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$27,800 for Kaslo Riding Roadwork

If a fair test of the ability of an M.P.P. lies in the direction of his ability to get appropriations from the provincial revenues for use in public works, then John Keen, the Kaslo representative, must be credited with an assay of almost 100 per cent.—compared with the success attained in this regard by members of other constituencies.

The grant for Kaslo for 1917 is $27,800 as compared with $36,000 last year. In Slocan the cut is from $36,000 in 1916 to $23,400 this trip. In Trail J. H. Schofield's best effort is $24,000 as compared with $72,000 that came his way the year previous. And so it is in almost every riding in the province—even Cranbrook, the minister of works' own constituency, has been cut to $28,700 in contrast with $41,000 in 1916.

These figures would indicate that only the maintenance of the existing roads and bridges is contemplated, although the rather better showing for the Kaslo riding might give some hope that the rebuilding of the Canyon bridge is included in the local estimates, though to do the job properly and provide for necessitous works in other parts the capital available will have to be extremely carefully disbursed.

As yet there is no announcement as to who will get the appointment of road foreman or assistant engineer. Down at Kaslo the name of one J. H. Riddell is prominently mentioned, while there is also a suspicion in that section that Jacky Moore, a former holder of the position and one reputed well qualified for the job, will have the preference. At this end of the riding there seems to be no definite choice—at least, not for publication. G. M. Benney has numerous supporters amongst the Conservative and independent elements, and his appointment will not surprise even some usually well-informed Liberals.

Under the new system B.C. is divided into eight districts for the carrying on of public works, for each of which a public works engineers has been appointed. Creston, and all the other points in West Kootenay, will be looked after by F. L. McPherson, formerly municipal engineer for Burnaby, who will have his headquarters at Nelson. J. G. Cummings, former city engineer at Cranbrook, will look after the work in East Kootenay, and will make his headquarters at Cranbrook. For the Fernie riding riding Mr. Cummings is advertising for applications for the position of general road foreman but so far has not adopted this procedure in the other two ridings in his jurisdiction—Columbia and Cranbrook. The Boundary country, Similkameen and Okanagan are all included in the territory to be taken care of by Athol Stewart, who will have his permanent address at Greenwood.

Canyon City

Mr. and Mrs. Knott and Master Jeffrey spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Barnhardt at Glenlilly.

Miss Marion and Ralph Swanson are daily visitors to Creston where they will attend school for the balance of the term.

Mrs. D. G. Lyon returned last week from a short visit with friends in Spokane.

John Fraser left on Tuesday on a business trip to Nelson.

Canyon City is due to furnish the Valley's next wedding also—some date the very early part of May, we are told. The event will deprive us of another of our esteemed young ladies.

Mrs. W. H. T. Smith is spending a few days with friends in Nelson this week.

The Creston Valley Red Cross Society acknowledges receiving three pairs of socks from the scholars of Canyon school last month. This seems to be the only school attempting Red Cross work in any shape. Huscroft school children do their bit by a voluntary contribution to the prisoners of war fund each month.

Chas. Simpson, the Company woods foreman, who has been spending a couple of weeks in Nelson, returned to work the middle of the week.

The Company is having the best of luck at the farm this year. Already thirty young lambs have arrived, bringing the flock of young and old ones up to almost seventy.

The Uri brothers, who returned to Wynndel about a month ago, after finishing a winter logging contract for the Company, returned this week, and will be at similar work here until the strawberry picking season opens on their ranch.

Rev. Thos. Keyworth, Methodist pastor at Cranbrook, was a visitor here last Thursday, delivering his illustrated lecture on "Future Canada" in the schoolhouse that evening. Owing to very limited notice the turnout was smaller than usual.

Mrs. Leslie McInnis was advised by wire the early part of the week that her brother, Pte. W. B. Stillwell had been seriously wounded on April 13th, and had been taken to the hospital at Boulogne, France, for treatment. He enlisted at Nelson and went overseas with the 103rd Battalion in July, 1916. He is a Canadian by birth, coming originally from New Brunswick.

Erickson

Mrs. H. A. McKowan of Cranbrook is spending a few days here at present with her father, Mr. G. Cartwright.

Erickson building permits this month include a considerable enlargement to the postoffice section at the store. Postmaster Telford wants room for the extra mail he anticipates will be arriving now the Forestry Draft has left.

Although the weather is far from the right sort, and the land none to dry, a start has been made this week at planting the big potato crop Erickson will be famous for this fall D.V. and the weather permitting.

Ray Crisler who has been away at Jaffray and Cranbrook the past month, returned to the ranch the early part of the week.

J. Attwood of Moyie arrived on Friday to take a hand at spring operations at his ranch here. With the aid of a new power sprayer he is counting on nothing but No. 1 fruit from his almost 20 acres of apples.

Miss Georgie Cartwright was home from Waldo for the week-end.

Hot houses are not anywhere as numerous in these parts as yet as was the case this time last year. From all accounts the small crop of tomatoes in 1916 will be even smaller this fall.

W H. Hilton received the unwelcome message on Monday that his brother, Pte. Fred Hilton, had been killed in action the early part of April. Deceased was a member of the 54th Battalion, and went overseas toward the end of 1915, and spent a couple of weeks leave here with his brother that same summer.

R. B. Kennedy, who is on the C. Jackson ranch, brought in an imported Clyde stallion from Magyar, Sask., the early part of the month. The animal will be available for service this season.

Leslie Timmons and friend, who has been visiting with him from Trail this week, left on Wednesday on a trip to Spokane.

Now that Erickson has a co-operative fruit selling association the next move will be for a local farmers institute with a selling department With the help of the Canyon business it might be worth while for some residents here to look after handling the various commodities.

YEARLING CATTLE WANTED—Apply C. Blair, Erickson.

We have added to our hardware stock a large supply of carriage bolts, etc.—S. A. Speers.

Forestry Draft for Overseas at Once

Writing from Brockville, Ontario, on Friday afternoon THE REVIEW correspondent in the corps states that the Forestry Draft arrived at their eastern destinatiou about noon on the 18th, and had a very pleasant trip all the way.

Apparently their stay in Brockville is not going to be long. Word reached them that day that Nos. 1, 2, and 4 companies (the Creston unit is No. 4) were to leave for overseas in a couple of days, whereat the local corps gave a tremendous cheer.

The writer reiterates all that has been said about the men of the unit appreciating all that Creston people did to make their stay pleasant as well as the very hearty sendoff that was given them. The supply of apples was ample for pretty nearly the entire trip, while the oatmeal cakes Mrs. Henderson put aboard for the Scotch members of the draft, and the half sack of English drop cakes donated by Mr. Rebt. Stark were duly appreciated by the other nationalities, including the Irish. Chef Fraser cheerfully admitted that the Scotch pastry was fully equal to the best he could do in that line.

The Creston detachment is divided as to sleeping quarters. Half of them are at the armoury, where they sleep on the floor, and the others are in one of the buildings at the fair grounds, where the men eat and parade. There are four companies of Forestry men there now. 500 men all told, most of whom are from B.C., and one company of Ontario and Quebec men. The men from Kootenay are looking forward with pleasure to a visit from R. F. Green, M.P., who is expected to look them up before they go aboard ship.

The local company are going to have a musical time of it while in camp and on the trip over, and to this end a collection of $25 was taken up with which to buy a violin for Pte. Edge. With Sergt. Stuart to mobilize the ladies the boys are hoping for a series of dances on board ship if the violinist gets his sea legs early in the voyage.

Pte. Cross, the six-foot-six Irishman, is the only man not in uniform now, but with the trip across in sight the boys who had all their teeth extracted are wondering how they will fare on hard tack. And how about them if a submarine should catch the boat on which their teeth will eventually get across to them.

Ptes. Kelly and Rice, the couple that ran amuck the night prior to departure, and made the trip east in irons, were let down with a fine of $5. Of course their case was tried before the camp major. Had Capt. Mallandaine been handling the matter the sentence would have been more severe. Pte. Ingles, the victim of Kelly's outbreak, is now feeling as well as ever.

Ontario looks good to those of the troop who formerly lived there. As total prohibition is in force no drunks have been seen since the men left Creston. All of the 18 men who belong here are in the best of health, and the whole draft is like one great big family which may or may not be due to the entire absence of booze.

Sirdar

During A. R. Swanson's absence on his ranch at Canyon City Mr. Zeph is taking charge of his work here.

Rev. R. E. Pow was here from Creston on Tuesday, for the usual monthly Presbyterian service.

Mesdames Aspay, Dennes and Lousby were calling on Creston friends on Saturday, and incidentally having their names enrolled on the provincial voters list.

Chief engineer Cameron of the Kuskanook has been a visitor with friends here the two days that boat was on duty in place of the Nasookin.

Mrs. Jones of Kuskanook, who has been on the sick list for almost two weeks past, is recovering nicely.

The Kuskanook replaced the Nasookin on the Nelson-Landing run on Saturday and Sunday. Capt. Reid was in command, Capt. Wright having been transferred to the Arrow Lakes temporarily.

The enrolling of Miss Illsey on the Red Cross membership brings Sirdar's representation on this society up to twelve, quite a splendid showing for a town this size.

Due to the tie up at the mines in the Pass and the consequent falling off in coke shipments freight traffic through Sirdar is very light at present.

Good News

Although the season to date is not exactly conducive to enthusiasm over soft fruits Manager Staples of the Fruit Growers Union states that growers are signing on the Union contracts in very satisfactory numbers and that to date ranchers who have arranged with the Union to handle their berries have given in estimates on strawberries that exceed last year's shipments by almost 20 per cent., and that there is also an increase in the prospective shipments of raspberries. Ranchers will be delighted to learn also that owing to this increased trade and economics that can be effected due to the 1917 selling arrangement that the Union will almost assuredly be in a position to considerably reduce the commission charged the grower for selling his fruit.

Slightly Wounded

Word was received by W. S. Watson on Monday that his son, Pte. Stanley Watson, had been slightly wounded in the hand in the heavy fighting on April 11th. Pte. Watson went overseas with the Second Canadian Contingent early in 1915, and this is the second time his name has appeared in the casualty lists.

F. K. Hurry was advised by wire on Tuesday that his son, Pte. Fred Hurry, had been wounded in the arm and leg in the big battle at Vimy Ridge, France, on April 12th. No particulars are given on the injury so it is presumed the wound is not classed as serious. Pte. Hurry was one of the last of the Creston men who went across in the Third Contingent to get to France, and since early in December has been fighting in a machine gun squad.

