fast Freight Service.

Following the establishment of the Imperial Limited, on which the Canadian Pacific railway now rushes its passengers to and from the Pacific coast, that company is also to inaugurate a fast freight service to the coast and Kootenay, Freight will be carried on a train to be known as the "Pacific Coast Fu let" which will run from Fort William to Laggan in 93 hours and 55 minutes, and to Kootenay landing in 100 hours and 10 minutes. It will leave Fort William at 2 p.m, central time. and reach Laggan at 10:15 p.m., mountain time, and Kootenay station at 5·30 a.m., mountain time. The company is also arranging a similar service for the Pacific division.

Macpherson is Solid.

A Vancouver despatch says:—Robt. Macpherson, M. P. P., strongly refutes the purport of the interview with himself appearing in Sunday's Victoria Colonist stating that prospective legislation would compel him to vote against the Government. Macpherson reminds the public that recently the Colonist unwittingly was compelled to call this selfsame interviewer a mendacious liar. He declares that the legislation of the Government has his fullest approval. He concluded a letter to the News Advertiser thus: "The Colonist should know that we fought too many years in this Province to rid it of the Government (largely in the interests of the small Victoria oligarchy) for us now to take any measure to get that oligarchy quickly back into power again."

War Inevetable.

The Pretoria correspondent of the London Morning Post says: The Boer officials, after reading the cabled reports of Mr. Chamberlain's Birmingham speech considered that war is inevitable. The speech has undoubtedly inflamed the war spirit. The Boers are now all alarmed except those in Johannesburg. Their commissariat is fairly good. All the forts are simply victualled. The ammunition which was allowed to pass through Cape Colony, came direct to Pretoria. It was never intended for the Orange Free State.

President Kruger does not hesitate to exercise the view that war is almost inevitable. He has stocked the presidency with ample supplies of provisions to secure his own person from privation and he is often heard repeating the Seventy-third Psalm.

The Boers are energetically engaged in poisoning the minds of the natives again the British, and have approached the Zulu chief, Dinizulu, who appears undecided which cause to espouse. But the Zulus are prepared for the expected fighting and it must be remembered that Dinizulu was deported to St. Helena with several other chiefs and kept a prisoner there by the British for several years.

The Dreyfus trial appears to be assuming the general character of an all-round farce. To sentence a man to anything on such testimony as is being given would make justice blush even in France.

RIGHTS TO SURFACE OF MINERAL CLAIMS.

Mineral Claim Holders Will Not be Deprived of Their Rights

About three weeks ago a meeting of representatives of mine owners and other mineral claim holders was held in Greenwood, to discuss the question of purchase of surface rights of mineral claims. It was represented to the meeting that certain mining companies had for some time previously been endeavoring to purchase from the Provincial Government the surface rights to certain Crown-granted mineral claims, owned by these companies, respectively, but thus far without success. Attention was directed as well to the fact that the Government had advertised inviting offers to purchase the surface rights of of a fractional mineral claim, and the opinion was expressed that if this course were taken in one case, it might also be in the respective cases of those present. Later it was shown that there were probably very good reasons for the action of the government in the instance cited which were entirely absent in cases of ordinary mineral claims, and that the course followed in this particular case was a very desirable one in the public interest. Since then representations have been made to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, who has satisfactorily explained the cause of earlier delay, and that Crown grants for surface rights of several of the claims to which reference had been made had since been issued. Assurance has as well been given that all applications made by persons other than the owners of mineral claims to purchase the surface rights of crown granted claims have been promptly refused, as also have applications made to pre-empt and purchase lands which were known to encroach upon proviously located mineral claims. It is, therefore, apparent that the Government has no intention of depriving owners of claims or any rights or privileges they are legally entitled to, nor, indeed, to do anything that may tend to hamper the development of the mineral resources of the Province. It is to be expected. though, that care will at all times be taken to see that the public interests are safeguarded in these as in other matters affecting the alienation of Crown land.

The approximate salmon pack for the season is 660,000 cases, or about the same as in 1896. It is a fisherman's year. Owing to the high price of fish canners will make little.

