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Bank of Commerce.

The annual report of the Canadian Bank of Commerce has just come to our desk, and therein is contained the joyful news that in spite of the financial conditions of the year, that $1,627,332.78 has been earned by the company.

After providing for the dividends and for the usual contribution to the Pension Fund, they have been able to write $300,000 off Bank Premises Account, to add $1,000,000 to the Rest, making that account $6,000,000, and to carry forward $161,244.88 at the credit of Profit and Loss Account.

During the year the Bank has opened new branches at the following places: In Ontario, at Crediton, Exeter, Forest and Thedford, the first two and the last-named being branches taken over from the Sovereign Bank of Canada; in Manitoba at Rivers; in Saskatchewan, at Delisle, Elbow, Melville, Outlook, Tugaske and Watrous; in Alberta, at Monarch; and in British Columbia, at Revelstoke and Park Drive, Vancouver. The branches at Kenville Man., Kinistino, Sask., Norwood, Man., and Ross Avenue, Winnipeg, have been closed.

Since the close of the Bank's year a branch has been opened at Provost, Alta.

C. P. Riel reports that he has sold several lots the past week in Dow's addition to the townsite.

The Card Social which was arranged by the Ladies of the Catholic Church to take place on Wednesday night last, has been postponed for a week.

Joe Carver has moved his saddlery store to one of the lots near the Munro hotel. The building was moved on Saturday.

Powder for Ranchers

At the adjourned meeting of the Creston branch of the Kootenay Farmer's Institute, held at the schoolhouse on Saturday night last, some good work was done. The matter of securing "stumping" powder at a price that is not at all exhorbitant was fully gone into, and taking advantage of the offer of the Hamilton Powder Co. to supply the allied institutes with stumping powder at $6 25 per box, the Creston branch has ordered 8,000 lbs. from the company. A saving will thus be effected to the members of about $3.00 a box. This offer only holds good for bona-fide members, and as the membership fee to the local institute is only 50c. per annum, there should be a big increase in its membership the next few months.

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Quadrille Club Dance.

The Acme Quadrille Club have been fortunate in completing arrangements with the Stuttz Big Theatre Co. to show here under the auspices of the Club on Friday and Saturday, the 5th and 6th inst.

The Stuttz Co. consists of 14 ladies and gentlemen supporting the popular American artists Mr. J. G. and Aggie Marion Stuttz. After the performance each night there will be a dance at which splendid music will be furnished. The admission price of one dollar is inclusive of the dance and a good time is assured for all. The plays to be presented are both strictly first class comedy dramas. "Was She to Blame" is Mr. Stuttz's masterwork protected by British and and U.S. copyrights. It is one long laugh from the time the curtain rises for the first act. Between the acts, Herr Fridolph Werner, the celebrated Swedish Piano Virtuoso will render selections of high class music. Lovers of good music will appreciate this fact.

The monthly meeting of the Quadrille club was held on Tuesday, there being a large muster of members. The secretary reported a balance on the credit side of the ledger. Election of officers (by ballot) was as follows: President, Mr. J. J. Atherton; sec.-treasurer, Mr. N. E. Brown; master of ceremonies Mr. F. C. Corry; doorkeeper, Dauph. Johnson

A large contingent of rooters from Moyie went through with the Moyie hockey team to Nelson last Sunday. They carried with them the best wishes of the Creston sports.

The ice harvest is on. Cordwood is three and a half delivered.

Moyie hockey team is playing at the Rossland Carnival. Last week they held down the Coleman team, the score being 3-6

Mr. J. G. Stuttz is the only living actor favored by the French Government with the Legion of honor of France. This was conferred on him by the French President in recognition of the fact that he was the most natural actor in the profession.

Advertising sure pays. In answer to a recent ad. in this paper, the advertiser told us he had received thirty replies through the post.

For being drunk and disorderly, a Swede (Ole something) was hauled up before Justice Mallandaine this week. He was given the benefit of the First Offenders' Act and a lecture.

