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Board of Trade Meeting

On Thursday evening the first meeting of the Creston Board of Trade was held in the Mercantile Co's building and a very large number of members were present. At the onset the meeting resolved itself into a jangling match, a very deplorable state of things, and at one time it looked as if the organization would become disrupted. The discord was created by Messrs. J. Dow, Compton and Bevan, who described the first meeting as an unrepresentetive one, and it was sought to secure representation on the board of directors for the ranchers.

C. O. Rodgers (vice-president in the absence of President Mallandaine, stated why the meeting had been called in such a hurry. He said that as Mr Mallandaine was away and he himself leaving town for a few days there was no other course open to him. The object of the meeting was to elect delegets to the Convention of the Associated Boards to be held in Trail on the 27th inst. and to instruct them.

Mr. J. Dow asked if the meeting was open for nominiations, and on being answered in the affirmative he proposed Mr. Jas. Compton. Mr. Compton replied that he was not eligible, and then the trouble began. Mr. Dow waxed exceedingly wrath and described the inauguration meeting as a "hole-in-the-corner" one. Messrs. Compton and Bevan supported him in this, the contention advanced being that the ranchers are the backbone of the town and that they had been deliberately passed up in the constitution of this new board. So hot did the debate become that at last Mr. Rodgers vacated the chair, and for half an hour a deadlock ensued. This gave great pain to the majority of the members, and the matter was eventually fixed up by secretary Fowler calling the meeting to order and asking the members if Mr. Rodgers again took his seat would they respect his office, and there was a roar of "ayes". The business was then resumed.

Mr. Rodgers, on resuming his seat, gave the audience the benefit of his thoughts. He said that the first meeting was no "nole-in-the-corner" one. The idea of starting a Board of Trade had been spoken of by the local men and discussed in the Creston Review, and he wanted his auditors to know that the construction of a Board of Trade was brought about by the local business men and if those business men honored him by making him their chairman he expected to be treated with the respect due the position (applause). "Mr. Dow," he said, "you have interrupted the other speakers and I want you to understand that if you are to be a member of this Board of Trade you will have the same privileges as any other member, and that just so long as I officiate as chairman I intend the debates to be run on parliamentary lines (applause).

Mr. Dow assured Mr. Rodgers that he felt grieved that he had taken the matter to heart personally. He had too much regard for Mr. Rodgers, and considered him one of the best men in the town. Messrs Riel, Compton and Bevan followed along similar lines, and after Messrs. Fowler, Atherton, Wilson, Crawford, Northey, Moran, Lowenburg, Reid and others had expressed their views there was perfect concord.

The delegates to the Trail convention were then nominated. Messrs. Riel and Bevan being elected, the president, by virtue of his office, being also a delegate.

Resolutions to be presented by the Creston Board of Trade at the meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade, at Trail, on 27th January, 1909.

"That the Associated Boards of Trade impress on the Dominion Government the necessity of establishing an experimental station at Creston."

"That whereas great delay is experienced in getting Title Papers etc. through the Land Registry Office at Nelson, now this Board recommends that the Provincial Government be approached with a view of instituting a speedier service in this Department."

"That Rykerts, B.C., be made a port of entry for animals coming into Canada on account of the inconvenience of bringing animals to this District by way of Kingsgate to Curzon and thence to Creston."

"That whereas at the present time any community desiring to become incorporated must apply for incorporation under the Municipal Clauses Act and amending Acts. In the case of villages no separate provision is made. Now therefore the Associated Boards of Trade would urge upon the Provincial Government the advisability of an act framed to meet the requirements of small communities desirous of self-government, so that a number of small towns in the interior might if they saw fit, take advantage of incorporation without all the heavy incumbrances etc. of larger cities under the Municipal Clauses Act."

