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Amateur Dramatic Performance

LARGE AUDIENCE DELIGHTED WITH PRODUCTION OF "ARABIAN NIGHTS"

On Monday evening last the Dramatic Critic (pro. tem.) entered the hall of the Mercantile Co. with a mind resigned to endure the worst. The Creston Amateur Dramatic Club were about to make their first appearance before the public. The critic had had the misfortune to witness amateur performances before, and urged by a sense of duty he reluctantly submitted himself as the victim of another dose. But the play had not been going on ten minutes before he was surprised to find that he was enjoying himself. It soon became evident to the most skeptical that the Dramatic Club had made a pronounced hit. At the end of the first act the enthusiasm was unrestrained and the rousing applause must have delighted the hearts of the performers. The play selected was "The Arabian Nights," a sparkling three-act comedy by Sydney Grundy, and the cast was as follows:

Arthur Hummingtop (very much married) J. J. Atherton
Ralph Ormerod (Hummingtop's friend) A. T. Pemberton
Joshua Gillibrand (Mrs. Gillibrand's Son) R. O'B. FitzGerald
Dobson (Hummingtop's Man-Servant) W. J. Atherton
Mrs. Hummingtop (Hummingtop's Wife) Mrs. Darbyshire
Mrs. Gillibrand (Mrs. Hummingtop's Mother) Mrs. McPeak
Rosa Columbier (an acrobatic artist) Mrs. R. Fitzgerald
Daisy Maitland (Hummingtop's ward) Miss M. Moore
Barbara (Hummingtop's servant) Miss E. Leamy

When the curtain fell on the last act, everyone who had the pleasure of being present was convinced that the effort of the local talent was fully equal to the professional companies that come our way. Very much of the success of our local Thespians was due to their avoidance of all mannerisms. They attempted to do the most difficult thing in the world of play-actors—to act naturally—and the audience appreciated their welcome endeavors.

It is a good omen for the future of Creston, that everyone in the place is not devoted exclusively to material interests but that there is plenty of gaiete de coeur.

It is no secret to say that the ladies in the cast worked late and early for the success of the play and that they devised and made the elegant costumes they wore on the stage. Mrs. McPeak, who won golden opinions with her admirable portrayal of the domineering mother-in-law, wore in one act a dressing gown of Paisley pattern and in the rest of the play a black dress and becoming cap. Mrs. Darbyshire who presented the part of Mrs. Hummingtop, wore in one scene a black silk tuck net gown and handsome hat, and in other scenes a black velvet empire gown with Battenburg lace bolero and Directoire sash. Mrs. R. Fitzgerald, whose vivacious presentation of the "Gutta Percha Girl" left nothing to be desired, looked very charming in a pale green silk Crepe de Chine gown and picture hat. Miss M. Moore as the winsome young niece of the Hummingtops, wore at one time a grey travelling suit and at other times a white princess gown and white lingerie hat, trimmed with red roses. Miss Leamy as a maid was very neat and blooming in a maid's cap and apron and black dress.

The gentlemen also acted their parts well and showed that they have clever dramatic talent, which will show up in other more elaborate and more spectacular plays, or even in plays which teach a serious lesson. With one exception, all were excellent.

While the general effect was so good, candor compels one to admit that there was one rift within the lute, one fly in the ointment. I refer to Mr. J. J. Atherton's mistaken efforts to shine on the stage, which made the judicious grieve.

Being limited for space it can only be said that the orchestra was most excellent. The music provided by Mrs. Ripley and Messrs. Ripley, Darbyshire and Northey charmed the audience and added much to the swing of the play.

Oh! Dramatic Society give us "Charlie's Aunt" for your next play.

The Gerrard Extension

The Kaslo Kootenaian says: From information reaching this office it would not surprise us in the least to see the work commenced this summer on the C. P. R. extension of the Lardo branch line from Gerrard to Arrowhead. There are certain things transpiring, especially the proposed handling of wheat, which are receiving close attention from the traffic department, and we are given to understand that if the C. P. R. start any construction work in B.C. this summer, the first undertaking will be the completion of the Lardo branch.

