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MINES AND MINERALS.

Chas. Camsell, geologist, gave good reason for the faith that is in him as to the Similkameen becoming a much more extensive gold camp than now, while its permanence as a producer is assured. Copper and coal production on an extensive scale will follow the construction of the railways now in hand. Another silver lead producing section will be added to the Slocan and Southeast Kootenay.—Vancouver Mining Record.

Dick Fitzgerald is prospecting placer ground on the divide between Ninemile and Fifteenmile creeks. He is finding some coarse grains of gold but expects better results at depth of the wash. He reports little snow. Deer that came down from the mountain summits a month ago have quite all returned. no doubt getting better feed at height. The woods and open spaces are full of them.

Col. Robert Stevenson went to Hedley camp this week where he is interested on Riordan mountain in mining claims.

Frank Bailey, M. E., is recovering nicely from his accident and will be out of the hospital shortly.

F. R. Weekes, consulting mining engineer for the B. C. Copper Co., arrived from New York last week and went to Copper mountain.

The cement works are running full time and there is considerable demand for this time of year for the output.

W. C. McLean and J. Cook are prospecting for coal on the Princeton-Chilliwack Coal Co's ground on China creek.

For the year to date the shipments of zinc ore and concentrates from the Slocan total 3,767 tons.

The Canadian Mining & Exploration company next year will spend a large amount in development work in British Columbia.

Cheaper and better coal for Vancouver. That will be one of the many blessings conferred upon Vancouver with the completion of the Kettle Valley Railway, now under construction, is the opinion of E. A. Beeston, secretary for many years past of the Nelson, B. C., Board of Trade. Mr. Beeston is staying at the Hotel Vancouver while in the city on a business trip and expects to return to Nelson shortly. 'When the railway is opened up' remarked Mr. Beeston, 'the Nicomen and Similkameen coal fields will be able to compete with the Vancouver Island mines in supplying Vancouver with that product. The railway will bring Nelson and these coal fields within 24 hours' journey of Vancouver and then the new fields will be able to ward off any coal famine that might attack this city. The rail rate will not be very high and as the coal is very accessible in the Similkameen country the price per ton will be cut in half here.' That is Mr. Bee ton's prediction, and as secretary of the Nelson Board of Trade he is in a position to know. Besides he is in a pioneer in that boundary country.—World.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING

The Princeton Coal and Land Co. advise that the contractors for the electric light installation will be in town on Friday, and work will be commenced immediately. Everything is in readiness for them, and the light should be on during the early part of January. The Company state that they have received a large number of applications for the light, and several houses are already making arrangements for wiring immediately. As advised last week, it has been found necessary to revise the rate schedule recently issued, and the new system of rating, which will be issned shortly, should prove most attractive.

INADEQUACY OF MANY RETURN AIRWAYS

By Francis Glover

[From the ' Coal Age,' Jan. 3, 1913.]

In these days of modern progress, when most problems seem so thoroughly understood, it is really appalling that mine explosions should come around as regularly as the "Hardy Annual." For 20 years or more, after every explosion, an inquiry has been made as to its cause, and the usual result has been to place the blame on an ignition of gas caused by a defective lamp, a blownout shot or the negligence of someone.

Rarely has any further inquiry been made. In looking for ultimate causes, it is remarkable that the condition of the return entry has not been duly considered. For at many mines today which have a fine equipment on the surface and adequate haulage airways, you will find the other ventilating passages incapable of performing the work demanded of them without excessive resistance.

In some cases they were not large enough to carry the air when first driven but frequently they are large enough but too crooked, and the air is much impeded in its progress. It has not appeared necessary to drive them straight because, as soon as a section is completed, the rails will be removed.

This fact not only explains why we permit the heading to be crooked, but also why it is allowed to become full of fallen rock. Once the road is torn up, it becomes impossible to clear up the heading without excessive expense. It therefore fast becomes full of a mass of broken slabs of roof, through which the air cannot find its way at any speed.