For Sale—A thoroughbred shorthorn bull (pedigree transferred to purchaser). Apply at Review office.

The cash register at the Manitoba hotel, Cranbrook, was broken into Monday night and a small amount got away with by some one unknown. The thief overlooked some $80 in doing the trick.

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Good Work was Done

Creston was well represented at the Associated Board of Trade convention held at Trail, B.C., on the 27th and 28th of Januaay.

The convention passed upon many important resolutions beneficial to the Kootenays, and the Creston delegation were well to the front in the deliberations and succeeded in getting passed several excellent resolutions.

The town of Trail did itself proud in its entertainment of the visitors giving them a splendid banquet as well as taking all the delegates to Rossland to see the Nelson and Rossland hockey match. The Consolidased Mining and Smelting Co. through Mr. LeBathe, in the absence of Mr. Aldridge, presented each delegate with a solid bar of silver as a souvenir of their visit which was much appreciated.

Noble Binns, President of the Trail Board of Trade, and George Weir, Mayor of Trail, spared neither time or pain in the entertainment of their guests. The resolutions as put through by the Cresion delegates appeared last week. The delegates also endeavored to have Creston named as a suitable site for the experimental farm, but as it was suggested that several of these farms should be in the Kootenay, it was decided that no particular locality be named until the intentions of the government became known. A strenuous effort was made to try and get the next annual meeting at Creston, but it was docided in favor of Nelson.

Queen of Scottish Song Coming.

Arrangements are completed whereby Miss Lena Duthie, acknowledged throughout the civilized world "Queen of Scottish Song," will appear here on Tuesday evening next. In "An evening in Scotland and Ireland," this charming artist assisted by Margaret Daniel, instrumentalist, presents a memorable evening of music laughter and song. Character sketches of the national life, in costume, lend pleasing variety to the performance. Lena Duthie's impressive renditions of the immortal songs of Scotland and Ireland, have won her the sincerest praise of Press and public everywhere.

The seats are on sale at the Drug store, and the prices are 75c, 50c and 25c.

Little Neilie Wilson, daughter of our Provincial Constable, met with an accident whilst coasting on a sleigh last Friday afternoon down the big hill. She collided with the bridge and suffered severe bruises. It was at first thought that the little one had several ribs broken.

Laurier & Co. are now hearing some truths about British Columbia from the "Solid Cons." at Ottawa. Guess it sounds a wee bit strange to them; but a few short arm jolts like the ones delivered will help the whole thing along. It won't hurt Quebec and it will help us.

K. of P. Anniversary Service

In the month of February falls the anniversary of the founding of the order of Knights of Pythias, and as is usual with almost all anniversaries, some sort of special celebration is held. The local lodge of the Knights of Pythias is in no way behind with these affairs, and in honor of the above named event, will hold a church parade to the Presbyterian church, on Sunday next, the 7th inst. As it was thought that possibly the Anglican minister would be here by that time to take up the duties of his church, and as the Presbyterian body had arranged to give up their morning service on that account, it was decided to hold the parade in the evening, and all members are particularly requested to be in attendance at the Castle Hall at 7 p.m., bringing their badges with them, so that everything can be arranged in time to be at the Presbyterian church, at the latest by 7.25 p.m. On arrival at the church, the usual Knight of Pythias formation will be maintained and the members will occupy the special seats set aside for them. Rev. N. E. Read, who is the Prelate of the local lodge, and well up in Pythian Knighthood, will preach a special sermon entitled "Brotherhood." This text is one of the cardinal principles of the order of Knights of Pythias embodied in the virtues of Friendship, Charity and Benevolence which the Order teaches, and Rev. N. E. Read is therefore in a particularly good position to present them to everyone present

A girl's guild has been formed in connection with the Presbyterian church. The object of the members is for mutual improvement and to assist the church and purchase a new organ. Miss Jessie Dow has been elected president and Miss C. Hickey secretary. All girls from 12 to 20 are invited to become members. It is the intention to give a concert and Shadow Social Feb. 19th.