Some C.P.R. spotters were spotted in town this week, and they were cute enough to "duck their nuts" before any blood was tapped. All the world loves a spotter. A spotter is the dirtiest worm that ever crawled. The latest scheme of these microbes is to play the hard up mechanic, and to solicit aid from some charitable person who will introduce them to a "brakey" or conductor, so that they can beat their way per freight. This accomplished, they then report the company's servant to headquarters. Nice calling, the spotters! Small wonder they oft get rough handling.

Ed. Fulljames has decided to locate here, and establish a branch of his Cranbrook business. The firm of Fulljames, plasterers, has already established a reputation in East Kootenay for rough and artistic work, so they require no boost at our hands.

Died.—Jan. 4th, at Cuba Villa, Surbiton, Surrey, Eng., Jane Matilda, widow of the late Thomas Serle Jerrold, of Gu'Appello and Surbiton, and the dearly loved mother of Mrs. M. Young, and grandmother of Mrs. Andrew Miller and Mrs. R. S. Smith, of Creston.

On Wednesday next the ladies of the Altar Society of the Holy Cross Church will hold a card social in McPeak's hall. Admission 25cts.

C. O. Rodgers took a business trip to Forme on Friday.

Scott Puts the Lid on.

The bars have got to close on Sundays. Rev. D. W. Scott, Methodist Minister here, has made the complaint that booze is being sold to people other than guests at both the Creston hotels, and so we shall expect to see a "dry" Sunday. The hotel men are tickled to death that Chief of police Devitt has instructed Prov. constable Wilson to see that the law is enforced, for it relieves them of a whole lot of work and obtains for them a clear day's rest for starting the week thoroughly fit. Besides, it will give the topers a chance overnight to buy booze by the bottle, and that should make it good for the wholesalers. Possibly that is the object aimed at. We have knocked around many of the boom mining camps of the west, and we can say without fear of challenge, that Creston is the soberest town we have yet struck on the Sabbath. The Rev. Scott deep down in his heart knows this, and he is making many enemies by butting into a scrap that he cannot see through. He is trying to do somethihg that will bring about much secret imbibing, and great as is our personal regard for this cleric it is our honest conviction that he has made one more mistake

B.C. Legislature

SPEECHES FROM THRONE—ACCOUNTS SHOW SURPLUS OF $1,888,281.

The third session of the eleventh legislative assembly of British Columbia was opened on Thursday with the usual ceremonies. Beyond forecasting the enactment of legislation governing the distribution of water for irrigation purposes, and the enactment of various pension clauses in connection with the Civil Service Act, the Speech from the Throne contains little news. The Speech refers to the prosperity of the Province, the success of the negotiations of the Government with the G.T.P., and the bountiful harvests of fruit and other products.

The public accounts for the year ending last June, which Chancellor of the Exchequer Tatlow presented after the formal opening ceremony, show a surplus for that period of $1,888,281 the receipts being $5,979,054 and the expenditure $4,590,673.

Mr. Parsons, of Golden, moved the address and Mr. Davey, of Victoria seconded it.

Martin Peterson, the Port Hill store keeper, came into town Tuesday to shake hands with his Canadian cousins.

Mrs. T. Cole cut her hand very severely with an axe one day last week.

Joe Brown has blood poisoning in both hands.

Carl Foss, Port Hill, was a visitor here Friday.

Scots Celebrate

A bunch of unkilted old country and Scotch Canucks met on Monday night to celebrate the Bobby Burns anniversary, and they were kind enough to admit a few "select" English and Irish into the holy of holies. After the guests were full of—well just full—the tables were cleared and they proceeded to overflow on the dew that cheers and oft inebriates. Braw Tam Cole in the chair sang the first spasm, which went something like this:

"Am fu'; fu' absolutely fu' the noo,"

and after the applause had died away a Scotsman with a cockney accent chortled:

"Who would be a trytor knyve,
Chines and slyveree,"

which was passed over minus applause. Then Leslie Durno sang a ditty that our reporter tried to keep tabs on, and it apparently was all about "a braw black blick bricht moonlicht nicht the nicht," and that roused the Scots to a high pitch of enthusiasm. Then Tam o'the Cole frae Newton Stewart pickit hissen out frae the crood tae gie a rucitation. It was entitled

"SCOTLAND"

(From a Scotman's point of view).