In some mines where such caves

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CHRISTMAS IS IN THE AIR : JOYOUS DAY NEARING

TOWN AND DISTRICT

Arrangements have been made for the Xmas Tree on Tuesday evening, December 23rd, in the Oddfellows' hall. It is expected that Santa Claus will make his appearance that evening in Princeton and all the children are expected to come and see their good old friend. A program is being prepared by the children and the older folks are also invited.

J. A. Freeman and Ernest Waterman have gone to Kennedy mountain on a deer hunting trip.

Neil McFadden leaves for Penticton tnis week to work on bridge construction there. His long experience and skill in constructing railway and traffic bridges makes him sought for on these strnctures near and far. He expects to be absent most of the winter.

J. A. Brown, customs broker, of Keremeos, arrived in town yesterday.

The transfer of the Tulameen hotel to Kirkpatrick and Coulthard was made this week, J. Malone selling his interests to Mr. Coulthard. The deal amounted to $15,000 and is considered a reasonable price for a half interest in this valuable property.

J. F. Waddell is making building improvements to be used for additional machinery in his planing mill.

C. L. Guest has returned from a week's visit at Tullahard fur farm. The captive lynx is doing nicely and has a great appetite.

Homer McLean and Bert Russell have been in the hills prospecting and hunting. They are generally lucky.

B Barlow, of Keremeos, will with his family reside in Princeton this winter.

Geo. Cawston delivered another carload of cattle foods and grain brought from Bridesville.

The Ladies' Hospital Auxiliary at their monthly meeting yesterday moved a vote of thanks to Messrs. Dignan Bros. for the use of Princess theatre on Monday and Tuesday evenings of last week when the sums of $49.50 and $31.75 respectively were made.

W. J. Hagerman, Onemile farmer, has potatoes of which a beautiful sample indicates unequalled soil and climate, and they cook and taste as good as they look.

The Princess moving picture theatre is proving an attractive resort for large audiences The program is high class as a rule and affords instructive, as well as humorous and romantic love scenes. By some the kissing scenes may be thought somewhat extensive. In Scotland hand kissing is in vogue and it looks better in the movies. The Princess is always popular and diverts the mind from the 'grind.'

RAILWAY POINTS.

V. V. & E. contractors are working half force.

If the K. V. contracts talked of so much have been let no one knows of it as yet. Mr. Warren said when here that a move would be made in about ten days.

Owing to an agreement made between cont·actors in all portions of the province, wages on construction work have been lowered from $2.75 and $3 per day to $2.50 and $2.75. As a result quite a number of foreigners engaged in work in and about Penticton, quit work and left for Oroville at the beginning of the week.—Penticton Herald.

BANK EARNED OVER $2,000,000

The annual financial statement of the Bank of Montreal, just issued, includes the following figures : Balance at profit and loss account, Oct. 31, 1912, $802,814-.94 ; balance, October 31, 1912, $1,855,-185 ; balance carried forward this year $1,046,217.80 ; profits of year ending Oct. 31, 1913, after deducting charges of management and making provision for all bad and doubtful debts, $2,648,402 ; profits for previous year, $2,518,408.76 ; assets. 1913, $244,787,044 ; assets, 1912, $236,927,519.37.

UNIVERSAL BIBLE SUNDAY.

The idea of a universal Bible Sunday is that on one and the same day throughout the whole Christian world the Holy Scriptures shall be the subject of special consideration, not only in the Churches and Sunday Schools and wherever people congregate, but in the press, and that each recurring anniversary shall be the occasion for reviewing the position of the Bible in the world, the progress of its circulation and translation into the various languages, and its relation to all conditions of national and individual life. In such an annual review the discoveries which are every year throwing some new light on the records of Holy Writ can be laid before the people, so that the Word of God may be more deeply studied as its truth is more clearly attested to the intelligence of mankind.

