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DIED.

WALKER—At Lillooet, B. C., on May 23rd, 1900, Thomas Walker, a native of Seaforth, Ont., aged 23 years. The funeral will take place to-day [Friday] at 4 o'clock from the Methodist church. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.

LOCAL NEWS.

Rev. W. H. Gray, of Clinton, is in town and will remain several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Cole McDonald, of Hat Creek, spent a few days in town this week visiting.

Henry Cargile and James Barns, of Ashcroft, are visiting Lillooet this week.

Mr. Archie McDonald left Tuesday morning for the coast and will visit his mining properties on Fire Mountain before his return.

Fred Nicholson and Ben Bell came down from Cadwallader last Sunday, where they had been working in the mines.

Mr. Alex. Lohore, government candidate for West Lillooet, will address the electors in Santini's hall, on Monday evening. The Opposition candidates are invited to attend and take part.

The little daughter of Mr. J. H. Smith, who lives near the Toronto-Lillooet Gold Reefs Co.'s mill, on Cayoosh, had the misfortune, while playing among some large boulders on Thursday, to fall and make a nasty cut across the bridge of the nose.

The flag pole at the schoolhouse grounds was just put up Tuesday evening, and Wednesday afternoon, after the school hour the scholars gathered around with a number of citizens and after singing patriotic songs, the Union Jack was hoisted to the top of the pole.

NOTICE—There will be a Patriotic Service in the Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon, at 3:30 p.m., immediately at the close of the Sunday School. The collection will be on behalf of the RED CROSS FUND. All come and bring the boys and girls.

Dr. Sanson returned from Clinton Tuesday afternoon after an absence of a week. He was accompanied by H. S. Doxat who will remain in town a few weeks.

Robt. B. Skinner left for McGillivray creek and Pemberton Meadow sections Thursday morning. Mr. Skinner will head the poll on election day as the majority of the electors are in his favor and wish the district to advance and are giving him their support.

Mysterious Disappearance.

Joseph Hollingsworth, the Clinton barber, has mysteriously disappeared, and his friends fear that he has met his death. He left Clinton about ten days ago on horseback, and several days afterwards his horse was found tied to a tree about fifteen miles from the town. Search parties were out during the week but nothing so far has been heard of him. He lived for some time in Lillooet last fall and this spring and left for Clinton several weeks ago.

News of the Mines

Messrs. J. H. Purdy and J. W. Johnston of Vancouver, who have been on McGillivray creek the past week doing work on their claims above the Anderson Lake Mining Co.'s property, have been successful in uncovering the main ledge, a short distance from where they worked last season. The ledge shows up about twelve feet in width and is a fine body of quartz and being a continuance of the Brett ledge will prove quite as rich. Messrs. Purdy and Johnston will continue work for another week or so and by that time will have their property showing up in good condition. Besides the two men named, a few other Vancouver people are interested in this property and will no doubt make arrangements for developing and working it on a large scale. With the showing up of the ledge above, shows it to be a great one and will advance the mining business on McGillivray considerably.

On the Anderson Lake Mining Co.'s property, quite a gang of men are engaged building the necessary apparatus for the mill and tram line. The tram line is about finished as is the large ore bin at the mill. The men working in the tunnel have the upraise about 100 feet and are doing good work under foreman Doherty. John J. Newsom, of Oakland, Cal., went up to the mine Tuesday, and will be engaged in the mill with F. M. Bard. It is expected to start the mill crushing about the first of June.

W. D. Snyder, of Vancouver, came in on Monday's stage and has gone to McGillivray creek.

D. J. Lamoree and A. B. Langford came down from Bridge river on Saturday and remained in town until Tuesday, purchasing supplies and material for working the placer ground on the South Fork—the Scum Scum.

J. W. Pearson, of Clinton, returned to Lillooet again on Monday and has gone to Cadwallader to do assessment work on his mineral claims.

A School Kid's Version.

The following few lines were handed into The Prospector office this week by a young scholar of the Lillooet public school, and refers to a recent saturnalia on Cadwallader:—

Lord Sawdust and valet went up to the mines
With three cases of whisky for election times,
The booze was made welcome and there was plenty of fun—
In the morning an eye-opener, Halo! there was none!
Lord Sawdust and valet will never come back,
They have met Mr. Rattler perhaps on their track.
Their loss to the town we record with pain—
They are both Cousin Jacks and antediluvian.