Land of chivalry and freedom
Land of old traditional fame
May thy noble sons and daughters
Long uphold thy honored name.
Land where foreign foe ne'er ventured
Land where tyrant never trod
Land whose sons are ever foremost
Treading nobly life's high road.
Land of simple hearted kindness
Land of patriotic worth
May thy virtures ever flourish
Hardy clansmen of the North.
Land where rest in silent chambers
Ashes of our honored sires
May their memories long be cherished
Round our humble cottage fires.

Then when the applause had simmered down, up rose a Englishman, and he begged leave to give a recitation and this is how it went:

"SCOTLAND"

(From an Englishman's point of view).

Land of ancient bloody tyrants
Sneaking traitors deep and sly
Land of thieving "Heelan" deevils
Kilted rogues and stolen kye.
Land o' bribes and kirks and wastrels
Saints and lasses awfu' frail
Drunkards, shebeens, godly deacons
Parritch, thistles, brose and kail
Land o' canny carefu' bodies
Foes to a' ungodly fun
Those who sum up man's whole duty
Heaven, hell and number one.
Land of droning psalms and sermons
Pawky wit and snuffy bores
Fair fan' chields so fond of country
That they leave it fast in scores.

There were roars of laughter, and no blood spilt. Lots more good natured wit was indulged in, and at the conclusion a recent arrival from the land o' cakes jerked off the following spasm:

"O Lord, we approach Thee this mornin' in the attitude o' prayer, and likewise o' complaint. When we cam' tae the lan' o' Canady we expected tae fin' a lan' flowin' wi' milk and honey, but instead o' that we foun' a lan' peopled wi' ungodly Irish. O Lord, in Thy great mercy, drive them tae the uttermost pairts o' Canady; mak' them hewers o' wood and drawers o' water; gie them nae emoluments; gie them nae place o' abode; n'er mak' them magistrates or rulers among Thy people.

"But if ye hae any favors to bestow, or any guid lan' tae gie awa', gie it tae Thine ain, Thy peculiar people, the Scots. Mak' them members o' Parliament an' magistrates an' rulers among Thy people. An' as for the Irish, tak' them by the heels an' shak' them ower the mouth o' hell, but dinna let them fa' in, and a' the glory shall be Thine. Amen."

Hard Times Ball.

There was a very good attendance at the Hard Times Ball on Wednesday night. The music was supplied by Mr. G. R. Northey (clarinet), and Mrs. C. P. Riel (piano), and it was greatly appreciated. Mr. Fred Corry made an efficient floor manager. A supper was served at midnight.

The Pledge.

A school teacher sends this composition as a product of a recent composition between the little girls of a primary grade in a public school. The composition is entitled "A Romance."

"Once there was a poor young man who was in love with a rich girl, whose mother had a large candy store. The poor young man wanted to marry the candy lady's daughter, but he was too poor to buy furniture. One day a man offered him $25 to become a drunkard. The poor young man was dreadfully tempted because he wanted to become rich enough to marry the candy lady's daughter. But when he got to the saloon door with the bad man he said:

"I will not break the pledge, not even to be rich; get thee behind me Satan."

So he went home and on his way he found a pocketbook with $100,000,000 in it. So he went and told the candy lady's daughter and they were married. They had a lovely wedding and the next day they had twins. Thus we see that virtue is its own reward."

"Bob" Lamont, of this city has purchased a piece of Spokane business property.—Rossland Miner.

Mr. Fred Malone, brother of Geo. Mead, of the Creston Hotel, has arrived from Toronto city to help brother Geo. His wife and family will also arrive shortly.

Eli Harper was a visitor from our sister American town Tuesday.

