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Local and General Items.

Mrs. Allison, seriously ill for some time, notwitstanding her advanced years has recovered under skilful treatment of Dr. Schon.

Ernest Waterman received a cablegram Wednesday announcing the death of his mother at Tapton Croft, Sheffield, England. The sympathy of many friends here is expressed for Mr. and Mrs. Waterman in their sorrow.

Divine service tomorrow in the court house at 7 o'clock. Rev. A. J. Fowlie, B.A., pastor.

Mild weather, good sleighing, business so-so and prospects bright. What more does man want? A railway!

Railway Notes—The latest railway news finds the C.P.R. ready to build into Spokane as a counter move to Hill coming into the Similkameen. Tracklaying has begun on the line from Curlew to Midway on the completion of which contractors have been notified to have their horses and outfits in condition for early construction into the Similkameen. Mr. Desbrisay, right-of-wayman and land purchasing agent of the Great Northern, was recently at New Westminster for the purpose, it is said, of securing land for the surveyed line to Sumas, a part of the V.V. & E.

The bachelors' ball held at Nicola this week was the event of the season, the 'baches' having covered themselves with glory by their hospitality and courtesy.

Work on the Granite Creek Gold Group will begin next week on the tunnel face and projected until the gold belt is reached when sinking, sidestepping and general development will be begun. Tuck French and Bob Cramer have been engaged to superintend the work with C. O. French as general manager. The company owning this very promising property has been recently reconstructed, the preference stock unwatered and everything put on a sound financial basis.

D. Coutenay has gone to Livingston, Mont., where he expects to close a deal for some mining properties in which he is interested. He will be in Princeton in the early spring and may bring capital. In any event he will open up some Champion creek claims for himself and others.

Reliable information has been received that a large mining transaction, involving the Sunset group and some adjoining properties on Copper mountain, is maturing in the east. The bank of Montreal is know to be interested in the deal but New York capital is said to be wistfully reaching out for this far famed copper proposition before the risee due to railway construction takes place.

They banquetted Mr. Shatford, M.P.P., at Fairview on Monday night in recognition of his efforts to purchase the Ellis estate. There is a barbecue waiting for him at Princeton when his railway policy puts on the garments of actuality instead of wearing as it now does a sombre shroud. This is no 'joak.'

MINING SCHOOL REQUIRED; HOW TO BEGIN

Practical Suggestions from an Uuprejudiced Source as to Location and Establishment of Institution in this Province.

An Able and Interesting Letter Dealing Explicitly with Subject, Points to the Necessity for Training School for Prospectors and Favors Building One at Princeton.

EDITOR STAR—Sir: In a recent issue of your valuable paper I read an editorial on the question of the establishment of a mining school in British Columbia, and in that editorial you mentioned the school of mining at Kingston, Ontario. Being a graduate of that school and having spent some time in mining work in British Columbia and other parts of the Dominion of Canada, you will, perhaps, pardon a few remarks from me on this important subject.

To equip and operate a school of mining requires considerable capital, much more in fact than those enjoying its privileges are able to contribute, even in one where the attendance is large In a province like British Columbia where the people are so scattered, you would not expect a large attendance. The financing therefore, of your school would be a very important consideration.

I think it is clearly the duty of the British Columbia government to not only encourage financially any undertaking of this sort, but also to foster the idea. I say this because I believe that the future of British Columbia depends very largely on its mining industries. You cannot claim to have an agrirultural province when compared with the others of the Dominion, although I am well aware that you have small areas quite the equal of anything in the Dominion; moreover, your fishing and timber industries, of which you have just cause to be proud, are yearly growing less, wbereas your mining possibilities are vastly ahead of anything in the Dominion and you have only begun their development as yet.

These facts, I think, show that you are not at all premature in advocating a training school for your mining men. But I do not think you are quite justified as yet in opening a regular school of mining. What I would suggest for your consideration is the establishment of a prospector's school for four months in the year, say.