In the Dreyfus trial the only evidence of much importance last week was the handwriting experts who admitted their error regarding the author of the bordeau, claiming that it was Estherhazy and not Dreyfus that wrote it.

Pavilion.

R. & W. Cumming have added to their flour mill a plant for the manufacture of Graham flour and can now supply that article to customers in ten pound bags. W. Cumming of Lillooet will always have a supply on hand and the Lillooet people who wish to have it will call here.

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A petition is being circulated among the interested parties on Cadwallader creek to have the terminus of the mail route changed from the Bend'Or camp to the Sucker Creek Hotel. The change would be a decided convenience to the majority as it is more centerally located than the Bend'Or, and the proprietors of the Sucker creek hotel, Messrs. Collum & Delong who are well known to be reliable and responsible men are willing to assume the responsibilities of a post office, which heretofore has been the trouble to get some suitable person to act as postmaster.

It is also important that a post office should be opened on Cadwallader without further delay as the present system is very incomplete, in so much as people wishing to register mail are unable to do so and everything whether valuable or otherwise is obliged to be carried in an open sack. As the petition it is believed will be signed unanimonsly, it is to be hoped that the postmaster-general will give the matter his immediate consideration.

The coast papers are figuring out the standing of the several members of the legislature. The Nelson Tribune predicts that when the house meets the members will stand just as they did when the last session closed, not counting D W. Higgins who would not be contented even in heaven.

Ex-attorney-general Martin is bent on trying to get revenge for the action of the benchers in suspending him. He has written to the Law Society making a charge of "unprofessional conduct" against L. G. McPhilips, Q. C., of Vancouver. Mr. Martin, it is understood, has threatened to make complaints against other practitioners.

DREDGING MACHINERY.

A Question of Duty Upon Machinery Used In Hydraulic Mining.

A. L. Russell of Vancouver, on behalf of a committee of gentlemen who are largely interested in dredging on the Fraser and elsewhere in British Columbia, some time since forwarded a memorial to the Hon. William Patterson, Minister of Customs, relative to duty upon dredging machinery. Messrs. Maxwell, Morrison and Bostock were likewise corresponded with, as was also B. T. A. Bell secretary of the Canadian Mining Institute, Ottawa. In reply to the petition which was forwarded to the Hon. Mr. Patterson in July last, the following letter has been received by Mr. Russell, which explains itself:

CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT OF CANADA

Ottawa, Aug. 12, 1899.

A. L. Russell, Vancouver.

Sir,—Referring to your letter of the 27th ult., endorsed by Mr. George R. Maxwell, M. P., and enclosing petitions signed by Wm. Rattray, manager of the Fraser River Consolidated Gold Co., and others, requesting the free entry of dredging machinery, I am directed to inform you that it has been determined that elevators of floating dredgers used in mining submerged alluvial gold-bearing deposits, may be entered free of duty under tariff item No. 555, as being elevators for hydraulic mining.

Under tariff item 542 free entry is provided for: "Iron or steel masts, or parts thereof, and iron or steel beams, angles, sheets, plates, knees and cable chain for wooden, iron, steel or composite ships and vessels; and iron, steel or brass manufactures which at the time of their importation are of a class or kind not manufactured in Canada, when imported for use in the construction or equipment of ships or vessels."

As floating dredgers are classed as vessels, for tariff purposes, the article required in the construction and equipment of dredgers used in mining the gold levels of the Fraser and other rivers in British Columbia are thus to a large extent allowed free entry under the tariff provisions above named. The chief article subject to duty in connection with such dredgers are the boilers, engines, etc., required for motive power, and these are made in Canada.

(Signed) JOHN McDOUGALL,
Commissioner.

I'm Glad I'm Not a Farmer.

I'm glam I'm not a farmer in eighteen ninety-nine,
To see the sky so cloudy that the sun can never shine.
I'm glad I'm not a farmer at Pavilion up the way,
To see the rain come pouring down and spoiling all my hay.

I'm glad I'm not a farmer with a hundred tons of grain
All lying scattered in the field and spoiling in the rain.
I'm glad I'm not a farmer and August nearly o'er
To have my hay all bleaching while the rain forever pours.