A western man, more given to accepting than standing drinks, eventually ended his earthly career. The marble slab placed over him bore the inscription: "This is on me." The only time some people in Lillooet will say "This is on me" is when the marble slab is placed over them like the western man.

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FATAL ACCIDENT.

The sad news of the death of Thos. Walker, who was injured Tuesday afternoon by a falling horse, was received in town Wednesday evening with profound regret and cast a gloom over it which is hard to express.

The deceased and his brother, John G. Walker, left town on Tuesday morning shortly after 7 o'clock on a fishing excursion to the lake. After a successful day's sport, they mounted their horses and started homeward in the best of humor. When about a mile and a half from town, near the foot of the big hill, the horse the deceased was riding, while crossing an irrigating ditch, covered with a few poles, the horse's foot went through, and getting it clear was unable to regain his footing, and stumbling a few feet both horse and rider fell to the ground—the deceased clearing himself of the stirrups and landed with his whole weight on his forehead, where he lay unconscious. His brother at once went to his assistance and worked for nearly half an hour to bring him to consciousness but without avail, although breathing freely. John F. Gibson and James Rowbottom coming along rendered what assistance they could—one hurried to town for Dr. Sanson, who lost no time in getting to the injured boy. On the arrival of the doctor he was removed to the house of James Dickens, near Marshall's bridge, where everything possible was done for him, but he failed to rally and remained unconscious until his death, on Wednesday evening, about 9:30 o'clock, apparently suffering no pain whatever and the only bruise being a slight discoloration above the right eye, where he landed on striking the ground. The cause of death was due to concussion of the brain with a fracture at the base of the skull. His brother John was with him constantly from the time of the accident until his death, and his brother William, who resides at the 111-Mile House, Cariboo, being wired for, arrived Thursday evening.

The home of the deceased was near Seaforth, Ont., where his parents still reside, besides brothers and sisters who live in Winnipeg and Toronto.

The news of the death will be a terrible shock to the aged parents, as this is the first death to break the family circle.

The deceased was about 23 years of age and had only been in this province for the past six months, having come from Toronto, where he had resided for several years, learning his trade as barber. He had only been in Lillooet for a few months, having resided in Clinton for a short time, but by his quiet disposition and courteous manner had made friends with all who had come in contact with him, and his untimely demise came as a terrible shock and it was hard to realize that he was dead.

The relatives wish to tender their most heartfelt thanks to all those who assisted them during their brother's accident and in their bereavement.

THE WAR IN AFRICA.

(Late War News)

Washington, May 22—President McKinley has given the Boer envoys to understand that he is unable to interfere in South African affairs. It is understood they will now try to influence public sentiment by holding a series of meetings in the principal cities of the United States.

Ottawa, May 22—The Governor-General has received from Mr. Chamberlain a cable congratulating Canada on the great services rendered by the Canadian artillery in the relief of Mafeking.

London, May 22—British horsemen—according to a despatch from Lorenzo Marques—are now close to the Vaal river, within forty miles of Johannesburg. The migration from Pretoria has begun. Trains are arriving at Lorenzo Marques filled with passengers. Women and children are being sent in trains to Machdarp. It is improbable that there will be any desperate defense south of Pretoria and even the capital itself is likely to be evacuated.

London, May 23—All the accounts of the engagement at Mafeking on May 16 extol the great bravery of the Canadians

Capetown, May 24—Gen. Warren has occupied Douglas after heavy fighting—without sustaining any loss. Two guns of the Canadian artillery under Col. Hughes, were in the thick of it. The Canadians advanced in skirmishing order and after a lengthy exchange of shots the Boers fled—leaving their laager and a quantity of stores. At one time 300 of the enemy opened a hot fire on a detachment of the Yeomanry and the Canadian artillery repeated their excellent shooting—compelling the Boers to retire.

Fred Williams, financial secretary, and J. Dixon, president of the Trades and Labor Council, were chosen at a labor convention as straight labor candidates for Vancouver in the coming provincial elections.

VOTERS!

