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SUNDAY TRAINS CUT OFF.

The Great Northern Discontinues Sunday Traffic on S. F. & N., Including the V. V. & E.

(Chesaw News.)

The announcement was made last week that the Sunday passenger trains on the entire S. F. & N. division of the Great Northern has been discontinued. This includes the V. V. & E. extension which serves this section of the upper country as far west as Keremeos.

This move on the part of the railroad people was started some weeks ago by a combined request of the trainmen and the station agents who put up the argument that the travel was as a rule very light on Sunday and not enough patronage to warrant the Sunday run. The company's employees on this division are mostly all salaried men and the new order means four, and sometimes five, days off each month, which means much to them.

PRESBYTERIANS GIVE CALL.

Rev. J. Thurnburn Conn is the Choice of Both Hedley and Princeton.

On Wednesday evening of last week the united congregations of Hedley and Princeton, who had been cited to attend at Hedley, met in response thereto.

Rev. A. H. Cameron of Keremeos, moderator of the Kamloops Presbytery presided for the purpose of moderating in a call.

Mr. Hugh Hunter had been appointed by the Presbyterians of Princeton to attend the meeting and represent them thereat, but was taken ill when he was about to start. He called up A. Megraw by phone to whom he delegated authority to act in his place.

A short service was held at the opening of the meeting by Rev. Mr. Cameron, who gave an interesting address suitable to the occasion. At the close of the devotional part of the meeting, the moderator proceeded with the business in hand, and read the call in which no name was mentioned. The call was fully explained by him, after which he asked for a motion naming the one upon which the choice had fallen. It was moved by L. G. MacHaffie that the name of John Thurnburn Conn be inserted in the call. This was seconded in the name of the Princeton congregation by A. Megraw, who explained how he had been empowered to represent the people of Princeton, who were unanimously and unreservedly in favor of extending a call to Mr. Conn.

This motion was put to the meeting by the moderator and carried unanimously, after which the name was inserted in the call which was again read by Mr. Cameron, and again received the assent of the meeting. All members and adherents signed in the presence of the moderator, who attested the signatures.

Thus was formed the first Presbyterian congregation organized in the Similkameen other than as Mission fields. In his long experience on the Mission fields of the church, Mr. Cameron has been present and also presided at many such meetings.

GOOD-BYE, OLD WELBY STAGE!

On Tuesday night the Welby stage didn't come through to Hedley, and D. J. Innis brought the mail instead. Through rain and shine, in fair weather and in foul, for over six years the Welby stage never failed to show up at Hedley on a Tuesday night with the mail; and it created a little of something almost akin to homesickness when on this occasion the old stage was missing. "Speak well of the bridge that carries you over" is a good old maxim, and Mr. Welby deserves only credit for the good faithful service he rendered the Similkameen for many long years—and long years they must certainly have seemed to the man whose drivers cover 52 miles a day for six days in every week. He kept good rigs, good horses and careful drivers, and that no serious mishap ever occurred causing either loss of life or limb to any passenger is surely a record to be proud of.

THE FEDERAL ELECTION LAW

Some Important Features of the New Election Law Proposed.

TWO BILLS BEFORE HOUSE

Minister Aylesworth Parallels Alcorn's Bill in Many Points—All Elections in Same Day Says Alcorn—Bergeon's Amendment Calls for Same.

The minister of justice has introduced his bill to amend the Dominion Elections act. The house has now, therefore, two measures before it, dealing with this subject. The first was introduced on January 22nd by Mr. George O. Alcorn, of Prince Edward county. In some respects the two measures are parallel, and Hon. Mr. Aylesworth, after expressing his indebtedness to Mr. Alcorn's bill for suggestions, stated that he would be glad to have his own measure considered with Mr. Alcorn's and that in parallel clauses he was not wedded to his own language.

The minister prefaced his announcement of proposed amendments by remarking that he felt himself unable to suggest any substantial betterments; that the usual complaints were directed against the administration of the law, not against its terms; that already there existed the widest powers of investigation of corrupt practices.

