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A Full Measure of Happiness and Prosperity to Our Readers

Dismisses Case But Warns Careless Hunter

EXTRA CARE MUST BE EXERCISED WHERE SHOOTING IS PERMITTED IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS

Summerland, Dec. 22.—Magistrate G. J. Coulter White of Summerland has given his decision in the recent case brought there y the provincial police in a shooting accident. J. R. Sutherland, who shot his friend, Jack Blewett, in mistake for a pheasant, painfully wounding him, was discharged in court.

The magistrate's finding read:

"Before giving judgment on this case I wish to review it and offer a few remarks.

"The defence admits the shooting of Blewett by the accused, and that there was bodily harm is clear. This, while sufficiently serious, might easily have been more so, for a shot might have blinded an eye or done other injury, and so was serious in its possibilities. The question of intent is not to be considered as it was admittedly an accident and because of the relation of the two parties and the sympathy and subsequent care given by accused. The main point of the charge is the question of neglect—did accused neglect to use proper care; was he justified in shooting under the circumstances? The defence, as I understand it, is that the colors of the clothing and the white berries on the bushes moving togeth er were sufficient excuse to deceive and so warrant shooting. Also that the accused took the precaution of hesitating and taking a second look, and that the injured party was away from where he agreed to be.

"If shooting is allowed in residential districts where children and others are apt to be about, extra precaution should be taken so that no mistakes are made. The accused had a dog which might have been used to raise the supposed bird, and I understand that sportsmen prefer to shoot with the bird on the wing. While there was undoubtedly contributing negligence on the part of Blewett in leaving the agreed direction without warning the accused, and he therefore in a measure brought upon himself the injuries received, yet one cannot but realize the possibility of a third party being in a positon to receive the man with a gun. I do not wish to harrow the feelings of the accused, but I think it is desirable to place before the public the danger of shooting game within the residential part of the municipality, and that not to take proper or even extreme precaution may result in a crime with severe penalties attached. There has been too much careless shooting here, and there have been fatal consequences in other places. The legal department of the government instituted these proceedings as it is felt that steps must be taken to check shooting that endangers human life, and to make people realize the need of taking more care. The department, I believe, treats all alike. If nothing more were accomplished than to call public attention to the fact that people can be called to account for such accidents and that they are not to be let go unnotied, some good will have been accomplished.

"In view of the fact that Jack Blewett, the party shot and mentioned in the information, was not more seriously injured, and that he was largely to blame for the shooting by not staying with the arranged plan of action; and as the accused, J. R. Sutherland, has already suffered much mental anguish and been to much expense and inconvenience, because of this unfortunate affair, and has voluntarily made what reparation he could, and surrenders a valuable gun; and in view of the part he took in the Machine Gun Corps throughout the whole of the Great War, and his years of suffering and disability ever since, and that in this matter he has acted as an honorable man, I have decided to give him the benefit of the doubt in regard to the matter of neglect and to dismiss the case against him and give him an honorable discharge. No costs allowed."

YOU BETCHA!

You'll find this world's a fine old place, if you'll but make a fight and meet dull care with laughing eyes and do the thing that's right. If you will lead the children's steps across life's stoney road, and from some tired shoulders lift the heavy, toilsome load If you'll but speak a cheerful word when things are sad and blue, or chase the shadows from a face and see the smiles break through. These little deeds are all we need to turn work into play, they free our paths from selfishness and clear dull gloom away. For kindly deeds are never lost—they sing a glad refrain; they sweeten up our daily toil and ease the weary pain.—B.I.L.L.

COALMONT NEWS

Mrs. E. Riley and son Billy returned from a visit to Vancouver on Sunday, Dec. 18th.

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Mrs. James Robertson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Robertson, and son William arrived on Thursday from Tacoma, Wash., to spend some time with her parents here.

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Mr. and Mrs. James Galloway and family are spending the holidays with relations at Grand Forks.

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Chief Engineer Hemer spent Christmas with his family in Vancouver.

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Geo. Clark, our popular station agent, was able to spend Christmas with his family in Victoria.

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Jimmy Malcolm of the Royal Bank staff spent the holiday at his home in Vancouver.

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Our two school teachers, Miss Meredith and Miss Caldwell are spending the holidays at their respective homes in Vancouver and Summerland.

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Miss Flo Mearns left to spend Christmas in Vancouver.

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Mrs. Runyon, who has been waitress at the Coalmont Hotel for the past three months, is leaving on Wednesday for Vancouver.

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The Coalmont community Christmas tree and entertainment was held at the Coalmont Hotel on Wednesday evening, Dec. 21st. A large number of local people attended, and quite a number from Blakeburn were also present. The program put on by the pupils of the local schools was arranged and supervised by Miss Meredith and Miss Caldwell, who deserve a lot of credit for the excellent manner in which the children went through their parts. Mrs. Colin Malcolm presided at the piano, playing the accompaniments for the songs, chorus and drills, and also played between acts. The program in detail is as follows: Christmas Carol, Nowell, public school children; chorus, "Mince Pies," public school children; Santa Claus Drill, public school boys; Christmas carol, "King Wenceslas," public school children; Strike in Santa Claus Land, public school younger children; "Four Little Tots," Susan Oxley. Dorothy Stocken, Frances Holdsworth, Ethel Hudson; "Freddy's Great Aunt," high school girls.

At the conclusion of the program a great jingling of bells and stamping of hoofs was heard autside, and sure enough our old friend Santa Claus arrived on schedule to hand out a gift to each boy and girl of the community. After the departure of Santa Claus the dining room was cleared, the Blakeburn orchestra struck up the latest fox trot and the assembled crowd danced merrily until the early hours of Thursday morning.

All present voted this the best Christmas entertainment held for some time. It is hard to pick out individuals who excelled themselves on the program, all the children doing equally well. The sketch with which the high school girls finished up the program was exceptionally good. The leading parts were well taken by Helen McEachern and Mildren Hayes.

ALLENBY SCHOOL REPORT FOR DECEMBER

Grade VIII.—1, Jean Miller; 2, Harry Williams; 3, Morfydd Baird; 4, Douglas Joss; 5, James Stalker; 6, Ethel Wharton.