Don't Forget on June 9th to cast your Ballot for

Robt. B. Skinner

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor of THE PROSPECTOR:

Dear Sir—Will you kindly grant me space in your estimable paper in which to thank the people of Lillooet who have so kindly contributed to the handsome gift that was presented to Mrs. Gardner and myself on Wednesday evening. Coming, as we hear it has, from all denominations, it shows the kindly and generous nature of the people, more especially as my efforts to help them to think of better and higher things were so soon cut short by my illness. But what we have valued more than anything else has been the friendly way in which all the people have treated us during the time we have lived in the village. We will carry to our eastern home many kindly recollections, and, if in the wise providence of God I should be restored to health, I would consider it a great pleasure to again work amidst the mountains of British Columbia. But should we not be permitted to meet again, I trust that it shall be our privilege to meet in the better world where sickness and death do not enter, and where those who are faithful to the right will enjoy a happy eternity together. Allow me also to thank those, who by contributions and by assisting at concerts, have enabled us to purchase the organ and pay for the enlargement of the parsonage.

Thanking you Mr. Editor for the many courtesies shown us through the columns of your paper, and wishing good bye to all whom I may not see personally,

I remain, yours truly,
JOHN E. GARDNER.

As Ye Sow so Shall Ye Reap.

A good story is going the rounds of the Bridge River mining camps to the effect that a certain one of the aspirants for political honors deputed one of his emissaries to convey some liquor to the thirsty miners and prospectors in the Cadwallader district. On his arrival at the Lorne camp he proceeded to distribute it by placing on the table several bottles of different brands—Walker's Imperial, Seagram's 1883, and Corby's I.X.L.—so that there would be an agreeable surprise for the men when they came in for their supper. The men came and commented on the liberality and good judgment of the donor in sending such a nice variety of well known brands—but lo! what a change came over their faces when the first cork drawn revealed a cork bearing the stamp of Doering & Marstrand and the next Pabst's beer, showing that the giver of the feast was studying economy even in the quality of the grog. We refrain from mentioning the name of the political economist, but in deference to the latest aspirant we will state that it was not Mr. Lochore.

Moral—Where you do do it, do it properly.

Friendly Italian Hotel-Keeper (shaking hands with stranger about to depart): "I wish you a pleasant journey, sir, and hope you won't be molested by the brigands!"

Guest (who has been badly fleeced at the hotel): "Your advice comes too late, my friend—the thing's done!"

The fertility of gentle woman's imagination was amply demonstrated by the young lady who explained to Mr. Denman at Great Marlborough street that it was the fumes of the bay rum used on her hair that intoxicated her. No man could have thought of such an excuse, though some millions of them would have given a bit to have been first in the field with it.

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RIC. A. FRASER, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

FRIDAY, MAY 25, 1900.

AS OTHERS SEE US.

There is an amusing anecdote related as to some remarks of a stranger who visited our local parliament at Victoria some time ago. He said: "How is it that so many old fogies are in the House? I expected to see live, active men, men of the world, but a good many of the members appear to be non-entities, not able to open their mouth." The person with him replied: "It does seem strange that a western mining community should elect such members, but I will explain the condition existing in one constituency and you will thus understand how it is. In one of the most promising mining districts in the province it is represented by a nice old gentleman—and it is scarcely fair to call him an old fogey. He lived in the district nearly all his life, and by his industry and close attention to business made a moderate fortune. Living in an out of way place for thirty or forty years would naturally make him narrow minded in his ideas and of course totally unable to comprehend the necessities of an up-to-date mining district. He has been always accustomed to deal with petty affairs and is now up in years and unable to enlarge his views. A few of the constituents are men like himself—lived out of the world for the greater part of their lives, like the Boers they have many admirable qualities, but like them also they have the greatest distrust of strangers. They cannot realize that conditions have now changed and that while he had probably made them a good member in the past, their district now needs a more active representative. It is reported that a few owe him money and over others he has established a sort of reign of terror—they are actually afraid to oppose him in anything. He persuades a number that he is largely interested in the district, and as most of these are not wealthy, the few thousand dollars that, to their knowledge he has lent on mortgages to their neighbors, seems to them a large sum. This old gentleman, however, is careful not to tell them that he has a large part of his money invested in Victoria and elsewhere. That was the reason he was anxious to have the parliament buildings erected in Victoria. He feared Victoria would decline and his investments there become valueless. Not being interested in mining, even in his own district, he feared the opening up of a city elsewhere. I cannot blame him. The present state of affairs suits him nicely. He receives $600 per annum as member and travelling expenses to Victoria. As he buys most of the placer gold taken out by the Chinese, it suits him exactly to take a trip to the coast free of expense and bring the gold with him. He would have to take it down in any event and it is convenient to have his expenses paid. Quite a number in the constituency cannot, however, see all this. During the past year a large number of men have been coming into the district, which will in the future be an important one. These men will probably induce some active man to contest the constituency and if they are true to themselves and do not allow jealousies to divide them, will elect the present member—to stay at home."