The observance of a Bible Sunday has already made substantial progress in various parts of the world. It has been observed for some years sporadically in Great Britain, the United States, Canada, Australasia, South America and in the mission churches of North Africa. It has been established in places in China, while in Korea it is celebrated on a national scale, and was last year made

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IMMORAL PUBLICITY

Editor Star—Sir : Considerable comment, in the papers and elsewhere, has been occasioned by the publication from Paris of Sylvia Pankhurst's paper 'The Suffragette.' This paper takes as its object the 'exposure' of all kinds of vice, real and supposed, and appears to expect (or pretends to) that by the wide spread publication of such stuff—for stuff it is—it will remedy these evils. That such literature does far more harm to the bulk of the people, especially the younger people, than 'good' is quite apparent to anyone who gives the matter a moment's thought. We have always been in favor of equal suffrage for both sexes but we cannot but feel antagonized toward persons, who for purposes of self-aggrandizement and self-advertising —for such publications can have no possible connection with the question of women's suffrage—stoop to the depths of spreading degrading, and almost we might say obscene, literature under the pretext of attempting to expose and combat vice. It is a popular fad at present this exposure of vice Our press, magazines and stage have been catering to the popular demand for it, and now it would seem if we are to believe the leading daily papers, Sylvia has followed their lead and taken advantage of the public's craze for this sort of filth, dragging into it the cause of woman's suffrage. Surely Miss Pankhurst is going too far.

Yours truly,
CITIZEN.

Princeton, Dec. 1, 1913

Roads are in fine condition, the wheeling being the best possible.

Mather, Yuill & Co., the contracting firm for installing the electric light plant for the Princeton Coal & Land Co, have begun work and the juice is expected early in the new year.

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Dissolution of Partnership

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W. J. KIRKPATRICK
J. MALONE.

Princeton, Nov. 29, 1913.

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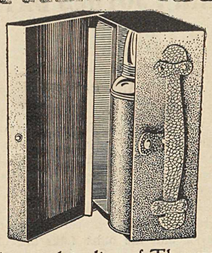

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UNIVERSAL BIBLE SUNDAY

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the occasion of general thanksgiving to commemorate the completion of the Bible in the Korean language In parts of India it has become an important annual event, and in a number of cases the Hindoos and Mohammedans join the Christians in paying honor to the Bible and its teachings.

These observances have taken place at various times of the year, and what is now wanted is to co ordinate them into a common date, so that Christians everywhere may be one in this as they are one in the celebration of Christmas. The churches of New York have for some years had a Bible Day on the first Sunday in December. In a cycle of seven years this would fall four times on the second Sunday in Advent (the third Sunday before Christmas), on which the Episcopal Church of the United States, and the Anglican Church throughout the British Empire, specially refer to the Holy Scriptures. Such a conjunction with an already widely recognized anniversary seems to make this an appropriate time for the annual review of the Bible, and this date does not conflict with any generally established anniversary of other bodies of Christians.

The third Sunday before Christmas falls this year on the 7th of December. Let us therefore join on that date in exalting the Word of God.—COM.

FORMULA FOR SUCCESS

The following prescription for the 'success of Princeton' during 1914 can be taken in large or small doses as any citizen may see fit. First of all Boost : Then let A stand for Aspiration ; B for more Boost ; C for Conrage ; E for Enterprise, O for Optimism ; P the larger Payroll in Princeton ; R for Right ; S for Success Keep these letters and their meaning in in mind and 1914 will be a year of progress and success. P.S —Pay no attention to the croakers, critics and knockers, these never show enterprise and never yet added to the real progress of any town.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Tomorrow at 10 o'clock a. m., parents and guardians and all school taxpayers are notified by Secretary Avery of the school trustee board to attend a meeting to be held in the schoolhouse for the purpose of increasing the salaries of the public school teachers.

County court has been postponed until the 6th of January, 1914.