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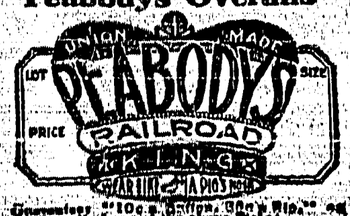

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We are here primarily to make a million and incidentally to advertise the resources of the town and district. It is our aim to see that Creston gets a square deal in all matters, and we shall scourge the wicked and canonize boosters. There are no strings 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

Besides the resolutions adopted by Creston Board of Trade that are to be placed before the Associated Board on the 27th inst., at Trail, there were other resolutions of a local nature that were endorsed by the members present. To our mind the principal one was that referring to the matter of connecting the north and south sides of the town, now cut up by the railway. At the present time both portions of the town are increasing in population, dwellings and business houses, and the prevailing conditions for journeying between the two sides are, to say the least, disgraceful. It is a difficult matter for persons travelling through the townsite by rail to realize the wonderful growth of our town during the past year, and we have often thought that some of the big bugs of the C.P.R. have travelled through lately, incognito, and they, too, have failed to grasp the progress that is being and has been made. We wonder, therefore, how long it will be before the C.P.R. wakes up to the fact that the people of this town will no longer tolerate the existence of the present railway crossing. In the first place it is dangerous, dangerous in a marked degree. Two thirds of our school children daily cross the track to and fro from school, and it so happens they are leaving school just about the time the east and west trains are due. We greatly fear that the railway company will not move itself in the matter until one or two fatalities are recorded. We are pleased to see that our local Board of Trade has placed itself on record by bringing the matter before the proper officials. What will be the ultimate result we cannot conjecture. Situated peculiarily, the western portion of the town rises by a sharp incline to the railway crossing, and the construction of a bridge across the track would be both unsightly and costly. It would appear that the possible solution will be found in the boring of a subway, another costly expenditure, but the C.P.R. will have to accomplish one or the other at no distant date.

Another step that marks the progress of Creston is the determination of the Presbyterian body to build a church here. Up to the present that community have held services in the school house, and they will now make a gigantic effort to secure a place of worship for themselves. It is to be hoped that their most ambitious desires are crowned with success, and that a building commensurate with the strength of that body will shortly adorn our town.

That the advantages of the Creston district are strongly asserting themselves to the ranchers of the northwest is found in the fact of two more Alberta farmers discarding the plow for the pruning shears. Messrs. H. A. Mitchell and J. E. Martin, of Red Deer, Alta., this week purchased twenty acres each of fruit land from Robt. Long. The land is adjacent to the Long Ranch upon the Erickson road and is a good buy.

In conversation with Mr. Mitchell, we learned that many farmers around the district he hails from would take decisive step of migrating to this country did they but feel assured that the "B.C. craze" was not all buncombe. Continuing, he said that he had visited all the fruit-growing centres of the interior of our province, and that his object of coming here at the present time was to see the country at its worst. He had followed the advice of the "Review" to come and see Creston and the result is that he and Mr. Martin will become good live citizens, and we hope successful horticulturists.

Speaking of the climatic conditions, Mr. Mitchell said that the northwest farmers could scarcely yet appreciate the difference between the winters of the Kootenay and the prairie but he had seen and felt the difference and his many friends would learn from him.

Mr. Mitchell is a wide awake business man who will be a decided acquisition to our town, and we hope that as a result of his studies whilst among us that many more of his friends from the wheat belt will take council from his advise to cast in their lot with the Creston fruit growing industry.

When you see a man whispering to a "Newsy" on the train, it is pretty safe betting he is after a Calgary Eyeopener.

When the sun rose on Thursday morning the Chinese New Year began, and the first decade of "Sun Hung" was ushered in by the local chinks. There were no salvos of firecrackers or loud rejoicings; just a few pipes smoked, noodles chewed, sam-suey sipped, and here and there a quiet fantan game in honor of Tien Wang (Prince of Heaven).