The ladies, we feel sure, will not feel mad with us, if we suggest that they remove their headgear and expose their luxuriant tresses at the Opera House in future when a show occupies the boards.

Sheriff Tuck of Nelson, and W. H. Herchemer, the latter representing the Crow's Nest Pass Coal company have seized everything that was loose at the Sullivan, Kimberly, including a quantity of coke for which the Sullivan Mining company has not paid.

Our office towel fell off the hook yesterday and broke its neck. We mourn for that towel! It has gathered up our tears and blood, and the gore of delinquent subscribers for many years in other parts of this glorious province. R.I.P.

The man who sneers at us would be very much surprised if he knew what we thought of him.

Bean Social

The social given by the Ladies' aid of the Methodist church last evening was very well attended. Although the night was wet, many cutters and sleighs journeyed to Erickson, at which place the social was held. About fifty were present at Mr. Geo. Cartright's residence, where many pleasant games were indulged in. The "banquet of beans" was held in the boarding house of the Creston Lumber Co.

Arthur Okell, notary public, and Geo. A. M. Young have formed a copartnery to do business in selling their lands, in fire, accident, and life insurance and anything else that comes along.

Lest ye forget! Creston needs fire protection. In short—WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

On Saturday, Feb. 13th, a Grand Masquerade Ball will be held at Port Hill.

Creston parties paid a surprise visit to Victor Carr's ranch last night

TAINTED MONEY

There is a good deal of hypocrisy in the contempt for tainted money, or money earned and gained from some medium that is contrary to the laws of the community, or in other words money that is derived from sources that are operating in direct opposition to the moral and civil laws of the country. Unfortunately in the west money from such sources is common, and while individuals on the one hand may publicly denounce the mediums through which the money is made, they also on the other hand have no scruples in taking it. It is highly amusing to see papers that talk down the liquor business, pocket the money of the manufacturer and dealer with unctuous satisfaction; the same may be said of other forms of tainted money. In the Toronto Globe the other day was an editorial condemning the liquor traffic and advocating its curtailment, while immediately alongside were two large sized advertisements proclaiming the merits of "—— Rye Whiskey," and "—— Beer," the plea of course is that a journal is selling advertising space, not opinions; but this excuse for taking the money of the people whose business it denounces is the shallowest kind of pretence. If whiskey is a bad thing, the man or the paper that knows or proclaims it so and uses the money of such a traffic to build up its or his own business is the worst kind of hypocrite. Liquor in this case can be very well used as a simile for other things in like manner.—Mail-Herald.

Rev. N. E. Read leaves in a few days for Cranbrook to attend the annual Presbytery convention.

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We are here primarily to make a million and incidentally to advertise the resources of the town and district. It is our aim to see that Creston gets a square deal in all matters, and we shall scourge the wicked and canonize boosters. There are no strings on the editor and he alone will dictate our policy and take the medicine. Everybody with the price can take this paper, and nothing extra is charged for reading the ads. Tell us the gossip and the scandal, we need it in our business. Bring in your ads

BOOST!

Prosperity is now the pass word and every one in the district should boost. Many new settlers are coming in and we should all prepare for the rush of people who will be here as soon as spring opens up.

There is but one way in which we can build up our town and community and that is by being unanimous in all things that are undertaken for the welfare of all concerned.

The Board of Trade which was recently organized here should be seriously considered as it is the strongest organization that can be formed and all matters that are taken up by the Board of Trade are sure to be free from political as well as selfish motives, and therefore any resolutions passed carry great weight. The Board of trade means help for everyone in the district, and therefore every man in this community should become a member at once, and not only a member in name but a good live worker and booster and attend every meeting. We want the Government to reclaim the flats, Creston's greatest asset, we want the Government to open up the several thousand acres of land that is almost in our townsite and now held under timber licenses, and we want a hundred other different things which we cannot get unless we work as one body, so let us get together and boost.

We notice some of our exchanges are publishing misleading reports regarding conditions along the Crow's Nest, and their assertions that a strike is expected in April are unfounded. The new agreement will be signed in April between the coal miners and owners, and perfect harmony now exists. The only rift in the lute is at Hillcrest, Alta, where Mr. Hill has arbitrarily attempted to reduce prices.

