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Lull of Summer Demand Causes Reduction in Output—Town Electric Light.

The Vermilion Forks Co. recently reduced the working staff at their coal mine and now employ miners enough to meet the requirements of the district market. This temporary cessation is inevitable in new mines until an established market is obtained. During the lull of summer coal consumptiou it is expected some improvements will be made which will facilitate shipping both in speed and general economy. A box car loader is a necessary part of the equipment of coal mining and this is to be installed by the V.F.M. Co. An uptodate screening plant, including a sorting table, is also to be erected. For the operation of the mine the motive power, steam or electricity, has not yet been permanently decided upon.

Wherever Princeton coal has been given a fair trial it has met with pronounced favor for domestic use and as a steam fuel the Republic Mining Co., Wash., Bruce White, manager, finds it to be a superior article. Considering the difficulties of introducing a new coal, the opposition it must encounter from the dealers in other coals, and minor causes, there is every reason for satisfaction. The ready and large demand for this coal when it first began to be shipped last winter augurs well for it when the season for receiving orders comes around again. Experts who have visited the mine say that there is every reason to believe that it will be a great shipper.

The Vermilion Forks Co. have under advisement the installation of a large electric lighting plant with which to supply the town. Electrician R. Naylor has already put in an electric service at the mine, which with additions and extensions may easily fill all the requirements of the townspeople.

FIRE AT ASHNOLA.

The house occupied by Angus Lamont and wife at Ashnola was destroyed by fire last week, consuming the contents and two dogs before the work of saving the property could be accomplished. Wm. McLean and J McKay did all in their power to stay the flames and succeeded in saving the farm implements. A stack of good hay was destroyed and also a storehouse. The fire originated from a defective stovepipe and in twenty minutes the whole was iu ashes. As Mr. Lamont is on a visit east it is not possible to tell the exact value of the loss, it being estimated at about $1000. The house is part of the Lamont estate purchased by President Hill of the Great Northern Railway Co. No insurance.

PUBLIC MEETING.

Citizens generally, and all interested in baseball and Victoria Day sports are invited to attend a public meeting to be held in the Oddfellows hall, Friday evening at 7:30 sharp. All young men, the glory of our country, are expected to be there, and have a 'savso' in the proceed ings. The date, the hour, the place and the 'what for' should be entered in your diary Clean sport and good fun are as necessary for the young as a sun bath for a sick chicken. Be at the meeting.

VISITING CARIBOOITE.

Sterling Old Timers Meet Highly Respected Sheriff of Cariboo.

Sheriff Stevenson of Barkerville, Cariboo district, was a visitor to his brother, 'Col.' Robert, for a few days recently and expressed much pleasure on seeing Princeton for the first time. With a long mining experience in Cariboo he readily foresaw the great possibilities of Princeton and district and was shown by his brother the process of development of what is believed to be a great copper mine, owned by R. Stevenson and Spokane associates.

It is 46 years since Sheriff John Stevenson went to Cariboo in the great trek for gold that included the flower of the sturdy manhood of many countries. He has not forgotten his first love, old Cariboo, and is still loyal to it, being fully persuaded that a great wealth of gold is yet to be taken from its treasure vaults. Both John and Robert mined in Cariboo and made good. Both endowed with iron constitutions and perfect physique they withstood the rigors and hardships of mining life, and now at three score and ten are enjoying excellent health. But they have witnessed a long procession of departed tillicums over the Great Divide, among whom were the renowned 'Cariboo' Cameron of Cornwall, Ont., Robert Shepherd, Brockville, Ont., Robert Holloway, editor and miner. In the Barkerville hospital now lies at death's door, Geo. Cowan, aged 80, of Brockville, Ont., a former member of the provincial legislature and very able man in his prime. Messrs. Stevenson are natives of Vankleek Hill, near Ottawa.

With the brothers Stevenson in Cariboo were Angus Lamont, Hugh Campbell and Samuel Pearce, residing near Princeton. Some day the history of Cariboo will be written, then many names will adorn its page who are now spending the evening of their lives in comparative obscurity. May they all be spared many years of useful and happy life.

FIRES, AND FLOODS

Destroying Elements on Rampage Cause Loss of Logs and Timber.

Firefighters are Working Hard to Head Off Flames—Rivers are Full.

The unusual extreme heat and dry spell for this time of the year have been the primary causes for serious damage both by fire and water in Princeton district. From Princeton to Granite Creek the country has been burned over and much damage done, the extent of which can only be ascertained by actual investigation. Provincial Fire Warden Atherton has been notified of the dangerous conditions by his deputy, Sam Spencer, who is taking every precaution to have the danger averted. Firefighters are now at work but the devouring element is so widespread that nothing short of a drenching rain can effectlvely cope with it. Toward Copper mountain volumes of smoke have been arising for the past two days, destroying timber and whatever else may be in its path. The prevalent westerly high wind has increased the danger, for the travelling fire leaps from tree to tree and scurries along the ground making fuel of the very inflammable tinder wood and last year's decaying long grass. Hope is strong, and the lowering clouds to the west indicate, that rain is probable within the next few hours from this writing.