Grade VII.—1, Bill Pitney; 2, Marion Sawrey; 3, Jack Carter; 4, Helen Goodeve; 5, Lorraine Wharton; Millie Pitney, absent.

Grade VI.—1, Joyce Goodeve; 2, May Miller; 3, Alec Broomfield; 4, Bill Miller; 5, Bert Lawrence; 6, Kendall Sawrey; 7, Bobby Lansing; 8, Kenneth Campbell; 9, Adam Broomfield; 10, Ida Williams; 11, George Alexandre; 12, Bud Baird.

Grade V.—1, Barbara Bailley; 2, Doris Marston; 3, Mahlon Williams.

Grade IV.—1, Dixie Taylor; 2, Mildred Joss; 3, Jack Marsden; 4, Marie Alexandre; 5, Margaret Bond; 6, Walter Corbett; 7, Jack Baird.

Grade III.—Bobby Baillie; 2, Richard Lavery; 3, Christine Carvan; 4 Billy Carvon; 5, Elsie Baird; 6, Victor Corbett; 7, Tommy Wharton.

Grade II.—1, Daniel Lavery; 2, Louise Miller; 3, Douglas Williams; 4, Peggy Marston; 5, Gretta Broomfield; 6, May Campbell.

LEADERS IN XMAS EXAMS OF PRINCETON HIGH SCHOOL

Grade XI.—1, Thelma Eklof; 2, Clarence Johnson; 3 Gust Larsen.

Grade X.—1, Florence Meausette; 2, William Dodd; 3, Margaret Avery.

Grade IX.—1, Rupert Bain; 2, Tom Lindsay; 3, Truda Broomfield.

"I note," said the elderly gentleman, on his semi-annual visit to the city, "that women are wearing two sets of garters one of which evidently holds up their stockings, while the other pair holds up traffic."

Pheasants Are Now Well Provided For

PROVINCIAL GAME WARDEN PLACES ORDER WITH COLEMAN & CO., KEREMEOS, FOR HALF TON OF WHEAT

Pheasants in the lower valley are assured against starvation for some time to come at any rate. Following the shipment of 500 pounds of wheat made by sportsmen here last week, the government, through Provincial Game Warden Robertson at Penticton, placed an order for double that amount with Coleman & Co. of Keremeos, for the birds in that district.

C. H. Armstrong of Keremeos, to whom the wheat from here was sent has written The Star saying:

"I received the 500 pounds of wheat on Wednesday's train from the sportsmen of Princeton and the upper valley. Needless to say, it was very much needed, as I have never seen the pheasants coming around the barns in such numbers as they are this year.

"I want to take this opportunity of thanking the sportsmen up there who voluntarily contributed toward such a worthy cause, and made it possible to provide these game birds with a Christmas dinner—and then some. I might add that the wheat received was distributed at the following places:

"H. Tweddle, J. J. Armstrong, Geo. Scott, Lloyd Armstrong, Great Northern track, rear of Daly Estate; Advocat's, Dunnet's and Gimby's Cawston; Armstrong's lower ranch, and Bertie Allison's.

"Since my convesation with you over the phone, Robertson, the provincial game warden at Penticton, has purchased half a ton of wheat from Coleman & Co., to be distributed around as the weather calls for.

"Seeing that the government is preparing to look after the matter, I do not think we will require any further help, but will keep you posted."

Mr. Alf Sorenson, who is acting as custodian of the money subscribed here, reports the following donations: L. Q. Wilson, $3; E. Gray, $2; J. A. Brown, $2; H. C. Smith, Allenby, $2; Alf Sorenson, $2; C. R. Malcolm, $2.

While no immediate further call is anticipated at present, it is the wish of those interested here to maintain a small fund on hand so that if there should be a call for further help it could immediately be sent. So let's hear from others.

MASQUERADE DANCE

All indications point to a good attendance, and a lively evening's enjoyment at the masquerade ball which the Orangemen are putting on tomorrow (Friday) evening. The proceeds of the dance will go to the building fund, and when we consider what an improvement the Orange Hall is over the ones previously available in town, the enterprise shown by the Orange Lodge in erecting it, is deserving of general support.

An attractive array of prizes is offered for tomorrow evening, and a touch of "old times" will be added the proceedings by the presence of Mr. S. R. Gibson of Jura, who will act as floor manager. In former days in Princefon no dance was considered quite complete unless Sam was there to act as M.C.

The Orangemen intend to make their masquerade an annual event, on New Year's eve. This year, on account of New Year's eve falling on Saturday evening, it was considered advisable to change the date to Friday evening.

LYNX SHOT IN OROVILLE ORCHARD

Oroville Dec. 25.—A Bay lynx or lynx cat, evidently driven down from Mt. Hull by hunger, was shot by Ernest Mosby Monday afternoon in the Earl Fruit company orchard near the Robinson home.

While coming to town Walter Hart saw the cat being chased by a dog of C. J. St. Hill. Later he met Mr. Mosby and the two went out with Mr. Mosby's dog to track the animal. The dog immediately took the trail and finally routed the lynx cat out of some weeds, and chased him up an apple tree. Mr. Mosby finished him with a shot from his revolver.

The lynx cats are fairly numerous in this country and several have been killed this year.

This is the first time, however, that one has been killed so close to civilization. There is a five dollar bounty on the animals. The hide is also worth around $5, so the two hunters were well repaid for a couple hours' work.

They brought the lynx cat, which was a splendid full-grown specimen into town and soon found themselves the center of an admiring group of school children, as well as grown-ups.

A woman's voice on the radio doesn't broadcast as well as a man's, but it's different at home.

Allenby Club Gets First Hockey Game

SIMILKAMEEN VALLEY HOCKEY LEAGUE ANNOUNCES SEASON'S SCHEDULE—MOVE TO ABOLISH BLUE LINE

A move to abolish the blue line in hockey here this season was made at a meeting of the executive of the Similkameen Valley Hockey League held on Friday night, but opinion on the matter was so evenly split that it was finally disposed of with a compromise suggestion that the old style be played for the three opening games and that then the players be asksd to settle the matter by vote among themselves.