In the early stages of the existence of the Kingstou school of mining a prospector's school was held for a few months each year and they were very popular, and drew students from all parts of the Dominion, many even from British Colambia. Those students were men interested in mining, or were prospectors, who did not intend taking a full mining engineer's course, but who wanted a few month's training in the fundamental points of this profession.

Again, no preliminary qualifications were necessary to take such a course, whereas, to take a full mining course for a degree or a diploma does require such. It is quite obvious that the majority of your students would be of this class also, and I believe you could not advocate a better institution. These classes soon became so popular and the attendance so large that they were interfering with the regular courses, so had to be discontinued. There are no such schools now in the Dominion, so far as I am aware; so that I think the establishment of one in B.C. would be a very popular move, and in time your prospector's school, like those in the east, would likely grow into a school of mining proper.

The class of men to be helped in this province is the prospectors. No more persevering nor enterprising prospectors are to be found anywhere than are those of B.C. but they are handicapped by the lack of a few fundamental points in geology, mineralogy, chemistry, and assaying which could easily be given them in a four month's course in the winter months when most of them are necessarily idle, anyway.

Another great advantage of such a movement would be that your instructors could be procured at very little expense. There are many capable instructors spending the summer months in your delightful province at mining and geological work and who are forced to quit the work by the cold weather coming on. These men would be very glad to open such a school and instruct for the winter months at a very reasonable salary. This would mean very little expense to your government and a reasonable fee to those taking the course, with a big return to both for the money and time expended.

As for the best locality for such a school I have little to say. I think a few things should be considered. The school should be in a locality within easy reach of those likely to patronize it. It should also be in a town in which the cost of living is not high, and it should be in a locality in which is a sufficient variety of ores, and also mining carried on, for the sake of reference and illustration. In all these respects your own locality seems as suitable as any, for the Similkameen district is known the world over for its variety of ore deposits, and once your railroad is built all other difficulties fade away.

Hoping that I have not trespassed too far on your space and that these suggestions will be interesting, if not helpful, to your readers, I endorse heartily your suggestion for a school of some sort for the benefit of your prospectors and your province.

Yours very truly,
PROSPECTOR.

Golden Similkameen.

P. Y. Smith came up from Orient, Wash., via the Boundary on Monday, returning again on Thursday. He states that the First Thought mine at Orient, owned by P. Burns & Co., and ably managed by A. Sharp, M.E., is proving a large revenue getter. Mining is active in the Boundary but the scarcity of water prevents machinery and smelters from being operated full capacity. There is considerable snow on the summits and in the valleys but slight indications of a thaw to cause a rise in water. At Sidley's he met Dan Maloney of Okanagan Falls who had come over to nurse his old partner, Mr. Gillespie, 93 years old, who was lying on what was believed to be his deathbed. Mr. Maloney is as smart as a cricket though within a few days of the age of his dying friend. As comrades they had many a tussle with grizzlies and Indians and 'Scout' Maloney was the swiftest footed man in the west for many years. It is over sixty years since they crossed the Hope divide into the golden Similkameen. Mr. Smith was in Princeton on important mining business. He says the Similkameen is on everybody's lips and he expects a grand stampede as soon as they throw dirt on the railway dump.

Newspaper at Hedley.

Thursday, Jan. 19, the Hedley Gazette appeared in the journalistic firmament and made its formal bow to the Similkameen and the world at large. It is an 8-page, 5-column paper, is mechanically up-to-date, glistens with local news and is well patronized by advertisers. The initial edition is certainly a credit to Hedley and contains much valuable information of the mining and milling operations in the town and district. Although it does hot announce itself as Conservative in politics yet it has all the insignia and earmarks of that party's organ for this electoral riding and presents a cut of its patron saint, Mr. Shatford, M.P.P., followed by a somewhat adulative sketch of his political career. The STAR trusts that it will ever be a welcome exchange and congratulates editor Megraw on the auguries of success so evident and wishes the Gazette prosperity.