"I have $8,000 out on loan not drawing interest," said Mr. Smith. What a beautiful world this would be if we only had a few more like Mr. Smith in it.

THE WAR IN AFRICA.

London, May 19—Since the news of the relief of Mafeking there has been nothing but one continual round of rejoicing—not alone throughout England but also in the Colonies. The relief of Mafeking has had the effect of suspending for the moment interest in the operations elsewhere. Nevertheless, yesterday brought important official announcements.

Lord Methuen entered Hooptad yesterday.

Gen. Buller entered Newcastle Thursday.

Lord Roberts is using his mounted men to search a wide tract of country.

Col. Broadwood occupied Lindley on Thursday.

Gen. Hutton captured one of the Bothas on Thursday.

Gen. Rundle encamped at Clocolan on Thursday.

Thus Britain successes are reported from every point from which news came yesterday.

It is reported that President Kruger and other high officials purpose leaving almost immediately for Lyndenberg and the foreign consuls at Pretoria are leaving for the same place.

At Kroonstadt it is reported that President Kruger will surrender as soon as Lord Roberts crosses the Transvaal frontier.

Desperate efforts are being made by the Transvaalers to get every available unit into the fighting line.

Capetown, May 19—Papers here state that eighty of the Boer patrol, led by Kruger's grandson, were killed at Mafeking and that the Irish-American brigade was greatly cut up at Mafeking and Kroonstadt.

A Capetown despatch says the relief force entered Mafeking unapposed—the siege having been already abandoned by the Boers—the latter getting out before the relieving column could get at them.

Berne, Switzerland, May 19—The committee of the International Peace Bureau, have decided to make an appeal to the powers, who signed the convention at the Hague, in favor of the restoration of peace in South Africa.

A special from Kroonstadt says that Commandant Dewet has sent word that he is prepared to surrender conditionally with his entire command of 10,000 men. He stipulated that his men should be allowed to return to their farms. Lord Roberts replied that the surrender must be unconditional.

Five Times Hit.

Mr. Treves, consulting surgeon with the forces, sends to the British Medical Journal particulars of the case of an officer in the present war whose experience in the way of wounds must be unique: He was shot in an engagement and fell, He rose and tried to walk towards a fellow officer. He was again shot and fell. He got up and made a second attempt to move when he was shot a third time. He could move no more, and when lying on the ground was shot a fourth time. In due course the stretcher bearers arrived, and as he was being carried down he was shot a fifth time, and one of his bearers was shot at the same moment, so that his stretcher was dropped to the ground. Of the five injuries four involved the limbs and back. It is interesting to learn that although there was no operation, the officer made an excellent recovery, thanks largely to his pluck and fine health and care of the surgeon.—Westminster Gazette.

Several Smith men were seen in caucus one evening this week evidently discussing a knotty problem. It was afterwards ascertained they were trying to figure out how to make 50 cents (that Mr. Smith had given them) go round among the "boys."

To the Electors of the West Riding of Lillooet Electoral District.

GENTLEMEN—I beg to offer myself as a candidate for your suffrages at the coming general election for the Legislative Assembly of this Province.

I am a supporter of the present government and its published platform.

As it is utterly impossible to develop the agricultural and mineral resources of our district under the prevailing system of transportation, I will, if elected, do my utmost to have roads built to the various agricultural settlements and mining camps.

I believe that the planks in the government platform dealing with the construction of roads and trails, is the only business proposition on this important subject, that has been offered to the electors of this province and one eminently adapted to advance the interests of this district.

As the time is now too short to make a personal canvass of the district, I will hold meetings at the various centres and endeavor in that way to meet as many of you as possible and lay my views more fully before you.

I have been a resident of the district, where my home and interests are, for the past six years, and as my prospects for the future are so closely blended with the prosperity of the district, you may rely on me, if elected, to further your interests in every possible way.

As the recent reaction in favor of the government is so decided as to ensure its continuance in power, you will no doubt see the benefit the district will derive by having its representative on the government side of the House and return me at the head of the poll.