Supporters of the old style of hockey claim that it is a faster game. Its opponents say that it would be a mistake to revert to it when all other amateur teams are playing the blue line; that it would not be fair to players who are in this league this season and may be playing in some other next year.

So there you are, gentle fan, and we can't tell you for sure, certain, which style of game will be played when the puck is facel off in the opening game at Allenby, one week from tomorrow evening—Friday, Jan. 6th.

The problem of a referee—always a difficult ore in small leagues like this—is one which the committee has to solve. The position has been offered to Roy Currans of Allenby, and the offer, in which representatives of the three competing clubs were unanimous, was backed up by the promise of a modest stipend for the time and trouble which the duties would entail. Failing the consent of Mr. Currans to act, the only alternative is to select from game to game a referee from among the ranks of the team which is not playing, and constant changing of referees is not good.

The ice on all three rinks is now getting in good shape, and the players are getting down to training in real earnest. Following is the full season's schedule of games:

Jan. 6—Copper Mt. at Allenby.
Jan. 9—Princeton at Copper Mt.
Jan. 11—Copper Mt. at Princeton.
Jan. 13—Princeton at Allenby.
Jan. 16—Allenby at Copper Mt.
Jan. 18—Allenby at Princeton.
Jan. 20—Copper Mt. at Allenby.
Jan. 23—Princeton at Copper Mt.
Jan. 25—Copper Mt. at Princeton.
Jan. 27—Princeton at Allenby.
Jan. 30—Allenby at Copper Mt.
Feb. 1—Allenby at Princeton.
Feb. 3—Copper Mt. at Allenby.
Feb. 6—Princeton at Copper Mt.
Feb. 8—Allenby at Princeton.
Feb. 10—Copper Mt. at Allenby.
Feb. 13—Princeton at Copper Mt.
Feb. 15—Allenby at Princeton.

DEEP SNOW HARD ON GAME

Penticton, Dec. 22.—Despite the heavy snow, game animals and bird life apptar to be making headway.

Game Warden R. M. Robertson reported today that half a ton of cracked grain had been put out for the pheasants, particularly in the South Pentieton benches and flat areas. Quail are getting along very nicely on the tumble weed and pig weed, but gather for the grain as well.

All farmers willing to put out grain for the birds are asked to communicate with the game warden.

Mr. Robertson recently made a trip to the hills behind Naramata to inspect the elk. Insofar as he could see they appeared to be in good condition and wintering well. No confirmation could be found of the report that one of them had been shot.

Taking into account the natural increase of the twenty-five elk brought to this area, as well as the mortality during the past season, there shou'd now be thirty-four of these animals along the hills east of the lake.

Deer are well down from the higher hills, snow having forced their descent. There are no traces low down of cougar as yet, but they will undoubtedly come down after the deer.

ADVANCE PAYMENTS ON APPLES

Keremeos, Dec. 28.—During the three weeks preceding Christmas the Keremeos Growers Co-operative Association made three advances to their members, totalling approximately $20,000.00 on account of unclosed pools of apples. Advances are as follows:

Variety	Ext.	F'cy	Ch'ce	Cr'ts
McIntosh Red	80c	80c	60c	30c
Delicious	80c	80c	60c	30c
Newtown	80c	80c	6$c	30c
Winesap	80c	80c	60c	30c
Winter Banana	70c	70c	30c	30c
Spitzenberg	70c	70c	30c	30c
Stayman	70c	40c	30c	30c
Rome Beauty	40c	40c	30c	30c
Grimes Golden	40c	40c	30c	30c
Wagner	40c	40c	30c	30c
All Other Varieties	30c	30c	30c	30c

"Give Her the Gift She Loves," says an ad. The trouble is we can't afford a Cadillac.

COPPER MOUNTAIN

A splendid program of 12 interesting numbers was rendered at the annual Christmas tree entertainment held in the cook house here on Wednesday evening last week, and great credit is reflected on the ability of Miss Robins and Miss Hansen who were in charge of the arrangements. The two heavily-laden Christmas trees contained an abundance of presents for the 85 children assembled, all of whom voted that "Santa" was a jolly old fellow, and had been particularly good to them this year.

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Mrs. R. J. Armstrong and daughter left on Wednesday's Great Northern train for Chopaka to attend the funeral of Mrs. T. Bean, an old friend of the family, whose death occurred on Christmas day.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Murphy were called to Spokane last Wednesday on account of the death of Mr. Murphy's mother. Much sympathy is extended to Mr. Murphy in his bereavement.

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Mrs. Hughes and little daughter left for Vancouver Friday to spend the holidays with friends there.

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Mrs. R. Rushton, a former old time resident of Copper Mt., is visiting her daughter Mrs. Glen Wick.

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"Hank" Hawk paid a visit to his old time friends here on Monday. We were all glad to see him.

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We hear that "Ted" rather enjoys the trips to Princeton these times. Of course the roads are in fine condition.

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Mr. Ed Ward spent Christmas visiting friends at Blakeburn.

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Miss Ida Johnson of Wagenhauser's store spent Christmas at her home below Princeton.

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Miss Adele Truax, who is attending school in Vancouver, is spending the holidays at her home here.

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Mort Richmond and "Kim" Kimberley spent Christmas at the big city, Vancouver, returning home Wednesday.

TULAMEEN GOLD

In reply to an enquiry regarding the operations of the Tulameen Gold & Platinum Recovery Company, the current issue of the Western Canada Mining News gives the enquirer the following information:

"It is gratifying to note that your inquiry comes from far away Florida, and perhaps because you are so far away may be a reason why you do not hear much of this country. Tulameen Gold advanced so far in the fall that the electric shovel was put in place along with the recovery plant, and two more weeks would have allowed for a working demonstration. The shovel came from the factory about the longest way around. The early snowfall shut things up until spring. As it was a trench was dug 125 feet long by 30 feet wide by 9 feet deep for drainage and to make room for the shovel in good payable gravel. As everything is on the ground, only about two weeks should be required in the spring to get in shape for an initial run. Naturally you will hear little about the enterprise this winter, but along about April there should be some news."