Wynndel

Mrs. Hanson and her sister, Miss Githa Pittsbrook, who have been the guests of Mrs. F. J. May, returned to their home at Nelson on Sunday.

Mrs. Pettigrew of Cranbrook is a Wynndel visitor this week, the guest of Mrs. H. Rosendale.

Tommy Butterfield spent the week-end with his parents here, returning Sunday afternoon.

E. Williams, who has been working at the Coleman mines, returned home on Sunday.

Miss Barbara Mawson of Creston spent the week-end at Wynndel, the guest of Miss F. Bathie.

Mrs. H. Rosendale entertained a number of her friends at a progressive whist party on Tuesday night. Miss Emma Johnson won the ladies first prize, and Mr. Joe Wigen the gentleman's. The booby prize was awarded Miss R. Hagen.

Creston visitors for the week were: Sunday—Monrad Wigen. Monday—Paul Hagen. Tuesday—O. J. Wigen. While on Wednesday Nels Winlaw made the grade.

Lieut. Ashley Cooper went through on Wednesday to Morrissey to attend a court of enquiry into the conduct of the internment camp at that point.

Monrad Wigen has received several orders for strawberry plants with the result that he has half the juvenile population of Wynndel getting them ready for shipment, under the management of W. J. Cooper.

Elias and Ragnvald Wigen went to Canyon City this week where they have taken a contract for cutting logs for the Canyon City Lumber Co.

36 Pair of Socks 14 Suits Pyjamas

In the line of work turned in at the depot Creston Valley Red Cross Society had a very successful month of it during March. Briefly stated the supplies taken in are:

38 pairs socks.
14 suits pyjamas.
13 knee caps.
12 personal property bags.

Of this seven pairs of hosiery were donated, Mesdames McMurtrie and Speers contributing two and Mrs. M. Young three pairs. Mrs. W. S. Watson is solely responsible for the good showing of 13 knee caps, while the Girls Guild of Christ Church, supervised by Mrs. Stark, are credited with the total of 21 personal property bags. The scholars of Canyon City school are also deserving of special mention, with a contribution of three pairs of socks.

In the way of new members and financial help Sirdar made quite a name for itself last month. A canvass of the town by Mrs. T. Aspey produced eleven new as well as donations in cash to the extent of almost $12.

Those turning in work during the month in addition to those enumerated above were: Socks—Miss Knott 1 pair, Mrs. McMurtrie 2, Mrs. J. W. Hamilton 1, Mrs. C. Moore 2, Mrs. L. Cameron 3, Mrs, Forrester 1, Mrs. Mallandaine 2, Mrs. A. Brown 3, Mrs. Ashley Cooper 1, Mrs. Quain 1, Mrs. Sherwood 1, Mrs. J. Cook 1, Mrs. Andrews 3, Miss Vida Gobbett 1, Mrs. C. Hall 1, Mrs. H. Hamilton 3, Miss E. Smith 1.

Pyjamas—Miss Jeanne Palmer 1, Mrs. Knott 1, Mrs. Hayes 3, Mrs. McLaren 2, Mrs. Cherrington 1, Mrs. Thurston and Miss Candy 5, Mrs. Arrowsmith 1.

The work of this organization should have the serious attention of all. The Canadians are now taking a hand in the heaviest fighting yet seen on the western front, and the casualties for the week just closed is over the 1500 mark. In consequence the demand for the supplies produced by the Red Cross promises to be heavier than ever before.

Alice Siding

Mr. and Mrs. Seaver of Rossland arrived on Tuesday, on a visit to the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Stewart.

A. P. Noble of Cranbrook is here this week for his annual visit for spring improvements on his ranch.

Mrs. G. Bridges, who has spent the past few weeks with friends in Washington, returned on Tuesday.

Mr. Churchill received word this week of the marriage of his son, James, last week, and who with his bride is spending the honeymoon at Victoria. They will reside at Anyox.

Recent despatches show the name of the oldest son of Dr. Wells, a former rancher here, as having received the distinguished conduct medal in the fighting in France.

Mr. Paulson, late of Bull River, has leased the Andy Miller ranch for the season, and took over the work on Monday.

A couple of new sprayers will be seen in operation in local orchards this spring—if it ever gets here. The buyers are Rose and Watcher and W. A. Pease and J. Churchill who are partners on the other.

Strawberry plants in this section have wintered well and if the yield this year is on a par with 1916 Alice Siding will double its export in this line.

Andy Miller left on Sunday to commence work on his new position in the forestry department of the C.P.R., being in charge of their timber areas between Blairmore, Alta., and Kootenay Landing. This appointment is a striking testimony as to his ability in timber work, and goes to show that the government in dispensing with his services early this year could not have done so on the score of incompetence at any rate.

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SIR PENYWERN'S WIFE

—BY—

FLORENCE WARDEN

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(Continued.)

For a moment Sir Penywern stared at him without one word.

Then he asked, in a hoarse voice: "And Finch?"

"There isn't any Finch, or if there is, I'm Finch. Don't you understand. I had to invent him, to keep myself safe. Don't you see?"

Sir Penywern, who was beginning to recover from the first shock, bent his head in assent.

"I see. So it was you who wrote those letters to my wife asking for money?"

"Yes. I had to. Couldn't help myself. I was broke, and she had plenty. I don't suppose she grudged me the money."

"And it was you who murdered Rathbone?"

"Oh, well, don't call it murder. I don't. And I don't suppose, now you know who did it, that you will care to call it murder either. You're a proud man, and a big man, Sir Penywern, and it wouldn't be altogether pleasant either for you or my daughter to have the whole world ringing with the news that your father-in-law and her father was to be hanged."

"No. You reckoned upon that."

"Couldn't help myself," retorted Webling with more confidence.

"Why did you kill Rathbone?"

"He was a rotter, and wanted to levy blackmail upon me and upon Daphne."

Sir Penywern moved uneasily. He could not bear to hear his wife's name on the lips of this scoundrel.

And he knew that, whatever the truth about the death of Rathbone might have been, it was not the truth which he was hearing.

"And you wrote all those letters?" demanded he.

As he spoke he turned to the smaller table, and took the letter of which only a few lines had been written from between the leaves of the blottingpad.

Webling made a snatch at the paper with an air of indignation. But Sir Penywern kept it out of reach, folded it up, and put it in his pocket.

"How dare you take my letters?" demanded the other.

"It is a question whether it is your letter now that it is addressed to another person," said Sir Penywern quietly. "Anyhow, I'll take it to the person to whom it is addressed, as she is my wife. And——"

He stopped, noticing that Webling cast glances of anxiety in the direction of the blottingpad. The baronet, on the alert, quickly turned the leaves, and found another letter. This, however, appeared to be complete, and to be one of the old ones, as it began, "My darling wife." He was folding this also, to put into his pocket, when Webling asked sharply:

"Is that letter directed to your wife also?"

Sir Penywern, steadily looking at him, shook his head.

"No," he said. "And I don't know that I have any right to it. But I'll risk that. I'll keep it."

He placed it with the other in his pocket book, keeping a sharp lookout, meanwhile, upon the movements of his companion, who was watching every act most closely.

"Well, that's cool, upon my word," said Webling at last.

Sir Penywern ignored the remark.

"And now about yourself. Where do you propose to hide yourself, while this affair takes it course?" asked he.

Webling scowled.

"What does that matter to you," he said surlily, "as long as I am out of your way?"

"Oh, I should have thought, considering the source from which you have been drawing supplies of late, that my interest was very much to the point," said the baronet.

The man changed his tone.

"I beg your parden. Yes, I'm grateful to you as well as to my daughter, for your help. But I shall want more, much more, if I am to get to a place of safety."

"What place have you in mind?"

"I had thought of Holland. I know some people there. Or Canada."

"I see. The difficulty would be at the ports, wouldn't it?"

"Oh, I've been a wanderer many years. I'm used to disguise. I flatter myself you need not trouble your heads about me, as long as you keep me well supplied with cash."

"How much do you want to start with?"

Webling began to look suspicious. He hesitated. "I don't suppose you carry about you enough to do me any good," he said mockingly.

Sir Penywern took out of his pocket five or six pounds in gold, and then produced some bank-notes from his pocket-book.

"No. I haven't enough to satisfy you, I daresay," he observed, as he put back the money.

"It would help to keep me going," said Webling, holding out his hand. "The farther away I can get the better it will be for all of you."

But Sir Penywern was in no hurry. He sat down and affected to consider.

"We shall have to come to some arrangement," said he.

"Yes, yes. What do you propose?"

"I should like to hear your own views."

Webling stared at him. Did this fellow understand that time was precious, and that he ought to be on his way towards the coast?

"I can't waste much time," he said in a sulky tone. "I was on my way when some fools sighted me and I had to come back."

"Oh," said Sir Penywern. "Paddon and his friends, I suppose?"

"Yes. Well, if you have no more money to give me, I must start without it. I'll write and let you know where I am, and if you're wise as my daughter is dutiful, you will not let me want while I take care to bring no disgrace upon you."

He was on his way to the door as he spoke. For one moment, therefore, he had his back to Sir Penywern. Seizing him by the coat collar, the baronet had him down on the ground, and placing his right foot on the rascal's chest, shouted for "Help," with all the force of his lungs.

"What are you doing? Do you know what you're doing? Do you want to have it known that you're the son-in-law of a man who's going to be hanged?"

But Sir Penywern still shouted, until the Pents came running up the stairs, panting and alarmed.

In a few rapid words the baronet told them to send for the police, and then, regardless of the threats and mutterings of Webling, who was by this time again artfully penned in between the legs of the furniture, the baronet held him firmly, kneeling upon him, and holding his hands, until the arrival of the officers.

"I give this man in custody," said he to the sergeant, as the rascal on the floor, with a last sudden writhing motion, tried to bite his hand, "on the charge of murdering Benjamin Rathbone, by shooting him with my revolver in my library at Redgrange Hall, on the afternoon of the nineteenth of May."

Webling started up, white and glaring with rage.

"You dare! You dare to do it! When you know who I am, and what will come out?" yelled he.

"I dare," said Sir Penywern, simply, as the officers, watching their opportunity, clapped a pair of handcuffs on the rascal's wrists.