I have the honor to be gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
ALEX. LOCHORE,

Foster's Bar, Lillooet,
May 19th, 1900.

MINERAL ACT, 1896.

[Form F.]

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Monarch and Welland Vale mineral claims situate in the Lillooet Mining Division of Lillooet District, located on the left bank of Cayoosh Creek, near Ample mineral claim. Take notice that I, Geo, T. Rives, agent for the Toronto-Lillooet Gold Reefs Company, Limited, Free Miner's Certificate No. 20,556B, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 11th day of May, 1900.

GEO. T. RIVES,

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made by the Vancouver Northern and Yukon Railway Company to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an act extending the time within which the company may complete its undertaking, and confirming and extending the powers to the company therein, and enabling the said company to extend its line of raliway from some point at or near the city of Vancouver or some other convenient point on the shore of Burrard Inlet, to some point on the north or south side of the Fraser river at or near the City of New Westminster, and changing the name of the company by inserting the word "Westminster" after the word "Vancouver" and conferring such other powers as may be necessary to fully and completely execute, carry on and operate the said undertaking.

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Dr. Hugh Robert Mill contributes to the "Scottish Geographical" a paper on the development of habitable lands—"An Essay in Anthropogeography," wherein occurs this striking paragraph:

Gold exercises an influence on the imagination which can only be characterised as magical, for it is not reasonable. The physical toil of getting alluvial gold is perhaps heavier than any other, the price of the necessities of life are higher on gold fields than anywhere else, and more money seems to be wasted in drink or lost in gambling in the intervals of mining than in any other conditions. The fact that gold is the common standard of value probably accounts for the illusion that gold-fields are better worth travelling to and working on than coalfields or brickfields. If the reader takes the trouble to divide the annual output of the goldfields of the world as officially declared, with the official number of miners engaged upon these fields, he will find that the output per man often does not exceed $5.00 per week, and very rarely exceeds $10.00. Wages on these gold-fields usually run from $15.00 to $25.00 a week at the cheapest, and there is the cost of machinery and interest on capital looming large behind. There is certainly something wrong, perhaps with the statistics, but perhaps in the idea that gold mining is usually profitable. That some gold mines pay high dividends, then, only makes it more mysterious how the others continue to exist. It has been suggested that taken over all gold-mining never pays, that more than $5.00 had to be expended in order to extract gold enough to make a sovereign, and that this fact explains why gold maintains its value nearly unaltered in spite of the enormous increase in its production. I do not profess to understand, and do not wish to press this argument, but mention it parenthetically as a thing to think about.

Be a Farmer's Wife.

"Oh, give me the life of a farmer's wife"
In the summer hot and bright,
Mid croaking frogs and barking dogs
And dreadful fleas that bite.
To rise in the morning half asleep
When the farmer blows his horn
And watch the weeds as they go to seed
All over the yard and lawn!

"Oh, give me the life of a farmer's wife"
When the rain begins to pour,
When the driving breeze shakes leaves from the trees
And whirls them in at your door!
The rats go scampering through the walls,
The ants in the closet roam,
Your friends drop in when the larder is thin
And the servants are gone from home!

"Oh, give me the life of a farmer's wife"
When he's mad as an old March hare
And rips and tears and rants and swears
And acts like a two legged bear,
When he bangs the door and kicks the dog
And treads on the tail of the cat,
And you feel like the comet had struck the earth
And knocked it perfectly flat!

When cold it grows and winter snows
Are pouring thick and white,
When the bread won't rise and the baby cries
And the fire goes out at night,
And wood is scarce and kindlings wet
And water turns to ice,
Just try the life of a "farmer's wife"
And see if it isn't nice.—Richmond Times.

"By Heck!" joyously ejaculated a moss grown Arkansas citizen, upon his return from an afternoon spent at the country seat. "I've got a—haw! haw!—good joke on the editor of the newspaper in town. He buttoned-holed me on the street and told me what a well-known man I was, and all that, and I let him persuade me into—haw! haw!—subscribin' for his paper for a year. Got it on him that time, by jing!"

"I don't see whur the joke comes in," replied his wife.

"Why—gol slap it!—don't you know I can't read."

New Westminster defeated Vancouver 4 to 1 in the first lacrosse match of the season played at Vancouver on Saturday.