Longboat and Shrubb will run their proposed race tomorrow (Friday) at Madison Square gardens. Shrubb had an injured toe and he refused to turn down his backers and take risks on his reputation by going to the mark unfit. There are many who think the Englishmen will defeat the Indian, although he is stretching a big point to meet him.

Just at the present moment the editor of this paper is greatly concerned anent the eating capabilities of his progeny and those dependent upon the pay streak of this paper. Will those who owe us kindly take a tumble and do the square thing. It takes wind, gall, an acrobatic imagination, and a whole lot of rustle to keep our pantry above low water mark.

The editors of the Fernie Ledger and Free Press continue to pay homage to each other through their respective columns. Cut it out, gents. Its hurting you both.

A Communication

To the Editor:

Dead, Dry - Drunk. There we have the whole situation in a nutshell. When the Rev. D. W. Scott closed up the local hotels on Sunday, he was not far-sighted enough to see the evil results that would accrue. It's too bad that the narrow-mindedness of a crank should bring about the ultra result of the one he aimed at. Had his reverence any idea of the "other side of the question," he would have been a long time before he tried to make his antagonist lie down on a four flush. What did we see last Sunday. Why, Mr. Editor, I have lived in Creston three years, and I saw more men under the influence of liquor than I have ever seen before in the town. It is a shame that this should have been brought about. I will take an affidavit that I never saw a drunken man on the streets on a Sunday before yesterday. It has been my experience that the men who imbibe occasionally on a Sunday have a little bit more regard for the day of rest than the Rev. Scott, who brought about the trouble. Perhaps Mr. Scott thinks that he can fill up his church on Sundays by closing the bars, but he has another think coming. He has got to be a little piece more broad-minded than he is now. He may be all right on bean suppers and layer cake socials, but when he tries to prevent me from having my glass of beer on a Sunday he just happens to be stuck. Because why? Every Sunday I walk in from my ranch, and I want to shake hands with everybody who walk in like myself, to talk on current topics and smoke a pipe and take a glass of beer. I came in last Sunday, as usual, and I never saw a more sorry sight. The bars were shut tight, but the men who should have known better were intoxicated. How did they secure the means? I will tell you: They obtained bottles overnight and indulged too much the next day. There is the evil, Mr. Editor. Cut off a Britisher's privileges and he will immediately go to the extreme to circumvent his opponent. Tell him he "shall not" drink when he feels like it and he will have his glass of beer in spite of hell and high water.

The churches have handled hitherto the liquor question with great caution, but the Rev. Scott, in his own little way, is endeavoring to handle it "without gloves." It is my experience that the men who "come up with the dough" when "dough" is needed by the churches in the worst kind of way, are those who are either interested in the sale of drink or those who drink and pay when they feel like it. This may strike the Rev. Scott as being wicked, but he is only one, and he doesn't cut much ice, anyway.

I came to town last Sunday and I wanted a glass of beer. I tried my damnedest at both hotels and got turned down. There's the point, sir! It shall never occur again. I'll watch that I will have a touch in my cabin next Sunday, and there will be many more like me. Mr. Scott can drink my health in milk, exactly at one o'clock next Sunday, because I shall be doing something different just at that moment. I pay more taxes than Mr. Scott does, and I love temperence, but I feel hot at his stupid action, and I want to register my kick.

Yours,
DRYDOCKED RANCHER

Creston, Feb 1, 1909

The past week there have been a large number of visitors to town looking for fruit lands, town lots and business openings.

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Visiting brethren cordially invited.

As the winter is about gone, I will now sell horse blankets cheap. J. Carver

Writing to the editor from New Denver, Mr. Jno. Atherton refers to the "Stuttz Theatrical Co." that appeared there three nights recently and which will appear here Friday and Saturday of this week. He says: "It is the best stock company I have seen since I came west. Mr. Stuttz," he says, "is a great actor. The Bosun Hall was packed every night, and it is generally conceded that it is the best show that ever came to New Denver."