I'm glad I'm not a farmer now to see the rain come down.
And change the color of my grain from yellow into brown.
I'm glad I'm not a farmer for the weather is so mean
It changes all the hay crop to a yellow from a green.

I'm glad I'm not a farmer now to stand and see it rain,
And not have a canopy to cover up my grain.
I'm glad I'm not a farmer to have my grain al strewn
Upon the field without the power of saving it from ruin.

I'm glad I'm not a farmer to witness rain galore
When it would not rain all summer when I wanted it to pour.
I'm glad I'm not a farmer for 'tis easy now to tell,
I would not have a dollars worth of hay or grain to sell. —D. D.

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WHEN ON A WANE.

Kid McCoy Says Champions Are Easy to Defeat.

"I can never forget that match I made with Jim Corbett that never came off," observed Kid McCoy. "We were to meet at Buffalo last August and I had trained a month for the bout, and knew that Corbett could not whip me, as I would was better fitted than he was. I felt so confident of beating him that I would have given my last dollar, and given odds, if necessary. Had I whipped Corbett there might be another story to tell as regards my fight with Tom Sharkey. A year before John L. Sullivan was whipped by Corbett there was a chance for either Frank Slavin or Charley Mitchell to meet Sullivan. Slavin begged his backer to put up a stake to meet Sullivan, but Sullivan's name hypnotized the moneyed man behind the Sydney cornstalk. Mitchell was also anxious to meet John L., but Pony Moore, Mitchell's father-in-law, was afraid that Sullivon old as he was, was too big a game for Charley. If either of them had known how far gone John was physically they would have snapped up the bet. Even Sullivan was unaware that he was on the wane. It was the old story. The champion thought himself invincible and at the height of his powers when he was really on the down grade. And its odd that the public as a rule, has more confidence in a champion when he's waning than when he is at his best."

He Knew.

"Hov yez heard about it?" queried Shannigan, with well stimulated indignation. "Dhe aut'orities wudn't let em bury a "poor owld woman yisterday!"

"Wudn't let 'em bury her?" ejaculated McLubberty. "An' for phwoy not, oi dun'no?"

"She wasn't dead! Thot's wan on yez, Mack!"

"Niver moind! Niver moind! Oi'll work ut aph on sawmbody ilse."

Meeting O'Hoggarty a little later, he remarked:

Ut's savages thot rule us d'yez moind?"

"Oi'm nat married mesil," replied O'Hoggarty, camly.

"Oi don't mane thot. Begorra, dhey wudn't let em bury a poor owld dead woman yisterday!"

"Phwoy not?"

"B'cause she wasn't dead. Haw! haw!

"Wasn't dead? Dhe devil! Yez just said she was dead."

"Av oi did, oi got ahead av mesilf. Ut's a joke, d'yez see? Oi am a wag. D'yez know phwot a wag is?"

"Yis."

"Phwot, thin?

"A wag is a dom fool!"—Harper's Bazar.

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LOCAL NEWS.

J. J. Hill is doing assessment work on his claims on Cadwallader.

C. M. Glenn and O. A. Harthorne came in from Cadwallader Saturday last.

Rev. J. E. Gardner will hold service at Cayoosh on Sunday morning at Jensen's.

J. S. Bell left last Saturday morning for the coast to be absent several days on business.

Frank Riley returned the first of the week from Cherry creek where he had been on a visit.

J. R. Williams and George Lasher left the first of the week for the Horsefly to be absent several weeks.

Frank Tinkham is assisting at the Hotel Victoria during the absence of Mr. D. Hurley to Bridge river.

The Prospector is published later than usual this week owing to the staff being absent for a few days on a tour.

Service will be held in the Church of England Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Rev Archdeacon Small will officiate.

Mrs. Attwood went out on Saturdays stage to The Fountain where she is visiting Miss Wonderley at the hydraulic mine.

Fred P. Wilson, representing McLennan, McFeeley & Co., hardware merchants of Vancouver, was in town Thursday.

