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Sirdar Has Sad Drowning Mishap

The saddest week-end Sirdar has ever known followed the drowning accident that occured on Saturday afternoon, in which Tony, the 14-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lombardo, lost his life under particularly heart-breaking circumstances.

So far as can be learned the unfortunate youth, in company with a couple of smaller boys, went skating on the lake early in the afternoon. Although the ice had only formed a couple of night's previous and was none too thick, the trio appear to have gotten well out on the lake when Tony decided he would tackle a skating trip across to the other shore while the other two, who were getting tired, decided to return home. This was the last seen of the victim of the sad fatality.

Not making his usual appearance at home along in the afternoon, enquiry was made for him, and when it was learned that he had started on his skate across the lake and had not returned, suspicion was aroused that something ill had befallen him, one of his brother's following the skate marks—which was rendered rather easy due to a light fall of snow the night before—only to make the grim discovery that about a mile from shore the ill-fated skater had gone through an air hole into the lake which has a considerable depth at that point.

The alarm was at once raised and a rescue party formed with Messrs. McMasters and Cameron in charge. Procuring the former's boat they pushed it ahead of them, and when the thin ice was encountered they got into the craft and by breaking the ice ahead and poling the craft from you-know-where they managed to get through to the spot where the boy had gone through the ice.

Just how gamely he had fought to get up on the surface again was shown in an area of some 30 feet square over all of which he had broken the ice in frantic efforts to release himself from the lake, and just how cold the water was will be realized from the fact that from the time he sank until the rescue party arrived a fresh coat of ice almost half inch thick had frozen over the spot. After about 15 minutes prodding of the bottom with pike poles the body was located, rescued from the water and immediately taken ashore, and on consent being obtained from the coroner at Creston the body was taken to the Hendren undertaking parlors at Creston on the yard train.

The funeral was on Tuesday from Holy Cross Church, Creston, where the body had lain, Father Pecatte taking the service at the church and interment was made at the Creston cemetery, Harry Hughes, Frank Romano, John Lorenzo, and Frank Provenzano (Cranbrook) officiating as pall bearers, and a large number of Sirdar citizens going to Creston to be present at the last sad rites. A striking tribute to the popularity of the deceased was shown in the numerous and beautiful floral remembrances that surrounded the coffin. Among those from a distance who attended the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Provenzano, Mrs. C. Romano, and Ross Pascuzzo, all of Cranbrook, and Mrs. Bonacco of Proctor.

Exceptionally bright and likeable in every way, Tony was a great favorite with everyone in Sirdar, and his death under ordinary circumstances would have been sad enough, but to have his young life so suddenly cut off in the distressful fashion of Saturday's fatality has evoked a universal and very genuine sympathy for his parents and members of the family in their heavy bereavement.

GRAND THEATRE
Saturday, December 24

To one of these men on the desolate island the rescue-boat was bringing life and success—and to the other it was bringing death and dishonor.

"THE LOVE FLOWER"
D.W. GRIFFITH'S
newest picture
from the Collier's Weekly Story "BLACK BEACH" by Ralph Stock.
is the height of love romance and adventure.
Regular Prices

Camping Office

Miss Frances Knott, who has been attending high school at Kaslo the past four months, is home for the Christmas holidays.

The social committe of the United Farmers are giving a card party and dance in the schoolhouse on Friday night, Dec. 30th, for the piano fund benefit. Mrs. Foreman will be in charge of the music, which assures the success of the dance. The admission is 50 cents, which includes supper.

On Saturday evening, 31st, the United Farmers will speed up the business features of the regular meeting so as to get through in good time to enjoy a few hours of whist and other sociability, which will include supper. A cordial invitation is extended all to attend.

Miss Muriel Knott, who is teaching near Notch Hill, B.C., got home the middle of the week, and will spend the yuletide vacation at her home here.

Erickson

Word reached here on Thursday morning of the death at the hospital at Red Deer, Alta., of Henry Hamilton, who resided here up till this spring, when he removed to Telkwa, B.C. No details are available as to the cause of his demise.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Smith left on Tuesday for Nelson and Silverton, where they are spending the Christmas holidays.

Miss Vaughn, principal of the Erickson school, left on Friday for the coast, where she is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents.

Old timers cannot recall a more severe spell of weather than was furnished during the gale that prevailed all day Sunday and for the greater part of Monday. So far as we can learn none of the growers had fruit or vegetables frozen.

R. J. Long was a business visitor at Nelson a few days the latter part of the week.

The cold spell that has prevailed this week has temporarily halted Jos. Stinson's fencing operations at the Staples brothers ranches. He is putting brand new wire fencing around their thirty-acre property.

Kitchener

Kitchener school closed on Friday afternoon, and the feature of the windup of the fall term was the concert in the evening, which was attended by a crowd that packed the building to capacity. The chair was ably filled by G. A. Hunt. All the children had a part in the programme, there being an exceptionally fine lot of recitations, songs, etc., and all given in a manner that would have done credit to much older folk. A fancy drill by ten of the school girls was one of the most popular numbers on the list. During the evening chairman Hunt called upon Mrs. J. Schmidt, one of Rossland's most popular vocalists, for a solo, which was rendered in finished style, and had to be responed to with an encore number. Of course there was a Christmas tree, and heavily loaded down with presents, among the gifts being a book for each of the sholars, those being given each of them by the teacher, while in turn the teacher was agreeably surprised on being presented with an onyx pendant—a little token of appreciation from the children. After the concert the school furditure was carefully cleared away and dancing was the order of the balance of the evening, good music being furnished by Messrs. Chorlton and Hall of Creston, and Mr. Ayott making an excellent master of ceremonies. At the close three rousing cheers were given for the teacher, and all went home satisfied that the affair had been the most successful evening's entertainment ever given in Kitchener.

Lister

The regular monthly meeting of the G.W.V.A. was held in the schoolhouse on Saturday night. The special feature of the business was in connection with the children's Christmas tree.

Misses Campion and Irving of the teaching staff of Lister school are at Nelson for the Christmas holidays.

J. D. McBrady, who for the past year and a half has been on the office staff of the Land Settlement Board at Lister, left on Tuesday for his home in Victoria. It is reported that he severed his relations with the settlement office work.

J. W. Head is busy this week erecting a small barn on his farm.

The annual school concert on Thursday night was a decided success in every way. The attendance was very large, the different numbers were well rendered and equally warmly received and with a supper at the close followed by a few hours dancing the event could hardly fail to satisfy both young and old. The chair was occupied by A. W. Atkins, school board secretary, who filled the post most creditably, and in a programme that totalled almost two dozen numbers the following took part: Recitations by Doris Millington, Frances Malthouse, Clara Little, Gus Charleson, Margaret Little, Annie Yewbury, Muriel Millington and Margaret Chalmers. There were songs by Eva and Jessie Brain, and chorouses were given by the primary girls, senior third class pupils, senior girls and ten nigger boys, while the whole school united in chorouses to open and close proceedings. Dialogues were contributed by Margaret and Marvin Little, Doris Yewbury and Clara Little, Flossie Evans and George Frampton. Miss Evans also favored with a piano solo, and there was the evergreen drill by four boys and four girls. Space does not permit of us to emphasize the stellar numbers, for the simple reason that every selection was of merit and the whole entertainment certainly entitled the teachers, Misses Campion and Irving, to unblushingly accept the compliments paid them on all hands for the good taste shown in selecting the various items on the programme, as well as on the faithful service rendered in preparing the different artists.

Owing to a shortage of space this week we are compelled to hold over till next issue a very complete report of the session of the United Farmers on Friday, Dec. 16th.

Masquerade BALL

Grand Theatre Ballroom

Mon., Jan. 2

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which includes supper.

Local and Personal

Spirella Corsetiere—For appointments call or write Mrs. B. Peaire, Box 67, Creston. Residence, over Mawson Bros. pool room.

About a mile and a quarter of hard-surface road was put down this year, most of the work being on the stretch from beyond Crawford's hill to the R. J. Long ranch. Quite a quantity of rock has been assembled and crushing operations will get off to an early start next spring, when it is expected the mileage of road built will considerably exceed the work of 1921.

All present and former members of Creston Board of Trade as well as all citizens who wish to become members, are asked to attend a special meeting of the board on Thursday night, Dec. 29th, at eight o'clock, in Speers' Hall. Vigorous effort in all lines of community development is desired for 1922 and the more members the board has the more effective will be the work done.

School closed for the Christmas holidays on Friday afternoon, and will not re-open until Tuesday, January 3rd. Up to the present every possible bit of deskroom has been taken in each of the five rooms, and should there be much of a beginners' class to take care of next midsummer it is more than likely the unfinished room of the new school will have to be fitted up and a sixth teacher engaged.

Already the manufacture has started of costumes for the annual masquerade ball which Manager Rodgers announces for Monday night, January 2nd, in the Grand Theatre Ballroom. The music will be by the orchestra headed by Mrs. Foreman, and the popular admission prices will prevail. Prizes are to be given for the best dressed lady and gentleman, and the best lady and gent's comic costumes.

Sunday furnished the Valley with about the coldest day residents can recall. While the official mercury reading indicated an above-zero atmosphere a 60 mile an hour gale direct from the inner recesses of the Arctic circle prevailed all day and night, as well as the night previous, and in residences not equipped with storm doors and windows the detail of firing up sufficiently to keep the house warm was quite a steady job. Monday morning's temperature was 2 below, which was repeated on Tuesday, but since then normal December weather conditions have prevailed.

December Session Board of Trade

The December meeting of Creston Board of Trade on Thursday night was one of the most important sessions of the year, and was in charge of President Bevan. A new plan of financing the board was inaugurated at the first of the year. Instead of a straight fixed fee for twelve months' membership the assessment system was tried out, and despite the falling off in membership the new idea occasioned, Chairman Allen of the finance committee reported that an assessment of $12.50 per member would be all that is required to take care of quite a comprehensive twelve months' operations in all departments.