Next Friday evening the grand annual ball of the local Orange lodge will be held in the I. O. O. F. hall.

The report that Zambuk was lost in the woods is wrong. He was watching for a doe that never came.

C. O. Brownell, professional tuner, expects to visit Princeton in a few days.

Mesdames Garrison and Griffiths have been successful in obtaining subscriptions to the Xmas tree fund. The entertainment and the tree will well repay all generous donors besides giving all kiddies a 'time' they will not forget.

Earth filling on the southern approach to the Tulameen ridge is about complete and it makes a fine roadway being of considerable value to property in the vicinity. Bill Martin has made a substantial job of the retaining wall and Fred Oelrich gives the finishing touches to the grade.

Three weeks lacking a day, then Christmas. It looks like a green one at present and the weather is superb.

Mrs. F. Logsdon is in the Sacred Heart hospital, Spokane, where she underwent a surgical operation which her husband believes to have been successful.

Mrs. McCaffrey will discontinue her at-home day until the winter months are over.

Bert Irwin has recently finished a conservatory for J. D. Andras at his residence.

Work on the Hedley dam has been closed down again.

The death of Inspector of Indian Agencies, T. J. Cummiskey, occurred last Friday at Vancouver, following an operation performed in St. Paul's hospital.

The Okanagan Valley has made a good showing this year, having shipped fruit and produce to the value of over $1,300,000 so far, with more yet to be marketed. For the week ending November 19th, 58 carloads were sent out.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

Church of England—Next Sunday, at Coalmont, 11 a.m.; at Princeton, 7:30 p.m. Rev. D. G. Griffiths.

Christian Science lesson sermon subject next Sunday: 'God the Only Cause and Creator.' The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine : as for the world and the fulness thereof, thou hast founded them. Psalms 89 : 11.

Presbyterian church—Services in the court house at 7:30 p.m. Rev. J. A. Gillam pastor. Sunday school at 11 a.m. All are cordially invited.

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THE BIBLE

The intimation given in another column for the general observation of a 'Bible Sunday' will be received with gratification by all interested in the scriptures and especially by those who believe in them as a guide for this present life and to that abode of eternal happiness—heaven. No other book can at all compete with its antiquity and authoritativeness. Histories, poetry and books of learning have come and gone but the Bible remains, as fresh today as when written. Men may reject its truths, scoff at its teachings, deny it in toto, as the infidel, still it is the book of all books. It holds its impregnable and absolutely unique position because it unfolds life as no other book can—it is life. So simple that any wayfarer may understand, if he be an earnest seeker after truth, and yet so deep as to confound the mighty learned, the disputatious divinity doctors lacking spiritual insight. Within its pages is the unfailing prescription for sickness, sin and death, for every evil, sorrow and poverty. As a mere book it outruns any in world wide circulation, 1,200,000,000 copies having been already distributed and the work continues in the hands of some eighty Bible societies. No person, however poor, need be without a copy for it is without money or price to them. Founded on absolute truth the Bible is thoroughly scientific and demonstrable. Jesus was the greatest scientist who ever lived for he proved all his works and he said to those who believed on him that they could do the works that he did. Take the Bible out of the world, what follows? Nothing to inspire to loving deed, no hope of eternal happiness, no meeting of dear ones gone, no aim beyond the perishing things of time, no Star to guide across life's troubled days and dark nights, savagery, life a blank. Heathen or pagan lands reached a certain height of civilization then stopped, Under Bible influence they are in the way of eternal progress and the more abundant life. The mother saying goodbye to her boy gives her dearest kiss, loving tears and presses the Bible to him knowing that he is safe listening to its voice. All that life is worth living for, all that the thing called 'death' is supposed to unveil, all that is enduring, immutable, lasts forever, worth knowing, is contained in this Word of God. Interpreted and appreciated in the light of divine spirit it eliminates, fear, doubt, anger, hatred, jealousy, pride, covetousness, all fleshly lusts and pleasures, making of man a new, healthy creature. It solves every problem of life when followed and demonstrated, asking of no one to blindly accept its teachings without proving them. Living the life of the Master the healing power is given as promised. This power, dormant through centuries of unbelief and trust in 'other gods' of matter, is again active and will uproot the errors of mere form and ceremony, pharisaism. Scientific christianity is what the people and the mam from Missouri want. It 'shows' them faith by works, renews physical strength, dispels the horrible nightmare of a molten, sizzling hell, without lessening the decree that sinners shall be repaid to the uttermost farthing for all their guilt. This would be an empty world without the Bible and that christian science which demonstrates, proves and makes practical its teachings. Let be not only universal 'Bible Sundays' but Bible Wednesdays and every other day of the week. Let men sincerely and reverently converse about the Bible wherever they may congregate and at all times, for its truth is priceless and beyond all compare.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Of all the remedies suggested for the high cost of living no one has touched on the reduction of the bill of fare. High living is responsible for many ills, including a deflated purse. Back to the simple life, simple foods, beats high prices. Plain mush, a cup of hot water and the blessing is an old Presbyterian breakfast, soup and an oaten cake or two for midday, 'parritch' and beans for supper. This fare may not suit high livers and high kickers but it will certainly reduce the cost.