Sir Penywern lost no time, when he had seen Webling safely housed at the police station for the night, in making his way home to Redgrange Hall.

There were still a good many people about, who for the most part remained silent while he passed them, only to break out into fresh bursts of excited conversation when he was out of hearing.

But he was over-sensitive no longer. With burning eyes and pale face he hurried on by road and meadow, seeing no one, his head full of what he had learnt that night, and his feet flying to keep pace with his thoughts.

He saw, when he got in sight of his house, that lights were still burning in many rooms, and he knew that it was not only Daphne who was waiting up, too full of anxiety concerning the events of the evening to be able to retire to rest.

He let himself into the house by the garden door, and went straight to the library, where he turned on the electric light, unlocked the desk, and seating himself before it, took out of his pocket the two papers which he had brought away with him from Webling's lodging.

These he spread out before him. As he began to read the letter which he had last found, completed, in Webling's blottingpad, he uttered an exclamation of triumph.

Then he quickly unfolded the little inner drawer of his desk in which he had placed the two packets of letters which Daphne had given him, and searching among the latest of these found one, which he placed side by side with that which he had just brought home.

(To Be Continued.)

PASSED STONE FROM BLADDER

Joliette, P.Q.

"During August last, I went to Montreal to consult a specialist as I had been suffering terribly with Stone in the Bladder. He decided to operate but said the stone was too large to remove and too hard to crush. I returned home and was recommended by a friend to try

Gin Pills

FOR THEAL KIDNEYS

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Is a Simple Matter if an Organized System Is Adopted

The American Bankers' Association have united in an advertising campaign, the expense of which is equally borne by those who take part. The advertisement reads as follows:

"Resolved this first day of January A. D. 1917:

"That I need the assistance of a friendly bank in my efforts to attain financial success; and

"That I will prove my thrift by opening a savings account tomorrow in (home town) bank, in which I promise myself to deposit a definite amount not less than once a month.

"Have you made such a resolution? If not, do it today, and then keep it."

We hear a good deal of impracticable discussion these days as to the best way to save. Thrift, of course, is desirable at all times, but especially so at the present. The man who has made a practice of saving part of his income is the one for whom approaching old age has no terrors. But the faddist is abroad. The advocate of the penny bank in schools is really a very simple matter if an organized system is adopted. Children should receive their first lessons in thrift at home. Give a child a toy bank; let him place in it the pennies which he would otherwise expend in the purchase of comestibles; let him place there anything he is able to earn, and at regular intervals, when he has an amount worth while, let him deposit it to his own credit in the regular savings banks. There are lessons in morality, in ethics, and in other branches which it is the duty of the parents, and not of the teacher, to impart.

Penny savings banks in schools are so much lumber added to a curriculum that is already too heavy. They are not fair to the teachers or the banks, and create strife and jealousy among the children themselves by making public property of family matters which should be regarded as sacred.

Two children carry money to school, the one five cents, the other a dollar, and a social distinction is at once established. One child knows the financial standing of another. The legitimate system of banking ensures the secrecy which is so essential. One half of the world does not know the bank account of the other.—From the Peterborough Review.

High Praise for Western Creamery

The firm in England which received the co-operative car of creamery butter shipped last October from the three Prairie Provinces states that this was certainly the finest parcel it had received from Canada." "If," it added, "the three provinces maintain this quality there is no doubt but that your butters will command very high prices in the British markets."

Tired aching feet feel refreshed after an application of Sloan's Liniment, *do not rub*, it penetrates and *soothes*.

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Have a bottle handy for rheumatic pains, neuralgia, gout, lumbago, sprains, strains, toothache, bruises and muscle soreness.

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Sloan's Liniment

Phenomenal Strides Made by Canadian Northern Railway System In First Year as Transcontinental

New System in the Past Year Carried Approximately 131,000,000 Bushels of Wheat, an Increase of 125 per Cent. Over Previous Year. Company's New Mileage on Pacific Coast and Northern Ontario Makes Astonishing Showing Right From Commencement of Operation. Company's Lines Most Favorably Located.

From Our Own Correspondent

Toronto

The phenomenal gains that the Canadian Northern Railway reports for its year as a transcontinental line makes the statement one of the most important that has ever been issued by any railway in Canada. It is even doubtful whether the tremendous increases in business handled have ever been duplicated by any system in the world. There are many features to the report that make it of special import to every Canadian, owing to the interest the country has in the building up of this important transcontinental line and the attractive territory that has been developed through the completion of the system. The feature of the report that is likely to be especially gratifying is that which shows the prominent part the Canadian Northern, with its transcontinental system, has been able to play in handling such a large proportion of the grain requirements of the Mother Country.

Right along it has been the contention of Sir William Mackenzie and his associates that it was only a matter of a very short period before Canada and the Empire would enjoy the benefits of the big system that had been built up across the Dominion, and the showing made in the report indicates that these hopes have been realized much earlier than it would have been thought possible when the transcontinental system was set in operation a little over a year ago.

Important Gains of Year

A few of the outstanding features of the report are as follows: An increase in freight traffic during the year of $8,352,412, equivalent to as much as 45.87 per cent.; increase in pasesnger traffic, $717,246, of a gain of 13.25 per cent.; an increase in total operating revenue of $9,564,168, or 36.91 per cent. over the previous year. That the company's lines handled over 131,000,000 bushels of grain is proof positive that the railway has been located in the best grain growing areas of the West.

The exact grain traffic handled amounted to 131,978,809 bushels as compared with 58,575,520 bushels in 1915, or an increase of 73,403,289, equivalent to an increase of as much as 125.31 per cent.

That the company has been able to make such striking gains in the amount of traffic handled over its lines will undoubtedly be more readily appreciated when it is remembered that it was only operated as a transcontinental system during the last seven of the twelve months of the fiscal year, and when it is recalled that last winter the weather conditions in the Western provinces, and more particularly in British Columbia, were the most severe that had been experienced in a great many years, in fact, in some instances, were the most difficult that Canadian railways had ever to meet in that part of the country. It should also be pointed out that the company had the disadvantage, owing to the conditions arising from the war, of being without its own terminals in such important centres as Vancouver in the West, and Montreal in the East.

Company's Earning Power

The development that is sure to be most favorably received by everybody who is following the growth of the larger Canadian railways will come from the fact that the Canadian Northern Railway has come within hailing distance of earning its total fixed charges, the deficit for the year being brought down to less than a quarter of a million dollars, a reduction from the previous year of almost $1,400,000.

Some of the interesting features of the Board of Directors' report as indicating the position of the line and the progress it has made include the following:

An agreement of great importance in the development of the system's freight and passenger traffic was made with the Cunard Steamship Co. In future the Cunard Line and the Canadian Northern Railway will be, in fact, a single transportation unit between Europe and Canada.

The possession of such favorable grades as those on the system's lines has given the Canadian Northern an already important advantage in the economy of operation, particularly in carrying the two commodities offering in largest volume, viz.: lumber and grain.

The main line of the Canadian Northern Railway from Quebec to Vancouver is superior to any line crossing the continent of America in points of grade and curvatures favoring traffic.

The lines of the company's system are now serving 75 per cent. of the aggregate population of the cities and towns of all Canada, having 5,000 inhabitants and over.

The present situation emphasizes the fact that the Railway is not as dependent upon grain crop movement as in the past, and in becoming transcontinental has acquired a highly diversified traffic. The developments of the year confirm the Directors in the belief that they strongly hold, that the ultimate prosperity of the Canadian Northern Railway System is measurable only by the prosperity of the Dominion of Canada.

Boats Will Be Scarce on Lakes

Many Steamers Taken to the Coast and Some Have Been Lost

Small carriers and boats for special trades will be scarce on the Great Lakes during the coming season, as, in addition to vessels of that class lost during the past two years, 98 were sent to the coast.

The total tonnage of lake boats taken to salt water was 174,476. That figure does not include a number of steamers which have been sold to eastern parties, and will leave the lakes this year. Thirty-eight Canadian steamers, of 73,7717 gross tons, were sent to the coast since the buying movement started in 1915. Since that time 39 American steel steamers, of 75,398 tons; three American iron steamers, of 5,878 tons, and 18 American wooden steamers, of 19,429 tons, left the lakes.

Thirty-two lake steamers were taken over by English parties, and nine steamers were purchased by the French government. A large number of new vessels were turned out on the lakes for coast service, and during the past eighteen months American shipyards built vessels of 208,000 gross tons for foreign parties. A number of lake boats that were taken to the coast were lost.

The shifting of so much tonnage will mean that capacity for grain and coal will be cut quite a bit, as most of the vessels that were sold were operated in the latter trades. There are only a few American steel steamers of Welland Canal size left on the Great Lakes, and the supply of Lake Ontario tonnage will be short of the demand.

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She—That's as true as you live

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That is the idea, however it may be expressed, that people always get about

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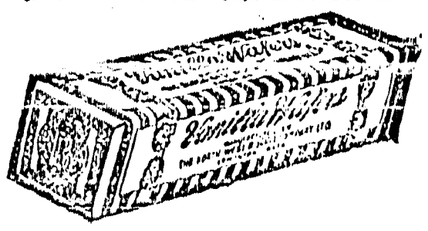

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Friend—I understand that your practice is getting larger.

Young Doctor—That's true. My patient has gained nearly ten pounds in the past few weeks.—Boston Evening Transcript.

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You can get these pills from any dealer in medicine or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

A Lonely Continent

National Geographic Magazine Points Out Isolated Position of Australia

Australia is the most isolated of all inhabited continents and is remote from the centre of all the world's activities. Northward the sailing distance to Japan is approximately 3,000 nautical miles; to India, 2,500 miles South America, is 7,000 miles to the east, and Africa an equal distance west.

From London to the capital of Australia ships by the Suez route traverse approximately 11,000 miles of water and by the Panama canal 12,734 miles. From California ports the route via Samoa, or Fiji, or Tahiti cover a quarter of the circumference of the earth, Australia's only large civilized neighbor within a radius of 1,000 miles is Java.

Bix—Say, what's the rest of that quotation beginning, "Truth is mighty?"

Dix—"Scarce," I guess.

The Hun Must Go

No Longer Under Illusion Regarding The Enemy

The plain matter of fact is that the German Empire has made itself impossible in Europe. Its root ideas, its fundamental conception, its historic estimate of men and things, its manners, its customs, its behavior, are all so widely different from what we associate with the best elements of European culture that it must be taught to amend its ways and accept a defeat which means humiliation. We can no longer be under any illusions as to the kind of enemy that we are forced to fight. And the more we survey the savagery of the modern Hun and recognize the fact that he does not belong to our century at all, but to some horrible early time of rapine and crime, the more do we appreciate the tremendous nature of our task.—London Telegraph.