In connection with the permanent north and south highway across the United States, which the citizens of Bonners Ferry hope to see built via Porthill, a letter was read from County Commissioner Rath stating that contracts would be let early in the spring for at least twelve miles of the new highway, and that in order to ensure it being construted via Porthill the people of Creston would have to furnish definite assurance from the provincial minister of public works to the effect that an equally good connecting link would be built from Creston to the Idaho boundary in order to assure U.S. auto tourists a good road north to tap the transprovincial highway across B.C. Considerable effort is being put forth to have this road across Idaho run via Eastport and Kingsgate. The situation as outlined by Commissioner Rath has been explained to Hon. Dr. King, B.C.'s public works minister, who some months ago gave verbal assurance that the Creston Porthill road would be given the necessary attention to satisfy auto traffic requirements.

In connection with Kootenay Flats drainage there was a letter from E. F. Drake, the federal director of Reclamation, in which he indicated that an effort was being made to arrange a conference between the B.C. and Ottawa authorities, to review the situation from a purely Canadian standpoint, particularly in the light of the new data that has been gathered. Mr. Drake could not agree as the necessity of this conference being held at Creston. He suggests Nelson or Victoria, but if Mr. Cleveland is agreeable there will be no objection to having a conference both at Creston and Bonners Ferry.

A resolution was submitted, and passed with one dissenting vote, calling the attention of the authorities to the fact that in the fall of 1920 a referendum vote resulted in authority being given the provincial administration to undertake the sale of malt and spirituous liquors under government control, in accordance with which stores have been opened at many centres, and have proved of great convenience to the public and at the smae time have provided the Government with a new source of revenue—said stores, too, helping eliminate the present system of bootlegging and private importation so prevalent throughout district and detrimental to the well-being of the rising generation—therefore the Government is requested to at once open a liquor store in Creston.

A special meeting of the board is called for Thursday night next, Dec. 29th, at which the attendance of all present and former members is requested, along with all others who would like to join up with the board. Plans for 1922 operations will be discussed and prepared for submission at the annual meeting early in January.

Card of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. P. Lombardo and family of Sirdar take this means of expressing their deep appreciation of the sympathy and many kindnesses shown them by the friends at Cranbrook, Creston and Sirdar in their recent heavy bereavement. They are particularly appreciative of the splendid work done by all who helped in the search and rescue effort, and deeply thankful for the many floral tributes sent their deceased son and brother.

The Homesteaders

— BY —

ROBERT J. C. STEAD

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(Continued)

"This is His Nibs' drawing-room," said Gardiner. "This junk you see about you has been gathered from the corners of the earth during the last few centuries. In there"—indicating another room through a door to the left—"is his bedroom—a regular museum of stuff running to no end of money, if you went to buy it. He has a couple of pictures worth than a quarter-section of land, and that mat you see through the door—a prayer-rug he calls it, though he don't use it much for that—is worth over five hundred dollars."

Gardiner enjoyed the look of amazement that slowly spread over Riles' face. "He's been stuffin' you," said Riles at length, thinking of his own extravagance when he paid ninety cents a yard for a carpet for their front room at home. "He's been stuffin' you sure. There ain't no mats worth any money like that."

"It's gospel," said Gardiner. "Why, man, he has a set of chess worth more than the best team on your farm, and that statue affair up there—you simply couldn't buy it. The place is just bristling with valuables of one kind and another."

But Riles appeared suddenly agitated. He seized Gardiner by the arm, saying, "If this stuff's worth 's much as you figure, why don't we make a clean-up here, when the duke, or whatever he is, is away? That's be safer, wouldn't it?"

"No, it wouldn't. It'd be easy enough to get away with the stuff, but how'd you turn it into money? The police would get you sure on a game like that. Of course, if you should decide to go in for culture, without the 'agri' ahead, you might like to have the prayer-mat for your own knees. No, you can't put over anything like that. And now we better be getting down to business."

Gardiner drew a couple of chairs up to the carved table, opened a drawer, and produced writing materials. "We can't get a letter away to Harris any too soon. Nothing like making hay while the sun shines, you know, and if he gets out here before we put our plan up to him, it would be natural enough for him to want to see the mine-owner himself. So hitch yourself to that pen there, and let us see what kind of a hand you are at fiction."

Riles would rather have done a day's work in the field than write a letter, but Gardiner insisted it must be done by him. Much of the afternoon was spent in the struggle, and Gardiner's fertile imagination had to be appealed to at several critical points. But at last the letter was completed. It ran as follows:

"john Harris esq

"planvil man

"sir i take up my pen to let you no that i am all well hoppin this will find you the same well this is a grate contry their is sure a big out ov doors well mr Harris i think i see somthing here a hole lot better than 3 years on a homstead homsteads is all rite for men that Hasunt got any money but a man with sum mony can do better i wish i Had sold my plase i left i could ov done well here their is lots ov chantez to make big mony their is a man here owns a cole mine he is what they call Gsentrik He is a Hermitt and lives in the Hills His mine is wurth 500000$ but He don't no it He will take 80000$ for it and we can sell it rite away for perhaps 500000$ I think we should take this up it is a grate chants if you will sell your plase rite away and bring all the money you can then i will sell mine for the balluns be sure and bring all the money you can if you dont like the cole mine there is lots of other chantez they will make you rich and bring the mony in bills not chex becaws He wont take chex becaws He is Xsentrik their is a man here sais His friend in new york would pay 500000$ for the cole mine if he was here and He is sending Him word so Hurry and let us get holt ov it furst then we'll sell it to Him and make a killing dont fale

"your obedyunt servunt

"Hiram Riles."

Gardiner read the letter carefully, suppressing his amusement over Riles' wrestlings with the language, and finally gave his approval.

"Now, you must make a copy of it," he said. "It's only business to have a copy. That was a fine touch of yours about going back to sell your own farm. I believe you have some imagination after all, if it only had a chance to sprout."

Riles protested about the labour of making a copy, but Gardiner insisted, and at last the work was completed. The sound of galloping hoofs was heard outside, and a cowboy from a neighbouring ranch called at the door to ask if there was anything wanted from town. "Here's your chance to mail your letter," Gardiner called to Riles with unnecessary loudness. "Mr. Riles dropped in here to write a letter," he explained to the rider.

Having with much difficulty folded his epistle until it could be crumpled into an envelope, Riles sealed, stamped and addressed it, and a moment later the dust was rising down the trail as the cowboy bore the fatal missive to town. The die was cast; the match had been set to the tinder, and the fire must now burn through to a finish, let it scorch whom it would.

Gardiner took up the copy, folded it carefully, and put it into his pocket-book. "Now, Mr. Riles," he said, we're in for this thing, and there's no backing out. At least you're in for it. You have sent a leter, in your handwriting, such as it is, to Harris, and I have a copy of it, your handwriting, in my pocket. If this thing ever gets out these letter will make good evidence."

CHAPTER XIV.

The Gamblers

Harris found some difficulty in providing that affairs of the farm would proceed satisfactorily during his absence, but at last they were arranged, if not exactly to his liking, at least in a manner that promised no serious loss. It was most unfortunate that Mary, in a moment of headstrong passion quite without precedent in his experience of her, had determined upon a visit just at the time when she was particularly needed at home. If Harris had been quite fair he would have remembered that there had been no time in the last twenty-five years when she had not been needed at home, and the present occasion was perhaps no less opportune for her visit than many others. But he felt a deep grievance over his wife's conduct, and while he missed her sorely he was determined that no act of his should shorten her visit or imply that the business of the farm was in any way suffering from her absence. He had managed their affairs successfully in the past; he would continue to manage them successfully in the future; and he only hoped that time would impress upon her the fact that he was doing everything for the best. He assured himself that he was actuated only by a desire for the highest good for his family, even while their disobedience and ingratitude rendered his task unnecessarily difficult.

The hired man, in consideration of having no field work to do, finally consented to milk the cows and deliver the milk daily to Mrs. Riles, who would convert it into butter—for a consideration of so much per pound. To his good neighbours, the Grants, Harris turned for assurance that should he and Allan be delayed on their trip, or should the harvest come in earlier than expected, ample steps would be taken to garner it.

So, with these arrangements complete, the farmer and his son drove into Plainville one fine bright morning at the end of July, ready for their first long trip into the New West. Indeed, it was Allan's first long journey anywhere; an excursion to Winnipeg at the time of the summer exhibition had been the limit of his exeprience of travel, and the hard work of the farm had not yet extinguished the young man's desire for novelty and excitement. He looked forward to their expedition with a feeling akin to enthusiasm, and he secretly cherished the hope that their travels might bring them again into the company of his mother and sister, for whom, with the slackening of labour, he now felt an increasing loneliness.

Harris got off at the railway station to buy the tickets; Allan went to the post office on the odd chance of any letters awaiting delivery, and the hired man turned the horses homeward. The station agent was threading his way through his car report, and remained provokingly unconscious of Harris's presence at the ticket window. The farmer took no pains to conceal his impatience, coughing and snuffling obviously, but it was not until the last box-car had been duly recorded that the agent deigned to recognize his existence.

"Nothing for you from——," he said, mentioning the mail order house from which Harris made most of his purchases.

"Well, I didn't expect anythin," retorted the farmer ,"although you're just as likely to have it when I don't as when I do. How much is a ticket to Calgary?"

"You got the land fever, too?" the agent asked, as he consulted his tariffs. "Riles went up the other day. You'll be making a clean-up on the cheap land, I suppose. But I tell you, Harris, if I'd a farm like yours you couldn't pry me off it with a pinch-bar. No more worries for little Willie, and I'd leave the free land to those that haven't got any—like myself."

"Worry!" snorted Harris. "What do you worry about? You get your pay, whether it freezes or hails or shivels up with one of these Dakota scorchers."

The agent thought of the piles of reports on his table, but as he thumped the stamp on the tickets he answered, "Oh, I worry over the Monroe doctrine." He left the farmer counting his change, and turned to his reports. "Another money-grabber gone crazy with the heat," he muttered. "If I'd his wad wouldn't I burn this wire with one hot, short sentence!"

Harris met his son on the platform. "What d'ye think, Dad? A letter from Riles." He drew the crumpled missive from its envelope. "Looks like a laundry ticket," he said, "but I figured it out, and he want's you to sell the farm and buy a coal mine."

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"I barely ate enough to keep alive, and what little I did eat caused great distress from acid stomach. Sometimes I felt like I would smother, and my heart would palpitate so I was afraid I had heart trouble. My husband spared no money in providing me with the best of treatments, but nothing benefitted me and, as I said, I was told my case was beyond the reach of any medicine.