A Jap met with a nasty accident whilst clearing land for one of our ranchers one day last week. During stumping operations he was knocked down by a piece of wood, which came hurtling through the air. A large sliver entered his cheek, inflicting an awful gash. Dr. Henderson attended to the little brown man.

Notice is directed to the advertisement of W. H. McLean, who is calling for tenders for clearing his land. Through a typographical error Lot 101 was omitted. The ad., as amended, appears in another column.

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CANYON CITY LUMBER COMPANY TAKE OVER LOT 812

The Canyon City Lumber Company has been incorporated with a capital of $150,000, which is fully paid up, and the company now takes over Lot 812, one of the choicest tracts of fruit lands to be found in the province. The officers of the Company are D. W. Briggs, Saginaw, Mich., president; Jas. Cooper, Saginaw, Mich., vice-president; and Chas. O. Rodgers, Creston, sec.-treasurer. The company also takes over all the timber on Lot 812, and also the millsite at Sunshine, near Proctor, B.C.

Of the 8,700 acres of land placed on the market last Fall by the company some 560 have now been taken up by actual settlers and there is a growing demand for this land that is of great importance. Already the settlers are talking of establishing a school, post office, etc., and many other progressive moves are on the tape. The land is admirably adapted for the purposes of which it is being sold, i.e., fruit culture, and it would surprise many of our old-timers were they to visit the new colony and see the many improvements and happy homes now established there.

Chas. O. Rodgers still owns the Creston mill, but he will conduct the business of the Canyon City Lumber Co. Ltd., at his Creston offices.

The company is now in an excellent position to do business with prospective homseekers. All titles to the land are now clear and may be seen at the Recording office at Nelson. We look to see several new families locate on Lot 812 during the next few weeks.

Church of England

Services in the Mercantile Hall, First Sunday after Easter, April 18th: Matins, Litany and Sermon, 11 a.m.; Sunday School, 3 p.m. Evensong and Sermon, 7.30 p.m. Evensong at Erickson Schoolhouse at 3 p.m.

Evensong will be held at the schoolhouse, Sirdar, every Wednesday, at 8 p.m.

Philip C. Hayman, Vicar.

Catholic Church Notices.

Sunday next, April 18th: 10 a.m., High Mass; 3 p.m., Sunday School; 7.30 p.m., Bendiction. Saturday, 7.30 p.m., Choir Practice.

J. Wagner, O.M.O., Pastor.

The operations on the building of the Presbyterian Church have started. Next Saturday, at 8 o'clock, the foundation stone will be laid by the Rev. Prof. Kilpatrick D.D. A short service will be held and all are specially invited to be present on this occasion.

Rev. J. Shearer, Toronto, arrived on Thursday's train.

Kootenay Evangelistic Campaign

Creston has this week had the opportunity of hearing one of Canada's foremost men, The Rev. Prof. Kilpatrick, D.D., of Knox College, Toronto, has joined the Kootenay Evangelistic Campaign and has been in our midst, giving us a series of quiet, earnest talks on things that matter.

Last week was spent mostly in preparatory addresses. Easter Sunday saw a very definite work done. In the morning a communion service was held and many in Creston will not easily forget it. In the afternoon a most delightful service was held with the children. The schoolhouse was packed with our young people and rapt attention was given whilst the doctor told of "The Soldier of Christ," his character and work. In the evening a mass meeting was held in the Methodist Church and nearly one hundred and fifty people gathered, the place being packed. A bright musical service preceded the address. Of this sermon one could not speak sufficiently. Breathless attention was given whilst Dr. Kilpatrick preached on "Christ, whose Son is He?" He pointed out the absolute inadequacy of treating Christ as simply a great Teacher, Master, King, or even as the "Son of Man." Jesus—the Son of God—the revealer of the Father: the title that included all these and was vastly more than them all; this was the culminating thought he left us with. Some of us have been doing some solid thinking since then.