Ontario has returned a Conservative government to power after 30 years of Liberal rule.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The correspondence of "Prospector" in this issue re the establishment of a school of mining in this province throws a glow of information upon the subject. As he suggests, it may be the better way to begin with a prospectors' school for a few months each year. It would at least have one weighty recommendation—that of small initial expense at a time when the province is without a surplus of cash or credit. The suggestions given in the letter afford a basis for the consideration of preliminary steps to be taken in the projected mining school. "Prospector's" letter will be read with interest by all who are desirous of seeing the mining industry in this province thrive and flourish and provided with the necessary adjuncts for its scientific operation and development. That an educative institutlon is required no intelligent man can doubt after a perusal of the able letter referred to.

A glance at the personnel of the assessment commission recently appointed to take evidence in regard to taxation will convince the merest tyro that however plausible the ostensible object of the commission may seem, the real purpose of it is to furnish members of the government with material to fortify their defence of the unjust and burdensome Assessment Act of last session, against which there has been a strenuous outcry from representatives of every business, occupation and industry in the province. The commission has two members of the government—the hon. Mr. Tatlow, minister of finance, and the hon. Mr. Cotton, president of the council, both of whom are virtually sitting in judgment upon their own acts. Therefore, it can hardly be expected they will condemn or find serious fault with the present condition of taxation. Of the other two members of the commission one is a manufacturer, the other being a street railway manager. Neither mining nor farming, lumbering nor the mercantile interests generally have a man on the commission conversant with their particular grievances as to taxation. Certainly a commissioner having expert mining knowledge should have been appointed to protect the chief industry of the province. The laboringman is ignored altogether as none of the commissioners belong to that class or manifest any particular sympathy with it. Thus, the workingman has not a friend at court to mitigate the burdens of poil tax, mining license and the many other impositions to which he is subjected by an ever impecunious and debt accumulating government. The taxpayer would have more confidence in the commission had it been composed of men representative of the two chief industries of the province and of capital and also labor.

It is expected that the assessment commission will recommend a still further increase in taxes to meet impending financial obligations of the government. No further increase in taxation can be borne by the people of the Similkameen. In card parlance it is a "show-down" with them. High taxation will not mend matters since it only serves to relieve a trouble stricken government at the expense of the multitude poor. No hope can be held out for a betterment of financial conditions until the scalpel of retrenchment has been inserted to the root of those ulcerous prodigalities so long the terror and delight of the vagrant administrations with which this province has been afflicted in the past score of years. It is very doubtful if the present government has either the inclination or the ability to devise a scheme of retrenchment wherewith the province would rebound to an equilibrium of expenditure and receipts. It is also doubtful if any conservative government can be found to carry out the rigid economy and the reformations necessary for prosperity and contentment.

From private sources it has been learned that the medical subsidy granted by the government to the former doctor here is not now available for Dr. Schon, who recently arrived in Princeton to practise his profession. Assurances had been given by the local member of the legislature, Mr. Shatford, that payment of the subsidy would be resumed on the vacancy caused by former doctor's removal being again filled by a qualified man. Dr. Schon relinquished a practice to come. No doubt the government and Mr. Shatford, as in honor bound, intend that resumption of the subsidy of $300 shall be paid so soon as legal routine is conformed to in the provincial secretary's department. But $300 is not enough. Other districts and comparatively thickly settled zones receive $500 while far removed Princeton gets a mere dole. Dr. Schon has done a lot of unremunerative medical work and well deserves an increase.

STRAYED.

Came to my premises on the 15th December, one bay horse branded C on left hip. If not claimed in thirty days will be sold at auction to defray expenses.

AL. OELRICH.

Princeton, Jan. 10, 1905.

NOTICE.

I.X.L. mineral claim, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Copper mountain.

Take notice that I, H. H. Thomas, free miner's certificate No. B72190, for myself and as agent for W. H. Thomas, free miner's certificate No. B72189 and S. L. Allison, free miner's certificate No. B79914, 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 claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 28th day of November, A.D. 1904.

NOTICE.

Princeton mineral claim, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: Kennedy mountain.

Take notice that I, Ernest Waterman, agent for the Vermilion Forks Mining and Development Company, Limited, free miner's certificate No. B72174, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining crown grants 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 21st day of November, A.D. 1904.