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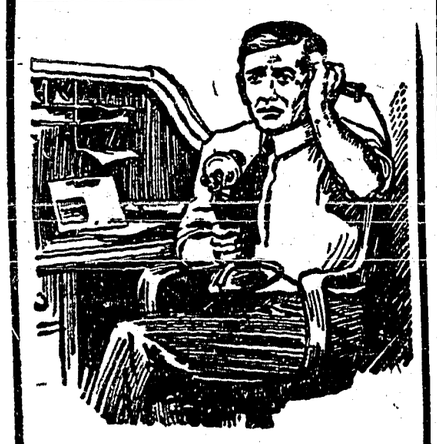

The Kidneys

The office man and the outdoor worker suffer alike from derangements of the kidneys.

Backaches and headaches are among the symptoms. In some cases Bright's disease soon develops, others suffer from high blood pressure until hardening of the arteries sets in.

In order to forestall painful and fatal diseases prompt action should be taken at the first sign of trouble.

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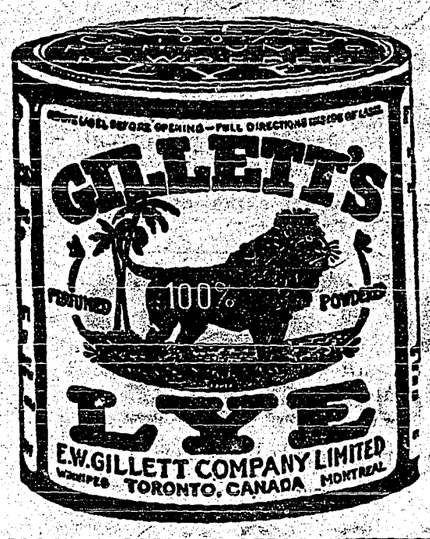

World Happenings Briefly Told

W. K. Rogers, one of the silver black fox kings of P.E.I., is to build a ranch for foxes in the north of Scotland next year.

Ruling has been made that in Montreal only moving picture houses of all theatres may remain open on Sunday.

Maurice T. Graham, a prominent citizen of Blind River, Ont., was drowned by falling through a hole in the ice on Burnt Lake.

New motor buses are being manufactured in England to start soon on a regular motor route to Monte Carlo and the Italian coast. The trip will last six days.

Lord Peel has been appointed minister of transport to succeed Sir Eric Geddes, brother of the British ambassador at Washington. There is no salary attached to the office.

While attempting to kill a wounded prairie chicken with the butt end of a shotgun, Russell Long, 17, of Bowsman, Sask., was accidentally killed when the gun discharged.

The U.F.A. convention for 1922 has been definitely decided for Calgary, arrangements having been made with the First Baptist Church for accommodation.

Customs officials stopped a train travelling between Eydtkuhnen and Berland and decided to examine a suspected passenger's luncheon. They found diamonds within egg shells and gold stuffed into bread.

A recent Soviet decree which has been published, declares that the furniture of all persons who have left Moscow is the property of the Soviet and is temporarily entrusted to the persons occupying the rooms where the furniture is placed.

Desert Cactus Is Useful

Many Things Are Made From Different Species of Plant

The huge cactus which grows in abundance on desert soil is being turned to useful account today.

The woody part of the trunk supplies material for table-legs, chairs, canes and veneering. The prickly spikes are made into toothpicks, needles, and pins for mending leather. The pulp in the stem is cut into strips, and is stewed or fried for human food. Cheese is made from the fruits of some cactus plants, and the red juice is used to color ice creams and jellies.

There are many different kinds of cactus, some growing to a height of sixty feet. Many of the different species bear fruit which is eaten raw or when dried, and one particular part of the plant is often eaten by natives owing to its peculiar power of allaying both hunger and thirst, and acting as well as a powerful stimulant.

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Wishes to Return to U.S.

Emma Goldman, who was deported to Russia from the United States in December, 1919, as a result of her alleged anarchistic activities, has left Moscow. She is believed to be in Riga with the intention of seeking permission to return to the United States.

WINTER HARD ON BABY

The winter season is a hard one on the baby. He is more or less confined to stuffy, bad ventilated rooms. It is so often stormy that the mother does not get him out in the fresh air as often as she should. He catches colds which rack his little system; his stomach and bowels get out of order and he becomes peevish and cross. To guard against this the mother should keep a box of Baby's Own Tablets in the house. They regulate the stomach and bowels and break up colds. They are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Moon Coming Nearer Earth

The moon is getting nearer to the earth at a speed of about fourteen feet in 200 years. Astronomers up to the present have not been able to explain why this is so.

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Because of its absolute purity and refreshing fragrance, it is ideal for every-day toilet purposes. Always include the Cuticura Talcum in your toilet preparations.

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Someone says there is not much difference between "sight" and "vision." We submit there is a whole lot. Call a girl a vision and she'll think you're just the nicest there is. But call her a sight and se what happens! If you've nerve enough, that is, to wait and see.—Owen Sound Advertiser.

His Flesh Horribly Burnt

His druggist sold him a cheap Acid corn remedy, instead of giving him good old reliable Putnam's Corn Extractor which has been for fifty years the Standard remover of corns and warts. "Putnam's" never fails, it is always a success. 25c everywhere. Refuse a substitute.

Their Culpability

There may be innocent bystanders but most of them are guilty of standing around when wise folks beat it.—Buffalo Enquirer.

Mother! Move Child's Bowels With California Fig Syrup

Hurry mother! Even a sick child loves the "fruity" taste of "California Fig Syrup" and it never fails to open the bowels. A teasponful today may prevent a sick child tomorrow. If constipated, bilious, feverish, fretful, has cold, colic, or if stomach is sour, tongue coated, breath bad, remember a good cleansing of the little bowels is often all that is necesasry.

Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother! You must say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup.

Baronet Deprived of Nationality

Sir Edgar Speyer Held Guilty of Giving Aid to King's Enemies

Sir Edgar Speyer has been deprived of his British nationality by a report of a special Statutory Committee, which was appointed recently to inquire into charges that he had been guilty of conduct incompatible with his oath of allegiance to King George V. and giving aid and comfort to the King's enemies. The evidence before the committee was taken in camera, but it is understood great stress was laid by the Attorney-General on testimony procured by a commission in the United States, showing Sir Edgar's relations with Dr. Karlmuch, and other Germans in the United States during the war. This decision automatically deprives Sir Edgar of his British Privy Councillorship, but he retains his baronetcy until King George, by order-in-council, annuls it. He has the right to appeal to the Supreme Court on questions of law, if he elects to do so.

Choked for Air. Some little irritant becomes lodged in the bronchial tubes, others gather, and the awful choking of asthma results. Quick and positive relief is afforded by using Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy. The healing, soothing smoke or vapor penetrates, clears the passages and gives untold relief. It has behind it years of success. It is the sure remedy for every sufferer.

The Young Practitioner

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"In the mornings practically no one comes," was the reply, "and in the afternoons the rush falls off a bit."—Omaha World-Herold.

Minard's Liniment for Garget in Cows

A Coat Dress In Black Broadcloth

By Marie Belmont

Black has held full sway for so many months that one would think its power must surely begin to wane. But this is by no means the case, as black things continue to come from Paris. To be sure, at present there are enough high shades to offset this sombre tone. By way of diversion, the vogue for black is finding new mediums of expression. This particular coat dress is broadcloth instead of Canton crepe, and drapes up at the hip as effectively as only broadcloth can. The self-covered buckle holds the fulness here, while black silk braid outlines the collar and slightly flared sleeves. A dainty vest in white or ecru complete the effect. The coat dress is sponsored by a number of designers this season and finds ready favor because of its smartness and practicability. It may be worn beneath a long or short coat, and is very good with a short fur coat.

Dyed Her Wrap Blue And A Skirt Brown

Each package of "Diamond Dyes" contains directions so simple any woman can dye or tint her worn, shabby dresses, skirts, waists, coats, stockings, sweaters, coverings, draperies, hangings, everything, even if she has never dyed before. Buy "Diamond Dyes"—no other kind—then perfect home dyeing is sure because Diamond Dyes are guaranteed not to spot, fade, streak, or run. Tell your druggist whether the material you wish to dye is wool or silk, or whether it is linen, cotton or mixed goods.

All Should Go To Work

Somebody makes this revolutionary suggestion that we have a national work week. If everybody had fifty-two of them, we should hear no talk of hard times.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

USE SLOAN'S TO WARD OFF PAIN

LITTLE aches grow into big pains unless warded off by an application of Sloan's. Rheumatism, neuralgia, stiff joints, lame back won't fight long against Sloan's Liniment.

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At all druggists—35c, 70c, $1.40.
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Sloan's Liniment (Pain's enemy)

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For Sore Throat, Cold In The Chest, Etc.

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"Danderine" costs only 35 cents a bottle. One application ends all dandruff, stops itching and falling hair, and, in a few moments, you have doubled the beauty of your hair. It will appear a mass, so soft, lustrous, and easy to do up. But what will please you most will be after a few weeks use, when you see new hair—fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair growing all over the scalp. "Danderine" is to the hair what fresh showers of rain and sunshine are to vegetation. It goes right to the roots, invigorates and strengthens them. This delightful, stimulating tonic helps thin, lifeless, faded hair to grow long, thick, heavy and luxuriant.

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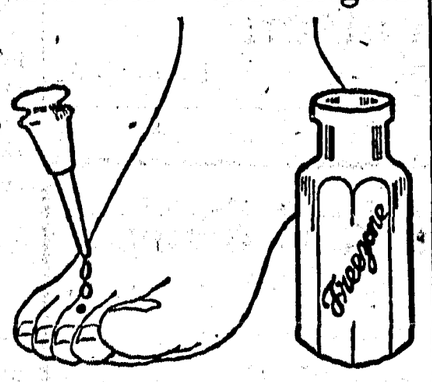

Doesn't hurt a bit! Drop a little "Freezone" on an aching corn, instantly that corn stops hurting, then shortly you lift it right off with fingers. Truly!

Your druggist sells a tiny bottle of "Freezone" for a few cents, sufficient to remove every hard corn, soft corn, or corn between the toes, and the calluses, without soreness or irritation.