The Doctor continued his addresses on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. On Thursday we had the pleasure of hearing the Rev. J. G. Shearer, D.D., the well-known leader of the Lord's Day Alliance Campaign and other social reforms.

Many interesting visits have been paid by Dr. Kilpatrick this week. On Thursday he and Dr. Shearer paid a visit to the school and addressed the children. Early in the week he visited Watson's camp, where they are clearing land. Much interest was evoked watching the stump puller at work. Several of the Creston boys also went out and all partook of lunch at the camp. The Doctor completely won all by his kind, genial and social spirit. After lunch much amusement was created by his consternation on hearing that he had sat within a couple of feet of one hundred pounds of stumping powder. Other visits have been paid to Erickson and the surrounding ranches.

Dr. Kilpatrick will remain with us till Monday next. He speaks to-night (Friday) in the Methodist Church. Next Sabbath he will preach in the School at 11 a.m. At 4 p.m. a special men's meeting (men only) will be held in the Methodist Church. Every man in town is specially invited to attend. In the evening a mass meeting will again be held in the Methodist Church at 7.30, at which all will be made welcome.

BOARD OF TRADE

SEWERAGE SYSTEM DISCUSSED—STRONG OVERTURES MADE TO THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

A meeting of the Creston Board of Trade was held on Friday afternoon last in the Mercantile Hall, there being a very representative number present. President Mallandaine occupied the chair. Secretary Fowler read minutes of the preceding meeting and also a number of communications, which were disposed of.

A matter that brought considerable discussion was that of a sewerage system. It was pointed out the danger now prevalent, and it was agreed to tackle the matter and approach the Provincial Government with the object of securing a complete system. A strong resolution was drafted and forwarded to J. H. Schofield, M.P.P.

Another resolution was drafted, calling upon the Government to make the appointment of a stipendiary magistrate for the Ymir Riding.

An advertising scheme was discussed at length, and a special committee was appointed to go thoroughly into the matter.

It was also decided to hold a Grand Ball under the auspices of the association in the very near future, and a committee was appointed to look after the details.

The members of the Creston Dramatic Club desire to thank Mr. Coulter and Mr. Myers, who so kindly loaned the handsome suite of furniture and other furnishings for their recent performance; also Mrs. Hendren for the loan of a piano. They also desire to publicly thank all who assisted them in divers ways.

To-night (Friday) the Acme Quadrille Club hold their long-looked for "After Easter Ball," and a real good time is anticipated. The very best music will be on deck—Northey's Orchestra.

There is talk of eftablishing a post office for the ranchers on Lot 812. The preliminaries are now being arranged, and it is possible that the application will be successful. We believe that the postal district will be known as "Kootenay," a happy choice.

A meeting of the Dramatic Club will be held this (Friday) evening in McPeak's Hall. Members are asked to be on deck at eight o'clock sharp, as many of the members are anxious to attend the Ball of the Acme Quadrille Club.

TENDERS FOR CLEARING.

Tenders at a price per acre (ready for the plow) for one or more acres on Lots 101 and 129B will be received by the undersigned up to May 1st. Clearing to be done by October 15th, 1909. For further information see A. L. Farr, Creston.

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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

A matter that should be taken up by the Board of Trade is the Sunday mail service. It seems to us the height of folly that mail addressed to Creston should not be thrown off the train, just because it is Sunday. Mails for this point now pass through and are hung up somewhere, thus causing a day's delay. If the post office authorities cannot see their way clear to allowing this town a Sunday distribution, they can do the next best thing, that is, have the mails thrown off so that the townspaople can get their delayed mail as soon as the post office opens on Monday morning.

A very amusing story is just to hand in connection with Sunday's evangelical campaign at Spokane. It appears that one of the audience rose to leave the meeting and Sunday called to him "Hold on there, friend, an aunt of mine went to hell by leaving a gospel meeting." The man looked at the speaker and quietly replied—"Have you any message you would like to send her?"—Fernie Ledger.