NOTICE.

Shamrock and Billy Goat mineral claims, situate in the Osoyoos mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Riordan mountain.

Take notice that I, R. H. Rogers, as agent for Robert Gaede, free miner's certificate No. B78828, and James Riordan, free miner's certificate No. B78824, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining Crown grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificates of improvements.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1904.

REGINALD H. ROGERS.

NOTICE.

Silversides and Ironsides mineral claims, situate in the Osoyoos mining division of Yale district. Where located: Camp Hedley.

Take notice that I, J. Fraser Campbell, agent for Sydney M. Johnson, free miner's certificate No B71751; H. W. Yates free miner's certificate No. B78808 and J. Fraser Campbell, free miner's certificate No. B78807, 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 claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this first day of November, A.D. 1904.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 80 acres of mountain pasture land, described as follows Commencing at a post marked W. D. Y. and running 20 chains north, 40 chains east 20 chains south, 40 chains west, back to point of commencement, containing 80 acres more or less. Situated about 8 miles from Princeton on Wolf creek.

W. D. YOUNG.

Princeton, Nov. 11, 1904.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that sixty days from date I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of mountain pasture land. The described land is as follows Commencing a post planted at the northeast corner of W. H. Thomas' pre-emption and about three miles from Princeton, and running south 80 chains; thence east 20 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 20 chains, to place of commencement and containing 160 acres more or less.

AMY A. WORGAN.

Dated December 23rd, 1904.

NOTICE of FORFEITURE

To STEVE MANGOT or whomsoever he may have transferred his interest in the Gold-Platinum mineral claim, situate on Champion creek, a tributary of the Tulameen river, in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district.

Take notice that after the publication hereof once each week for ninety days, you fail or refuse to contribute your portion of the expenditure required by section 24 of the "Mineral Act," being chapter 135, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1897, in respect of the Gold-Platinum mineral claim, situate on Champion creek, in the Similkameen Mining Division of Yale District, British Columbia together with all costs of advertising, your interest in said claim shall become vested in your co-owner, Daniel Coutenay, free miner, who has made the required expenditure.

The amount due by you in respect of the said mineral claim, not including costs, is $33.33.

Dated this 24th day of October, 1904

DANIEL COUTENAY.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Vancouver and Coast-Kootenay Railway Company will apply to the parliament of Canada, at its next session, for an Act to increase its capital stock, build branch lines, and to extend the time in which it may construct its works.

D. G. MACDONELL,
Solicitor for Applicants.

Dated at Vancouver, B.C., this 19th day of November, 1904.

NOTICE.

THIRTY days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:

Commencing at a point south of B. White's claim,

And running north 80 chains, west 80 chains, south 80 chains, east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

W. J. WILSON, Locator.
P. Y. SMITH, Agent.

Princeton, 28th Nov., 1904.

Commencing at a post near W. J. Wilson's claim,

And running 80 chains south, 80 chains west, 80 chains north, 80 chains east, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

P. BURNS, Locator.
P. Y. SMITH, Agent.

Princeton, 28th Nov., 1904.

Commencing at a point near west end of Wilson's claim,

And running 80 chains north, 80 chains west, 80 chains south, 80 chains east, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

GEORGE URQUHART, Locator.
P. Y. SMITH, Agent.

Princeton, 28th Nov., 1904.

Commencing at a point near George Urquhart's claim,

And running 80 chains south, 80 chains west, 80 chains north, 80 chains east, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

ALEX. SHARP, Locator,
P. Y. SMITH, Agent.

Princeton, 28th Nov., 1904.

NOTICE.

THIRTY days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—

Commencing at the S.W. corner of lot 300, thence east 40 chains, south 80 chains, west 20 chains, north 40 chains, west 110 chains along the north line lot 230, north 40 chains along the east line lot 71, west 20 chains to the S.E. corner of lot 75, north 125 chains along the east line of lots 75 and 74, east 19 chains along south line of lot 246, south 160 chains along the west line of F. W. Groves' and T. H. Parr's coal claims, east 80 chains along the south line of T. H. Parr's coal claim, north 20 chains to point of commencement and containing 640 acres, in Yale division of Yale district.