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.

Daylight Saving

Many Good Arguments Advanced in Its Favor

There is no real reason that we can see why this daylight-saving plan should not be put into operation. Undoubtedly physical and economic betterment would result. It has been put in successful operation in England, France, Germany, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, and is receiving the support of the American Federation of Labor in this country. There can be little doubt but that we waste much sunlight. In the good old summer time the country's workers would receive the maximum amount of sunshine they would have more time for recreation, less work in the heat of the afternoon, under this plan. The manufacturer would have less lighting bills, his workers would be healthier, more efficient, more industrious, and give better service.—Buffalo News.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Cure fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio.
Sold by Druggists, 75c.

The Wrong Sister

Mrs. Grump—Emily Smith of the flat upstairs fell on the ice and sprained her wrist.

Grump—Emily? What infernal luck! Why wasn't it Geraldine, who pounds the piano?

No matter how deep-rooted the corn or wart may be, it must yield to Holloway's Corn Cure if used as directed.

Living up to His Name

When the train stopped at an inland Virginia station the northern tourist sauntered out on the platform. Beneath a tall pine stood a lean animal with scraggy bristles. The tourist was interested.

"What do you call that?" he quired of a lanky "cracker."

"Razorback hawg."

"Well, what is he doing rubbing against that tree?"

"He's stropping himself, mister; jest stropping himself."—Harper's Magazine.

There's a good way to keep growing boys and girls healthy and happy and that is to give them

Grape-Nuts

for breakfast.

This wonderfully nourishing food has a sweet, nutty flavor that makes it popular with children.

One of the few sweet foods that does not harm digestion, but builds them strong and bright.

At grocers everywhere.

Investigate Grain Rust Problem

Government Will Plan to Prevent the Damage From This Cause

Hon. Martin Burrell, minister of agriculture has announced the appointment of W. P. Fraser, M.A., plant pathologist of MacDonald College, to investigate the problem of grain rust on the prairie provinces.

It is estimated that the damage from rust last year totalled probably one hundred million dollars. The chief damage was in Manitoba and Southern Saskatchewan.

Mr. Burrell has been giving special attention to the problem, and two well-equipped laboratories have been built on the experimental farms at Brandon and Indian Head.

Mr. Burrell has now been fortunate to secure the service of Mr. Fraser to take charge of this work and carry on extensive investigations.

Mr. Fraser is a graduate of Dalhousie and Cornell universities, and is recognized as one of the greatest authorities on the continent on fungus diseases. He will leave shortly to take up his new work. He will have a botanical assistant.

FROST BITES

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Host and House Guest

"I say, old top, I wish you wouldn't be continually kissing the wife! I think once when you come and once when you go quite sufficient."

"But, my dear man, I can't wear myself out coming and going all the time just to please you."—Judge.

LIFT YOUR CORNS OFF WITH FINGERS

How to loosen a tender corn or callus so it lifts out without pain

Let folks step on your feet hereafter; wear shoes a size smaller if you like, for corns will never again send electric sparks of pain through you, according to this Cincinnati authority.

He says that a few drops of a drug called freezone, applied directly upon a tender, aching corn, instantly relieves soreness, and soon the entire corn, root and all, lifts right out.

This drug dries at once and simply shrivels up the corn or callus without even irritating the surrounding tissue.

A small bottle of freezone obtained at any drug store will cost very little but will positively remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet.

If your druggist hasn't stocked this new drug yet, tell him to get a small bottle of freezone for you from his wholesale drug house.

Unneighborly

Little Faith was possessed of a most friendly disposition. To satisfy her need for companionship she demanded speech affectionate and often. One night her brother was studying his arithmetic lesson assiduously. After calling to him several times without receiving a reply, she appealed to her father to stir him up.

"George is busy," her father said.

"I know," replied Faith, "but he might at least have said, 'Shut up!'"

Worms are encouraged by morbid conditions of the stomach and bowels, and so subsist. Miller's Worm Powders will alter these conditions almost immediately and will sweep the worms away. No destructive parasite can live in contact with this medicine, which is not only a worm destroyer, but a health-giving medicine most beneficial to the young constitution, and as such it has no superior.

"He passed away very calmly."

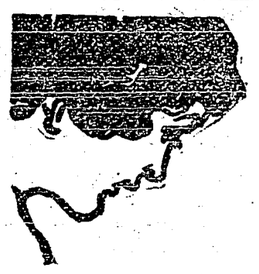
"Naturally; he was an easy-going man."

Minard's Liniment for Sale Everywhere.

Millions of Acres Untilled

Development of Latent Resources Necessary to Preserve Empire

Millions of acres of land in various colonies are untilled, and from them more millions of money may be obtained. State monopolies should be created in such commodities as palm oil, which in large measure belong to no one in particular. Men of all opinions agree that we can never be again content with the old miserable production of home-grown food. The development of agriculture both in Great Britain and the Dominions absolutely depends on state aid. It must subsidize land banks, erect grain elevators and build and let on hire agricultural machinery, and here again you will find large and legitimate income. The opportunities are almost unlimited. If they are neglected, the Empire will pay for victory with something very like economic ruin.—London Daily Express.



For any floors — tile, wood, linoleum — Old Dutch quickly takes up all the dirt and removes all the stains

Will Starve Foe Till Harvest

German Vice-Chancellor Admits the Prospects are Disconcerting

Dr. Karl Helfferich, the German Imperial Vice-Chancellor, speaking at plenary council, is quoted by Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent as saying: "Britain's war of starvation has from the first brought clearly before the eyes of the German people the fact that Germany stands or falls with its agriculture. Owing to the activity of the submarines and the failure of the harvests, Britain, too, is thrown back upon her agriculture, and while I believe the British farmer will do his utmost to meet the situation, I prophesy his failure."

Regarding the submarine campaign the despatch adds, Dr. Helfferich declared:

"We considered the matter carefully and have dared. We are certain of success, and will not allow that success to be wrested from us by anything or anybody."

After appealing for fresh efforts by the agriculturalists, he added:

"Until the next harvest comes there is still a long and not an easy road to travel. Even the best economic plan for the next year and the most stubborn work and sacrifice on the part of the farmer for the coming harvest do not relieve us of the iron necessity of managing for a number of months with what we have in hand."

Away With Depression and Melancholy.—These two evils are the accompaniment of a disordered stomach and torpid liver and mean wretchedness to all whom they visit. The surest and speediest way to combat them is with Parmelee's Vegetable Pills, which will restore the healthful action of the stomach and bring relief. They have proved their usefulness in thousands of cases and will continue to give relief to the suffering who are wise enough to use them.

Can't Avoid Them

"Don't you find it hard these times to meet expenses?"

"Hard? Man alive, I meet expenses at every turn."—Boston Transcript.

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CHAS. E. SHARP.

Hawkshaw, N. B., Sept. 1st, 1905.

"I want you to understand that I got my money by hard work."

"Why, I thought it was left you by your uncle."

"So it was; but I had hard work getting it away from the lawyers."

Germany Must Be Crushed

There is no chance left of peaceful compromise. We cannot hope to re-establish the principle to which we are committed until Germany is reduced to impotence and consequently to reason. Her mood now is one of madness. Force is the only thing which she respects. She will show no repentance for her manifold crimes and brutalities, until her present power and spirit are crushed.—New York Tribune.

WOMEN OF CANADA.

Fort Coulonge, Quebec.—"I am happy to tell you that your medicine did me wonderful good. I was troubled with weakness and I tried wines and other things but received very little benefit. I was young at the time and knew very little about medicines till a lady friend came to me with a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. I became strong and a year afterward had twins."—MRS. J. BRADY, Fort Coulonge, Quebec.

Thousands of women right here in Canada who are now blessed with robust health cannot understand why thousands of other women continue to worry and suffer when they can obtain for a trifling sum Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, which will surely and quickly banish all pain, distress and misery and restore the womanly health.

Young mothers who preserve the charms of face and figure in spite of an increasing family and the care of growing children are always to be envied. "Favorite Prescription" gives the strength and health upon which happy motherhood depends. It enables the mother to nourish the infant life depending on her, and enjoy the happiness of watching the development of a perfectly healthy child.

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Over a million copies of the "The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser" are now in the hands of the people. It is a book that everyone should have and read in case of accident or sickness.

Send fifty cents (or stamps) for mailing charges to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., and enclose this notice and you will receive by return mail, all charges and customs duty prepaid, this valuable book.

Discretion in War Time

The practice of most of the Canadian newspapers may be regarded as a good example to follow. They print plenty of news, fill their papers with interesting and timely information and interviews, but carefully avoid publishing anything which it is their business to conceal from the enemy with whom they are at war. There never was a better chance for American newspaper proprietors, publishers and editors to show how well their craft can serve the country and how carefully they can refrain from setting the momentary pleasure of exclusive news ahead of the genuine satisfaction of never betraying a valuable secret.—New York Sun.

Doctor Tells How to Strengthen Eyesight 50 per cent. In One Week's Time in Many Instances

A Free Prescription You Can Have Filled and Use at Home

LONDON.—Do you wear glasses? Are you a victim of eye strain or other eye weaknesses? If so, you will be glad to know that according to Dr. Lewis there is real hope for you. Many whose eyes were failing say they have had their eyes restored through the principle of this wonderful free prescription. One man says, after trying it: "I was almost blind; could not see to read at all. Now I can read everything without any glasses and my eyes do not water any more. At night they would pain dreadfully; now they feel fine all the time. It was like a miracle to me." A lady who used it says: "The atmosphere seemed hazy with or without glasses, but after using this prescription for fifteen days everything seems clear. I can even read fine print without glasses." It is believed that thousands who wear glasses can now discard them in a reasonable time and multitudes more will be able to strengthen their eyes so as to be spared the trouble and expense of ever getting glasses. Eye troubles of many descriptions may be wonderfully benefited by following the simple rules. Here is the prescription: Go to any active drug store and get a bottle of Bon-Opto tablets. Drop one Bon-Opto tablet in a fourth of a glass of water and allow to dissolve. With this liquid bathe the eyes two to four times daily. You should notice your eyes clear up perceptibly right from the start and inflammation will quickly disappear. If your eyes are bothering you, even a little, take steps to save them now before it is too late. Many hopelessly blind might have been saved if they had cared for their eyes in time.