To the Electors of the West Riding of Lillooet Electoral District.

GENTLEMEN: At the request of a number of influential voters I have decided to seek the honor of representing your important district in he Provincial Legislative Assembly.

I am as many of you are doubtless aware, interested to a large exent in mineral property in the district. I am therefore desirous that its resources should be developed, and consequently will be sure, if elected, to endeavor to obtain as large appropriations as possible for he making of roads and trails. I am convinced that in the immediate future there will be a large influx of capital into he tProvince, and I shall use every effor to encourage the investment of money here. I have shown my faith in the district by investing my own money, and indirectly I have been largely the means of the development of some of the best properties. As the future advancement of Lillooet and the farming community in the surrounding country is solely dependent on the mining industry: it is to your interest to be represented by some one who is directly interested in mining. Though not a permanent resident of the district, I am continually visiting the various mining camps and am therefore, well able to judge of the country's requirements. The fact that my residence is more or less in Vancouver and Victoria should rather be in your favor than otherwise as I am continually in touch with prominent business men from all parts of the Province and capitalists who visit the coast cities.

I am in favor of a very liberal expenditure of money for opening up the whole country so that the world at large can see what great natural resources we have and I will, if elected, advocate the borrowing of money for this purpose to the fullest extent. I am of the opinion that roads to open up Bridge River, the Empire Valley, Pemberton Meadows and Anderson Lake districts and the improvements of roads and trails generally, are an absolute necessity

With regard to the eight hour law: I conside that for an honest eight hours work underground, any man is entitled to a full days wage, but under certain circumstances and conditions I see no reason why men should not be free to work extra time provided they were compensated accordingly.

With regard to Alien Act: I may say that I have always opposed it even before it was passed in the house, and from my personal observation in Atlin last fall my opinion is that it was a grevious mistake.

I am opposed to the employment of Oriental labor in mines.

I consider it was a mistake to withdraw the subsidy given to physicians to induce them to reside in outlying districts in the province.

The improvement of the laws pertaining to quartz and placer mining shall always receive my most careful consideration and attention.

It is my intention, if elected to visit every part of the riding at least once a year in order to ascertain the needs of my constituents so that I shall be in a position to urge their claims on the government.

It is my intention, if possible, to call on each elector in order to explain my views more fully.

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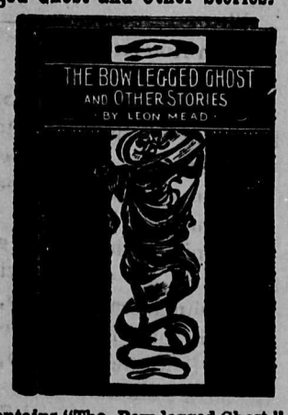

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LOCAL NEWS.

The C. P. R. Limited will commence this season's run on June 11th.

Geo. D. Bell has been ill the past few weeks with a bad attack of grippe.

Mrs. Keatley, of the 15-mile ranch, was in town Wednesday.

In this issue of The Prospector is the election address of Mr. Alex. Lochore.

Nels Gustavnas, of Dog Creek, has been in town for the past week.

Free miners are reminded that on May 31st next their miner's certificates should be renewed.

The disciples of Walton have been making some good catches in Lake creek the past week or so.

Richard Means left the first of the week with a couple of pack horses for Cadwallader.

Mr. F. Carter-Cotton has announced himself as a candidate in the city of Vancouver for the approaching general elections.

For progress and prosperity mark your ballot on June 9th for ROBT. B. SKINNER.

To-morrow, Saturday 26th, will be nomination day, and all candidates will have to present their nomination papers to the returning officer.

Mark Dumond of Ashcroft, who has a branch hardware shop in Lillooet, arrived in town Saturday afternoon by bicycle, remaining here until Tuesday evening.

Mrs. E. A. Webster, mother of Mrs. Fred H. Nelson, arrived from Hat Creek on Monday's stage, and will remain in Lillooet for some time.

Wm. Crozier, of the firm of Stewart & Crozier, livery and feed stables, Ashcroft, was in town with a special rig with a commercial traveller Tuesday.

"We would all die of thirst if we waited for Smith to say something," was the remark several miners were heard to make while standing on the street the other evening.

A. E. Stephenson, who has had charge of the Methodist church services here for the past few weeks, left town on Tuesday's stage. The mission field here will be filled shortly by the conference.