Merrill, the barber, has secured from one of the Indians a magnificent specimen of the American bald-headed eagle. It is a male bird, plumage in grand condition, and from tip to tip of wings it measures 8 ft ½ in. The eagle was shot by a keen-eyed red man, whilst it was sailing above the reserve. Mr. Merrill is having it mounted.

Miss D. A. McKinnon, postmistress and general storekeeper at Silverton, B.C., was here this week sizing up conditions for starting a dressmaking business and a ladies' furnishings store.

Jas. A. Ferguson, Moyie, came in Tuesday to start a dancing academy.

Eastern papers to hand contain most flattering references to the new conservative members from British Columbia, all of whom were heard from during the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne, the general consensus of opinion being that they stand head and shoulders above the average members of the house of commons. Kootenay and Yale-Cariboo, therefore, have no reason to regret the choice they made on Nov. 12.—Nelson News.

Bob Edwards, of the Calgary Eye-Opener, has personally applied to Hon. Rudolph Lemieux for the privileges of the mail for his breezy journal. He is now at Ottawa.

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Among the Commercial men who paid our town a visit this week was the salesmen for the Robert M. Moore and Co., of Vancouver, B.C. the people who instal the famous gasoline lighting systems. Of course Mr. Moir, as is his usual habit when stopping off here, dropped into the sanctum of the Review, where he and the editor of the paper had a pleasant conversation about everything in general regarding their system of lights. Mr. Moir remarked that he had a very successful trip since leaving Vancouver last August, he being now on his return trip to the coast. During the past five months he has been stationed at Fernie where, since the great fire, he has installed over one hundred systems of the Moore lamps, all of which are giving great satisfaction, coming as a boon to a stricken town. Fernie today, Mr. Moir says "is the best lighted city in British Columbia, a statement which we cannot but agree with. Mr. Moir leaves today for Nelson. He is accompanied on his trip by his valued assistant, Mr. W. Sanderson, an old Peterboro boy. They expect to reach the coast in about four weeks time.

Al. Green had to shoot a valuable horse yesterday owing to a broken leg.

Three drummers were conversing in the reading room at the Creston hotel, and one of them asked the others what they did to let their wives know when they were coming home. "I," he said "send a wire to my old hen the day before I arrive." The second said, "I generally wait till I strike my home town, and then I go to the nearest telephone office and ring up my "old dutch." Said the third: "Say, you fellows are as slow as the K.V. train. I alway go straight up to our door without any warning; ring the front door bell violently, and then sneak round to the back with a club. And, say; there hasn't been one get away on me for three years."

"Have you frogs' legs?" asked a man of the waitress at the Cafe this week. "No, I haven't, Mr. Smarty Alex; it's rheumatism that makes me walk like this," she replied.

After being tied up for three weeks, the Great Northern train that runs between Bonner's ferry and Kuskanook got through to-day (Thursday). Between Creston and Port Hill the track is in fine shape, there being about six inches of snow covering the metals. The trouble laid south of Port Hill.

FOR SALE,—A four roomed cottage, lot and workshop, right in the heart of town. Owner wants immediate cash and will sell for a snap. No easy terms or agents. Get after this. Apply Review office.

There will be 12 days between nomination and polling days in the big and sparsely settled constituency of Comox-Atlin, in which a bye-election is now being held as a result of the resignation of Mr. William Sloan to make way for Hon. William Templeman. It is not so very long since a bye-election was held in Kootenay in which it was claimed that 24 days were necessary between nomination and election days in order to comply with the law in the matter of getting ballot boxes distributed, etc. The striking point about the matter is that Kootenay can be covered in about half the time that it will take to cover Comox-Atlin.—Nelson News.

"Creston had a "hard times" ball one night last week. Creston is too good a town to have a dance of this sort." —Moyie Leader.

But the dancers were socked a buck and a half for the privilege of being hard up for one night, B'rer Smythe. (Ed.)