The close season for setting fires to clear ground, in terms of the Bush Fires Act, does not begin until May, after which a heavy penalty is provided for firing without a permit. The responsibility for damages by fire, however, is not lessened by the fact that the close season is not on. Who is responsible for these fires and consequent damages is a subject for investigation and as the matter is, in a measure, sub judice, no good purpose will be served by attributing it to any one or company through the press. During recent years a great waste of the forest wealth of Princeton district has been going on and it is certainly time it was stopped.

It was fully expected that very high water would result from the rapidly rising temperature prevailing the past few days. Rivers and creeks have risen to the full height of their banks, pouring their muddy waters in torrential haste oceanwards. Driftwood and sawlogs make a very interesting, yet doleful, procession down the rivers, the latter having been cut last winter and placed on the banks for the Similkameen Lumber Co. This high water is a month in advance of other years.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Don't forget the concert and amateur play entitled 'Turn Him Out,' in aid of the Church of England on Friday, May 6th, at 8 o'clock, Oddfellows Hall.

R. H. Morris, coal expert from Mexico, acting for Spokane capitaliste, has been making a thorough examination of certain properties here in company with C. O. French and J. B. Wood A large deal in coal land is pending the report of Mr. Morris.

Dr. Lazier left yesterday for Vancouver having sold his practice to Dr. McCaffery late of Chilliwack. J. B. Wood is authorized to receive accounts due Dr. Lazier.

C. Willarson & Co. have installed a fine new safe in their office and now they 'feel safe' from all robbers and fire.

'Turn Him Out.' Who? Watch the posters.

Tony Allevo, an Italian, was drowned in the Tulameen yesterday, having been thrown into it by a small slide on the railway grade where he was working. Superintendent Cunningham is making every effort to recover the body which was swept down the raging river and may have lodged in a slough.

Capital is hungry for Princeton coal and a number of deals are in progress for coal acreage.

It is announced that the government will shortly sell its lots at Tulamen by auction.

Why did they? What? 'Turn Him Out.'

School Inspector Gillies was in town last week but the school was closed.

Miss Manly, teacher, opened school on Monday.

Tommy Day is erecting an apartment house on his 'old homestead.'

J. B. Haddad, jeweler, of Mission City, was a recent visitor to Princeton.

H. Massonat is recovering nicely in Hedley hospital.

Don't be a knocker. Come and boost. What for? 'Turn Him Out.'

Mrs. Hunter will not receive in May, but will be at home on the last Thursday of the month thereafter.

The Vermilion Forks Co. is about to build a cottage on Fenchurch Av. east for which tenders have been invited.

Princeton Lodge I.O.O.F. held their impressive anniversary services on Sunday afternoon in their hall and in the evening marched to public worship in the courthouse; at both services the brethren mustered strong.

Rev. Mr. Steele, rural dean, Grand Forks, was a visitor here last week.

A. S. Wyllie, of the Bank of Commerce at Nanaimo, is to be added to the staff of the Princeton branch as ledger keeper and is expected to arrive today.

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The universal free trade doctrine, now a speck in the political sky no larger than a man's hand, is bound to become a live issue in and between the nations of the earth. With the growth of international complications and the multiplication of peace agencies, it seems singular that no organized effort has been made, so far as Star is aware, to attack the source of quite all the war talk and armaments that spell financial ruin — high protective tariffs are at the bottom of all the unrest, agitation and friction. If one nation is favored, however slight, by another in its tariff treaty, then all the others are offended and the air becomes surcharged with dreadnought talk and war scares without end. Remove high protective tariffs and the enormous expenditures for navies will cease.

The essence of free trade lies in giving the subject liberty to buy in the cheapest market. Protection limits the purchasing area and prescribes certain conditions under which the subject shall trade. Simply stated free trade promotes and encourages friendly relations between nations, whereas, protection by its cold reserve and restrictions hinders friendship and inculcates a spirit of envy and jealousy. Under universal free trade a natural and spontaneous friendship would spring up as the result of honorable, free and unrestricted trade relations between nations. Protection discourages that free intercourse which begets confidence; subjugates friendship to narrowing political principles and makes of it a question of diplomacy or expediency. To the philosophic mind there can be no doubt as to the superiority of free trade over protection, in fact it is so generally admitted that it is a wonder so little has been done to have it established throughout the world.