MUCH WORSE THAN INFANTILE PARALYSIS

Infantile paralysis is a flea-bite compared to rheumatic fever in the opinion of Dr. John Meakins, of McGill University, who spoke at the post-graduate medical conference in Kansas City. The symptoms of rheumatic fever often ar found in five-year-old children and are wrongly called growing pains he said. In a large nuber of cases this develops into heart disease.

ENTERTAINED THE KIDDIES

The free entertainment given last Thursday afternoon by Mr. Wagenhauser of the Departmental Stores to the school children of Princeton and the surrounding camps and districts, at the Princess Theatre, appears to have been greatly appreciated, as there was a capacity house for each of the two performances. Some of the children are said to have walked a long distance in order to be present, and among those in attendance were some who viewed a moving picture for the first time.

No King's Ransom Here

Chinese bandits recently kidnapped an editor. We don't know what "stung" is in Chinese, but they're it.

A Justified Criticism

"My objection to real life," says the heroine of a Scotch novel, "is that it isna true to the moving pictures."

Switch-Board Destroyed; Service Interrupted

THE BURNING OF OLD PUMP HOUSE AT ABANDONED MINE RESULTED IN ELECTRIC JUICE BEING OFF ON MONDAY

A column of smoke which rose in the vicinity of the abandoned coal mine on the bench immediately south of town on Monday last shortly after 12 o'clock, created the impression that fire had again broken out in the abandoned workings, and that the column of smoke was issuing from the old portal of the mine.

Investigation, however, showed that the fire was from the old pump house, close to the mine portal, which was used to house the switch-boart that controls the electric power and light supply of the town.

Perry Hall, the first to arrive at the scene of the fire, looked for tracks in the snow of a possible visitor to the building, but found none, and it is concluded that the fire was caused by the developing, in some unknown manner, of a short circuit, and as there was considerable oil, and other inflammable material in the shed the fire made rapid headway and would appear to have developed considerable heat.

Shortly after his arrival at the fire, Perry had a narrow escape from serious, possibly fatal, injury. He had just passed the door of the shed when an explosion in one of the cylinders of the big pump blew the heavy cylinder head through the door, wrecking it completely, and missing him by a matter of inches. A heavy sheet of galvanized iron from another part of the building, was hurled into the air, and on its descent, edgewise, also missed Perry's neck by an uncomfortably narrow margin.

A quantity of water, or ice, contained within the cylinder of the pump, had, evidently, under the intense heat, developed sufficient steam to burst the heavy cylinder head of the pump.

The purpose served by the destroyed switch-board was double: it not only enabled the switching off of the town current without calling up the power station at Allenby, but it acted as an additiinal safety device, automatically throwing off the juice whenever any trouble threatened in the system around town. As the switchboard was installed some years ago, when the mine was operating, it was placed in the pump house there as a matter of convenience.

To make the site of the new shed, which will have to be erected, more convenient, Mr. Barr Hall is negotiating with the townsite company for the use of a piece of ground on Bridge Street, this side of the Similkameen River bridge.

The interruption to the service on Monday was remedied by cutting out the destroyed switch-board for the time being, and making direct connection between here and the Allenby sub-station. This was accomplished by about four o'clock, but trouble with a transformer at Allenby prevented the power from being switched on until after five o'clock in the evening. Happening during the day time, when the lights were not required, and on a holiday, when power was not required, the interruption caused a minimum of trouble here, but would represent quite a little financial loss to the West Kootenay, and a lesser one to the local light and power company.

CHRISTMAS

Ideal Christmas weather prevailed over the week-end, making it possible for Princeton people to exchange season's greetings with their friends at Allenby and Copper Mt., and vice versa. The weather was also ideal during the week preceding the holiday, enabling people to get in without trouble to do their Christmas shopping, and merchants, generally, report the holiday trade as good this year. The only complaint registered is in respect to failure to keep the Coalmont road open for auto travel, thereby comparatively isolating us from our friends at Coalmont and Blakeburn. Last night the thermometer took a decided dip downward and this morning registered 19 degrees below. It has also failed to moderate to any great extent during the day, indicating thta we may be in for a real old-time cold snap.

CHRISTMAS TRAVEL HEAVY

Last Friday's Great Northern train was taxed to capacity to accommodate those from the lower valley outward bound to spend the Christmas holiday. There were also aboard the train a number from the lower Okanagan, who had made the shorter drive to Oroville to catch the G.N. train instead of going to Penticton to take the K.V.R. For some days prior to the holiday, the trains averaged several hours behind schedule time, due no doubt to the heavy traffic.

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A GOOD YEAR ENDED, A PROMISING ONE AHEAD

The year just closing finds conditions throughout the country at large, and in this district in particular, better than for many years past.

Not only have our operating mines in the neighboring camps been working to capacity but several new enterprises have already started or are completing preparations for any early start in the spring.

Citizens of Princeton will need to be on the alert during the coming year if the town is to keep abreast of the development which promises to take place in the district surrounding it, and reap the benefit which should accrue to a place so favorably situated as this is.

Already we are suffering from a very acute shortage of houses and something in the way of definite action should be taken immediately in connection with the situation. Princeton might very well have a population of 200 more than it has today if residential accommodation could be provided for the people. An increase of 200 in population would mean a considerable increase in business for our local merchants.

PLACER MINING ACT

The Placer Mining Act certainly requires a very careful overhaul. Its weaknesses have been particularly brought to light in recent disccussions although they have been manifest to Gold Commissioners, lawyers and lessees for a number of years. The Placer Act, as originally drafted, was a very complete piece of legislation to meet conditions which arose when the small rich individual claims were being worked. In 1873 the rich placers of Cariboo had been worked out and the government then introduced a measure by which placer ground could be Crown Granted. This proved, in operation, to be the most unfortunate enactment that could have been put on the statute books. The experience of the old days as recorded in files at Victoria would be sufficient to discountenance any effort to re-establish Crown Grants. Sections o creeks were alienated for all time from control of the Crown and debarred any scheme of development along their valleys unless everything were purchased. Owners had become scattered all over the world but held the ground.