Note: Another prominent Physician to whom the above article was submitted, said: "Bon-Opto is a very remarkable remedy. Its constituent ingredients are well known to eminent eye specialists and widely prescribed by them. The manufacturers guarantee it to strengthen eyesight 50 per cent. in one week's time in many instances or refund the money. It can be obtained from any good druggist and is one of the very few preparations I feel should be kept on hand for regular use in almost every family." The Valusia Drug Co., Store 6, Toronto, will fill your orders if your druggist cannot.

MINERAL ACT

FORM F

Certificate of Improvements

NOTICE

Batt Fractional and Yosemite Fractional Mineral Claims, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of Kootenay District. Where located: On Sheep Creek adjoining the Rio Tinto Mineral Claim.

TAKE NOTICE that, I, A. H. Green, acting as Agent for Jonathan Rogers, Free Miner's Certificate No. 96516B, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 28th day of February, A.D. 1917. A. H. GREEN

MINERAL ACT

FORM F

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NOTICE

Marie, Good Hope and Utah Mineral Claims, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of Kootenay District. Where located: On North Fork of Sheep Creek.

TAKE NOTICE that I, A. H. Green, acting as agent for Agnes Billings, Free Miners Certificate No. 85982B, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 26th day of February, 1917. A. H. GREEN.

No CAKE in the House

No need to worry about it—even if company comes—when you have recourse to any or all of the lines of tasty Biscuits we have always in stock. Here are a few of them:

Fig Bar, Social Tea, Sultana Sandwich
Chocolate Cream, Bar, Ginger Snaps
School Biscuits. Also Club Sodas

These are made by the well-known firm of Popham Bros. and make a very delightful change from the very best of the home cooking in the cake line.

To ensure perfect satisfaction we recommend the use always of JACKSON'S TEA. At 55c. a pound there is nothing quite equals it.

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C. S. BENNETT Manager Creston Branch

English Farce is Well Presented

The first entertainment of the combined concert and dramatic sort that Creston has been favored with in many months was staged in the Parish Hall on Friday night, by the Ladies Guild of Christ Church, Mr. H. Lyne occupying the chair.

There was a considerable variety to the first half of the evening's programme. Thr chorus, "June is Here," was nicely rendered by six of Creston's younger generation. Miss Frances Lyne pleased with a recitation, "Ye Mariners of England," while little Miss Gwen Lauder, who came along from Queens Bay with her father, was a great favorite in a couple of stage dances, including the Highland fling.

Rev. J. S. Mahood contributed a cornet solo, "Alice, Where Art Thou," as well as a vocal number, "Thora," in both of which he displayed his well-known ability both in the instrumental and vocal arts. He also excelled in a third appearance in a delightful comedy sketch of his own creation, in which he gave a quite realistic impersonation of the happenings at an Old Country parish entertainment, graced by the attendance of the pompous and condescending village squire. His reproduction of the curate-chairman's opening address, as well as the efforts of the amateur pianiste and gentleman elocutionist, along with the comments interjected at times by some of the unappreciative in the audience, was fine and caused no end of laughter.

Harry Lauder of Queens Bay, while not quite in the same class as his widely-knowe namesake, is nevertheless a comic vocalist of much ability, his specialty being the English comics, some half-dozen of which he put across in finished music hall fashion. His mannerisims and accent were excellent, and the oftener he sang the bigger favorite he became.

The last number on the programme was an English one-act farce, "His Majesty's Mails," which was staged by local talent, and did great credit to the ladies taking part, who must have spent considerable time and effort on its production.

The scene of the play is in England during the seventeenth century, when highwaymen were a constant source of danger to the general public. Two young ladies, Lady Diana and Lady Betty, residents at the boarding school of Miss Minnikin, are expecting Christmas letters from their respective and gallant admirers; but Miss Minnikin who has placen an embargo on all correspondence between young gentlemen and her pupils, has unfortunately intercepted the letters, read their contents and decided to retain them under her safe keeping. The plot is concerned with getting the letters into the hands of their rightful owners.

The young ladies are fortunate in having as an ally Deborah Jones, a domestic servant of the establishment, who is chagrined at the dismissal of her young man, Ruben, the gardener. She informs the ladies of the arrival of the letters and it is decided that through her instrumentality Lady Diana should be dressed in Ruben's clothes, armed with Miss Minnikin's pistol, and disguised as a highwayman should terrorize the latter lady into yielding up the letters. The scheme meets with unqualified success, the resulting denouement being that the young ladies gain their object, Ruben is restored to his place again to the great joy of Deborah, and all are happily reconciled.

The part of Lady Diana was taken by Mrs. R. Thurston; that of Lady Betty by Miss B. Mawson; Deborah by Mrs. H. Lyne; and that of Miss Minnikin by Mrs. F H. Jackson.

The play was well rendered throughout, the cast being admirably balanced. Mrs. Thurston made a capital highwayman, and quite realistically exercised her powers of frightfulness upon the trembling school mistress. Her transition from the demure young boarding school lady to the masculine desperado was cleverly carried out.

Both as the typical private boarding school lady as well as conspirator in the intimidation of Miss Minnikin, Miss Mawson made a splendid Lady Betty, her bearing and costume being nicely adapted to the part. Mrs. Lyne played a difficult part exceedingly well. Her interpretation of the domestic servant was truly humorous, and kept the house in the best of humor. Mrs. Jackson deserves credit for the care she must have given to the proper portrayal of the school mistress. Her make up wrs excellent, while her natural gift showed itself well in the situations she had to meet. The part of Miss Minnikin was not altogether an easy one, but Mrs. Jackson was equal to the occasion.

Owing to anything but favorable weather that evening and an oversnpply of entertainment the week previous, due to the departure of the Forestry Draft, the attendance was not as large as would otherwise have been in evidence, the proceeds of the evening being slightly less than $20.

NEWS OF KOOTENAYS

Cranbrook may have a day's horse racing on July 1st.

A ladies Oddfellows Lodge was organized at Trail last week.

Trail council had only $5000 to invest in the Canadian war loan.

A forestry unit of 250 men is now being recruited at Revelstoke.

Prisoners in the Cranbrook lockup devoured 339 meals during March.

The Gazette claims spring is six weeks later than normal at Grand Forks.

The Doukhobors at Grand Forks are shipping 325,000 bricks to the Trail smelter.

Things are so lively at Cranbrook that undertaker Beattie is wanting to sell out.

The outbreak of ringworm among Vernon school children has now been overcome.

Of the 8,091 tons of ore shipped to the Trail smelter last week, 3,312 tons wrre zinc ore.

If a generous government grant is forthcoming a new hospital will be built at Nakusp.

Several Greenwood citizens have taken vacant lots on which they will plant vegetables.

58 pupils are being taken care of by the teacher in the primary room of Trail school at present.

The school garden at Kaslo will be planted full of potatoes this year. The city will supply the seed.

Greenwood has now a lawyer all its own. A. E. Postiff, a coast barrister, has just opened an office there.

Chief of police Jardine at Kaslo has just got a boost of $10 in salary, making his pay now $100 per month.

The concentrator recently burned at Moyie is being rebuilt at Trail. The main building will be 100x50 feet.

The Onward Bible Class at Cranbrook claims to have doubled in membership during the past year.

Owing to the high price of gasolene The Kootenaian says many sail boats will be in evidence at Kaslo this year.

The steamer Crescent commenced running between Port Hill and Bonners Ferry. The trip is a five hour run.

Cranbrook farmers institute is offering a bounty of one cent per head on all gophers killed in that section this spring.

Fifteen Nelson merchants were last week fined $1 and costs for keeping shops open on the Saturday half holiday.

Twenty-four new furnaces are being added to the sulphuric acid plant at the Trail smelter, bringing the total up to 36.

Kaslo wants R. F. Green, M.P., to get them a convalescent soldiers' hospital. He has hopes, but not real bright ones.

The first Dodge Sedan car in Cranbrook made its appearance on Saturday last. The car is owned by Mrs. Jos. Jackson.

The skating rink at Sandon, built in 1899, collapsed last week, just about an hour prior to the time set for a hockey match.

The railroad Y.M.C.A. at Cranbrook had $645 more revenue for the year just closed as compared with the previous twelve months.

The robin red breasts are reported to be unusually plentiful this spring at Kaslo and are camped around in large numbers picking out the choice cherry trees.

At Golden the ice in the Kicking Horse river is later this year in going out than has ever been known before. J. Gould informs that over a period of twenty years the river has cleared of ice from March 24 to April 9.

There is signs of beavers within 50 feet of Copper street, Greenwood, in the ponds close to the skating rink. These industrious animals have built a dam and have practically cleared the land nearby of all the small trees. As they do all their work at night, it is next to impossible to see them.

Kaslo Kootenaian: About forty men are at present engaged in shoveling snow along the track in the vicinity of Fish Lake, on this side of Zincton. It is out of the question to use a wing plow on the slide, which is several hundred feet in width and was so large as to go right through the ice on the lake and jam the fair sized body of water full of snow slide material.

Rob Roy, 1361

The Percheron Stallion, ROB ROY, will not travel this season, but will remain at home (at the Reclamation Farm) till high water, and afterwards at Canyon City—see later advertisements and bills.

The fees will be reduced in accordance with the saving in expense effected by this arrangement, thus bringing the services of one of the finest horses in B.C. within the reach of all. For further particulars apply to C. BLAIR, Erickson, B.C.

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Certificate of Improvements

NOTICE

Aspen, Caroline, Silverton Fractional, Mohawk, International and Emma Mineral Claims, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay. Where located: On Deer Creek, a tributary of Sheep Creek.

TAKE NOTICE that I, A. H. Green, acting as agent for P. F. Horton, Free Miner's Certificate No. 85981B, and Agnes Billings, Free Miner's Certificate No. 85982B, intend, sixty days from date hereof to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate Improvement.

Dated this 26th day of February, 1917. A. H. GREEN.

NOTICE

LAND REGISTRY ACT

IN THE MATTER of an application for the issue of a duplicate Certificate of Title to Part (5 acres) of Block 3, of Lot 812, Group 1, Kootenay District, Province of British Columbia, Map 730A.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that it is my intention to issue at the expiration of one month after the first publication hereof a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above mentioned land in the name of Charles Alvin Duncan, which Certificate is dated the 23rd day of Septemcer, 1904, and numbered 3981A.