Last week the Moyie Leader entered upon its twelfth year of usefulness. To Fred. J. Smyth, its editor and publisher, we offer congratulations. The Leader is one of the brightest local papers in the province, and Mr. Smyth has made a name among the members of the fourth estate for the pithiness of his editorial pars. Moyie is exceedingly fortunate in having a newspaper man like Mr. Smyth. We wish the Leader many happy returns and take the opportunity of assuring the editor, although we have never personally met him, that the Leader is one of the most eagerly looked for among our exchanges. We have not missed a copy of the Leader for five years, and have come to look upon it as part of our lives.

The Waterworks Co. is now getting everything in shape for its customers. The main pipes are being thoroughly inspected.

A second man has been appointed for the C. P. R. depot. Donald Leslie will arrive from Cranbrook in a few days to take up the position.

Guy Lowenberg left to-day for Cranbrook on Telephone Co. business.

Frank Aiken, who was reported killed in a mine at Butte, Montana, last winter, surprised the Review staff by entering our sanctum very much alive this morning.

Jas. Johnston, the well-known Kootenay Lake fruit rancher, arrived from Nelson to-day.

Don't forget the Ball to-night.

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COMMUNICATIONS.

[The Editor is not responsible for the opinions of his correspondents, nor does he always agree with them.]

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,

Will you allow me a short space in which to reply to Mr. Arthur Okell's letter, of last week?

I wish to state most emphatically that the Kootenay Evangelistic Council have nothing whatever to do with the publishing of this most ridiculous and superstitious chain letter.

All our churches, both Protestant and Roman Catholic, have done their utmost, for years past, to put down the sending out of such letters; but it is evident that stray copies still exist.

If Mr. Arthur Okell would kindly acquaint himself, at first hand, with the "revival craze," he would know that we have something better to do than to be publishing such matter.

I remain, dear Sir,
Yours truly,
N. E. READ.

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Civilian Gun Club.

It has now been definitely decided to continue using the old range that was in commission last season. The committee appointed to locate a site report it a difficult matter to secure a 600 yard range, and after again going over the old site, it was discovered to be just the distance. There was no fault to find with the old range, but it was Mr. F. Putnam's intention to utilize the ground for agricultural purposes. He has now very generously granted a lease to the association until the end of the forthcoming season.

The necessary alterations for the new 600 yards range are now being proceeded with, and as soon as the 8,000 rounds of ammunition arrive the season will open. It is figured that the membership roll this season will be 80. Intending members should apply to Mr. J. Hyde, Erickson.

Acme Quadrille Club Ball. To-night's the night.

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Court of Revision to be held at Trail on May 3rd, 1909

Antell, Mercer
Gileson, Joseph
Egloff, John
Aitcheson, Jas. B
Gruber, Michael
Traves, Michael
Rymell, Wm. Henry
Murdock, Wm.
Knapps, Walter C
Jordon, Edward
Allan, Alex
Young, Henry
Bell, Claude, F
Blaney, Arthur Wm
Blanchard, Ernest Jos
Carley, David Mark
Chipman, Jos. Howe
Engel, August W
Ernst, Louis
Farnell, Chas. Wm
Gardiner, Geo.
Hopper, John J
Hoskins, Geo
Kelley, Chas A
Miles, John
Monroe, Norman S
McDaniel, Robert
McDougall, Duncan
Orchard, Geo W
Paterson, John
McLeod, Finlay
Smith, C Dell
Warren, Wm
Williams, Henry
Wood, Robt
Bell, Bryant David
Antle, Geo
Atkinson, Thos Henry
Barbrick, Duncan C
Bradley, Walter
Campbell, Murdock
Cameron, Dugald
Carruthers, Stewart
Clare, Arthur
Collis, Robert E
Cosgrove, John
Crooke, Jas
Crowe, George
Daly, Patrick
Daly, Jim
Edgar, W F
Erwin, Alex H
Fancher, Mack
Graham, Lee
Grant, Millan
Grantham, Frank
Hearn, Jas
Huffschmidt, Wm Ang
Johnson, Chas Ludwig
Kearns, Henry
Livingstone, Thos
Malcolm, William
McDonald, Jas N