A disgraceful scene was witnessed on Wednesday night at the Opera House. The "Hard Times" Ball of the Acme Quadrille Club was in progress, when a number of hoodlums endeavored to break up the harmony. It would serve these men right if we mentioned their names in this item. Ladies arriving at the dance heard a volley of swear words, and had the mortification of witnessing two men engaged in a fight in the corridor. The president of the club (Mr. J. Hartley) was viciously attacked at his post by one of the gang, and a free fight ensued. The Review is most emphatic in its views when it says that the known members of the gang should in future be ostracised from all social functions, until they individually apologize for their misconduct.

One of those "pi" accidents that occasionally butts into the life of a country printer, shook us to the foundation this week. We have got her out a day late this time, but we will cross our heart that we never used one swear word during the whole fracas. Strange but true.

A person who is so low down in the social scale that he wants to fight at the first sign of adverse criticism, is a menace to any community. We shall continue our programme of castigating the wicked.

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KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS
Creston, B. C.

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G. Hendren, M. of F.

Visiting brethren cordially invited.

Masquerade at Port Hill

A masquerade Ball at Port Hill drew a large crowd on Saturday night. About two dozen Crestonites made the trip and had a high old time. The hall was much too small to accomodate the assembled dances and the ladies consequently got their toes trodden on pretty often. One little lady was heard to remark that she would stay with it as long as she had a toe left to waltz on. The night was a capital one for sleighing, and the long trip was greatly enjoyed. Dancing commenced at nine and concluded at seven the next morning. We understand that another masquerade will be held at Port Hill on February 13th.

To Mr. Martin Peterson, the thanks of the Creston boys are due. During the interval a swell little recherche supper was prepared in his store, and we can vouch for justice being done to it and the appreciation.

The ball was arranged by Messrs. Geo. Price and Archie Durthick, and to hem all honor. Mr. Jno. Van Netten was a prince of floor managers. When next Port Hill opens out we want to join the crowd.

Brock Moran, of the Creston Hotel, will shortly take a holiday. It is sure coming to Brock, and the Review hopes he will have the time of his life.

The Creston Drug and Book Co. are about to put another storey on their new building.

F. W. Godfrey, representing R. T. Rithet & Co., Victoria, liquors and groceries, was here several days this week.

Wm. Sloan has resigned as member for Comox-Atlin. Hon. Wm. Templeman will run for the seat. The election takes place early in March.

The Creston Review is serving no party or clique, and we shall continue to express ourselves fearlessly, e'en though threats against our own person have been uttered.

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Dominion Copper	.37	.45
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North Star	.09	.12
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Rossland's Winter Carnival.

Arrangements have been completed for Rossland's twelfth annual winter carnival, which will take place from February 2nd to 6th. This annual winter event has always been looked forward to by sportsman and others in the interior, and the program completed by the citizenz of Rossland for the approaching carnival is even more attractive than that of any of their previous carnivals. The sports program includes: hockey for the championship of British Columbia; ski jumping for the championship of Canada; snowshoe races, skating, tobogganing, curling bonspiel, horse races, for which handsome trophies are offered as prizes. An effort is being made to send a joint hockey team from the Boundary intermediate teams. Special transportation rates have been secured.

The Movie hockey club has secured the assistance of Stan. Langille, from Sandon. He will come near being the star player of the bunch.

Mr. J. E. King has recovered from a severe cold, and was able to resume his duties last Monday as school teacher.

Herman Graf, mine host of the Sirdar hotel, paid the town a visit Monday.

The Prosperous "9."

Some one has figured it out that the 9's in American history have been characterized by prosperity. The panic of '97 was succeeded by the boom of '38. In '49 gold was found in California. Pike's Peak was discovered in '59 and the mines of California opened In '69 the era of reconstruction set in and the prosperity that followed has never been equaled. In '76 came another readjustment of industrial conditions, particularly in the south, and great prosperity followed. In '89 came the boom that collapsed in '93. In '99 the opening up of the Klondike and the revival of trade after the Spanish war brought another boom. From every indication it now looks as though '09 would do its part in verifying the tradition that history repeats itself.