Dated at the Land Registry Office at Nelson, B.C., this 23rd March, 1917.

SAM R. ROE,
District Registrar.

Date of first publication, March 30, 1917

Synopsis of Coal Mining Regulations

Coal mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the North-West Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years renewal for a further term of 21 years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, rescinded by Chap. 27 of 4-5 George V. assented to 12th June, 1914.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY, Deputy Minister of the Interior.

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U.S. Aliens

Now that the United States is into the European war to the limit of her manhood and resources, if need be, and remembering the stories that have been afloat from time to time of the number of guards and other help required to handle internment camps—Morrissey in particular—considerable curiousity has been aroused to to the probable number of alien enemies there are in the United States at the present time.

The total number of German-born residents in the United States is 2,501,333: If Austria-Hungary is included the total is increased to 4,171,915. The natives of Germany and Austria-Hungary comprise 31 per cent of the total foreign population of the country, but less than 5 per cent of the total.

It will surprise many to learn that New York has the largest German population of any state in the Union. The total is 463,700. The German population of New York is only 14 per cent of its foreign population. Half of Cincinnati's citizens were born in Germany. The other centres in the order of their population of the German vote are as follows: Baltimore, Buffalo, Chicago, Detroit, Jersey City, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, Newark, St. Louis and San Francisco. In the matter of proportion of Germans to population Wisconsin leads, with Minnesota second.

In addition to all these there is all the very large number of German sympathisers—the fellows who were pro German not because they loved the Hun, but because they liked Britain less, and were so outspoken with their opinions as to make the handling of this phase of the situation almost as delicate as that of the German or the German-American.

Undoubtedly the possibility of serious internal troubles was a great factor in delaying the entry of the United States into the European struggle. Having gone in after such mature deliberation, and knowing that eternal vigilance is the price of safety doubtless every precaution has been taken that the circumstances would seem to require.

Russia Hesitates

While the news from the fighting in France and Belgium has all along of late been all that could be expected, weather conditions considered, in the matter of new ground occupied and prisoners and guns taken, the situation on the eastern front is anything but as encouraging.

True there is no information of any sort to indicate that the Germans are hurling the Russians back, but the fact that there is absolutely no news, excepting a couple of minor clashes, of activity by either parties in that section for almost a month now, is giving close students of the war no little concern at this time.

The abdication of Czar Nicholas and the setting up of a republican form of government the very early part of the month was taken as the last straw that should break the back of Kaiserism with the people at home in Germany, ir due time producing something akin to a revolution amongst the German troops in the field, as well as speeding up the Russian offensive and the production of the necessary munitions and supplies to keep the Russian army at the front ever on the advance.

Those who have succeeded the czar and his advisors in charge of Russian affairs are undoubtedly in favor of prosecuting the war to a victorious peace, but the peace-at-any-price element in that country along with the considerable following of the czar's, which, naturally, is opposed to anything the new governing body may introduce, and divers other elements that so far have shown but little enthusiasm for the new rulers of the country, make the conduct of affairs very difficult for the new government; in fact doubly so when it is remembered that this is the first bit of government direct that the cabinet ministers have ever tackled.

In excuse of the government's seeming inaction on war matters it can well be pleaded that the ministers just at present have their hands full in their effort to reconstruct the Russian constitution on the broadest possible lines of liberty and justice—a very serious problem in itself when one remembers to what extremes some of the more radical of the populace would always plunge when the initial effort at self government confronts them, and particularly such elements as hitherto autocratic Russia has nurtured.

Every friend of Russia in the Allied countries and all who have admired the magnificent and self-sacrificing efforts she has made in the war will confidently hope that her government's counsels at this crisis will be marked by the highest wisdom. A rejuvenated Russia, victorious over the common enemy of civilization, would be one of the most powersul factors in the preservation of the world's peace in the future.

Strong Again

Continuing our study of the overseas fighting a little further it would look as if the situation between Russia and Germany is not the only one to arouse some little alarm.

By shortening her western line, by conscripting every available man within her borders, by compelling Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey to do the same, Germany, at a time when, in the prediction of military experts her manpower should show signs of serious exhaustion, has been able to place an additional million men in the field.

This seems to border on the impossible but, true or otherwise, Sir William Robertson, chief of the Imperial General Staff, announces that Britain must produce another half million men—and in three months—to cope with the situation the addition of so many Hun troops to those already in the field may create.

Where are the men to come from. Great Britain herself is almost exhausted of men. Her "exempt list" is being combed out still again in the hope that somewhere near the number required may be forthcoming.

Britain has given five million men out of forty-five million population; the Overseas Dominions have given, roughly, less than one million out of fifteen. On the basis of what the Motherland has done the Overseas Dominions ought to produce at the least an additional half million men, of which Canada should supply a quarter of a million.

Even if the present rate of recruiting could be maintained in Canada it would take this country another two years to raise and equip 250,000 troops, to say nothing of the injurious effects the present system of taking on volunteers has on Canada's necessary industries.

Conscription is anything but pleasant to contemplate, but so painfully necessary to cope with the ugly situation that confronts us that even those entrusted with its adoption must have some trouble in preserving their mental poise while temporizing in such a crisis—and the longer the evil day is postponed that much more difficult becomes ready and effective enactment.

Most All Approve

And if sentiment elsewhere in the Dominion is of the same as public opinion in these parts one is at a loss to understand why some attempt at compulsory service was not made—yes, from the outbreak of hostilities.

True there are some hereabouts that hold that the public should vote on the question, and the majority being adverse the scheme dropped. Others would have the vote taken also and the decision favorable or otherwise would see to it that those voting in favor of the move were drafted first.

Following very close on April 1st, the last day on which the National Service cards were returnable, came a despatch from Guelph, Ontario, to the effect that 350 young men of that city who signed these cards some monthe previous, had received letters from the militia authorities notifying them that their services were required for overseas service, and requesting them to report at once to the chief recruiting officer for that district.

To date no such news has emanated from any other point in the Dominion and hope has again been abandoned that anything worth while in the recruiting line is to be expected from these cards—jim dandy and all as they would have been had their return been compulsory instead of merely "obligatory," and a fully-kept register made of the names and whereabouts of gentlemen receiving them.

For the good of such a great cause—and especially at what may be its inception—it is to be hoped the Guelph incident has been misreported or overstated, as now seems fairly evident. If we are to have compulsion let it be real compulsion, applied by authority, and applied equally to all without regard to locality or person—save and except to safeguard production in the essential lines of industry.

The action of the United States in this matter will be watched with interest. Seemingly feeling against participation in the war is very strong amongst certain classes across the line, and to date the voluntary enlistments have been below the number of marriage licenses issued to young men who prefer the inevitable domestic sort of warfare to the chance of being called upon to face the deadlier variety on French or Belgian soil.

In Canada, barring a few adherents of some of the new-fangled religions, all are convinced that the Hun must be eliminated from amongst the European powers, and with few exceptions all appear to be willing to lend a hand in the elimination process provided recruits are called up on a sane system, in a fair field with no favorites, but with the prospect of an early Dominion election the introduction of any such measure looks even less likely than earlier in the year.

Wise and Otherwise

Walter Jackson rises to remark that despite the orthodox color associated with the order there is no yellow streak to the B.C. Orangemen. Latest returns show that almost 30 per cent. of the total membership in this province has already enlisted for the big overseas fight.

If the war goes through the year it would look like wisdom on the part of the authorities to send out demonstrators on economic potato peeling. An authority on spuds tells us that the average housewife wastes from 12 to 15 per cent. of the potato by paring away the best part, and this despite the fact that potatoes enabled Germany to prolong the war two years.

Kaslo Kootenaian: Although a start has been made on some of the season's road work in this vicinity, there is as yet no information as to who will receive the appointment of road superintendent or assistant road engineer. It is generally believed that when the appointment for a job of this kind is made, it will go to Ald. J. A. Riddell.

A boost in the price of tea may be looked for any day now. Coast wholesalers have all been advised from Hongkong that space cannot be found for tea shipments until July, which means that little, if any more, tea will arrive in B.C. until September. And there is very little tea on the way, while stocks of this commodity are exceptionally low.

During the tie up at the mines Pastor Robertson of Rossland Presbyterian church is away on vacation. The Methodist minister there is looking after both congregations.

Kootenaian: Slides have been playing hob with the telephone connection existing between Kaslo and Slocan points, and the wires have been out of business all the past week. It is not known at present how soon the damage will be repaired.

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MINERAL ACT

FORM F

Certificate of Improvements

NOTICE

Lucky Girl Mineral Claim, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of Kootenay District. Where located:—On Sheep Creek adjoining the Mayflower Mineral Claim.

TAKE NOTICE that I, A. H. Green, acting as agent for J. W. Crowthers, Free Miner's Certificate No. 85997B, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of tde above claim.

And further take notice, that action under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 19th day of April, A.D. 1917. A. H. GREEN.

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"At the head waters of Boulder and Canyon Creeks, there are large bodies of copper ore that carry gold and silver values, and large deposits of magnetite iron ore that carry some gold values.

"At Blackpool there is ore being shipped that carries both lead and silver.

"From the Fog Horn Group at the head of Boulder Creek there were shipped 50 tons of Galena ore with a gross value of $4,000. A further shipment of this ore will be made this winter.

"In addition to this part of the North Thompson Valley being a fine farming and ranching country, it is destined to be one of the richest mineral-producing districts in B. C. All it needs is capital for development.

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Decrease in War

Disease used to be more destructive of armies than one army was of another. But medical science, with good sanitary arrangements, has changed all that. Sir Alfred Keogh last summer reported twenty-two cases of typhoid among the British soldiers in France, and remarked that in former days with the same number of men in the field, there would have been at least 80,000 cases. The United States had 170,000 men on the Mexican border from May 1 to October 16, and there were but twenty-four typhoid cases and no deaths. In the war with Spain, in an American army of less than 150,000 men, there were 20,000 cases and 2,192 deaths.

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The Food Cornerers

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The Turks in Retreat

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Keeps Corporal Punishment

The Delaware Senate has passed Senator Hickman's bill giving the state courts the authority to impose a sentence of less than forty lashes in cases of highway robbery. Under the present law it is mandatory upon the courts to impose a sentence of forty lashes in all such convictions.