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B.C. Copper	6.85	7.25
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Canadian N. W. Oil	.30	.35
Can. Goldfields	.04	.05
Canadian Marconi	1.50	1.75
Cranbrook Fire Brick		1.10
Diamond Coal	.56	.65
Diamond Vale Coal	.14½	.15 ½
Int. Coal & Coke	.72	.76
Nicola Coal Mines	.05	.12
Nipissing	10.75	11.25
North Star	.07½	.12
Nugget Gold Mines	.70	1.00
McGillivray C. Coal	.22	.25
Rambler Cariboo	.14½	.16½
Royal Collieries	.36	.38
Society Girl		.25
Sullivan		.½
Veteran War Scrip	750.00	825.00
Western Oil ordinary	1.70	1.85
Western Oil preferred	2.25	4.00

Joe Stephens, who has been visiting his old home in Owen Sound, Ontario, has been kicked by a horse, he sustaining a broken leg and a broken arm.

Ed. Mallandaine, chief C. P. R. timber ranger has gone to the Boundary country in connection with organizing an exploratory party for cruising the timber reserves of the company.

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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

WRITE FOR ANY INFORMATION

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.

FATHER OF CRESTON

F. G. LITTLE, FOUNDER OF THE TOWNSITE, CELEBRATES SEVENTEENTH ANNIVERSARY.

Harking back to 1892 is a far cry, but it was on the seventeenth of April that year, that Fred Little, the father and pioneer of Creston, came down the Kootenay Valley trail for the first time. He originally came to take up the responsible position of superintendent of the Kootenay Reclamation Co., which had for its object the dyking of the overflow of the Kootenay River. No doubt this would have been a success but for the high water of 1894, which rose thirteen feet above the banks of the Kootenay. Before leaving Vancouver, H. J. Cambie, now consulting engineer of the C.P.R., informed Mr. Little that the Crows' Nest Pass Railway would be built down through the valley. Fred asked "When?" "Ah," came back the reply, "In some future date." Mr. Little, to the Review man, relates his early experiences as follows:

"I used my judgment and located Lot 525, 160 acres, which now the town of Creston stands on. Mr. J. W. Dow located his land at the same time. I tried to induce several of my friends to locate here, but they only smiled at what they considered was my simplicity. They behind my back used to call me "Old Crowsnest," and they often wondered if there was anything wrong with me mentally. Few men live to realize their expectations, but I am proud to say that I am one of the few. In the winter of '92 there were only twelve men wintering north of latitude 49, that is, in the Kootenay Valley. Now there are hundreds, and we can shortly say thousands.

"The old str. Spokane and the Nelson used to ply between Bonner's Ferry and Nelson. The Spokane was an American 'bottom,' and could not do any coasting trade by reason of international law. Both boats ceased running at the close of navigation, which generally occurred between November 1st and 15th. From that time we were practically isolated, without communication with Nelson or other Canadian points. Sand Point was a station on the Northern Pacific which gave us connection with the outside world. A stage line ran between Bonner's Ferry and Sand Point, which was owned by Sam Smith, who is now a rancher near Fort Hill. In 1893 Sam drove stage between Bonner's Ferry and Kootenay landing and there the passengers connected with the steamboat for the big rush to the Slocan.

"When, in those early days, I stepped off the steamboat at the International Boundary line, I found my old friend, J. C. Ryckerts, Customs officer, stationed at Bedlington, now called Ryckerts, B. C.—and Charlie is still there. His estimable wife has the honor of being the first white lady to come to the Kootenay Valley. She came down from the Blueboll mine, on Kootenay Lake in a rowboat and located her present home. There were no steamers then plying on Kootenay lake or river.