Retrenchment all along the line of finance has deadened speculation and enterprise all over the world. This spasm of economy and extraordinary caution will have some effect on Christmas trade. Whatever the result may be it is hoped Santa Claus will have enough to make everyone happy.

Emperor William generally has some trouble on hand. Now it is the elder boy, who gives promise of being as obstreporous as the 'old man.'

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INADEQUACY OF MANY RETURN AIRWAYS.

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have occurred, it has been customary to break up the rock into smaller sizes with dynamite, so that it will lie smoothly on the floor and give the air an opportunity to travel without obstruction over it. But in many mines even this is not done, and the airways not being used for haulage, traveling or piping, and so not used or open for inspection fill with rock, yet, because the airways are not explored, the reason why the air is hard to move it not easily apparent.

A larger water gage is used and much of the air is lost which would otherwise go to the face. The practice of leveling the rock by dynamite, to which I have referred is dangerous and not to be encouraged, because a body of gas in a gaseous mine might come along the heading at any time and be ignited by the open shots.

At a colliery in England, of which I was the assistant general manager for a long time, the output for the last 30 years has been from 2000 to 3000 tons per 8-hr. day. The depth of the lowest bed at the shaft is about 2250 ft., and as the present workings are about 3000 ft. from the shaft bottom and the seam is dipping 1 ft. in 7, the depth from the surface is about 2680 feet.

The bottom seam is very gassy and at different times had been ignited at most of the adjoining collieries, but at this particular mine during the whole period of 30 years, not the slightest mishap has occurred. Muesseler lamps were used, and this light, while not perhaps one of the best from an illuminating standpoint, is more than ordinarily safe, because it goes out when held a little out of the perpendicular. Thus, lamp glasses are not often cracked.

No shotfiring was allowed while the men were in the mines, and the rules and regulations were strictly enforced. All coal dust was removed from the main roads and the auxiliary gangways.

But I do not attribute the safety of the mine to any of the above conditions and safety regulations. I have no doubt that occasionly a defective lamp had been used during the 30 years, and that some shots had blown out. Its safeness from gas explosions was due to the efficient and systematic way in which the mine was laid out and had been worked from its commencement, to its splendid airways, so designed and maintained that any gas which was liberated speedily found its way to the surface accompanied by sufficient air to dilute it.

During my employment at this mine, one of the overmen and myself were sent to a near-by colliery, which had been working about six years, and where they had all the latest "tackle." We went to inspect a fine endless rope haulage, which had recently been installed. On the surface, the colliery was well laid out, and there was a fine ventilation fan.