Of late years many of these old Crown Grants have reverted to the Crown through non-payment of taxes and, whenever this occurs, the Crown Grant and Survey are cancelled.

Two or three years sufficed to show the viciousness of the system of Crown Grants and the provision was cut out from the Act.

Some miners, or, rather, owners, are today asking that Crown Grants should be re-established on placer claims. This is unlikely to have the support of anyone not actuated by the sole motive of self-interest. Placer deposits are invariably comparatively shallow. Their operation depletes the ground in a few years. It might be compared to the forests, on which timber licenses convey the right to remove therefrom the standing timber, but permit of no Crown Grant for the reason that the ground is alienated for temporary, not permanent, use. A farm will likely be worked as a farm for hundreds of years and justifies Crown Grant. On a placer mine or timber lease one crop only will be taken so Crown Grant is superfluous. It is a debatable point whether the Crown Grant features of the Mineral Act are advisable.

The system of leasing, as embodied in the Placer Mining Act, is a sound system for dealing with this class of ground. The weakness of the Act lies not in the system itself, but in the conditions for administration thereof, and non-essential requirements.

The Act provides that certain leases be granted, and is entirely deficient in definition of what these leases are intended to convey.

A creek lease presumably extends along a creek, river or dry gulch for half a mile in length. The Act makes no attempt at defining the boundaries of this lease. Plainly the intention of the creek lease was that it should convey a section of valley along the creek and should extend on both sides of the creek itself.

Yet gold commissioners' ideas differ greatly on what a creek lease includes. Some say "rim to rim" (whatever that may mean); others say it covers the creek bed only; others that it takes the ground 500 feet on each side of the creek; while others contend that it embraces ground lying within the locator's stakes. On the lease itself and within the Act description is deficient and creates a condition which should be remedied. The whole system leaves itself open to misunderstanding, litigation and to frequent appeal, for judges would desagree on interpretation as do gold commissioners. An Act should be explicit.—Mining and Industrial Record.

Clarence: The next dance will be ours, won't it?

Helene: It'll seem that way to me!

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
Similkameen Electoral District

Notice Regarding Discontinuing and Closing Portion of Street Between Blocks 25 and 26, Map 96, Town of Princeton.

Notice is hereby given that, under the authority conferred by Section 11 of the "Highway Act," Chapter 103 of the "Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1924," it is the intention of the undersigned, after 30 days from date to discontinue and close the southerly 30 foot portion of the street north of Lot 23, Block 26, Map 96, Town of Princeton, B.C.

W. H. SUTHERLAND,
Minister of Public Works.

Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C., 1st December, 1927. 4-5

COAL AND PETROLEUM ACT
NOTICE

Take notice that I, P. W. Gregory, acting as agent for Ridgeway R. Wilson of Victoria, B.C., intend t apply to the Commissioner of Lands for a licence to prospect for coal and petroleum over the following described lands situated in the Yale Division of Yale District:

Commencing at the south-east corner of Lot 387, thence north 40 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence west 20 chains to the point of commencement.

RIDGEWAY R. WILSON, Locator.
P. W. GREGORY, Agent.

Located this 17th day of December, 1927. 6-5

COAL AND PETROLEUM ACT
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Take notice that I, P. W. Gregory, acting as agent for Ridgeway R. Wilson of Victoria, B.C., intend to apply to the Commissioner of Lands for a licence to prospect for coal and petroleum over the following described lands situated in the Yale Division of Yale District:

Commencing at the north-west corner of Lot 975, thence south 80 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence east 40 chains thence north 80 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 20 chains, thence west 40 chains to the point of commencement.

RIDGEWAY R. WILSON, Locator.
P. W. GREGORY, Agent.

Located this 21st day of November, 1927. 6-5

Synopsis of Land Act Amendments

PRE-EMPTIONS

Vacant, unreserved, surveyed Crown lands may be pre-empted by British subject over 18 years of age, and by aliens on declaring intention to become British subjects, conditional upon residence, occupation, and improvement for agricultural purposes.

Full information concerning regulations regarding pre-emptions is given in Bulletin No. 1, Land Series, "How to Pre-empt Land," copies of which can be obtained free of charge by addressing the Department of Lands, Victoria, B. C., or to any Government Agent.

Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes, and which is not timberland, i. e., carrying over 5,000 board feet per acre west of the Coast Range and 8,000 feet per acre east of that Range.

Applications for pre-emptions are to be addressed to the Land Commissioner of the Land Recording Division, in which the land applied for is situated, and are made on printed forms, copies of which can be obtained from the Land Commissioner.

Pre-emptions must be occupied for five years and improvements made to value of $10 per acre, including clearing and cultivating at least five acres, before a Crown Grant can be received.

For more detailed information see the Bulletin "How to Pre-empt Land."

PURCHASE

Applications are received for purchase of vacant and unreserved Crown lands, not being timberland, for agricultural purposes; minimum price of first-class (arable) land is $5 per acre, per acre. Further information regarding purchase or lease of Crown lands is given in Bulletin No. 10, Land Series, "Purchase and Lease of Crown Lands."

Mill, factory, or industrial sites on timber land, not exceeding 40 acres, may be purchased or leased, the conditions including payment of stumpage.

HOMESITE LEASES

Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites, conditional upon a dwelling being erected in the first year, title being obtainable after residence and improvement conditions are fulfilled and land has been surveyed.

LEASES

For grazing and industrial purposes areas not exceeding 640 acres may be leased by one person or a compnay.

GRAZING

Under the Grazing Act the Province is divided into grazing districts and the range administered under a Grazing Commissioner. Annual grazing permits are issued based on numbers ranged, priority being given to established owners. Stock-owners may form associations for range management. Free, or partially free, permits are available for settlers, campers and travellers, up to ten head.