"The difficulties we had to contend with in 1892-3 were numerous, Port Hill being our only base of supplies. Everything had to be packed on our backs from that town. Port Hill was then called Ockonook, an Indian name signifying Rocky Point, christened by the late David McLaughlin. In 1892 Bonner's Ferry was the nearest post office town, and Sand Point the nearest telegraphic and railway station; but in 1893, a post office was established at Ockonook. The mails were packed in from Bonner's Ferry on a horse, a distance of 33 miles. The few settlers in those days were extremely gratified when they learned that a tri-weekly mail service had been established between Bonner's Ferry and Port Hill, but we were lucky, owing to the numerous difficulties of transportation, if we secured a mail once a week. Now, such is the advancement of this district, that two mails, two passenger trains a day, telegraphic and telephone communication, and a modern waterworks system do not apparently suffice.

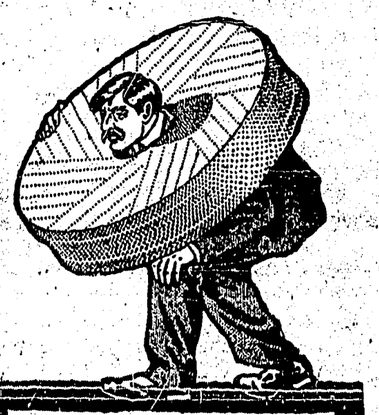
The Alice mine was located in 1888, and a trail was made from Port Hill to the mine. As only assessment work had been done on the claim, the trail, not being in constant use, was filled in with blown down trees and almost impassable. I asked Capt. FitzStubbs, then gold commissioner at Nelson, for a grant of $150 to clear out the trail and make it passable. "What do you want it for?" he asked. "To get provisions out to my ranch," I replied. He laughed, and said, "Go away, boy, and leave the land to the Indians. It's of no other use." I thought that was a "good" way to encourage settlers, so Jack Dow and I cleared the trail out ourselves, and felled trees across the Goat River, which acted as a bridge for us. You can bet your life that many a time we had to coon those logs with about 50 pounds on our backs. Now the public has roads and bridges, and still seem dissatisfied with the Government improvements.

"After we had put up our two cabins, we thought we were the big I-T. But when I, at this late date in my life, look around and see the vast improvements that have followed in the wake of us pioneers, I feel glad that I was a trail blazer. It is nice to be a pioneer with pioneer conveniences—the delicacies we enjoyed in those days! You can imagine our bill of fare: bacon and beans six days a week; mush, mush and mush; and then for a change on the Sabbath we had beans and bacon, and left out the mush and went hard on the bacon. You see, we were not Waldorf-Astoria epicures.

Ah, but time brings its pleasures with it! There was no Chinese laundry here then. On Sundays, when we rested, we used to do our washing. I know everybody in Creston in those days, but now only know a few. Is it possible I have been here long enough to be a stranger. Every time I go up town I see strange faces. I have to go to the printer or the hotel men to find who the strangers are, as they generally know everybody.

Yes, it is seventeen years since I drove my stakes in the fertile soil here, and time has brought no regrets. I had my dreams in those days of Creston some time becoming an important centre, and when I consider the great strides toward that end that have been made during the past few months, when all other towns in the Dominion were at a standstill, I feel proud to be pointed out as the father of the town, and I hope the strangers within our doors will be as proud of their choice as I am after seventeen year's sojourn.

J. N. Brooks, C. P. R. claims agent at Calgary, arrived recently on a visit to his brother Sam, one of our foremost ranchers. He was accompanied by his wife and his son Cyril and daughter Margaret. The family will stay here a week or two, but Mr. Brooks returned Monday. Mr. Brooks from now on will be a Creston booster, as he has caught the "Creston fever."



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With a Local Flavor

P. Burns & Co. has let a contract for making some great improvements to their store building here. The building will be increased in size a new shop front put in, and apartments erected for the manager.

We are late in publishing this week. Our staff took well-earned holidays on Good Friday and Easter Monday.

The Indian cortege that journeyed to Cranbrook to attend the Easter festivities at the St. Eugene mission have all returned.

Nice Four-Room Cottage for Sale or Rent. Cottage and about an acre of ground in orchard with small fruits planted.
Apply OKELL, YOUNG & CO.