Mrs. Rives, wife of Col. G. T. Rives, superintendent of the Toronto-Lillooet Gold Reefs Co., left on Tuesday's stage for Vancouver where she will remain for some time, having been unwell here for the past few weeks.

Robt. Hughes who had charge of the Methodist Mission field in this section for some time, atd who has been pastor at James Bay church, Victoria, for the past year, has been asked to remain another term on account of his faithful work in connection with the church.

Rev. J. E. Garduer and Mrs. Gardner will leave shortly for the east where they will reside in future. Rev. Gardner has been very ill for the post several months and as a result will not be able to resume his duties for some time. Both Mr. and Mrs. Gardner during their short siay in Lilloeet have made many friends who will regret their departure.

Mr. W. R. Robertson, of the Bend'Or mines, and Mr. J. Lang, of the Fairfield syndicate, Vancouver, and also interested in the Bend'Or, arrived in town Monday evening from the coast and left next morning for the Bend'Or mines to be in attendance at the cleanup which will take place shortly.

Fred H. Nelson, of the Pioneer hotel, has ordered a light wagon and will carry passengers and baggage to and from the lake to accommodate passengers on the boat and guests at the Pioneer. Baggage, parcels, etc., for Bridge River and Anderson lake points left at the hotel office will receive every care. A rig ro meet the steamboat on its arrival and departure wiil be a great convenience to travellers and will receive a good patronage.

Wm. Johnson, who has been employed at the Hotel Victoria for the past few weeks, left for Clinton to secure a band of mules and will run a regular pack train to Bridge River to accommodate the demadds for freight, etc., to the different mines. He expects to return in about a week and will have his pack train equipped in first-class shape to make his initial trip.

Jas. B, Uren has moved his blacksmith shop into his new building and has everything in fairly good shape. The shop has the necessary tools for doing all kinds of work and is no doubt one of the best equipped blacksmith shops in the interior. Mr. Uren is a first-class mechanic and anything entrusted to his care will receive the best of attention.

Mr. Lewis Marks, with the Hamilton Powder Co. and Dominion Cartridge Co., Victoria, B.C., was in town for a few days this week in the interest of the above firms. This was Mr. Marks' first trip to this section, but from now on it is the intention to make regular trips to this district as his company realize the importance of the business to be derived from here.

Settlers of the Dominion lands within the railway belt in British Columbia were charged $1 per acre for homesteads. An order-in-council has been passed doing away with this, and bona fide settlers can now have lands free on the same conditions as exist in Manitoba and the Northwest.

The Secretary of State for India, Lord Hamilton, has received the following message from the Viceroy of India, Lord Curzon, of Kedleston: "The conditions have materially improved in Madras and Mysore, in consequence of recent rains. In the remainder of the affected tracts the distress is increasing in intensity, owing to the want of fodder and water, and increasing heat. The number of persons now in receipt of relief is 5,817,000.

The various war funds and 20th century appeals are having a marked effect upon the regular incomes of many of the religious and philanthropic societies. It is said that the London Missionary Society is likely to suffer greatly. The financial year nominally ended the other day, and, unless some unexpected contributions are made at once, the books will close with with an accumulated deficit of no less than £30,000.

Every steamer and boat going north carries a load of Japs, who are flooding all the centres of industry along the coast. It has been reported that the orientals were leaving for the United States side, but instead they are pouring into the interior, and into the fishing towns, to the great disadvantage of the white laborer.

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Finance Minister Fielding announces that the Dominion Government have under consideration the establishment of a mint in Canada. The Usury bill was reported in Senate yesterday. It was changed so as to make the maximum interest that could be charged on less than $500, 12 per cent. instead of 20, and on judgment debts 6 per cent. instead of 10.

An American writer tells a good story of his college days. It relates to a negro gardener, a jolly fellow, with whom the boys used to have considerable sport. Sometimes he would floor them with his repartee.

One day in spring Sambo had been burning the college green in order to get rid of the old withered grass. A freshman came along, and, thinking to have some fun, shouted:

"Say, there, Sambo, you ought not to burn that stuff."

"Why?" inquired Sambo.

"Because," replied the freshman, "it'll make that grass as black as you are."

"Well, massa," retorted Sambo, "dat's all right. Yes, dat's all right. Never you fear; dat 'ere grass'll come up and be as green as you are!"

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