It is not likely that the present session of the legislature will abolish the whipping post, as Representative Downward's bill to that effect was reported unfavorably by the house committee on crimes and punishment, and the committee was unanimous in making the report.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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LAND PROBLEM OF CANADA IS OF PARAMOUNT INTEREST TO EMPIRE

COLONIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE WEST

Vast Unoccupied Areas of Valuable Farming Land Will Be Utilized in Connection with Imperial Scheme for Paying Off The Empire's War Debt

The question of land settlement in Canada, in many respects, is the most vital issue that will confront the government of this country at the close of the war. The vaguely outlined suggestion that has come from England of using some 200 million acres of Canadian agricultural lands for the purpose of paying off the Empire's war debt, serves only as a reminder to the people of Canada that they must meet very soon the serious problem of colonizing and developing the vast unoccupied areas of their Dominion. Middle Western Canada probably offers, from a purely physical viewpoint, a field for settlement having lines of less resistance than any other part of the country. In the southern half of that expansive rectangular area of prairie reaching from the eastern limits of Manitoba to the foothills of Alberta there is little to obstruct the path of the pioneer farmer. Free from forest or swamp, the land remains but to be cultivated. The hinterland, or the northerly half of the Middle West with its network of lakes, rivers, forests, and mineral-bearing rock, varied with great stretches of fertile land and valley, presents a different picture. One part of Alberta's Peace River Valley already has been opened and partly settled. With that exception, agricultural development and the lines of railways with their cities and towns are a part only of the prairie plains of the southern half of the Middle Western Provinces. It is within the bounds of this latter area that Canada has spent much money and pledged her credit in establishing an extensive plant represented by railway lines and municipalities. That equipment has never been operated to full capacity. There is over one mile of railway to every sixty-nine producers in Western Canada today. The West's greatest need, therefore, is people, and people who will go on the land and produce something through which the country as a whole may be supported.

That means, then, the settlement first of the southern or equipped half of the Middle West. The scheme for acquiring and developing 200 million acres accordingly must begin with a consideration of that section of the country already prepared for settlement. First, it will be found that the old magnet of free homesteads with the attached privilege of pre-emption has lost its drawing-power. The difficulty of acquiring any kind of desirable land will soon be realized. In other words, the vast proportion of cultivable land in that part of the West where settlement is most needed and most likely to occur has been alienated from the Dominion. At the end of the past year the area granted in homesteads and pre-emptions by the Dominion government amounted to 62,7757,510 acres. Add to that figure the amount of land held by the railways, Hudson's Bay Company, and that represented in school land sales and special grants, and another forty-four million acres must be excluded from the class of free lands. Altogether, there have been some 106 million acres of western lands taken from the country. Of this area not more than thirty-two million acres has been farmed. The largest area actually brought under crop in the three Prairie Provinces has not exceeded twenty million acres. This simply means that before any plan of settlement can be evolved for Western Canada the Federal authorities must first face private or corporate interests, which now hold in idleness millions of acres of the best farming land in the Dominion. Can some satisfactory co-operative plan be shaped between the owners of western farm lands and the government, or shall the Department of Interior consider the question of expropriation? This problem must be faced squarely; and it would seem to be one demanding either co-operation or expropriation. —Toronto Globe.

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Cotton Shortage in Germany

Those 200 Pajamas Would Have Been Very Useful

The fact that a member of the German embassy staff was carrying home two hundred suits of pajamas invites attention to a serious aspect of the blockade from Germany's viewpoint. Before the war Germany was importing annually 2 1-2 million bales of raw cotton from the United States. The imports continued for a few months before England shut them off. Since that time Germany has had virtually no cotton.

How has she got on without it? Substitutes for cotton used in explosives are reported to have been made. But what about clothing, pajamas and other things? How can a nation that uses underwear and skirts and shirts and handkerchiefs and sheets and such be comfortable after being shut off for two years from a fresh supply of cotton? Where will material for new uniforms for millions of soldiers come from?

The difficulty of supplying clothing under such circumstances must be a serious one.—Kansas City Times.

Hun Spies in Scotland

Have Photographs of Entire Scotch Coast in Germany

In the course of an article, one of a series which he is contributing to the Times descriptive of a ten months' stay in Germany, D. Thomas Curtin writes:

One of the finest pieces of spy work achieved by Germany was the obtaining by a German professor of a unique set of photographs of the whole of the Scottish coast, from north to south.

Those photographs, showing every inlet and harbor, are now at the Reichs-Marine-Amt (Admiralty in the Leipsigerplatz). They have been reproduced for the use of the navy. I don't know how they were obtained.

I know they are in existence. It is possible some Scottish reader of these lines may be able to explain the mystery, and I should be glad to receive further information on this subject. That the photographs, which were, I believe, taken for geological purposes, exist in Germany is beyond dispute.

Satisfied on the Whole

The farmer's wife had twelve daughters. They were all married off at last, and a neighbor said to the old lady:

"How lonely and sad you must be, now that all your daughters are gone Don't you wish you had them back again?"

"Well," said the old lady, "I misses 'em and I wants 'em, but I misses 'em a durn sight more than I wants 'em."

A Suggestion

Some of the gentlemen who believe that moral suasion can accomplish everything should go over with banners and picket the kaiser's residence.—From the Washington Star.

He—I told your father frankly I couldn't support you.

She—What did he say?

He—He said that he had the same experience.

Studied Savagery

Barriers Set Up by Civilization Removed by Germany

Germany is removing one after another of the barriers set up by civilization for humanizing war, by her treatment of our prisoners in Germany, by her treatment of the civilian populations of Belgium and France, and by the latest development—the attempt to sink harmless merchantmen, with their sailors, plying a peaceful trade. What makes it dangerous is that it is organized savagery. It is a savagery which is taught in their schools, inculcated by their professors. It is studied savagery. It is the most dangerous form of barbarism that we have ever been up against. Education, the instrument of civilization, has been converted to the inculcation of savagery, and unless the Allies in this war put an end to the possibility by triumphing over this system it will mean that we are back in the barbarism of 20 centuries ago.—By Lloyd George.

The Prince a Good Mechanic

Prince of Wales Repaired a Motor Car For a Woman Driver In London

The Prince of Wales, who was in London on leave recently, was walking with a brother officer when he found the woman driver of an official motor car in difficulty owing to a break down.

The Prince of Wales spent nearly twenty minutes in energetic efforts, which happily ended in the engine again running smoothly.

As she was thanking her unknown assistant the prince looked at his wrist watch and remarked: "Heavens! I shall be late." So the young woman said: "Jump in and I'll take you anywhere you like, it's the least I can do after the trouble you've pulled me out of. Where do you want to go?"

"Thanks, awfully," was the reply. "Home, please."

"Where's home?" she inquired, smiling at the way he had naively imagined his address would be known.

It was only when he replied: Buckingham Palace," that she realized that her principal mechanician had been the heir apparent.

You Make What You Bank

The Net Profit of the Town Dweller and the Farmer is Compared

One day in the summer of 1915, when buying binder twine in an Iowa hardware store, a farmer bewailed the amount of twine his big crop forced him to buy. Today a million farmers are grumbling about the high cost of agricultural implements, yet, measured in bushels of wheat or corn, agricultural implements are cheaper than ever before. When a business or professional man says he makes $2,000 he means that he earned that much and had to spend most of it for living expenses for himself and family. When a farmer admits that he made the same amount or any other amount last year he means that he put that much money in the bank after paying living expenses, buying an automobile, roofing the barn, and seeing the circus. Figures don't lie, but there is a lot of difference between the way farmers and the rest of us figure earnings and profits—and farmers figure on the right side at that.—New York Commercial.

A Downstairs Visitor

Mrs. Wilson wanted to get Mrs. Johnson's cook away from her so badly that she actually went to Mrs. Johnson's house when she was away and offered the cook more money. The next time they met at a big dinner Mrs. Johnson did not notice her.

"Mrs. Johnson, you know Mrs. Wilson, do you not?" said the lady who sat between them.

"No, I believe not," said Mrs. Johnson, "but I understand that she calls on my cook."

"Crimson Gulch doesn't look anything like it did ten years ago," said the traveling man.

"No," replied Broncho Bob; "ten years ago, before so many saloons started up, if a man saw a rattlesnake comin' up the road, he knew it was a sure-enough rattlesnake."—Washington Star.

SOME INFORMATION REGARDING MILITARY SITUATION IN GERMANY

NOW USING THEIR LAST WEAPON OF DEFENCE

All the Military Plans of the Enemy Have Miserably Failed, and In Order to Satisfy German Sentiment, Ruthless Submarine Warfare is Being Sanctioned

Germany's Real Purpose

What a "Peace Without Victory" Would Mean

"Hurt her as little as possible," say the friends of Germany in England, forgetting that an inconclusive peace means a Prussian triumph. Search as we may in German newspapers, books, public speeches, pamphlets and sermons, we shall discern no indications of that change of mind for which some at home are wistfully looking. Germany has refused to state her peace terms, and the frank response of the Allies to President Wilson has called forth a burst of fury from the Kaiser. With Prussian militarism as represented by the Hohenzollerns there can be no truce unless right and freedom are to perish. If the advocates of any easy peace had their way, the wild beast would be left with his paw on the victim—panting a little from the chase, but with fierce eyes searching every thicket for further spoils. "Peace without victory" would inaugurate for the whole world a time of feverish preparation for a yet more terrible conflict. Germany would regard such a peace as an interval between the first and second Punic wars. Having weakened her rivals on the continent, she would strain every nerve for the destruction of Britain. Behind the curtain of peace she would amass her submarines, airships, deadly weapons of all kinds, and when the moment came would launch her forces without warning against the "modern Carthage."

That able Danish writer, Professor Bang, of Copenhagen, in his newly-published book, "Hurrah and Hallelujah," uses these words, "Germany will not rest until she has completely crushed England, if not in this war, then by and by."—From the British Weekly.

Getting Even

A young man and a young woman leaned on the front gate. They were lovers. It was moonlight. He was loath to leave, as the parting was the last. He was about to go away.

"I'll never forget you," he said, "and if death should claim me, my last thought would be of you."

"I'll be true to you," she sobbed. "I'll never love anybody else as long as I live."

They parted. Six years later he returned. His sweetheart of former years was married. They met at a party. She had changed greatly. Between dances recognition took place.