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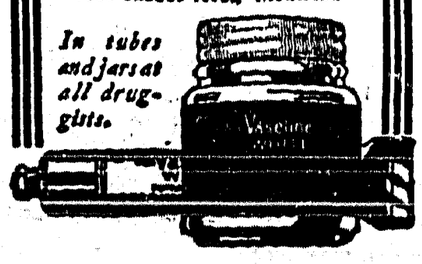

"Those Who Dance Must Pay The Fiddler"

There's a settlement in profit or loss, for nearly every indulgence.

Sometimes the pay day is long deferred, and in that case the settlement may bear compound interest.

Often a payment in ill health is required for the dance had with tea or coffee during earlier years. Sometimes the collection comes in sleeplessness, sometimes in headaches, sometimes in high blood pressure, or in nervous indigestion—sometimes in all these penalties.

Nerves won't always stand the whipping of tea and coffee's drug, caffeine.

If you've been dancing to tea or coffee's fiddling, why keep on till payment time comes? If you're beginning to pay, now, why not cancel the contract?

There's an easy and pleasant way to avoid tea and coffee's penalties, as thousands have found who have changed to Postum. It is a delight with any meal—rich, comforting and satisfying—and it never harms. Even the little children can have a breakfast cup of Postum, with no fear for what may happen to sensitive nerves.

Instead of paying penalties for your meal-time drink, let it pay benefits to you, by giving natural health a full chance—and begin the new arrangement today. Any grocer will sell you, or any good restaurant will serve you Postum.

Postum comes in two forms: Instant Postum (in tins) made instantly in the cup by the addition of boiling water. Postum Cereal (in packages of larger bulk, for those who prefer to make the drink while the meal is being prepared) made by boiling for 20 minutes.

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C. F. HAYES, Editor and Owner.

CRESTON, B.C., FRIDAY, DEC. 23

Clear the Air

Generally speaking Creston Valley citizens the day after election are able to forget or overlook any differences that may have arisen during the heat of the fight, and to get back to business as usual.

In the West Kootenay contest Liberals and Conservatives have readily assumed the "as you were" status, but there are a couple of incidents that the Farmer-Labor party should in all fairness and decency explain before they can expect Liberals to resume the old time diplomatic relations, so to speak.

Firstly, for the good name of the United Farmer organization a statement should be forthcoming as to what happened the Staples $2 membership cheque. This membership was solicited and the fee paid in the best of faith. No matter who suffers, the confidence that Mr. Staples reposed in Creston Local of the United Farmers when he paid his membership must be respected, or the hitherto good name of the organization in Creston as well as in other places suffer accordingly. On the face of it no other conclusion can be drawn than that Creston United Farmers, or some of its officers have played underhand politics—despite their policy of honesty, truth and justice—and the sooner the mess is cleaned up the better.

The other incident that needs explaining is the now quite famous "home, sweet home," feature of the Farmer-Labor advertising. So many of the Farmer-Labor supporters have come forword assuring that they knew nothing of the matter and roundly condeming the party who either wrote the publicity, or passed on such malicious information, that it is quite safe to say that the better element of the Farmer-Laborites, as well as all other citizens, are so heartily ashamed of such brazen political methods, that unless amends honorable are speedily made an effort will have to be launched from the inside of the Farmer-Labor ranks to clear the air.

The public generally are not slow to forget the attacks of the slanderer. If they will steal one man's reputation to day, they will the more readily ruin another,s tomorrow, and yet another's the next day, with or without political provocation—a state of affairs no one really cares to know exists in any community. Nor is it good politics to have such an undesirable asset carried over for the opposition to open up the next campaign with.

Both in the name of political as well as communlty decency some explanation of these two incidents is coming to Creston Valley and the sooner the responsible parties make a clean breast of things so much the better for themselves and the good names of all identifeied with the Farmer-Labor campaign organization ih Creston.

Efficient Officials

Having paid our respects to sundry actors in the political drama on which the curtain has just been rung down, it is a very great pleasure to be able to say that notwithstanding the opportunities that the Election Act gave for manipulating the voters list inso far as Creston Valley is concerned all the gentlemen who were appointed as registrars, and later on as deputy returning officers, filled their positions absolutely impartially.

Both in entering names on the list and in the giving out of ballots in every case the benefit of the doubt was given the would-be voter irrespective of what his political faith might be. If anyone in these parts was denied a vote it certalnly was not due to wilful partizanship or malice aforethought on the part of Messrs. Hunt, Bell, Young, Thurston, Walmsley, Smith or Butterfield—the men who had charge of the compilation of the lists as well as the ballot boxes on December 6th.

With the exception of the two Farmer-Labor unpardonable transgressions of campaign decency aforementioned the campaign can truly be said to have been one that neither Grit or Tory need regret, and in due course we hope to be able to inscribe the name of the local Farmer-Labor party amongst those who fought hard and well, and never hit below the belt.

Losing Ground

During the campaign emphasis was laid on the fact that Ontario was not exactly satisfied with the two years of Farmer-Labor administration that province has had so far, and a glance over the returns by provinces will convince that the statement was quite well founded.

Out of 81 members returned from Ontario the final returns show but 24 Farmer members elected, while out of almost a score of Labor candidates who were in the field not one of them was successful.

In Ontario where the swing from Meighen was expected to be toward the Farmers to such an extent as to give leader Crear at least 50 members, the swing was so pronounced to Liberalism that the latter party shows 21 members in Ontario, and it was undoubtedly Ontario's decisive repudiation of the Progressive in favor of the Liberals that enabled Mackenzie King to muster a total of 117 supporters from all the provinces.

Ontario has found the Farmer-Labor administration no improvement on either of the old parties and at the first opportunity has not hesitated to express its disapproval of a party of great promise but very inefficient delivery.

WANTED TO BORROW—Party can give best of security in the shape of improved ranch property would like to borrow $1000 for three years. For particulars enquire Review Office.

Alice Siding

S. Paul and Hector Stewart have completed the work of deepening the school well. Another ten feet has been added to the depth and a good supply of water is available.

Miss M. Wadds, teacher of Alice Siding school, left on Saturday for Crawford Bay, where she is spending Christmas with her parents.

Tuesday and Friday evenings last the members of the Social Club were entertained at the Churchill and Paul homes respectively, dances, songs and games were the order of the proceedings, with refreshments, served on both occasions.

Miss Ruth Compton was hostess at a social gathering of friends who were hospitably entertained at a varied line of amusements in the big packing shed.

Miss M. Smith of Porthill is here on a visit to her sister, Mrs. R. Smith.

This week's meeting of the Social Club was on Tuesday night at the house on the Norris & Wood ranch, wnich was lately vacated by Mr. Norris. There was the usual programme during the evening and the usual highly sociable time.

School closed for the Christmas holidays on Friday last, the December attendance reaching the healthy total of 17 pupils.

Although the Sunday's gale and the succeeding zero weather of Monday and Tuesday was the severest in years so far as we can learn ranchers have suffered little, if anv, frost damage.

COW FOR SALE—Good milker, just freshened. J. W. Wood, Canyon.

CATTLE ASTRAY

Came onto the premises of the undersigned, one red and white mooley cow, 1 small red calf, one black and white 2 year old heifer. No brands visible on any of these. Owner can have same on paying expenses. JOHN SPRATT, Creston.

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THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON
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4-ft. Dry Cottonwood $4 per cord
DELIVERED
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Men's Half Soles, $1.25
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Guaranteed for 6 months.
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Synopsis of Land Act Amendments

Minimum price of first-class land reduced to $5 an acre; second-class to $2.50 an acre.

Pre-emption now confined to surveyed lands only.

Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes and which is non-timber land.

Partnership pre-emptions abolished, but parties of not more than four may arrange for adjacent pre-emptions with joint residence, but each making necessary improvements on respective claims.

Pre-emptors must occupy claims for five years and make improvements to value of $10 per acre, including clearing and cultivation of at least 5 acres before receiving Crown Grant.

Where pre-emptor in occupation not less than 3 years, and has made proportionate improvements, he may, because of ill-health, or other cause, be granted intermediate certificate of improvement and transfer his claim.

Records without permanent residence may be issued, provided applicant makes improvements to extent of $300 per annum and records same each year. Failure to make improvements or record same will operate as forfeiture. Title cannot be obtained in less than 5 years, and improvements of $10.00 per acre, including 5 acres cleared and cultivated, and residence of at least 2 years are required.

Pre-emptor holding Crown grant may record another pre-emption, if he requires land in conjunction with his farm, without actual occupation, provided statutory improvements made and residence maintained on Crown granted land.

Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites; title to be obtained after fulfilling residential and improvement conditions.

For grazing and industrial purposes areas exceeding 640 acres may be leased by one person or company.

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

Natural hay meadows inaccessible by existing roads may be purchased conditional upon construction of a road to them. Rebate of one-half of cost of road, not exceeding half of purchase price, is made.

PRE-EMPTORS' FREE GRANTS ACT.

The scope of this Act is enlarged to include all persons joining and serving with His Majesty's Forces. The time within which the heirs or devisees of a deceased pre-emptor may apply for title under this Act is extended from for one year from the death of such person, as formerly, until one year after the conclusion of the present war. This privilege is also made retroactive.

No fees relating to pre-emptions are due or payable by soldiers on pre-emptions recorded after June 26, 1918. Taxes are remitted for five years.

Provision for return of moneys accrued, due and been paid since August 4, 1914, on account of payments, fees or taxes on soldiers' pre-emptions.

Interest on agreements to purchase town or city lots held by members of Allied Forces, or dependents, acquired direct or indirect, remitted from enlistment to March 31, 1920.

SUB-PURCHASERS OF CROWN LANDS.

Provision made for issuance of Crown grants to sub-purchasers of Crown Lands, acquiring rights from purchasers who failed to complete purchase, involving forfeiture, on fulfillment of conditions of purchase, interest and taxes. Where sub-purchasers do not claim whole of original parcel, purchase price due and taxes may be distributed proportionately over whole area. Applications must be made by May 1, 1920.

GRAZING.

Grazing Act, 1919, for systematic development of livestock industry provides for grazing districts and range administration under Commissioner. Annual grazing permits issued based on numbers ranged; priority for established owners. Stock-owners may form Associations for range management. Free, or partially free, permits for settlers, campers or travellers, up to ten head.