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Facts About CRESTON.

Climate

The climate of the Creston district is so mild in winter that seldom does the mercury touch zero, and in summer the weather is very warm which is so beneficial for the cultivation and coloring of fruit. Cool evenings, however, are a persistent factor for the enjoyment of repose. The early springs are very favorable for gardening and budding fruit tree. The autumns are very long and the weather is of an ideal Indian summer. Violets and wild strawberries bloom as late as November.

Soil

The soil is an alluvial clay on a clay subsoil. This does not apply, however, to the entire valley, as the lower bench lands are of a black vegetable mould, while the land in the vicinity of Erickson is of a sandy character. Four-fifths of the entire valley is free from stones and gravel. The land is practically level and mostly covered with timber. Fine Government roads are plentiful, one being thirteen miles in length. Soil to suit any kind of vegetation may be secured in this valley.

Moisture

Moisture is plentiful, as it rains every month and is sufficient for bountiful crops of every description.

Products

The famous strawberry fields of Creston have outclassed every district in British Columbia this year for production, quality and prices. In addition to this we raise hay and all kinds of vegetables, apples, peaches, pears, plums, cherries, nectarines and grapes as well as all the smaller bush fruits, which grow in abundance

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Markets

While there is a splendid local demand for products, the principal markets for the Creston district are the big centres of the Crows' Nest Pass and all cities as far east as Fort William and Chapleau, and as far north as Athabasca Landing. We are absolutely the closest producing point to the markets, therefore we receive higher prices by reason of our products reaching the markets in shorter time and better in condition than can be done by any other district.