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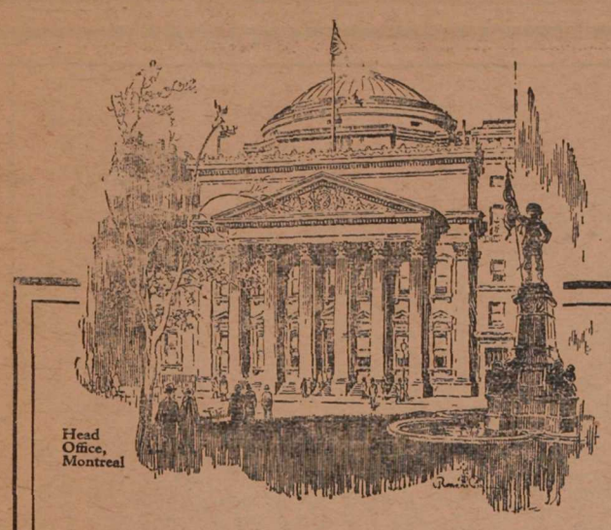

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31st October, 1927

ASSETS

Cash on hand	$ 88,953,211.33
Deposits with and notes and cheques of other Banks	67,874,632.37
Deposit with Central Gold Reserve	19,000,000.00
Call and Short loans on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	181,101,009.09
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities	86,760,587.30
Canadian Municipal Securities and British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian	32,963,446.96
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	5,344,028.16
Quick Assets	$481,996,915.21
Loans and Discounts and other Assets	325,795,696.73
Bank Premises	11,550,000.00
Liabilities of customers under letters of credit (as per contra)	12,206,355.96
Total Assets	$831,548,967.90

LIABILITIES TO PUBLIC

Notes in circulation	45,760,677.50
Deposits	700,227,281.54
Letters of credit outstanding	12,206,355.96
Other liabilities	10,857,020.52
Total Liabilities to Public	$769,051,335.52
Excess of Assets over Liabilities to Public	$ 62,497,632.38

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There isn't much to life but this—
A baby's smile, a woman's kiss
A book, a pipe, a friend,
And just a little cash to spend
As on we journey to the end.

The home is a little detour on the way from golf to bridge.

Princeton Paragraphs

Mrs. Harry Newman had her father and mother for guests over the Christmas holiday.

Miss Knowlton of the hospital staff left on Sunday on a brief visit to Vancouver.

Born—At the Princeton General Hospital on Saturday, December 24, to Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Taylor, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. J. McGowan, nee Miss Margaret Hunter, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hunter.

Thom s Brothers announce a stock c'earing sale, now in effect and lasting till Jan. 10. Startling reductions in price for cash.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Wanless of Pen.'cton were guests at the home of their son Ray for the Christmas holiday.

Wm. Ritchie of the G.N. bridge and building crew, Marcus, is spending the holiday with friends here and at Cawston.

The Bank of Montreal has suspended its fortnightly service at Hedley, pending the renewal of mining activity there in the spring.

Our local collector of His Majesty's customs, Mr. W. L. Boult, spent Christmas with his family at Summerland.

In another column of this issue appears notice of the poll to be held Jan. 9th in connection with Village Incorpo ation.

Mr. C. E. Thomas returned on Tuesday morning from Vancouver, having gone down last week for further medical treatment.

Miss S. Hardwick of the Templeton school taff, Vancouver, after having spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hardwick, returns to the coast tomorrow.

If the holder of ticket numbered 86 will present the same at P. Burns' butcher shap he will be entitled to the porker donated by Mate Irwin to the Princeton Athletic Association.

"Babe" Getzel, well known member of G.N. train crews here in the earlier days, was back on this run during the Christmas holiday, and received a hearty greeting from many old-time friends.

Miss Phyllis Dodd, who is attending the present session of the provincial normal school at Victoria, arrived on Friday last to spend yuletide holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Dodd.

"Bigger and better than ever," says Jerry Brown, is to be the annual celebration by the Caledonian Club of Blakeburn of the anniversary of the birth of Rabbie Burns on January 28. We l that's saying a lot, for they have held some good ones in recent years.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. McGuffie was the scene of a happy family re-union on Christmas day, their being present for the week-end Mr. and Mrs. George Clarke, Penticton, and Mr. and Mrs. MacL. Clarke, and Mr. and Mrs. James Clarke, and Mr. R. C. Clarke, Keremeos.

Princeton's new rink was well patronized on Christmas day, there being a good attendance of skaters and a number of the hockey players turning out for practice. A number of citizens also made the trip over the new swing bridge, which promises to be a complete success, and bring the new rink within a few minutes walk from the centre of the town.

In the presence of immediate friends only, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Forsythe, on Christmas Day, Miss Ida May Huston and Mr. Charles F. Tupper were united in marriage by the Rev. John Goodfellow, pastor of St. Paul's United Church. The same afternoon the happy couple left on the K.V.R. train to spend their honeymoon at coast points. Returning, they will take up their residence in Princeton. For the past few months Miss Huston has been on the Princeton Star staff. The groom is a son of Mr. Geo. E. Tupper of Calgary who is to succeed Mr. N. McCormack as manager of the Tulameen Gold & Platinum Company's operations here.

NOTICE

The Princeton Light & Power Co. do not propose to continue the electric power service to any premises where the occupants are more than 30 days in arrears, unless satisfactory arrangements can be made with the office. 7-1

Rabbie Burns Anniversary

Bigger and Better Than Ever

Blakeburn Caledonian Club's 7th Consecutive Celebration of Rabbie Burns' Anniversary will be held in the Dining Room, Blakeburn, on Saturday, January 28th, 1928.

Chair will be taken at 7:30 p.m. Tickets can be had from the following: Jerry Brown, Jess Waring, Miss McKay, Company store, Blakeburn, and Miller's Restaurant at Coalmont. Sale of tickets closes positively on Monday, January 16; no admission without ticket, so please get tickets early.

Price of tickets: Single gentleman, 3.50; double ticket for lady and gent $5.00; extra lady, $1.50.

Blakeburn Celebrated Orchestra will be in attendance to give selections and play at the dance.

JAMES McWHIRTER, Chairman.