But when we got down to the bottom of the main haulage incline, we noticed traces of gas. In the workings, we found quite a body of it and, suspecting the cause, we inspected the return airway and found it not all that it should be. Some three or four years later this mine exploded and killed between 200 and 300 men, and everyone seemed to wonder how it happened, for the mines in that district are not subject to spontaneous combustion.

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TASTE IN MUSIC

Reginald de Koven comes to the front of the hustings with the remark that the popular song of today is immeasurably better than its forerunner of a generation ago. The opinion may be authoritative, but then Reggie happens to be one of the foremost music butchers of this period, so that it's just possible he may be cutting a chop off a favorite rib.

Not having any musical critic of international reputation within hailing distance, The News doesn't feel exactly competent to slam the theory of the gentleman with the duitable name, but judging from the labels pasted on the things that sell for music nowadays, they don't appear to stack up more than half way to the titles of the hits a generation back.

Viewed from an aesthetic standpoint, it most certainly seems that the name, "Silver Threads Among the Gold" has it over "The Calico Rag," calico being an ordinary, kitchen apron sort of stuff and silver strands intermingling with gilt suggesting something classy. Then compare "Itcha Ka Bibble" with "Juanita." The former, which is one of the recent noise fruits from the musical orchard, sounds more like a corn salve, or a cure for the mange. On the other hand "Juanita" has a soft, moony, refined mushiness about it that is bound to catch the fellow or the girl who prefers holding hands behind the palm bank to tangoing under the tungstens. Then again stand "Sweet Alice Ben Bolt" up beside "Casey Jones." Nobody would deny that Casey is a grand old name without running the risk of having a miniature home rule affair on his hands, and there are too many Joneses for any single person to take a chance at criticising that handle, but at that "Casey Jones," as a cover description, lacks the drawing room perfume which "Sweet Alice" exudes.

In the old days the "Swanee River" seemed to do pretty well at supplying the demand for moisture in music while "Home, Sweet Home" had a few friends and "When You and I Were Young, Maggie" appealed to the then rising generation, but nowadays that sort of melody doesn't get even "coffee and—" for the man who writes it. The modern popular hit must have a start like the exhaust of a racing auto. Once under way it is supposed to hop and skip a few lines, stop in jerks like a poodle with the hiccoughs, change time once or twice after the fashion of the rookie squad in the summer militia camp and wind up with a rush or a slide that leaves the operator fagged and the hearers deaf.

But then, after all, Reggie de Koven may be right and if stuff from the musical junk heap like "Everybody Loves a Chicken" can be transmuted into collateral for banking purposes, his argument holds water on the basis that a song's value is judged by the coin it puts into a composer's right hand trousers' pocket.—New Westminster News.

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COUNTY COURT--YALE

A sitting of the County Court of Yale will be held at the Court House, Princeton, Tuesday, 9th day of December 1913, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon. By command.

HUGH HUNTER,
Registrar County Court.

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The above court is postponed until Monday, January 6th, 1914.

By command,
HUGH HUNTER
Registrar County Court.

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Synopsis of Coal Mining Regulations.

COAL mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the North-west Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1. an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal sub-division of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5, which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five per cent per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quanity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lease may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY
Deputy Minister of the Interior.

N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisment will not be paid for.

NOTICE

Yale Land District, District of Yale.

Take notice that I, James Campbell MacDonald, of Vancouver, B. C., Civil Engineer, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted two hundred and eighty feet west from the north west corner of Lot 520 Yale district, thence north forty chains, thence east forty chains, thence south forty chains, thence west forty chains to the point of commencement and containing one hundred and sixty acres more or less.

JAMES CAMPBELL MACDONALD.
Dated November 12th, 1913.

Certificate of Improvements.

Fissure Maiden Fractional mineral claim situate in the Similkameen Mining Division of Yale District.

Where located: On Siwash Creek (Five Mile Creek.)