LOST.—On the evening of the 12th of April, a small gold ring with initial 'A.' Finder will please leave it at the Post office.

Mr. J. Hartley has accepted a position as manager for the P. Burns Co., at Morrissey, B.C.

Harry Wright, Government agent at Nelson, was in town on Sunday and Monday, in connection with the many improvements that are going to be made to our roads and trails the forthcoming summer.

Little Tommy Cole fell into a deep pool of water on Tuesday last, and had a narrow escape from drowning. He was pulled out in the nick of time by Charles Macdonald, who happened to be working near the spot.

FOR SALE—Eggs for Hatching from thoroughbred Brown Leghorns, $1.50 a setting of 13 eggs. Apply Box L, Review office.

Frank Baast's fine new hall is now in the hands of the plasterers, and will shortly be completed. The upper storey will be rented for offices, and the ground floor will be arranged as a theatre, for which several sets of scenery will be built.

BORN.—At Erickson, on Saturday, the 10th inst., to the wife of J. Littlejohn, —a daughter.

BORN.—At Sirdar, on Sunday, the 11th inst., to the wife of Tony Pascuzzo,—a son.

C. J. Stephens has returned from a visit to his old home in Ontario. He reports that Creston is well known down there, but that the majority of the people think it is somewhere in the Okanagan. Let us get busy and tell the world just where we are located.

We believe there is more land clearing going on in the Creston district than any other in the province.

Anglican Church Vestry Meeting

At a Vestry Meeting of the Anglican Church, held on Sunday evening last, the following business was transacted:

The Rev. Philip C. Hayman appointed Mr. E. Mallandaine as vicar's warden, and Mr. P. B. Fowler was elected as people's warden. The following committee was elected: R. O'B. FitzGerald, J. Cook and J. Compton. Mr. Crosthwait was elected auditor. The delegates elected to attend the Synod were: Messrs. E. Mallandaine and J. Cook.

Votes of thanks were passed by the meeting to Mrs. Hayman, for organization work, to Mr. Fowler as warden, and to the Ladies Aid Society at Niagara-on-the-Lake, for altar cloth and communion set.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE

RECEIPTS

Guarantees paid	$43.50
Offertories	33.65
Per Mr. Mallandaine, being amount of rent of Hall for two months	10.00
	$87.15

EXPENDITURE

Creston Mercantile Co.—Rent	$10.00
Stipend	76.76
Balance on hand	00.49
	$87.15

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Chas. O. Rodgers has received orders to date for over 6,000 strawberry crates for our local ranchers.

F. B. Hawthorne, of the Kootenay Cigar Co., was in town last Friday.

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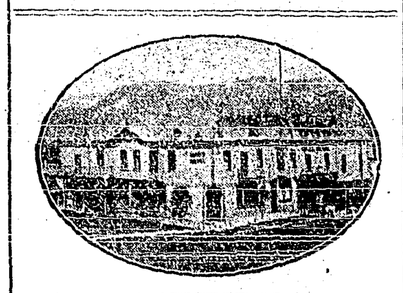

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Construction work on the Presbyterian church building has begun. The dimension of building will be 35x60.

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An entertainment will be given in the Mercantile Hall, on Tuesday evening, April 20th, at 8 o'clock, under the auspices of the Parish Guild of Christ Church, Creston. If anyone has not received an invitation, they will be provided with one by the door keeper, on Tuesday evening, at the Hall. Price of admission: "Cents as many as years you are old."

August Mueller, representing the Moyie Brewery, arrived Wednesday, to do business with our hotel men.

A party of C. P. R. surveyors is at work surveying the line which is to connect the Arrowhead branch of that railway with the Crow's Nest line at Kootenay Landing.

We have heard many compliments this week anent the Creston Orchestra. Creston is exceedingly fortunate in having so talented an aggregation and they individually and collectively are to be congratulated.

F. Woodyard, architect for the P. Burns Co., arrived here on Thursday.

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