KEREMEOS NOTES

Keremeos, Dec. 28.—

New Year's Eve Dance—The Women's Institute will hold their annual old times dance in the Victory Hall on Saturday, December 31st. Dancing from 8 until 12. Admission 50c.

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The Christmas tree concert held last Thursday evening proved to be a great success. The program was excellent and the children all excelled themselves in keeping a large and appreciative audience entertained with a varied program. One hundred and fifty sacks of candy and nuts were distributed to the children by Santa Claus, who was greeted with much enthusiasm by the younger ones. Much credit is due to the teachers and others who devoted much of their time and energy in the preparation of the program which made the evening such a big success.

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Mr. and Mrs. Spall and children left on Friday's train for Victoria where they will spend the Christmas week.

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Mr. Gurney, Mrs. Purslow, Miss Lewis, Mr. Bell and daughter, Marjorie, were amongst those to depart on Friday's train to sojourn to other climes for the Christmas holidays.

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Mr. McCal'um and son, Donald, arrived home on Wednesday.

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Miss Ellis of the telephone staff left on her holidays on Thursday. During her absence she will be relieved by Miss Lawrence.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. Daly and family are spending the week in Okanogan, being the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay.

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December 21.—Received too late too appear last week.

The dramatic entertainment held in the Victory Hall on Monday evening under the auspices of St. John's Guild proved to be an evening of the most delightful kind. The acting in the two p'ays was really very talented and bore evidence of the hard training and skillful directing to which the players were subjected. The musical numbers judging by the hearty applause were greatly enjoyed by all. The attendance was most gratifying and the receipts for the evening very satisfactory.

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The Women's Institute held the'r annual meeting last Wednesday. The newly elected officers are as follows: President, Mrs. Mac Clarke; vice-president, Mrs. Williams; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Lintott; directors, Mrs. Willis, Mrs. J. C. Clarke and Mrs. Nicholson. The Institute is planning their usual old time dance for New Year's eve. Dancing will be from 8 p.m. until midnight and supper will then be served, with plenty of mince pies, etc.

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About twenty Keremeos young people staged a merry sleigh riding party on Saturday last.

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Construction on the new river bridge suffered a considerable handicap about the middle of last week when the excessive ice in the river crushed out several sections of the piles. The loose ice floating down the stream accumu'ated against the piling which was being used as a preliminary foundation for the trestle work of the bridge. The weight proved too much for the piles and the sect'on between the centre and south pier gave way. Work on the structure for the time being has been suspended.

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A great deal of difficulty has been experienced by motorists during the past two weeks on the Penticton-Keremeos road. The gasoline truck, in trying to negotiate the trip last week slid off the road into Keremeos Creek and it took the better part of two days to make the trip to Keremeos. Other motorists have spent as much as eight hours to cover the thirty-two miles and st'l others have had to give up the trip entirely and return home. I believe it would be a good policy for the government to set aside a sum of money from each budget to be expended in keeping the main arterial highways open during the short time each winter when traffic is likely to be impeded by an excessive snow fall.

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The sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. Roddick and family at the loss of her daughter, Louise, whose untimely death occurred at Vancouver a short time ago after a prolonged illness.

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Mr. T. Melville and Mr. W. Mills, in an effort to transport a sleigh load of groceries from Penticton to Keremeos, had the misfortune to run the load over the bank on Tuesday. Aid was sent from Keremeos in an effort to get the load on the way again.

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Miss Mable Shumann arrived in town on Tuesday after spending the past couple of weeks in Penticton and Oliver on her annual holidays.

KEREMEOS PULIC SCHOOL REPORT FOR DECEMBER

Division I.

(W. H. Gurney, teacher.)

Grade VIII.—1, Bertha Mills; 2, Alice La Bounty.

Grade VII.—1, Dorothy Clark; 2, George Christian.

Grade VI.—1, Elspeth Lintott; 2, Mary Sorge.

Perfect Attendance: Ronald Campbell, George Christian, Dorothy Clark, Billie Corrigan, Fred Derry, Gladys Harris, Annabelle La Bounty, Elspeth Lintott, Dora Mattice, Bertha Mills, Dorothy Parsons, Nellie Ring, Mary Sorge, Margaret Tweddle, Haliburton Tweddle.

Division II.

(Miss E. Lewis, teacher.)

Grade V.—1, Daisy Bell; 2, Phyllis Daly.

Grade IV.—1, Marion Blogg; 2, Ruth Sorge.

Grade III.—1, Dorothy Sorge; 2, Bryan Colwell.

Perfect Attendance: Marion Blogg, Daisy Bell, Lorine Daly, Phyllis Daly, Janet Derry, Laurence Harris, William La Bounty, Alec Milloy, Dorothy Sorge, Ruth Sorge, Eileen Tweddle.

Division III.

(Mrs. K. Clarke, teacher.)

Grade II.—1, Jack Riley; 2, Gladys Wheeler.

Grade I.—1, Muriel Smith; 2, Margaret Spall.

Perfect Attendance: Clarence La Bounty, Margaret Colwell, Alfred Campbell, Nita Armstrong.

CAWSTON NOTES

On Wednesday night the Community Hall was the scene of the Christmas tree entertainment. A large crowd enjoyed the varied program of recitat'ons, dialogues, songs and dances, for which great credit is due the children and the teachers who had charge of their training. Santa Claus arrived in time to distribute candy to all the children.

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W. S. Meikle, of the teaching staff, left on Thursday's stage for Kelowna where he will spend the ho'idays with his parents.

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Agnes and Frances Lang left Wednesday morning to spend a few days with friends in Vancouver before joining their mother in Victoria.

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Daisy Silvester of Penticton spent Christmas with her parents at Silver Heights.

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Mrs. P. A. Morden and Mrs. T. Pettypiece spent Monday visiting friends in Keremeos.

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Miss Margaret Smith, of the teaching staff, is spending the holidays at her home in New Westminster.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. Wainwright left Friday for Vancouver, where they will spend the holidays with their children, Elsie and Harold.

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Mr. W. D. Lang with his son and daughter, Stewart and Lilian, left on Friday for Victoria where they will make their future home.