"Let me see," she mused, "was it you or your brother who was my old sweetheart?"

"Neither," he replied. "Probably my father."

The only thing green about a grass widow is the fellow who hangs around her.

C. W. Barron, in an article in the Boston Post, says in part:

I think I am now at liberty to tell you something very few people in the world would be able to tell you. In the latter part of last year there was a very important conference of German military leaders on their western frontier. The general staff had figured out that if the German defences were removed from the line of the Somme to the heights of the Meuse, 400,000 men could be transferred elsewhere or held in reserve. This conference was presided over by the Emperor. Von Hindenburg was brought up from the southeastern front for his opinion, while another great German general advocated the plan of the general staff. Von Hindenburg said: "We do not now need 400,000 men in the southeast or elsewhere." The reply was, "Unless you retire now, you will not be able to get the 400,000 men when you do need them. Why not shorten your lines and thereby increase your reserves?" The Kaiser decided the conference with the declaration: "Four hundred thousand men are of less importance to us than the maintenance of popular support which would be weakened by any drawing in of our lines." The Prussians have clamored for the last weapon of defence—ruthless submarine warfare to strike terror to old England. The Zeppelins failed. The promised indemnity from Paris failed. The attempt on the Channel ports failed. The attempt to weaken the union of the Allies failed. The Rumanian wheat supplies were burned, and the Rumanian oil wells were dynamited ahead of the German invaders. The proposals for a peace dictated by Germany failed. And now the German submarines are to attack the world's commerce, not as an effective weapon of offence or defence, but to satisfy German sentiment and keep the Hohenzollerns in power.

Argument Against Titles

The argument against titles in Canada is that this country is democratic in its ideals and aims. This democracy is not served by setting up a class of titled persons who will expect to take precedence over their fellow citizens.

Canada rewards those who serve her with distinction by contributing to their successes, in whatever branch of endeavor. Reward is earned by the individual in the sense of duty performed and objective attained. Democracy is interdependent and individual success is won by many contributory agencies.

Another fact that might as well be borne in mind is this: These titles are distributed in Canada among political friends. This may not always be the case, but it is the rule. Naturally the suspicion is aroused as a consequence that the conferring of a knighthood is not wholly remote from party service.—London Free Press.

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LIQUOR LICENSE ACT

(Section 45)

Notice is hereby given that, on the 19 h day of May next, application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for the transfer of the license for the sale of liquor by retail in and upon the premises known as the King George Hotel, situate at Creston, British Columbia, from J. H. Doyle to Chas. H. Bird, of Creston, British Columbia.

Dated this 19th day of April, 1917.

J. H. DOYLE, Holder of License for the Creston Trading Co. Ltd.

CHAS. H. BIRD, Applicant for Trans-

Local and Personal

BIRTH—At Creston, on April 24th, to Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Bevan, a son.

C. O. Rodgers was a buisness visitor at Nelson the latter part of the week, returning on Sunday.

Stock of fresh, new biscuits, also a supply of garden radishes at 5c. a bunch at Jackson's store,

Mrs. S. Pool of Phoenix is spending a few days here at present with her sister, Mrs. Gordon Smith.

BEES FOR SALE—Italian bees in 10-frame hives, strong colonies, reasonable prices.—W. V. Jackson, Creston

The band will be at home at a dance in the Parish Hall to-night (Friday). Gentlemen $1. Ladies please bring lunch.

Ladies' middy waists, in assorted sizes, $1.50 to $2.50. Also a nice range of ladies collars from 35 to $1.50 each. —S. A. Speers.

Mrs. M. Bamford arrived from Cranbrook on Saturday, and will spend a few days with Creston friends, the guest of Mrs. J. W. Dow.

HORSE FOR SALE—Light driving and saddle horse, rising six years old, between 800 and 900 lbs. Apply Postmaster; Wynndel, B.C.

The first bit of road work in these parts was done yesterday, when T. Harris had the scraper out levelling down the humps on the roads east and west.

Sunday was the first sort of summer day the Creston Valley has been favored with to date, the thermometer getting up as high as 65 in the shade that afternoon.

People suffering from eye troubles are reminded that J. J. Walker, the well-known eye specialist of Nelson, will visit Creston on May 8th and 9th, at the Mercantile store.

Pay Sergt. Crowe of the 107th Regiment is at Fernie this week giving evidence at a court of enquiry in that city as to the conduct of the internment camp at Morrissey.

Group photo of the men of the Forestry Draft as well as one of the officers and non-coms., taken by Wadds, the Trail photographer, can be secured at S. A. Speers store.

Mr. and Mrs. Bunker of Michel spent a few days with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moores of West Creston, this week, en route to Vancouver, where they will reside in future.

Chas. H. Bird, who has been on the staff at the King George for some months past, succeeds J. H. Doyle as manager of this well-known hostelry, and is applying for the transfer of the license.

A. E. Watts of Wattsburg, one of the prospective Conservative candidates in East Kootenay, was a visitor here Friday, on his way to Port Hill to look over some timber areas he has in that section.

Business is a little brisker in the matter of enrolling lady voters on the provincial lists. There are at least half a dozen authorized to take care of this work, and to date some 30 have signed up the necessary forms.

The Shriners at Cranbrook have just decided to establish a club for the members of that fraternity, to be located at Cranbrook, and have honored S. A. Speers with a place on the committee of management.

The first of the Valley's early vegetables made their appearance on Thursday when Ray Crisler, who is on the Ryckman ranch, brought in a supply of fine looking radishes and some equally fine looking lettuce.

Mrs. Gordon Smite, who has spent the past year with her husband at Holter, Montana, returned to Creston last week and expects to remain for the summer. Gordon is in charge of a gang of men working on a big irrigation project at Holter.

Mayor Little, who was up looking over the water system on Goat Mountain the latter part of the week, states that there is four feet of snow up where the water supply comes from, and until it begins to go more rapidly the quantity of water available to users will not be as heavy as at this time in other years.

The last of the Forestry Draft left Creston on Thursday afternoon, when Corp. Atkinson, the Red Cross man, and the two Army Service sergeants, left for Revelstoke, where another forestry corps of 250 men is being rounded up. The half dozen men who were medically unfit for overseas service, left the day previous for

ANNOUNCEMENT

A new fruit house will be opened in Lethbridge, Alta., on June 10th.

It's name will be the B.C. Wholesale and Retail Fruit Market.

The new house will be a direct from grower to consumer business. See letter in next week's REVIEW for details and particulars.

A. Lindley will be in charge.

180 Black Cerrant Bushes For Sale $1 per doz.—W. A. McMurtrie, Creson.

Arthur French of Bull River, arrived on Tuesday on a short visit with his mother, Mrs. Quain.

The Presbyterian Ladies Aid had a successful sale of home cooking last Saturday. The cash intake was close to $18.

A shipment of Black Leaf 40 direct from Kentucky just received. Get your supply early as stock is limited.—S. A. Speers.

The mail from Brockville, Ont., is particularly heavy just at present. The Forestry Draft arrived there in good shape on Wednesday afternoon of last week.

During their stay in Creston Mr. and Mrs. and Miss G. Lauder of Queens Bay were guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Jackson.

Master Wilfrid Beeby left on Wednesday for Calgary, where he expects to be taken on as junior clerk in one of the banks in that city.

PIGS FOR SALE—One brood sow and one boar 18 monohs old, Chester Whites. Also a quantity of Poultry. Apply D. O'Neil, Creston.

Mrs. D. Spiers and two of the children left on Friday for Brandon, Man., to visit Mr. Spiers, who is still confined to the hospital in that city.

Mrs. (Rev.) J. S. Mahood of Queens Bay spent a few days with Creston friends the latter part of the week, accompanying Mr. Mahood here for the concert last Friday.

The headquarters of the 107th Regiment is still in Oreston, although Sergts. Crowe and Keddel the entire staff now here, are expecting a transfer to Nelson any day now.

FOR RENT—For garden or poultry raising, 7½ acres known as Block C and part of Block B, Creston Townsite. Apply J. Barreau, 816 Second Street S.E., Medicine Hat, Alta.

Kennedy & Mangan did an export trade of 26 carloads of posts from Creston last month. Uutil the danger from high water is past the firm are easing np a little on post making.

R. G. A. Hockley, who has spent the past three months on his annual business visit to Victoria, returned to Creston on Friday, and is busy getting things in shape for spring operations on his ranch.

Land clearing operations on a small scale are in evidence in some parts of the Valley already On the Blinco ranch Lamont Bros. have their stump pulling machine busy on a 10-acre clean up.

Receipts at Creston Red Cross depot for the month of March include, among other things, 38 pairs of socks, 14 suits of pyjamas and 13 knee caps. Almost 20 new members were added during the month as well.

DENTISTRY—Dr. Simmons, dentist, of Fernie, will visit Creston for the practice of his profession for a few days only, commencing April 29th. To be sure of attention make appointments at the drugstore at once.

Wm. Hooper came in from Rossland on Tuesday, and will spend the next couple of weeks on improving his ranch here. The mines at that point are still idle, not a ton of ore having moved out of Rossland for some days back.

R. S. Bevan motored a party down to Bonners Ferry, Idaho, on Friday, returning Saturday. He reports navigation opened on The Kootenay last week, the steamer Crescent now making regular tri-weekly trips between Bonners and Port Hill.

M. S. Middleton of Nelson, provincial horticulturist for the Kootenays, was a visitor here on Saturday, from where he motored to Bonners Ferry, Idaho, to investigate the seed growing industry at that point that is being developed by the Kootenay Valley Seed Growers Association. Experimental work on a small scale on this line may be attempted in the Valley this season.

Len Mawson left on Tuesday for Yahk, where he has been given charge of one of the C.P.R. section crews working out of that point. He has been the most likely man on foreman Nicholl's crew for the past three years, and the promotion is well merited. He will be missed in musical circles, particularly in the orchestra, in which he has played a violin ever since it was organized, as well as in the band, of which he was an equally valuable member.

Creston Fruit Growers Union
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TO THE SHAREHOLDERS,—

It will interest you to know that the ranchers who have already arranged with the Union to handle their berries this season have given in estimates which exceed last year's shipments of Strawberries nearly 20 per cent., and also exceed last season's Raspberry shipments.

We are not inclined to be too optimistic so early in the season, still there is no question that the above showing is most encouraging and gives reason to think that this season's business will be the best the Union has had as regards volume of business done.

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