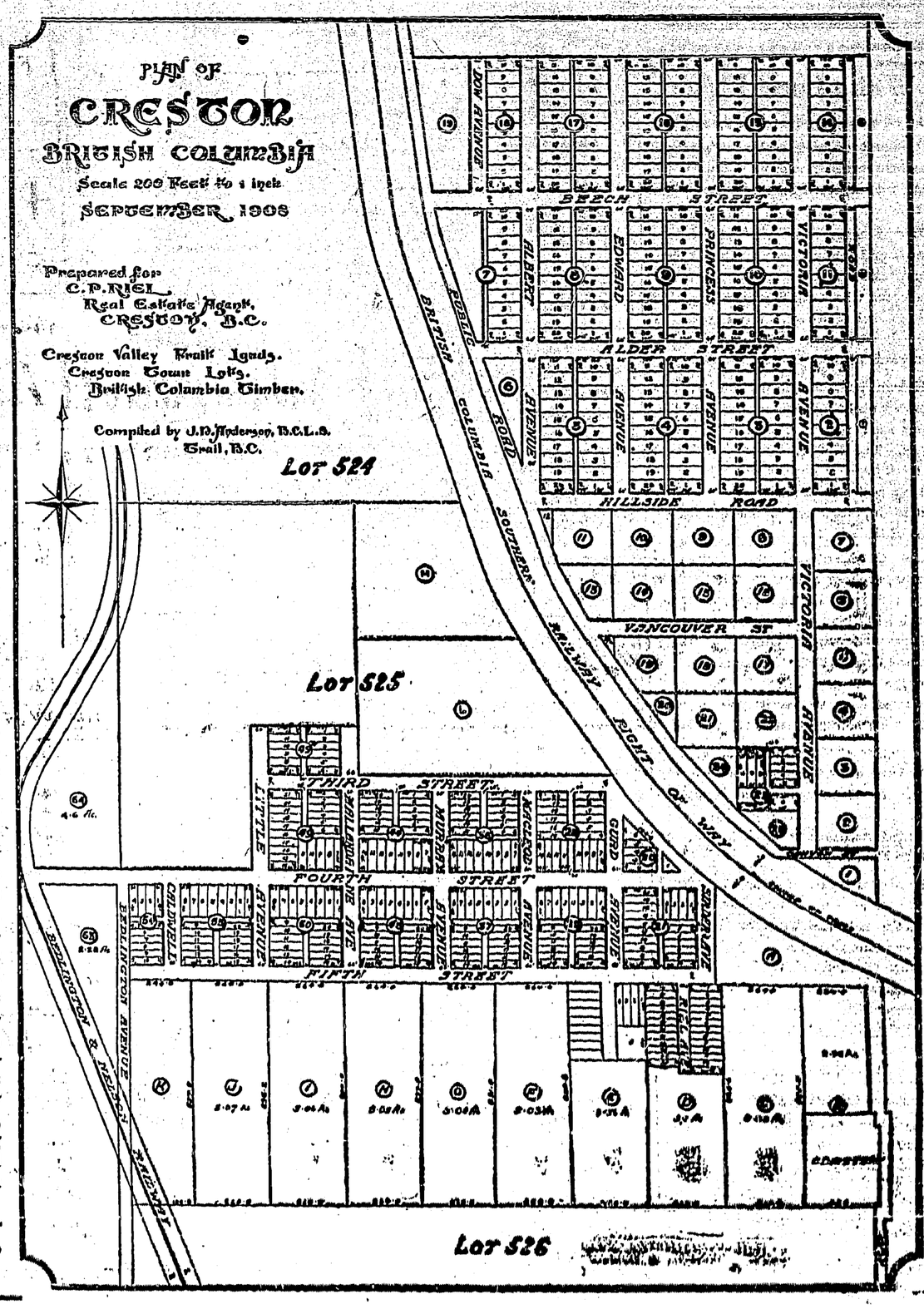
Transportation

Creston is well favored in the matter of transportation. The C. P. R. passenger trains call here twice daily, going east and west. The eastbound passenger and express passes through here at 12.1 p.m. therefore allowing berries and fruits to be picked in the forenoon and shipped in a refrigerator car with no further handling of fruit until the markets are reached. The G. N. runs trains into Creston. The railroads pass through the Creston Valley, and fruit may be loaded at eight points along the line.

Progress

The progress of the Fruit Growing Industry of the district has been very rapid. Five years ago there was 150 fruit trees shipped to the Creston district, while in the spring of 1908 about 48,000 were received at this point. There were also several hundred thousands of strawberry plants and berry bushes shipped in. We have a rural telephone system, which will shortly be connected with Nelson and Cranbrook, it being already connected with Spokane. A system for waterworks and also for generating electric power has been installed at Goat River Falls. Electricity will also aid in opening up some of our large mines. We have a good Graded School with an attendance of 65 pupils, two large general stores, gent's furnishings, Canadian Bank of Commerce, photograph gallery, 3 restaurants, 2 hotels, hardware store, tinshop, jewelry store, 2 barber shops, poolroom, 2 laundries, blacksmith, furniture store, tailor, building contractors, harness and saddlery store and two livery stables. The professional men are a doctor and government surveyor.

The Social advantages are, Catholic, Anglican, Presbyterian and Methodist churches, several fraternal lodges and three halls.



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With a Local Flavor

Demand for good local residential and business lots is increasing more rapidly than was expected for this time of the year.

Dry Sunday was ushered in with scowls and many heartburnings by the "habituals," and it was an easy thing to discern who were the ones who had bottles cached away. We are still of the opinion that a "dry" town makes drunkards of men.

Nelson beat Moyie at hockey last Monday night by a score of 16 to 3. The referee sent men to the fence seventeen times. The Nelson News says Lester Patrick played "good effective hockey," but we notice in the same report he was sent to the fence five times for infractions of the rules.

The "Old Man" of Cranbrook has begun to prophesy again so take notice, all ye Grits and Tories, "the Provincial House will dissolve at the conclusion of the present session." Quite so, p'raps not, we don't think. Wonderful how over-ripe bananas affect some men's upper stopes. Or is it just a case of the wish being father to the thought?

A meeting of the members of the Farmer's Institute will be held on Saturday night. The meeting is called to appoint delegates to the annual convention of the allied institutes to be held in Victoria on February 24th.