Creston's School Report for Dec.

DIVISION I.—G. P. Smith, Principal.
Highest standing: Entrance—Edith Davis, Charles Holmes, Ralph Swanson. Fourth Reader—James Cherrington, Helen Moore, Ollie Christie.
Perfect attendance—Will Asher, Ollie Christie, James Cherrington, Edith Davis, Charles Holmes, Keith Lidgate, Lizzie Lewis, Herbert Manuel, Helen Moore, Olaf Payne, Allister Ross, Athena Schade, Ivan Staples, Albert Sherwood, Gladys Webster, George Winch, Clara Toee, Evelyn Bevan, Harold Payne.

DIVISION II.—F. B. Pearce, Teachee.
Highest standing: Junior Third—William Bush, Ervin Olsen, Clarence Staples. Senior Third—Edward Bush, Annie Smith, Charlie Cotterill.
Perfect attendance—Ruth Asher Edward Bush, William Bush, Nadine Bell, Leslie Boffey, Donald Bolton, Lloyd Couling, Edith Couling, Charles Cotterill, Marion Collis, Fred Christie, Clarence Staples, Lily Wilson, Minnie Brown, Eileen Hendy, Alex. Henderson, Elva Kelly, Lily Lewis, Bert Maione, William Manuel, Louise Nickel, Edna Nichols, Ray Oatway, Elmer Olsen, Harold Speers, Mabel West, Jeffery Collis.

DIVISION III.—Miss Irvine, Teacher.
Highest standing: Senior Second—Muriel Oatway, Arthur Couling, Norman Finlayson. Junior Second—Laura Holmes, Wallace Thompson, Jean McCreath.
Perfect attendance: John Blinco, Eva Bolton, Roary Bolton, Ena Christie, Letty Couling, Frank Crawford, Clarence Doble, Lionel Downes, Norman Finlayson, Eupnemia Fisher, Laura Holmes, Jean Henderson, Jessie Learmonth, Ethel Lewis, Walter Nickel Jack Norris, Muriel Oatway, Verne Olsen, Randall Payne, Cletus Schade, Dora Spratt, Lillian Thompson, Wallace Thompson, Margaret Walker, Violet Muirhead.

DIVISION IV.—Miss K. C. Moore, Teacher.
Highest standing: First Primer—Robert Dunn, Lillian Trevelyan, Frances Moore. Second Primer—Hilda Payne, Paul Asher, Beth West. First Reader—Gwen Webster, Evelyn Linn, Betty Speers.
Perfect attendance—Paul Asher Billy Bayle, Joyce Burkhardt, Lyda Christie, Levi Doble, Robert Dunn, Lawrence Haponstall, Hazel Hopwood, Evelyn Linn, Kathleen Mawson, Edith Lewis, Beryl Nicholls, Dora Nickel, Mervyn Oatway, Jack O'Neil, Hilda Payne, Dorothy Smith, Betty Speers, Aileen Spratt, Cecil Tose, Lillian Trevelyan, Gwen Webster.

DIVISION V.—Mrs. McLeod, Teacher.
Perfect attendance—Doug Bang, Eric Bennett, Mary Bennett, Jean Hilton, Irwin Crosthwait, Dorothy Dunn, Albert Hendy, James Johnston, Margeory Learmonth, Frances Lewis, Marion Maione, Frank Morrow, Jean Oatway, Arthur Speers, Douglas Spiers, Jay Bliss.

Butcher Shop Now Open

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Two Minutes for New Ferry Trip

With the installation on December 11th of the new ferry at the Reclamation Farm traffic to West Creston, Corn Creek, and the hay lands at Nick's Island is now furnished with a de luxe transportation service, the commodious new barge being power driven ann easily negotiates the trip across the Kootenay River in two minutes, whereas the discarded crank propelled scow took at least treble that time—and the customary thing was to give the ferryman a hand on the armstrong engine as well.

The new ferry, which was built at Nelson, has a length of 48 feet, and is handling two loads of hay at a trip with the greatest of ease—something the old scow was not readily capable of doing. The width of the new barge is 16 feet, and draws three feet of water.

Another improvement is the equipment of gates both fore and aft. These were missing on the old boat and their absence on one occasion was responsible for the loss of a span of mules—due to the ferry getting under way before the hay burners had got themselves and rig aboard, the animals being pulled into the river when the wagon, of necessity, went off backward.

The propelling machinery consists af a three horsepower gasoline engine operating a friction driven reversible gearing complete with belts, and crank for hand operating when the current in the river is suitable. In addition there is a Gould rotary pump for pumping out the barge when necessary.

The cost of the ferry barge is a little over $2100, and the engine power will probably account for the expenditure of at least another $450, bringing the total cost installed up to almost $2600. With its power equipment it will now be possible to keep communication open even in quite severe weather—something that was out of the question when the ferry had to be put across through a night's freeze of ice by the handpower process.

The old ferry, which has been more or less troublesome the past three years has rendered the province a full money's worth for all that it cost, seeing that it has been in more or less continuous operation for some fifteen years, the first half dozen of which no ferryman was employed, it being only since about 1911 that a salaried ferryman has been in full charge—George Seymour being the first skipper on the provincial payroll.

Some idea of the ferry traffic may be gleaned from the monthly returns sent into Nelson, covering practically the last four years. Returns for the present year are incomplete, due to the fact that the ferry year runs from April 1st to March 31st, and in the tabulated statement there are still six months as for 1921 that cannot be shown. The figures are:

	1918	1919	1920	1921
Autos	279	397	381	226
Single Rigs	716	819	1061	395
Double Rigs	2165	3260	2540	889
Passengers	1668	1293	1542	1296
Horses	932	809	859	622
Cattle	369	234	518	107

The big spread in the number of double rigs carried as between 1919 and 1920 is in great measure accounted for in the fact that last year the cut of hay on the flats was hardly half the quantity harvested in 1919. As between other years some of the variation shown is in part due to the varying period of the midsummer high water on the flats—the flood this year, for instance, being exceptionally high.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR ALL

"Give something practical" is the slogan of this year's Christmas giving everywhere, and what could be more practical than some article of wear. Below we list a few items that will indicate just how complete our stocks are in the line of wearables, and you will find the prices even more satisfying.

For
Father and Big Brother

Sweaters in Pullover and Coat style, $3.00 and up
Shirts, with and without Collars
Felt and Leather Slippers
Suspenders in fancy Boxes also Belts
Ties in choice patterns
Handkerchiefs in Lawn and all Linen

For the
KIDDIES

Sweaters in Pullover and Coat styles
Stockings that Boys and Girls will be proud to wear
Strap Slippers from $1.75 up
Handkerchiefs for Boys and Girls
Ties for the Boys
Ribbons for the Girls

For
Mother and Big Sister

All Wool Vests, V neck, no sleeves, $2.00. Sweaters
Heather, Wool and Lisle Hose
Pure Silk Hose, garter top Black only, at $1.50
Venus Silk Hose, in Black, Brown and Grey, garter top, $1.75
Gift Handkerchiefs in boxes 40c. to $1.50
Suede and Felt Slippers

GROCERIES for CHRISTMAS

Lap and Navel Oranges. Seeded and Seedless Raisins. Cluster Raisins, Figs, Dates, &c. Cleaned Currants. Lemon, Orange and Citron Peel. Nuts, including Almonds, Filberts, Brazil and Peanuts. Shelled Almonds and Walnuts. Fancy Biscuits. Candied Fruit in boxes—French A large assortment of Christmas Candies, Fancy Boxes of Chocolates

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NEWS OF KOOTENAYS

Grand Forks' tombstone soldiers memorial cost $1446 installed.

A one-afteanoon-a-week dancing school has just been opened at Rossland.

Kaslo council has just rented the town-owned skating rink for the season at $110.50.

The Okanagan wheat crop this year is the biggest ever, and is estimated at 150,000 bushels.

The concrete pipe for Grand Forks' new irrigation system will cost in the neighborhood of $150,000.

Kaslo Methodist congregation has just voted in favor of admitting woenn into ministry of the church.

Penticton growers will give one cent per box on all apples and pears shipped from there each season to fight the codling moth.

Okanagan selling agencies report that prairie customers this year only purchased 40 per cent. of their usual consumption of apples.

Methodist church worship at Revelstoke is greatly interfered with due to boys throwing snowballs into the ventilator on the roof of the building.

Building permits at Penticton for November were almost $28,000. $16,000 went into new residences or repairs to existing residential property.

According to the investigation made by a special committee of the Penticton board of trade the payroll in that town for 1921 will be close to $1,000,000.

In the excitement of election night at Trail someone broke the windows and gained admittance to Trail brewery, making off with several dozen bottles of beer.

The O.U.G. has 850 cars of Okanagan apples stored in New York awaiting sale when prices show some slight advance. Selling agencies predict higher prices will materialize early in the year.

After three years in the town the Bank of Hamilton is closing its branch at Trail—leaving the town with just the Bank of Montreal and Bank of Commerce.

The Free Press states that after many years of coaxing the C.P.R. has finally consented to extend the station platform to accommodate the full length of the passenger trains.

Deer are scarcer than ever at Penticton this season, and the Herald advocates shortening the season as a means of giving this game a better chance to increase and multiply.

Shareholders in Rossland's $20,000 skating rink are threatening to close the ice palace unless more generous patronage is accorded the rink. Only some $750 worth of season tickets have been sold.

Storekeepers at Penticton are accused of selling U.S. tomatoes in preference of B.C. goods, due to the fact that Uncle Sam's product can be purchased about four cents a can cheaper.

Another name has been added to the list of provincial government employees at Cranbrook, the newcomer being A. L. Hay, who has just assumed his duties as district agriculturist for East Kootenay.

The Kaslo Kootenaian has on display in its window a small branch from a Stark tree which shows a cluster of more than 20 apples, and even at that the cluster was so thick some were crowded off.

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Buy Canadian Books

Recently there was inaugurated a Canadian Authors' Week during which the book-buying public were urged to buy the works of Canada's own poets and authors. In all the larger centres of population the bookstores made splendid displays of the recent works of Canadian authors, while many of the more prominent clubs and organizations arranged for addresses by well known Canadian writers, and the columns of the daily papers were devoted to reviews of Canadian books of verse and prose.