C. H. TYE, Locator.
per F. W. GROVES,

7th November, 1904.

NOTICE.

THIRTY days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post marked E.S.N's southwest corner.

And running 80 chains north 80 chains east, 80 chains south, 80 chains west to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, and adjoining J. Lang's locations on the east boundary.

E. S. NEAVE, Locator.
ERNEST WATERMAN, Agent.

Princeton, October 10, 1904.

NOTICE.

Northern mineral claim, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Copper mountain.

Take notice that I, F. W. Groves acting as agent for J. S. C. Fraser, free miner's certificate No. B42433 Joseph Wright, free miner's certificate No. B75373, and L. G. Barron, free miner's certificate No. B57500, 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 claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 13th day of October, 1904.

NOTICE.

Honeysuckle mineral claim, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Copper mountain.

Take notice that I, F. W. Groves, free miner's certificate No. B72155, acting for self and as agent for Thomas Day, free miner's certificate No. B72123, 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 claim

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificates of Improvements.

Dated this 15th day of November, A.D. 1904.

NOTICE.

Take notice that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands, viz: Commencing at a post placed at the north-west corner of lot 1825, thence west 40 chains, south 80 chains, east 40 chains, north 80 chains along the western boundary of lot 1825 to point of commencement, containing 320 acres more or less.

JOHN M. MURRAY.
per W. C. MCDOUGALL.

Jan. 7, 1905.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Del Young entertained a number of townspeople at their dairy cream ranch, Wolf creek, on Monday night.

J. Pollock's gold bearing claim on Stirling creek near Hedley has been bonded through C. E. Oliver as agent for outside capital.

Alfred Allison accidentally received a pistol bullet wound near the abdomen recently, which, although not dangerous, will confine him for a short time.

The Horsefly at Hedley has been bonded to coast parties by A. B. Clabon.

Chas. H. Cutler, aged 82 years, died on Sunday last at his ranch, Myers Flat, and was buried Monday at Fairview. Funeral service conducted by Rev. A. J. Fowlie of Princeton. Deceased was a New Englander and was much respected by his neighbors.

Andrew Jensen, tool sharpener, and a partner of Tom Arnold in Copper mountain properties, was instantly killed at Conconnully, Wash., on the 20th inst. by an accidental explosion of giant powder. Poor Jensen was totally dismembered and unrecognizable. He was very much liked by all his acquaintances.

Thanks tinker. Quack, quack, quack. 'Phones may be removed for eavesdropping.

Angus Lamont has fully recovered from a severe attack of sciatica, thanks to Dr. Schon's skilful treatment.

A General Banking Business

A general banking business transacted by the Bank of Hamilton. Capital all paid up, $2,235,280.00. Reserve fund and surplus profits, $2,140,176. Interest allowed on Savings bank deposits of one dollar and upwards from date of deposit to date of withdrawal. A. H. SKEY, Agent, Kamloops, B.C.

NOTICE.

Freddy Burn S. and N. Fraction and Commet mineral claims, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: Boulder creek mountain.

Take notice that I, Philip Y Smith, agent for Charles J. Wilson, F.M.C. No. B81570 and W. J. Wilson, F.M.C. No. B81691, 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 claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this first day of December, A.D. 1904.

NOTICE.

Flagstaff, Copper Kettle No. 1, Searchlight and Nevada mineral claims, situate in the Osoyoos mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Flagstaff mountain, about one mile south east of the townsite of Olalla.

Take notice that I, Reginald Heber Rogers, as agent for Robert Gaede free miner's certificate No. B78828 and James Riordan, free miner's certificate No. B78824, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining crown grants 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 18th day of January, A.D. 1905.

R. H. ROGERS.

NOTICE.

Hardscrabble No. 1 Fractional, Bullion Fractional, Copper Head Fractional and Elkhorn Fractional, situate in the Osoyoos mining division of Yale district. Where located: At Camp Olalla, Keremeos Valley.