The local delegates to the Associated Board of Trades meeting at Trail were shown through the Trail smelter, and were presented with a bar of silver as a momento of their visit. The souvenir was stamped "Trail," with the date of the presentation and "Fine 999," denoting the purity of the silver.

There was a very good attendance last Saturday night at the usual dance of the Acme Quadrille Club.

"Was She to Blame" is a play unequaled in the annals of theatrical history. If your heart has a tender spot this play will reach it. If there is any good in your soul this play will expand it. If there is any humor in your makeup you will laugh till you cry. A story of New England life, and society in England—as a literary gem no sweeter story ever told.

Messrs. Mallandaine, Riel and Bevan, Creston delegates to the Associated Board of Trade meeting at Trail last week, have returned home well satisfied at the good work they accomplished.

Ed. Bell and sister have returned from a trip to Nelson, where they have been to compare fruit lands.

W. E. Cartright, the well known Calgary dentist, was here doing business this week.

Harry Wright, gold commissioner and Government agent at Nelson, recently bought some town lots here, and we understand that he is about to have a business block constructed on Lot 4, Block A. Several other business houses are going up on that block in the spring.

Genial Fred Little has been bedridden for a few days with a very bad attack of la grippe. He is around again, but is not looking too well.

Music, laughter and song reign supreme in Lena Duthie's "An evening in Scotland and Ireland."

Mr. deWoolf, manager of the Bonners Ferry Lumber Co., one of the biggest concerns on the American side near here, was a visitor to town on Saturday and Sunday.

NOTICE—The partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of McKinnon & Northey this day has been dissolved by mutual consent.

A. A. McKinnon,
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Creston, B.C., January 21st, 1909.

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LAND ACT.

Nelson Land District—District of West Kootenay.

Take notice that A. A. McKinnon, of Creston, B. C., logger, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described land: Commencing at a post planted at the south-east corner of the S.W. ¼ sec. of section 3, township 8, thence west forty (40) chains, thence north forty (40) chains, thence east forty (40) chains, thence south forty (40) chains to the point of commencement, containing one hundred and sixty acres more or less. Great River will be the boundary on the west, north and east sides.

Dated at Creston, B.C., Nov. 24, 1908

A. A. McKINNON.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will hold their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Dow, on Friday Feb. 5th. All the ladies of the church cordially invited.

Mrs. Dow, President.

If you would hear the songs of Scotland and Ireland, sung as they were meant to be sung, then don't fail to hear Lena Duthie, Opera house Tuesday evening.

The water pipes are now laid through Sirdar avenue, and connections will be made in a few days.

The appealing tenderness of "Annie Laurie," as rendered by Lena Duthie, has moved vast audiences to tears. Hear her, you will never foeget the memory of her wonderful soprano voice.

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A subscriber asks: "What can I do to prevent slipping on the sidewalk?" Take the centre of the road, old coak.

A Subscriber writes: "... And I also notice that the printing office windows haven't been cleaned since you opened up."

By jiminy, he's right; we'll attend to it right away. (Ed.)

Joe. Carver is about to build a 25 ft. store front on Lot 33, Block A.

About $100 has now been subscribed for the paraphernalia for the new gymnasium.

There must be something the matter somewhere! There are no births to report this week.

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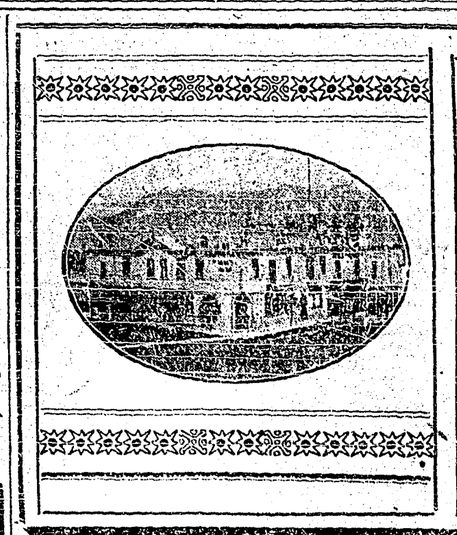

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