In recent years the output of books from the pens of Canada's writers has enormously increased. The advance has been not only in quantity but quality, and today this Dominion can boast of some of the most widely read authors, not only in the world of fiction, but of poetry and more serious works. A study of the books offered for sale in one big store during this Canadian Authors' Week proved a veritible revelation of the wealth of high-class reading produced by Canadians during the past two or three years. Last year far surpassed any previous year both in quantity and quality of production, but even that record was broken this year.

Unquestionably the institution of Canadian Authors' Week had the effect of directing the attention of thousands of Canadians to the work of their fellow citizens, and it undoubtedly has resulted in largely increased sales of Canadian written and made books, and a deeper interest in Canadian literature.

To all lovers of Canada this cannot be otherwise than most gratifying because it is a well recognized fact that the literature of a country plays a profound and lasting part in influencing the thought and national life of a people. All students fully recognize and appreciate the influence which the literature of England has had on the national life, not only of England itself, but of the whole Englishing-speaking world, and of all nations into whose language the works of the great English poets, dramatists, essayists and authors have been translated.

The development of a high standard in literature is an indication of the development of a high standard in national life. A nation's aspirations and its spirit finds expression through its poets and writers. All history reveals this truth. Equally so, the rising of a strong and true national spirit finds its reflection in the works of its writers.

The steady improvement in Canadian literature is, therefore, a matter for Canadian pride and a beacon of hope for the Canada of the future. Our Canadian writers should receive all possible encouragement, and there can be no finer or more practical encouragement than for Canadians to buy books written by Canadians and made in Canada. The number of Canadians who boast of a library of their own, even a very humble and small one, is limited. But why should not every Canadian family establish the nucleus of a library by buying one or more books by Canadian authors before this old year ends and adding to them month by month in the years to come? And what better Christmas gift can a Canadian make to a fellow Canadian than to present him or her with a book by a Canadian author?

The "Made in Canada" slogan can be overdone, and its use twisted to give seeming support to policies or articles of an inferior and undeserving character. Merely because an article is made in Canada is not a sufficient reason why Canadians should buy it in preference to other articles. It must have merit and it must be as reasonable in price as similar articles made elsewhere. But granted that it has equal merit and is reasonable in price, the Canadian-made article should command the support of Canadians.

Insofar as books by Canadian authors are concerned, they meet both these requirements. Furthermore, it is only Canadian writers who can truly and most sympathetically interpret Canada to Canadians. The writers of other countries cannot be expected to do this because they are lacking in that love for Canada which is essential to a true interpretation of Canadian thought, ideals and national aspirations.

Therefore, be 100 per cent. Canadian by buying and reading the works of our own Canadian writers, and become the proud possessor of a choice selection of books by Canadian poets and authors. The number of volumes one can afford may not be large, but it can always be added to, and in a comparatively short time a really creditable little library will result.

May Breed Canadian Beavers

Permission Given to Northern Rice Lake Fur Company

Hon. Harry Mills, Minister of Mines for Ontario, who has charge of the game and fisheries department, has conceded the right to breed beavers in captivity. In a letter to the Northern Rice Lake Fur Company, Mr. Mills says the department has no objection to the propagating of beavers and muskrats when fences are erected as enclosures. Heretofore the department has refused the company the right to propagate beavers under any conditions.

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Minard's Liniment used by Veterinaries

A Bird Sanctuary In Old London

World's Greatest City Has Refuge for Wild Life

Public interest in bird sanctuaries has been considerably freshened as a result of a recent dinner held in London by the Selborne Society in celebration of the purchase of the Brent Valley Bird Sanctuary—one of the most remarkable refuges of wild life from its lying within bounds of the world's greatest city. This refuge is a small oak wood near Greenford, Middlesex, and there the nightingale, cuckoo, blackcap and many other birds which would otherwise surely have been banished by the spread of Greater London, may live in peace and security and propagate their kind.

A STUDY OF OLD AGE

Is always interesting and reveals the fact that the blood is usually thin and lacking in the strengthening properties of young folks blood. If you want to fill your blood with the fire of youth, build up your strength, restore your nerves, just use Dr. Hamilton's Pills. This wonderful medicine is a grand system regulator. Keeps the bowels in good condition, keeps the body free of waste and impurities. For young and old the use of Dr. Hamilton's Pills is recommended. 25c at all dealers or The Catarrhozone Co., Montreal.

Burning Corn As Fuel

The O'Neill Electric Light and Power Company, O'Neill, Neb., has begun to burn corn for fuel instead of coal in its light plant, one of the largest of its kind in that section of the country. The company found corn was cheaper and that its heating quality was satisfactory.

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THE CAUSE OF BACKACHE

Only In Rare Cases Does Backache Mean Kidney Trouble

Every muscle in the body needs constantly a supply of rich, red blood in proportion to the work it does. The muscles of the back are under a heavy strain and have but little rest. When the blood is thin they lack nourishment, and the result is a sensation of pain in those muscles. Some people think pain in the back means kidney trouble, but the best medical authorities agree that backache seldom or never has anything to do with the kidneys. Organic kidney disease may have progressed to a critical point without developing a pain in the back. This being the case, pain in the back should always lead the sufferer to look to the condition of his blood. It will be found in most cases that the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to build up the blood will stop the sensation of pain in the ill-nourished muscles of the back. How much better it is to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for the blood than to give way to unreasonable alarm about your kidneys. If you suspect your kidneys, any doctor can make tests in ten minutes that will set your fears at rest, or tell you the worst. But in any event to be perfectly healthy you must keep the blood in good condition, and for this purpose no other medicine can equal Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

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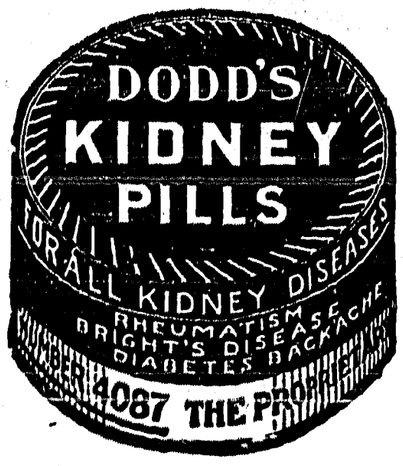

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Origin Of Boot Heels

Persians Used Them to Keep Feet Off Sands

Boot heels are of Persian origin and were originally attached to sandals in order that the wearers might keep their feet above burning sands. Heels nine inches high have been known. When high heels were introduced in Venice they were called "chapineys," and were highly decorated. The height of the "chapineys" proclaimed the rank of the wearer.

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No Industrial "Yellow Peril"

Eastern Workers Are Raising Their Standard of Living

The Peking correspondent of the Manchester Guardian belabors Dean Inge's gloomy view of an industrial "yellow peril." He has no such fears believing that the Chinese will be unable to underbid in the economic field. One reason is that the Asiatic is not as efficient as the European workman. Another fallacy is that Chinese live on nothing else but rice. Flour-milling has developed to such an extent that bread is as much a staple as rice. The standard of living of eastern workers is constantly rising.

Minard's Liniment for Distemper

Too Late

A member of one of the theatrical clubs tells of a stranded but still haughty leading man, who was obliged to put up at a dilapidated country hotel. He glanced frowningly about the office, reductantly signed the register, and took the brass key from the proprietor.

"Is there any water in my room?" he demanded.

"There was," replied the proprietor, "but I had the roof fixed."

Much has been achieved by attempting the impossible.

Canada's Problems Reviewed By Officials Of Bank Of Montreal

The addresses of the President and General Manager of the Bank of Montreal, at the annual meeting of shareholders of that institution, were the authoritative pronouncements of men of international standing in matters of finance, and as such they will undoubtedly be followed with much interest both in this country and abroad. Every year the addresses at this annual meeting are looked forward to with keen anticipation by merchants and manufacturers because of the comprehensive analysis that they provide of financial conditions in Canada, and because they afford guidance in the general business policy to be followed during the coming year.

Must Deal With Railway Situation

In the view of Sir Vincent Meredith, the way to sustained improvement in trade, is not yet clear, but that improvement will be hastened when labor realizes that war inflated wages cannot continue, and that more efficiency and greater production are absolutely necessary in order to bring prices down to a level that will stimulate consumption and thus provide increased employment. His warning as to the evil effects of heavy taxation in stifling industry and enterprise is one that will be cordially endorsed by all thinking men, and one which those who direct our public affairs surely will not dare to ignore. And Sir Vincent merits public thanks for the courageous way in which he dealt with the railway problem; in particular for his uncompromising declaration that no marked improvement can be expected in the present burdensome conditions so long as the roads continue under public—which, as he said, means political—ownership and operation. Both Great Britain and the United States have realized the financial chaos inseparable from such ownership and operation, and have adopted the only remedy. Let us hope that Canada will profit by their example before the country is plunged still deeper into debt.

Retail Forces Out Of Line

Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor undoubtedly placed his finger on one of the weak spots in our present trade condition when he said that while on the one hand the purchasing power of the products of our natural resources was at the lowest level reached for several years past, in other directions we still had high prices, and retail prices were conspicuously out of line. It is on the purchasing power of the products of our natural resources that we must place our main dependence for a revival in trade, and it is obvious that there can be no sustained improvement until the price of other commodities are commensurate with that purchasing power.

Summed up, the most obvious needs of Canada at the present time, in the opinion of these two eminent financiers, are drastic economy in the conduct of public affairs, a solution of the railway problem on the basis of private as against political ownership and operation, a vigorous immigration policy for the peopling of our waste spaces by diverting to Canada the stream of immigrants that formerly flowed elsewhere, and deflation in the cost of labor.

Many mothers can testify to the virtue of Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator, because they know from experience how useful it is.

30,000 In Japan's Sea Union

A one big union of seafarers has been organized in Japan with a membership of over 30,000.

HEART WOULD BEAT LIKE A TRIP HAMMER

Heart trouble has of late years become very prevalent. Sometimes a pain catches you in the region of the heart, now and then your heart skips beats, palpitates, throbs, or beats with such rapidity and violence you think it is going to burst.

You have weak and dizzy spells, sinking sensations, are nervous, irritable and depressed, and if you attempt to walk upstairs or any distance you get all out of breath.