Richards & Morritt are constructing a frame building for The Editor and his family.

Dave Elmer, of Cranbrook, was in town Monday drumming orders for the David Harum cigar.

Dr. Henderson and wife will reside in W. K. Brown's new residence.

The ladies of the Altar Society of the Catholic Church are requested to attend a meeting at the church next Sunday at 11 a.m. By order of the president.

Mrs. J. J. Atherton and family have arrived from New Denver to take up residence here. Mrs. John Atherton and daughter have also arrived.

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J. J. Grady is negotiating for a broom factory to be located here.

J. A. Macdonald, the Nelson wholesaler, came in on Monday's train.

The Ladies Aid of the Methodist Church will give a sleigh drive and bean supper at Erickson, on Wednesday, Feb. 3rd. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cartright will entertain the guests. Admission, adults 35 cents, children 25 cents. Teams will leave Methodist church at 7.30 and 7.45 p.m. Sleigh ride free.

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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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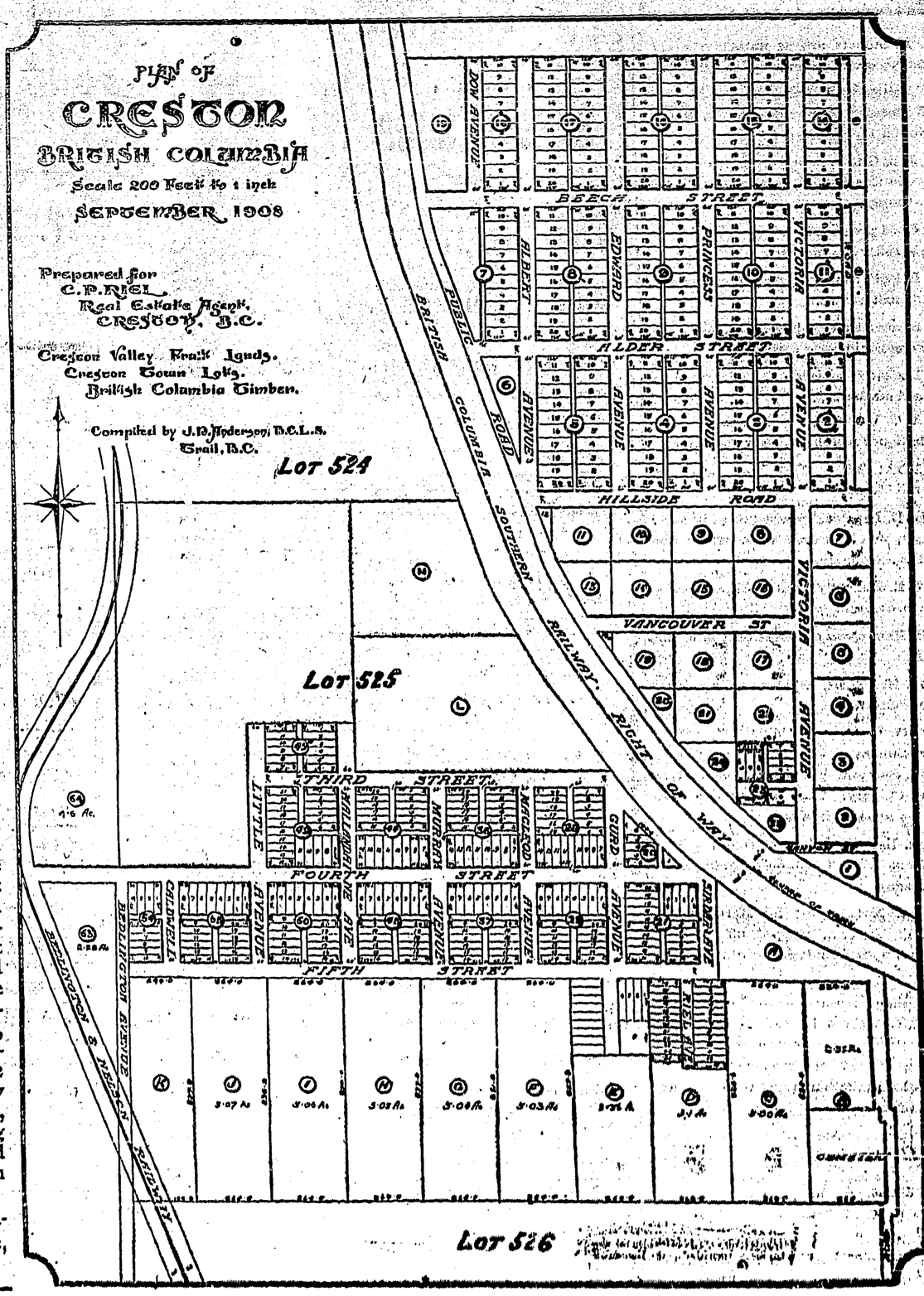