As England is the home of free trade and as she has always been in the lead of all other nations in christianizing and colonizing the world, it would be a retrograde step in the welfare of the human family to now recede from her glorious position and adopt the selfish principles involved in protection. If peace is ever to come to this world it will not be helped along by high protective duties. As the greatest civilizing force of recent centuries Britain has a proud career to look back upon. What could still more add to that high and noble prestige than her contribution to the world's peace along the lines of free trade? Are there not statesmen of sufficient breadth of view and lofty purpose to advocate a cause which will disarm the nations and stop the mad thirst for war? Since the solution of universal peace hangs so heavily on the adoption of universal free trade would it not be a wise move on the part of governments to inaugurate some movement tending toward international concert in the matter? From social, political and industrial standpoints, as well as the world's peace, it is worthy of the best efforts of all who aim at the general good. To this end Star would invite newspapers throughout the world to bring the question of universal free trade prominently before their readers.

LANDS THAT ARE IDLE, YET PRODUCTIVE.

It has become a system with some land owning companies to clear the land and put it in condition ready for the homeseeker and settler. The C.P.R. is doing this in the Northwest, with the difference that irrigation instead of clearing is necessary. In the Similkameen there are many thousands of acres which require both irrigation and clearing, the initial cost of which is too much for the ordinary settler. If some railway company, say the Great Northern, would acquire the large acreage now lying idle in this district and make it into ready made farms, with the purchase price low and spread over a number of years, it would be good business both for the railroad company and the country. The large number of acres held idle under coal lease in Princeton district is detrimental to progress. No blame can be attached to the lessees of coal land, that rests upon former governments at Victoria. It may be possible for Premier McBride to remove the hindrance to settling and cultivating these lands. In any case the land is idle and that constitutes a first class cause for a kick. The cry of the Similkameen is for people and capital and nothing should be left undone to induce both to come.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

In the agitation begun by Star for universal free trade it is understood that political partyism will have no part nor share in it. The question is of such transcendent importance to the human race that political partizanship must be lost to view in its very insignificance and impotency.

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TOWN AND DISTRICT.

C O. French went down to Spokane Monday and will be away for a few days.

Church of England—In schoolhouse, divine services will be held at 8 a.m., holy communion; 11 a.m., matins and holy communion; 7:30 p.m., evening prayer. Choir practice, Friday evening at 7 o'clock.

Children's service (Presbyterian) in the courthouse, Sunday morning at 11. Usual service Sunday evening at 7:30 Ladies' Aid will meet at the manse on Thursday, 3 p.m.

PRINCETON HOSPITAL FUND.

Following is a list of subscriptions received toward a general hospital in Princeton:

Vermilion Forks Mining Co.	$50
C. Graham	10
Avery & Avery	10
J. M. Wright	50
Groffman & Rose	15
E. Barr Hall	25
C. Willarson & Co	10
P. Burns & Co.	50
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J. B. Wood	5
A. Reith	10
P. E. Rowlands	10
C. V. Semerad	10
C. O. French	5
G. L. Fraser	10
Thomas Bros.	25
G. M. Heinekey	10
The Canadian Bank of Commerce	35
Hugh Hunter	15
L. W. Shatford, M.P.P.	15
Manly & Swanson	50
C. A. Carlson	5
Robert Stevenson	10

NOTICE.

Take notice that I, Wylie Guthrie, intend to apply for a licence to prospect for coal and petroleum under the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at a distance of 36 chains, more or less, east of the N.E. corner of Lot 124, Yale Division, Yale District, thence east 80 chains, south 80 chains, west 80 chains, north 80 chains, more or less, to the point of commencement and containing 640 acres more or less.

WYLIE GUTHRIE. per A. C. Gahan, Agent.

April 20, 1910.

NOTICE.

Take notice that I, Eva Roberts, intend to apply for a licence to prospect for coal and petroleum under the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at a distance of 36 chains, more or less, east from the N.E. corner of Lot 124, Yale Division, Yale District, thence west 80 chains, south 80 chains, east 80 chains, north 80 chains to point of commencement and containing 640 acres more or less.

EVA ROBERTS. per A. C. Gahan, Agent.

April 20, 1910.

NOTICE.

Take nctice that I intend to apply to the Commissioner of Lands for permission to purchase second class land in Kamloops division, Yale district, described as follows:

Commencing at the N.W. corner of lot 1514, thence east 80 chains, north 20 chains to lot 1523, west 80 chains, south 20 chains to point of commencement, containing 160 acres more or less.

HARRY J. GIBSON.

April 18th, 1910.

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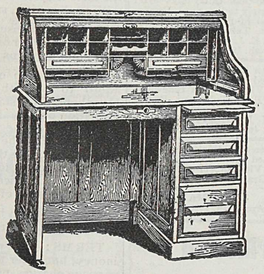

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NOTICE.