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Mrs. Chadwick, Delhi, Ont., writes: —"I had palpitation of the heart, and the least exercise, such as going upstairs or up a hill, my heart would beat like a trip-hammer and at times I was dizzy-headed and had a sinking sensation as if my time were near.

A friend suggested I try Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, so I procured three boxes, and by the time the first one was used I began to improve. In all I took six boxes, and now although in my 60th year I feel like a young girl; no dizziness or heart-thumping, and can walk miles without fatigue. At time of sickness I weighed 120 lbs. now I weigh 150."

Price 50c a box at all dealers, or mailed direct on receipt of price by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

Lloyd George Tells Of His Part In The Irish Settlement

London.—Contrasted strikingly with Britain's royal pomp and splendor displayed in the House of Lords, was the scene in the House of Commons a few hours later when, without ceremony, but with evident consciousness of powers and influence, the members heard the Prime Minister render an account of his stewardship and the Government's part in the Irish settlement.

For an hour and three-quarters Mr. Lloyd George spoke to crowded benches and jammed galleries. The only touch of color in the ancient legislative chamber was the brilliant red-coated uniform of Col. Sir Samuel Hoare, who moved the reply to the speech from the throne.

It was not an oration like that of October 31, when the Premier, having been challenged, presented to the country the alternative of war or negotiation with Ireland and won the day by a division overwhelmingly favoring the Government's policy; his role today was one simply narrating the problems faced by the delegations with a description of the way they were handled.

Early in his address Mr. Lloyd George silenced those inclined to interrupt him. When an Ulster member interrogated him on "allegiance" Mr. Lloyd George having said that the status of Ireland was that of a free state, with allegiance to the King, he turned and faced the Ulsterite and declared emphatically: "Yes, allegiance to the King and swearing allegiance to the King." He then asked the member to refrain from interruptions, as his task of exposition was difficult and one which he disliked. The Prime Minister was deeply impressive as he came near the end, when in slow tones and solemn manner, he drew a picture of the British Imperial War Cabinet at which a vacant chair was waiting for Ireland and looked to the future when Britain's fears would be Ireland's anxieties, and Britain's victory, Ireland's joy.

Suggests Direct Wireless Service

Plan For Direct Communication Between Britain and Australia Being Investigated

Melbourne.—The Federal Parliament has appointed a committee with authority to investigate and approve a plan for the establishment of direct wireless communication between Great Britain and Australia. Interest in the undertaking has been stimulated by the facility with which Australian stations received President Harding's round-the-world wireless message and by the fact that the press associations received, without relay, messages sent from Carnarvon, Wales.

London.—Except when atmospheric conditions are unusually bad, wireless news messages are now being received daily from Australia by way of the post office station at Leafield, the first station of the Imperial wireless chain.

The postmaster-general points out that the experts who are advising the Government in regard to the construction of additional stations of the Imperial chain express the opinion that greater reliability and cheapness would be ensured by the use of intermediate stations about 2,500 miles apart which would be able to maintain communication when direct service is impossible.

Investigate Condition in West Indies

Tingston, Jamaica.—A mission, headed by Major Wood, has been sent here by the British Government to investigate economic and political conditions in the West Indies. The coming of the British mission has created considerable interest in view of the frequent discussions about possible sale of the West Indies to the U.S.

Foch Sails For Home

New York.—Marshal Foch has sailed on the French liner Paris for home. Another passenger was Rene Viviano, former French premier who is returning home from the Washington arms conference.

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Lively Debates In Saskatchewan Legislature

Question of Hon. J. A. Maharg's Resignation is Discussed

Regina. — Correspondence between Hon. J. A. Maharg and Premier Martin in connection with the former's resignation as Minister of Agriculture, was a feature of a session of the Legislature last week. Mr. Maharg based his resignation on the Premier's action in supporting Hon. W. R. Motherwell as Liberal candidate for Regina in the recent federal elections. Mr. Maharg stated that he was promised the sympathy of the different members of the Government in his freedom to support the Progressive party in the federal campaign. Premier Martin denied having promised the support of the Government to the Progressive party. He stated that on several occasions he publicly announced his opinion that the members of the Government should be free to follow their own dictates in federal affairs. Mr. Martin expressed his regret at the resignation of Mr. Maharg, as he had hoped to have his assistance in carrying on the Government of the province in a manner satisfactory to all the people.

Harris Turner strongly advocated the abolition of the party system of Government by the Assembly. He thought the party system was an evil one, and resulted in the expenditure of money for party purposes to keep the party alive. Mr. Martin, in reply, stated that the party system had been built up as the result of experience of centuries. It was impossible under British constitutional methods to carry on Government without party lines. He would like to see a good strong opposition. An opposition was a good thing for the Government.

The questions of grain marketing, railway rates and other important matters were discussed by the Premier in debate.

At the instance of Geo. Cockburn, Independent, the correspondence in connection with the resignation of Hon. Geo. Langley was laid on the table, the contents of which created a mild sensation.

The House adjourned on Friday for the Christmas holidays, and will reassemble Tuesday, Jan. 10th.

Financial Conference Would Benefit Europe

Allies and Former Enemy Countries Should Participate

London.—The Daily Chronicle, which is regarded as being especially close to Government sources of information prominently displays a special article concerning the proposed financial conference to follow adjournment of the present conference in Washington. In its editorial columns the newspaper says: "This gives practical shape to the idea of doing for Europe what the Washington conference has done for the Pacific."

Declaring that it is not suggested that the United States should be asked to take the initiative in calling such a conference, it adds:

"There is nothing to prevent Great Britain and France from benefitting from the United States' example to call a European conference in which the United States if she cared not to do more, would doubtless be willing to participate in a watching or advisory capacity."

The agenda of such a conference, the Chronicle says, would deal with reparation debts, exchange problems and disarmament. It emphasizes that not only the allies but the former enemy countries and Russia should participate.

Press Asks Assistance

Vienna.—The newspaper publishers' union asserts that Austria will be without daily newspapers soon unless aid is received from the Government. A committee has been appointed to confer with the Government with regard to assistance which probably will take the form of susidized print paper.

WESTERN EDITORS

J. J. White, Publisher of The Outlook, Outlook, Sask.

Chinaman's Sentence Commuted

Ottawa.—The Cabinet Council commuted the death sentence passed on Chow Tong, a Chinaman convicted of murdering five of his countrymen, on board the steamer Maskinonge while the vessel was lying in the St. Lawrence River at Quebec on October 16.

Melbourne.—The commonwealth arbitration court refused the request of the industrial unions for a general reduction of the working week in Australia to 44 hours.

Move To Form A Western Freight Classification Body

Calgary.—Definite steps toward the formation of a Western Canadian Freight Classification Committee were taken at a conference between W. B. Lanigan, general freight manager of the C.P.R., Major W. M. Kirkpatrick, assistant freight agent for western lines of the C.P.R. and members of the classification committee of the Calgary Board of Trade. Mr. Lanigan who is on his way to British Columbia from Montreal, outlined what had been accomplished by the classification committee of Eastern Canada toward revising the present classification code. More than half the articles have been classified by the eastern committee so far as the minimum rates and ratings are concerned. The mixing rules in the new classification will be the same as at present, Mr. Lanigan declared, except that trade headings will be more restricted.

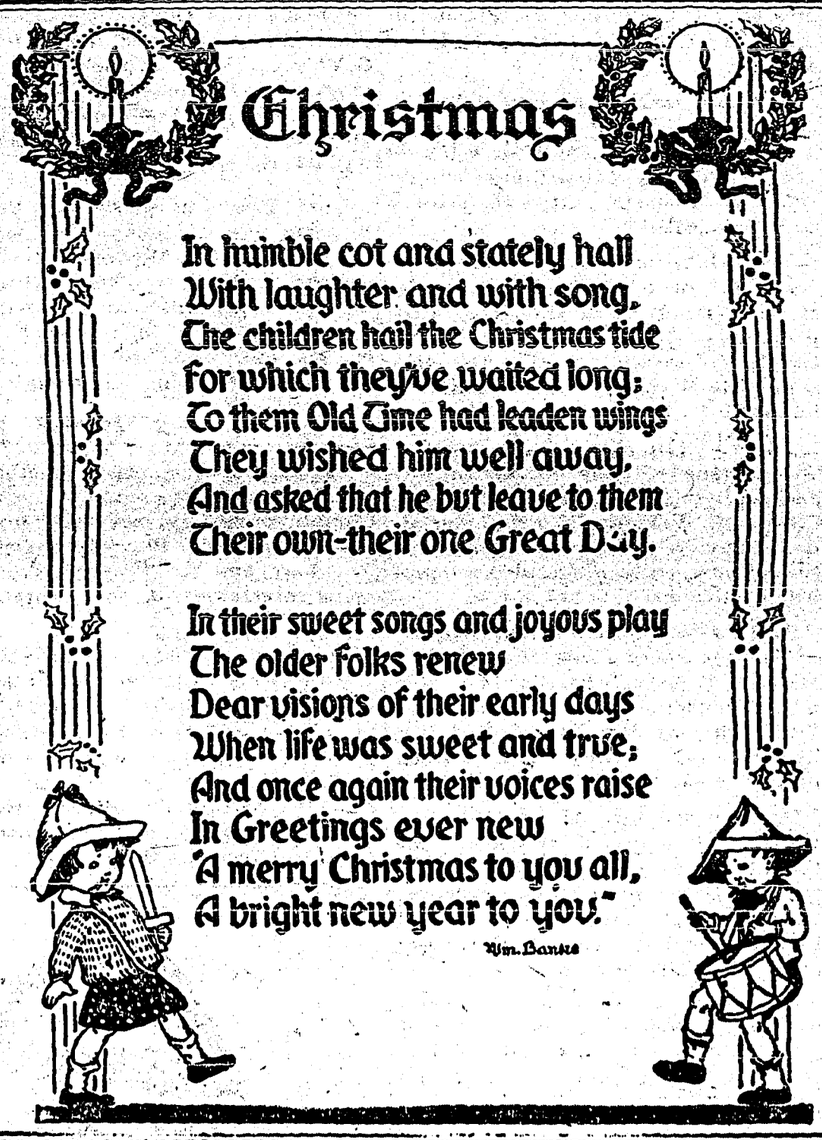
The suggestion which Mr. Lanigan placed before the conference was that the same principles should be followed in the western provinces as in the east, that of appointing a special committee comprising three of the chairmen of the Western Canadian Freight Association. The minutes of the eastern committee would be forwarded to the western committee and if the recommendations did not meet with approval these business men affected by the classification would be called in and in that way straighten out the difficulty.