Take notice that I, Reginald Heber Rogers, as agent for Robert Gaede, free miner's certificate No. B78828 intend sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37 must be commenced before the issuance of such certificates of improvements.

Dated this 18th day of January, 1905.

R. H. ROGERS.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 80 acres of mountain pasture land, situated and commencing at the southwest corner of lot number 1937 and running south 40 chains, east 20 chains to lot No. 1937, thence north 40 chains, west 20 chains to point of commencement.

THOS. J. MCALPIN.

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NOTICE.

THIRTY days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands, situated in Yale division of Yale district:

Commencing at a point on the west line of lot 300, 20 chains south of the north-west corner of lot 300,

And running north 80 chains, west 80 chains, south 80 chains, east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

F. W. GROVES, Locator.

Princeton, 7th Nov. 1904.

Commencing at a point on the west line of lot 300 20 chains south of the north-west corner of lot 300,

And running north 80 chains, west 80 chains, north 80 chains, east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

T. H. PARR, Locator.
per F. W. GROVES.

Princeton, 7th Nov. 1904.

Advertise in the Star.

NOTICE.

Peerless, fractional, mineral claim, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Kennedy mountain.

Take notice that I, F. W. Groves, acting as agent for A. E. Irvine, free miner's certificate No. B76870, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 15th day of November, A.D. 1904.

NOTICE.

William A. McLean, of the Commercial Hotel, Hedley, intends to apply to the License Commissioners for the Nicola district for permission to transfer his hotel license to William J. Henderson.

Signed,
WILLIAM A. MCLEAN.

Dated at Hedley, Dec. 6th, 1904.

NOTICE.

THIRTY days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands :—

Situated on Nine-Mile creek, Yale district, about 9 miles south-west from Princeton, B.C., commencing at a post marked D.L.H's north west corner post and running 80 chains east, 80 chains south, 80 chains west, 80 chains north back to post, containing 640 acres, and adjoining L. E. Hanley's south boundary line.

D. L. HOPKINS, Locator.
C. O. FRENCH, Agent.

Dec. 20th, 1904.

Princeton Assessment District.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the statutes that Provincial Revenue Tax and Assessed Taxes and Income Tax assessed and levied under the "Assessment Act" and amendments are due and payable on the 2nd day of January, 1905. All taxes collectible for the Princeton Assessment District are due and payable at my office situate at Court House, Princeton.

This notice in terms of law is equivalent to a personal demand by me upon all persons liable for taxes.

Dated at Princeton, Dec. 29th, 1904.

HUGH HUNTER,
Assessor and Collector,
Princeton Assessment District, Princeton.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, viz: Commencing at a post placed 40 chains south-east of the north-east corner of lot 1825, thence 40 chains west, thence 80 chains north, thence 80 chains east, thence 40 chains south, thence 40 chains west, thence 40 chains south to point of commencement, containing 480 acres more or less.

JOHN M. SMITH,
per W. C. MCDOUGALL.

Jan. 7, 1905.

NOTICE.

THIRTY days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands :

Commencing at a post marked "James Hay's north-west corner," and running 80 chains south along east side of H. Rockett's location, thence 80 chains east, 80 chains north, 80 chains west to place of commencement, containing 640 acres

JAMES HAY, Locator.
W. A. DAVIS, Agent.

Located June 22nd, 1904.

NOTICE.

Thirty days after date I interd to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described land :—

Commencing at a post marked "M. Rockett's north west corner," running 80 chains west, 80 chains south along east side of J. V. MacAdams' location, thence east 80 chains, north 80 chains to place of commencement, containing 640 acres in all.

M. ROCKETT, Locator.
W. A. DAVIS, Agent.

Located June 22nd, 1904.

NOTICE.

Dividend No 1 A, Dividend Fraction, Mammoth, Iron Mask, Dividend A, Dividend No. 2 A and Dividend No. 3 A Fractional mineral claims, situate in the Osoyoos mining division of Yale district. Where located : On Dividend mountain.