Take notice that I, J. T. Johnston, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation broker, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post placed about 20 chains S.E. of the south-east corner of Lot 181 on the west bank of the Tulameen river, Yale division Yale district, B.C., and marked J. T. Johnston's N.W. corner, thence south about 70 chains to the north boundary of Lot 379, thence west about 80 chains to the west bank of the Tulameen river, thence N.E. along the river to the south line of Lot 152, thence west along this line to the south-west corner of Lot 152, thence north about 45 chains to the west bank of the Tulameen river, thence N.W. along the west bank of the Tulameen river to point of commencement, containing about 280 acres, more or less.

J. T. JOHNSTON,
per G. L. Fraser, Agent.

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Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Department of Lands, Victoria, B.C., for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted 35 chains south of the N.E. corner of Lot 257, Yale Division of Yale District, thence south 35 chains, more or less, to the Tulameen river, thence following said river south 35 chains, more or less, to the N.E. corner of coal license 3444, thence west to the east boundary of coal license 3442, thence north along the east boundaries of coal licenses 3442 and 3436 80 chains, thence east 20 chains more or less to the point of commencement.

PERCY H. ROBERTS,
A. C. Gahan, Agent.

April 11, 1910.

NOTICE.

Take notice that I, E. W. Leeson, of Vancouver intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum under the following described lands situate near Princeton:

Commencing at a post planted at the N.W. corner of Lot 246 and marked E. W. Leeson's N.W. corner and running 40 chains south, 70 chains east, 40 chains north, 70 chains west to point of commencement.

E. W. LEESON,
per H. H. Thomas, Agent.

Located April 7, 1910.

Take notice that I, W. A. Rennie, of Vancouver intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum under the following described lands situate near Princeton:

Commencing at a post planted at the N.E. corner of Lot 247 and marked W. A. Rennie's N.E. corner and running 50 chains west, 60 chains south, 70 chains east, 20 chains north, 20 chains west, 40 chains north to point of commencement.

W. A. RENNIE,
per H. H. Thomas, Agent.

Located April 7, 1910.

NOTICE.

Take notice that I, W. L. Parrish, of Winnipeg, Man., intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the S.E. corner of 1 ot 181, Yale division, Yale district, thence west about 62 chains to the N.E. corner of Lot 3044, thence south 80 chains to the N.E. corner of Lot 235, thence east 80 chains to the N E corner of Lot 204, thence north about 80 chains, thence west about 18 chains to point of commencement. Containing about 640 acres.

W. L. PARRISH,
per G. L. Fraser, his Agent.

Dated March 21st, 1910.

NOTICE.

Take notice that I, Perley Russell of Princeton occupation clerk, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands, situate in Kamloops Division of Yale District.

Commencing at a post placed at the N W. corner of lot 151, thence easterly to the corner of lot 351, thence northerly 20 chains, thence westerly 20 chains, thence southerly to lot 181, thence along said lot to point of commencement. Containing 40 acres more or less.

PERLEY RUSSELL

Dated 24th Jan., 1910.

NOTICE.

Take notice that I, George L. Fraser, of Granite Creek, B.C., intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post situated at the S.E. corner of Lot 181, Yale division, Yale district, B.C., thence west 62 chains more or less to the N.E. corner of Lot 3044, thence south 80 chains to the N.E. corner of Lot 293, thence east 80 chains to the N.E. corner of Lot 294, thence north 80 chains more or less, thence west 18 chains more or less to the point of commencement, containing about 640 acres more or less.

GEORGE L. FRASER.

Dated Feb. 23rd, 1910. W. G. Norrie, Agent.

NOTICE

Take notice that I, C. L. French, of Evanston, Ill., intend to apply for a licence to prospect for coal and petroleum under the following described lands, near Princeton.

Commencing at a post planted at the N. E. corner of lot 407 and marked C. L. French's N.W. corner, thence south 80 chains, east 80 chains, north 80 chains, west 80 chains to point of commencement.

C. L. FRENCH, Locator.
By. C. O. French, Agent.

Located 25th March, 1910.

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NOTICE

Take notice that I, Joseph R. Seymour, of Vancouver, intend to apply for a licence to prospect for coal and petroleum under the following described lands situate near Princeton:

Commencing at a post planted at the south west corner of Lot 1530 and marked J. R. Seymour's S.W. corner, and running 50 chains north thence 80 chains east, 70 chains north, 40 chains east, 80 chains south, 80 chains west, 40 chains south, 40 chains west to point of commencement.

JOSEPH R. SEYMOUR,
per H. H. Thomas, Agent.

Located March 15, 1910.

NOTICE.

Take notice that I, C. B. Peterson, of Grand Forks, B.C., intend to apply for a licence to prospect for coal and petroleum under the following described lands:

Commencing at a post at the S.W. corner of Peterson's ranch and running 80 chains north, 80 chains east 80 chains south 80 chains west to point of commencement, in all 640 acres.

Located this 23rd March, 1910

C. B. PETERSON.

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Tulameen, B.C., April 4th, 1910.

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