Benares Welcomed Prince

In Spite of Ghandi's Orders For a Boycott

Benares, India.—When the Prince of Wales arrived here a "hartal" had been proclaimed but it was practically ignored by the natives who thronged the streets. The programme which had been arranged in honor of the Prince was carried out without a hitch and he left for Nepal to hunt big game.

London.—The magnificent reception accorded the Prince of Wales at Benares following the disappointing display at Allahabad, says a Reuter's despatch, illustrates the indefiniteness of the Indian unrest. The warm reception at Benares is regarded as of special significance inasmuch as Benares is a holy city. The Hindus turned out in throngs to greet the Prince in disobedience of indirect strike orders from the Hindu leader Ghandi, whom the extremist element hold up as Mahatma (Saint). After formal reception by the Maharajah, the Prince drove in a glittering silver state coach to the Hindu University, where he received an honorary degree of doctor of literature.



King George Gives Speech From Throne

Special Session of Parliament to Consider Irish Question

London.—The special session of Parliament, called to consider the Irish peace settlement was opened by King George. In his speech from the throne he said: "It is my earnest hope that by the articles of agreement now submitted to you, the strife of centuries may be ended."

The text of the King's speech was as follows: "My lords and members of the House of Commons. I have summoned you to meet at this unusual time in order that the articles of agreement which have been signed by my ministers and the Irish delegation can at once be submitted for your approval. No other business will be brought before you at the present session.

"It was with heartfelt joy that I learned of the agreement reached after negotiations protracted many months and affecting not only the welfare of Ireland but of the British and Irish races throughout the world. It is my earnest hope that by the articles of agreement now submitted to you the strife of centuries may be ended and that Ireland as a free partner in the commonwealth of nations forming the British Empire will secure fulfillment of her national ideals."

British Miners Working Overtime

Greatest Rush of Business Since Pre-War Days

London.—Scottish coal mine owners have a rush of orders at present that has not been equalled since pre-war days. Steamers are loading coal day and night and the miners are working overtime. The situation in South Wales is similar to that at the Scottish mines.

In consequence of the rush of business, coal prices are stiffening considerably. The increase is largely due to continental and other foreign orders for coal.

Switzerland Bans German Aircraft

Military Machines Not Allowed Over Swiss Territory

Berne.—German military aircraft is prohibited from flying over Swiss territory in a notice just issued by the Federal Aerial Office. The ban also applies to civil aircraft registered in Switzerland, but included in the class of airplanes prohibited in Germany, provided their papers do not contain a special certificate from the German Minister of Transportation, showing they were constrcted before January 10, 1920.

A new air service completing the connection between London and the Swiss winter resorts has recently been opened by a French concern. The new air line extends from Paris to Lauisanne. It is at present necessary for passengers from London to remain over night in Paris, but in the near future continuous service will be provided.

France Willing To Wait For Payments

Recognizes Germany Must Be Helped To Adjust Finances

Paris.—France is willing to forego temporary cash reparations payments from Germany, a high official in the French foreign office told the Associated Press.

The official said there was general recognition by the press and in French officialdom that Germany must be aided and possibly compelled to set her financial house in order if future indemnities payments were to be forthcoming.

China Proposes to Buy Shantung Railway

Japanese Delegates Have Cabled Offer To Tokio

Washington.—The counter proposals of China for the purchase from Japan of the Kiao Chow Tsinan Fu Railroad in Shantung province, has been cabled to Tokio by the Japanese armaments conference delegation which has been carrying on direct conversation with the Chinese delegates in an effort to settle the Shantung problem outside the conference.

The Japanese are said to have considered it necessary to receive instructions from home on this matter which is deemed the most important in the negotiations. China is understood to be ready to furnish bonds as security for the payment, but the Japanese are said to feel that some security further than bonds should be given. The consultation with Tokio may delay definite action on the railroad subject.

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R. R. Piper of Cranbrook was renewing acquaintances in Creston a couple of days early this week.

S. T. Evans of Revelstoke was a visitor here a few days the fore part of the week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edmondson.

Miss Vivanne Moore, who has been attending high school at Kaslo since September, is home for the Christmas two weeks' vacation.

Miss Frances Lyne, who has been at the B.C. University since September, arrived home on Sunday for the two weeks' Christmas holidays.

Miss A. Doyle of the Staples Fruit Co, Ltd, staff left on Tuesday for her home at Nelson, where she will spend the Christmas and New Years' vacation.

Miss Marion Swanson, who is attending the B.C. University this term, arrived home from Vancouver on Sunday, for the fortnight's Christmas holiday.

Monday will be observed as Christmas at the postoffice, and Postmaster Gibbs gives notice that the general delivery wicket will be open that day from 5 to 6 p.m. only.

There will be midnight mass at Holy Cross church at midnight, Dec. 24. There will also be service at 9.30 and 10 a.m., on Christmas Day, but no evening service. All are cordially invited.

Eggs are making a great bid to at least equal high water mark, the present retail price of hen fruit being 70 cents per dozen, with a limited supply offering. In eastern cities the price is as high as $1.10

Everything is running in fine shape with the new ferry installed at the Reclamation Farm on the 11th. Propelled by only a 3 horsepower engine the barge readily makes the trip across the Kootenay in less than two minutes.

Owing to the blizzarduous weather that prevailed all day Sunday the adjourned re organization session of the Creston G.W.V.A. did not materialize, although a few of the members turned up in spite of the adverse climatic conditions.

T. M. Edmondson has just completed the erection of a new 20 x 40 ft. hay warehouse, just off Barton Ave., and near to his flour and feed stand. His first car of hay has arrived, and it is his intention to always carry a stock of hay on hand.

The icehouse flavored gale that prevailed on Sunday was responsible for the cancellation of all the Sunday schools and morning church services, but at night Pastor Knox had better than a quorum for evening worship at the Methodist church.

The Methodist Church in Canada has just completed taking a vote of the membership as to the advisability of permitting women to enter the ministry. At Creston the vote was just 2 in favor of the inclusion of ladies in the ranks of the pulpiteers.

Mrs. Mead and son, George, left on Thursday last for Vancouver, where they will spend the next six weeks with friends at the coast, returning about the end of January to take charge of the Mead ranch, which has been leased for the last few years.

The Veterans are having a social get-together on Saturday night, Dec. 31st, at the clubroom in the Mallandaine Block. It will be in the form of a smoker, with concert numbers and supper. The admission is free and the attendance of every returned man is asked.

Wednesday evening, January 25th, has been booked by the band for a card social and dance, of which full particulars will be given later. As this also happens to be Burns' night there will be a decidedly Scotch flavor to the music as well as some of the dances.

Miss F. Irvine, teacher of Division III., left on Wednesday for her home in Vancouver, having resigned from the local teaching staff. Both as a teacher and in social circles she was a favorite and her decision to return to the coast will be regretted by scholars, parents and citizens alike.

Holy Cross Church ladies are being complimented on all hands on their decision to have their dance on Friday, January 13th, feature quite a few of the old dances as well as most of the new ones. The very best music has been engaged, and the affair is sure to be largely patronized.

The annual meeting of Creston Valley Rod & Gun Club is called for Friday night next, Dec. 30th, in the G.W.V.A. rooms in the Mallandaine block. Proceedings will start at 8 o'clock, and the chief item will be the election of officers. Major Mallandaine is the retiring president.

C. H. Robinson of Nelson, fishery inspector for Kootenay, was here on an official visit on Wednesday. From reports reaching him the fishing in Valley streams this year has been well up to the average in the matter of catches, and probably more anglers than usual whipping the streams.

The usual list of Sunday school Christmas concerts are being held this week, with the customary yuletide remembrances for the scholars. Christ Church youngsters had their concert on Wednesday, the Methodist on Thursday, and the Presbyterians are being entertained at the church tonight.

The special Christmas music at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning will include a chorous by the girls choir, and a solo by Mr. Taylor. In the evening there will be a duett by Mrs. Rose and Mr. Oatway, "No room in the Inn;" ladies quartette, "Herald Angels;" and an anthem, "God so Loved the World."

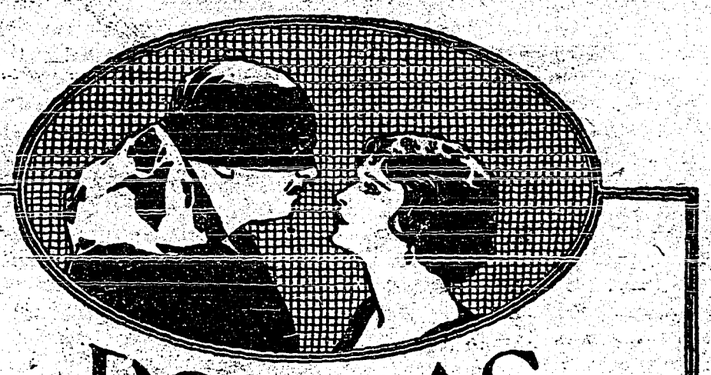
Members of Creston Masonic Lodge and all sojourning brethern are reminded of the installation ceremony on Tuesday night, Dec. 27th, which will be followed by the usual installation banquet and speechmaking. Lodge will assemble at 8 prompt, and the biggest turnout in the annals of local Masonary is looked for.

ANNUAL MEETING
of
Rod and Gun Club
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30th
8 o'clock p. m,
Business: Election of Officers.

The two vacancies in the teaching staff of Creston school, caused by the resignations of Mrs. McLeod and Miss Irvine, have already been filled. Miss Jean Davidson of Vancouver will be the new head of Division III., while Miss Foster, also from the coast, who has nine years' teaching experience will be in charge of the primary room.

Staples Fruit Co., Ltd., which has had office quarters the past year over Mawson Bros. store, have taken a year's lease on the S. A. Speers store at the corner of Fourth Street and Wilson Ave., and get possession at the first of the year. The new quarters will furnish plenty of space for carrying a stock of boxes and crates, as well as storage for fruit products.

GRAND Theatre SATURDAY DEC. 31st



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