Take notice that I, Reginald H. Rogers, as agent for Robert Gaede, free miner's certificate No. B78828 and James Riordan free miner's certificate No. B78824, intend, sixty days from date hereof to apply to the mining recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining crown grants 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 7th day of December, A.D. 1904.

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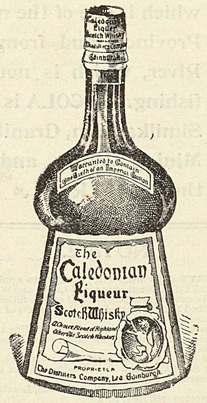

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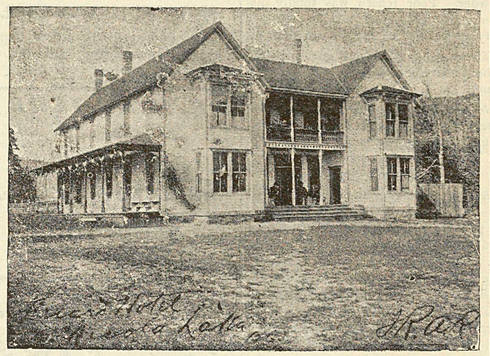

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HUMOROUS.

The Irish lady declared to the magistrate that the defendant had stolen her hen. "How do you know it is your hen?" asked the judge. "Know it!" cried the irate lady, "I have known that hen ever since it was an egg."

The meanest man is not the man who gives his wife the neck of the chicken and keeps the breast. The meanest man is the one who is too stingy to get married and give up even the neck.

The Universal Dissolvent—Will alcohol dissolve sugar? "It will," replied Old Soak; "it will dissolve gold, and brick houses, and horses, and happiness, and love, and everything else worth having."

A shipbuilder tells of an Irishman who sought employment as a diver in the service of a shipbuilding company. The first job to which the Irishman was assigned was to be performed in comparatively shallow water. He was provided with a pick and told to use it on a ledge below. Mike was put into a diver:'s suit, and, with his pick, was sent down to tackle the ledge. For about fifteen minutes nothing was heard from him. Then came a strong, determined, deliberate pull on the signal rope, indicating that Mike had a very decided wish to come to the top. The assistants hastily pulled him to the raft and removed his helmet. "Take aff the rist of it," said Mike. "Why, what's the matter?" asked they. "Take aff the rist of it," doggedly reiterated Mike; "I'll wur-ruk no longer on a job where I can't spit on me hands."

Simpson (to fishmonger)—Just throw me half a dozen of those trout. Fishmonger—Throw them? Simpson—Yes; then I can go home and tell my wife I caught 'em. I may be a poor fisherman, but I'm no liar.

"Alas," murmured the young girl, "I cannot decide whom to accept. Harold has money and would be the safer of the two, but Reginald would look so handsome at my afternoon receptions." "My dear," replied her very best friend, "when it comes to a choice between a safety match and a parlor match, choose the safety every time."

Binks—Skinnem tells me he is going into Catchem's law office as a partner. Jinks—Doesn't he mean as an accomplice?

"I tell you," said the doctor, "it's the man who can push himself along that succeeds in this world." "Not at all," replied the professor. "It's the man who can shove others out of his way that succeeds best."

When a woman has poor luck with her cake she doesn't save it for the company, but makes her old man eat the whole darned thing.

"Money doesn't bring happiness." "No; but it isn't necessary that it should. If you have money and want happiness you can afford to go after it."

In a court room of one of the blue grass counties of Kentucky, General H——, a prominent lawyer of that region, was defending a prisoner charged with horse stealing, and the witness was swearing as to the identity of the stolen horse. "How do you know this is the same horse?" asked General H——. "Well, I just know it is," said the witness. "Well, how?" again asked General H——. "I can't tell exactly how; but I know it as well as I know you, General H——." "Because, just before dinner, I heard Mr. C—— say, 'General H——, let's go and take a drink,' and you went."

Ferdy—That tailor of yours is certainly a bird. Cholly—Yes; I'd call him a pelican. Ferdy—Why? Cholly—If you'd see the size of his bill you wouldn't ask.

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