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H. Silvester returned Tuesday from Vancouver where he has been under the doctor's care for the past few weeks.

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A large crowd enjoyed the musical and dramatical play put on in the Community Hall on Tuesday evening, under the auspices of the Keremeos St. John's Guild.

CAWSTON PUBLIC SCOOL REPORT FOR DECEMBER

Division II.

(W. S. Meikle, teacher.)

Grade VIII.—Tied for 1st, Irwin Prentice and Helen Manery.

Grade VII.—Tied for 1st, Charles Hammill and Genevieve Galloway.

Grade VI.—1st, Kenneth Mackenzie; 2nd, Jacoba Advocaat.

Grade V.—1st, Stella Silvester; 2nd, Gordon Prentice.

Division I.

(Miss M. L. Smith, teacher-)

Grade I.—1st, Frances Lang; 2nd, Lela Suiter.

Grade II.—1st, Gordon Manery; 2nd, Jack Cawston.

Grade III.—1st, Hazel Silvester; 2nd, Eileen Tickell.

Grade IV.—1st, Eileen Rooney; 2nd, Earle Beecroft.

The following pupils have not missed a day and have not been late during December: Eileen Rooney, Jack Cawston.

TULAMEEN RIPPLES

The boys here are busy clearing the snow off the ice and everybody is welcome to come and have a skate on Otter Lake. Free! Lots of room! So come along and have a real old time skate. The Britton Hall will be put in readiness any time folks want to enjoy themselves. As the roads are not open for auto traffic, what's the matter with arranging for a few old time sleighing parties?

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Miss Margaret Schubert is home for the Christmas holidays.

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Mr. Harry Lowe came home for Christmas. He has been employed with Mr. Frank Barnes at Blakeburn.

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Miss Mary Guinan has gone home with her mother to spend her holidays.

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A prosperous New Year to you all from Tulameen.

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Our Christmas tree entertainment was certainly a big success, and Miss Guinan is to be complimented upon the manner in which she had the children trained for their different parts. Following the entertainment, the floor was cleared and dancing, to new and old tunes was heartily enjoyed until a late hour in the morning. When it comes to real enjoyment Chicago has nothing over us. Following is the program that was rendered:

Tableaux and song, school; acrostic, Merry Christmas, seven children; dialogue, "The Plan that Failed;" song, "Juanita;" reading, "The Cow," Paddy Rabbitt; recitation, "A Timely Suggestion," Mavis Ferguson; recitation, "The Rag Doll," Helen Oliver; Paddy's Jig; recitation, "Santa Claus and the Mouse," Ida Tetreau; song, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," school; reading, "A Boy's Essay on Girls," Elmer Power; duet, "O Dear Little Children," Leona Rabbitt and Mavis Ferguson; recitation, "All the Wants," Craig Ferguson; "The Magic Broom," Professor Karachi; dialogue, "Painting a Chair;" recitation, "Mary's Lamb," four boys; dialogue, "The Little Rebels; duet, "The Rose of Tralee," Elizabeth and Antonia Rabbitt; recitation, "A Christmas Wish," Ruth Oliver; song, "Goodnight Children," school; "O Canada."

We feel that recognition is due our esteemed postmaster, and his estimable wife, for the able manner in which they handled the heavy mails received and dispatched from here during the rush of the Christmas holidays. The mail far exceeded that of any previous season, reaching as high as 71 sacks one mail, and it was only by working late into the night that it was possible to keep abreast of the work.

Notice of Poll

(Under the Village Municipalities Act)

Take notice that by virtue of an order-in-council dated December 2nd, 1927, I will on

MONDAY, JANUARY 9th, 1928

between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the

COURT HOUSE, PRINCETON, B.C.

hold a vote of the taxpayers of Princeton for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not it is the wish of the said taxpayers to incorporate as a village municipality.

COURT OF REVISION

Take notice also that I will hold a court of revision of the list of persons entitled to vote, at the Court House, aforesaid, on Friday, January 6th, between the hours of 2 and 5 p.m.

A copy of the list of voters may be seen at the Court House or at the Post Office.

Dated at Princeton, B.C., this 29th day of December 1927.

L. A. DODD,
Returning Officer.

COMING EVENTS

New Year's Macquerade Ball—Orange Hall, Princeton, Friday, Dec. 30; under auspices of Orange Hall Building Fund Committee.

BUSINESS LOCALS

If it's Tinsmithing or Hot Air Heating, consult me. H. B. Meausette.

PRINCETON PLUMBING SHOP—Rear of P. Burns; phone 26. Caruso Bros.

FOR SALE—Small house in Princeton. Apply Box 296. 49-tf

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FOR SALE—Purebred Black Minorca Cockerels; also trios of Game Bantams, ideal for pets for kiddies, Christmas or New Years' gifts, very tame. Edd. Oliver, Tulameen.

$20.00 REWARD—Will be paid for information as to the whereabouts of one Tom Ryan who lived in Princeton until April of this year, and J. Montgomery who lived in Princeton until May of this year, this man worked for Charlie Peterson, logger. Box "A", Star Office. 7-1

Church of England Services

ST. CUTHBERT'S, PRINCETON

Sunday, December 25th

Morning Prayer and Holy Communion 11 a.m.

Sunday School ..... 2 p.m.
Evening Prayer ..... 7:30 p.m.

SCHOOL HOUSE, ALLENBY

Thursday, January 5th

Evening Prayer ..... 7:30 p.m.

REV. A. J. WILLIAMS, B.D., Incumbent.

St. Paul's United Church

Princeton, B.C.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1st

Sunday School ..... 11 a.m.
Church Service ..... 7:30 p.m.

REV. JOHN C. GOODFELLOW.

Community New Year Greetings

The undersigned merchants of Princeton unite in extending to their patrons throughout the entire district of which Princeton is the commercial centre their best wishes for

A Happy and Prosperous New Year

We take this opportunity of thanking you for your esteemed patronage during the past years, and to express the hope that, during the coming year, we may be able to co-operate with you, still more closely, in every way that will tend toward the general welfare and the greatest possible development of the district as a whole.

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