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Drummers are as numerous around this burg as flies around a treacle pot.

Nelson and Rossland mixed again Wednesday at the copper camp. Result: Nelson 11, Rossland 4.

J. S. Gusty, manager for Pat Burns & Co. in this district, came in from Fernie last night.

Good progress is being made on the new roller skating rink.

It looks as if the proposed gymnasium will materialize.

Several more substantial blocks will be erected in early spring.

The music of saw and hammer is yet heard all around.

A. C. Bowness, the Cranbrook wholesale liquor merchant, arrived yesterday.

Albert Wisler, New York, is a guest at the Munro.

D. D. Lapsley, representing Leckie's Boots, was here this week whispering to the merchants.

A. E. Kennelly, Cranbrook, is a guest at the Creston.

D. Hastie was a Vancouver visitor this week.

W. H. Adams, Golden, is registered at the Creston.

R. G. Hadden, Medidine Hat, arrived here Sunday.

Ed. Bell and his sister have arrived from Calgary. They contemplate taking up some fruit land.

Jas. Bates and B. Henderson, C.P.R. cruisers from Cranbrook, were here yesterday.

Alex. McLean, of the Morena Cigar Co., of Victoria, stepped off the midnight freight Monday and did business here.

All the young men of the town should take a very great interest in the effort now being made to start a gymnasium. Brown, at the Post Office, can give the desired information to any who want to form in line.

The Ladies Aid of the Methodist Church will give a sleigh drive and bean supper at Erickson, on Wednesday, Feb. 3rd. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cartright will entertain the guests. Admission, adults 35 cents, children 25 cents. Teams will leave Methodist church at 7.30 and 7.45 p.m. Sleigh ride free.

We could not help noticing that the ladies present at the "Hard Times Ball" Wednesday night did not enter into the "hard times" spirit of the thing. We did not notice a single hobo-ess, or any costume worn by a lady that was suggestive of the advertised idea. Was it modesty, lack of originality, or just pride on the part of our daughters of Eve?

The advertised Board of Trade meeting duly was held last evening at the Mercantile Block, there being sixteen members present. Routine work got through, and the matter of augmenting the present board of directors was ordered to stand over until next meeting, which will be called at the order of the President. Mr. J. J. Atherton occupied the chair in the absence of the president and vice.

The ladies who are regularly attendants of the Acme Quadrille club dances are assured that the management will guarantee that there will be no repetition of Wednesday nights' unseemly behavior.

If the drummers are to be believed Creston has the lightest snowfall in the Kootenay. Mother earth is pushing her nose through the beautiful all around.

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

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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 8, 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. Goat River will be the boundary on the west, north and east sides.

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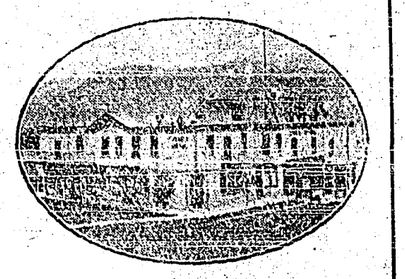

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