Take notice that I, E. E. Coley, F. M. C. No. 74379 B, acting as agent for the Inland Development Co., Ltd., F. M. C. No. 70927 B, intend at the end of sixty days from the date thereof 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 85 of the Mineral Act must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

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NOTICE.

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All persons having claims against the above estate are required to send particulars thereof, duly verified, to the undersigned on or before the 17th November, 1913, after which date the Executor will proceed to distribute the estate according to law, having regard only to such claims of which he shall then have had notice.

Dated at Princeton, B. C., this 13th day of October, 1913.

J. B. WOOD.
Executor of said Estate.

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TODAY

Out of eternity this new day is born;
Into eternity at night will return.

Behold it aforetime no eye ever did,
So soon it forever from all eyes is hid.
So here hath been dawning another blue day;
Think, wilt thou let it slip useless away?

HOMELY ADVICE

The following advice from the Advertiser may be of interest to citizens in all towns:

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Old Isaacs (entering unannounced)—Vat you mean by holting mine daughter in your lap—hey?

Young Rosenbaum——Vell, her mutter said she vas vorth her veight in goldt, unlt I vos shust doing a little calculating dots all!

'Why haven't you been on the sands t is year?' 'Because I've been 'on the rocks' all the time, old fel ow.'

A capital story is told of an eminent barrister who was on one occasion conducting the defence of a person charged with cattle-stealing, and was pressing a witness in cross examination to ascertain how far he was away from the animals at a certain time. 'How could you tell they were beasts?' he asked. 'Because I could see 'em.' 'And how far off can you tell a beast?' Witness looked calmly at the barrister and said: 'Just about as far as I am from you.'

'Tommy, I am not at all pleased with the report your mother gives me of your conduct today.'

'No, father, I knowed you wouldn't be, and I told her so. But she went right ahead an' made th' report. Just like a woman, ain't it?'

Manager of the Shoe Store—'I've tried my best to attract the women to this place and they simply won't come.'

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Manager (heatedly)—'What's wrong with the sign?'

Salesman—'It reads: 'The Big Shoe Store.'

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Joy is not essentially bad, but good, while grief is essentially bad.—Spinoza.

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WATER NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that John Vaydo and William Hamilton of Princeton, B. C., will apply for a licence to take and use three cubic feet per second of water out of Hunter Creek, formerly One Mile, which flows in a south easterly direction through One Mile Section and empties into the Similkameen River near Princeton

The water will be diverted at or about 2300 feet from its mouth and will be used for agricultural purposes, on the land described as Lot No 2048 G1.

This notice was posted on the ground on the 1st day of November 1913. The application will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Princeton, B. C.

Objections may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C.

JOHN VAYDO,
WILLIAM HAMILTON,
Applicant

WATER NOTICE

For a licence to take and use water.

Notice is hereby given that Harvey J. Harris of Redmond, Oregon, U.S.A., will apply for a licence to take and use 1 cubic foot per second of water out of Harris Springs which flows in a northerly direction through lot 966 and empties into and loses itself on lot 966

The water will be diverted two hundred yards from the Spring and will be used for irrigation and domestic purposes on the land described as lot 966 in Yale Land Division Yale District.

This notice was posted on the ground on the 1st day of November 1913. The application will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Princeton.

Objections may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C.

HARVEY J. HARRIS. (Applicant.)
THOMAS S. HUGHES. (Agent.)

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed 'Tender for Drill Hall, Victoria, B. C.,' will be received until 4.00 P. M., on Thursday, December 11, 1913, for the construction of a Drill Hall at Victoria, B. C.

Plans, specification and form of contract can be seen and forms of tender obtained on application to the office of Wm. Henderson, resident architect, Victoria, B. C.; on application to the Postmaster at Vancouver, B. C., and at this Department.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures, stating their occupations and places of residence. In the case of firms, the actual signature, the nature of the occupation, and place of residence of each member of the firm must be given.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent (10 p. c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering decline to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,
R. C. DESROCHERS,
Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
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