Quite a number of Indians have been fishing along the Fraser river the past few weeks securing salmon for a winters grub stake.

Mr. Anthony of the firm of Anthony & Robson, Lytton, visited Lillooet for a couple of days this week, going as far as McGillivray creek to see the Brett claims.

Wm. Rogers foreman on the construction of the Lillooet-Lytton road was in town on Sunday last and picked up most of the idle men in town to work on the road.

Messrs W. G. Duguid and W. H. Miller, the contractors, left Sunday for Alkali lake where they will be several weeks working. Both will be a great loss to the baseball team.

Mr. E. S. Peters J. P. returned to town last Saturday, after a months absence in the Bridge River country. Mr. Peters is well pleased with the prospects of Bridge river and has no doubt of its future.

The baseball team has done nothing as yet in the way of practice, or raising funds for their trip to Ashcroft in a few weeks. The weather has been quite bad lately, but there is enough of fine weather for the boys to get in and do something. No doubt six months steady practice would hurt them.

Several residents of town have been annoyed lately by their neighbors cows breaking into their gardens and destroy their vegetables. The cows around town are pretty smart opening gates, and very few of the latches will stop them from getting into any yard. The owners of the crops usually loses all their religious training about the time they find that the cows have been in their gardens. Something will happen one of these days.

C. M. Glenn left town on Tuesday morning with supplies for his camp on Bridge River.

The Brett Bros will leave in a few days for McGillivray creek to do work on their claims.

Owen Williams who has been working on the trail the past few weeks has gone to the South Fork to mine.

The excursion up Seaton lake Tuesday afternoon by the steamer Minnehaha was attended by several parties from town who enjoyed the trip.

D. Hamilton leaves in a few days to do assessment work on his claims on Cadwallader and will also do some more placer mining on the South Fork.

P. F. Richardson, traveler for G. L. Allen, boot and shoe dealers in Vancouver arrived in town last Saturday morning by special B. X. stage and remained in town a day doing business.

J. F. Gibson, J McKivor, D. Hamilton and J. Arthur who have been working the Bridge River trail for several weeks came to town Wednesday afternoon having finished the work laid out for them.

Athletic Association.

Editor Prospector,—Sir: I don't think there is any doubt but that when the baseball team took round the hat to solicit subscriptions to purchase their necessary outfit and provide funds for entertaining the team from Ashcroft, with the exception of a few received very little encouragement.

The fact of the matter I think, was that the general public did not know then the stuff the boys were made of, and thought that it was merely the whim of anidle hour. Our baseball team however, have proved themselves right good sportsmen, capable of playing an excellent game, and taking their defeat like men. Therefore, I feel confident that if an appeal be made to the town a good subscription list now would be the result. The love of athletics and outdoor games has made us Britishers the race we are today, and I would therefore very respectfully throw out the suggestion, that an athletic association should be started here, which would not only embrace baseball, cricket, running, jumping &c., in the summer time, but football, boxing and singlestick in the winter months.

The use of Santini's hall for two evenings a week in the winter time could, I have no doubt, be secured at a reasonable rate, where the manly art of self defence, singlestick, use of Indian clubs could be practised and learnt.

As an old amateur athlete I shall be very pleased to assist in any way possible the carrying out of the above suggestions or any other scheme that will tend to benefit of the young men of our town. I am yours faithfully

BRITISHER.

A highly moral and intellectual young gentleman tells this story with great "eclat." This story was told his mama and his mama told him. At a school the other day the fair preceptress was instructing the juvenile mind about the danger of contagious diseases, and enumerated them with celerity, such as typhoid fever, etc. A bright little boy piped up "We have a contagious disease in our flat." The teacher aghast. (By the way, she had explained that contagious meant catching.) "What is it?" inquired she anxiously. "The lady in the lower flat had a baby." "That," replied the maiden blushing, "is not a contagious disease." "Oh, yes it is" answered the youngster triumphantly. "The lady in the upper flat had a baby the very next night."

"Whisky is steady" says a late market report. Perhaps it is but the man with several fingers of it concealed under his vest is apt to be otherwise.

Pavilion.

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