THE NEW AMENDMENTS.

In all he suggested thirteen amendments of importance. The comparisons made are in general objects, not in phraseology:

1. All contributions to the election expenses of any candidate must be made to and through his statutory agent, who is required to make public through the returning officer the amount and source of all contributions. Paralleled in Mr. Alcorn's bill.

2. Any company is prohibited, under heavy penalties, on officers, directors, shareholders and legal advisers, from making any contribution to election funds. Similar provision in Mr. Alcorn's bill.

3. The circulation during elections of false statements regarding the conduct or character of a candidate is penalized, as under the English Election act, if it can be shown that the statement was circulated with a view to affecting his return. Similar provision in Mr. Alcorn's bill. A reference to the Hepburn case in east Elgin.

4. Handbills printed during an election must bear the name of the printing office on their face. Similar clause in Mr. Alcorn's bill.

5. The intervention is forbidden in Canadian elections of any non-resident of Canada, unless he is a popular voter in a Canadian constituency. Similar clause in Mr. Alcorn's bill.

6. In order to insure that every candidate shall have information as to the polling booths, a copy of the proclamation must be sent to him; and in order to prevent the tearing down of public proclamations, such actions are penalized.

7. In order to provide for convenience in election petitions, every nomination paper must give the nominee's address (in Canada), to which service may legally be made in petition proceedings.

8. Provision is to be made to overcome the difficulty regarding the failure of some returning officers to present in all cases the bribery clauses of the oath for voters. Mr. Aylesworth considered the present law sufficient, if carried out, but proposes an amendment to make it clearer. Provisions with similar object in Mr. Alcorn's bill.

SPECIAL NUMBERED BALLOT.

9. A special numbered ballot is to be allowed those whose names have been omitted from the list, but who will take an oath that they are qualified.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, voters' lists for the portions of the provinces of Ontario and Quebec which consist

of territory not municipally organized and where there is no regular assessment of valuation roll upon which voters' lists are based, AND FOR THE SEVERAL ELECTORAL DISTRICTS IN THE PROVINCES OF MANITOBA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA, SHALL BE PREPARED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ISSUE OF ANY writ for an election in any such electoral district or in any electoral district composed or partly composed of such territory, or at any time when the Governor in Council so directs; and for the purpose of preparing and giving effect to such voters' lists the GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL MAY APPOINT ALL NECESSARY OFFICERS AND CONFER UPON THEM ALL NECESSARY POWERS.

(b) In the preparation of such lists the provisions of the laws of the province regulating the preparation and manner of revising and bringing into force the provincial voters' lists in THE LIKE CASES SHALL AS FAR AS POSSIBLE be observed and followed and no person whose name is not included in the voters' lists so prepared and revised shall be entitled to vote.

10. Where federal polling subdivisions are not identical with the provincial, authority is given for the transfer of names from one classification to the other.

11. No ballot shall be spoiled by any mark placed on it by a returning officer. In this connection, Mr. Aylesworth recorded his recognition of the fact that this was a radical departure from the secrecy principle of the Dominion Elections act. Similar provisions in Mr. Alcorn's act.

PENALTIES SEVERER.

12. A number of increases in penalties are proposed:

(a) A new penalty of disfranchisement and disqualification for federal office for eight years is added to the present penalties against bribe givers and bribe takers. Similar provision in Mr. Alcorn's bill.

(b) Imprisonment is made compulsory in all cases of tampering with ballots. Whatever the leniency of public opinion regarding bribery, commented the minister, there was no division of opinion that for this offence no penalty could be too severe. Similar provision in Mr. Alcorn's bill.

13. The liveryman whose cab is hired is penalized as well as the election worker who does the hiring. A parallel provision in Mr. Alcorn's bill.

In addition, Mr. Alcorn's bill contains provisions to deal with nine matters not mentioned in Mr. Aylesworth's explanation:

1. A prohibition of the wholesale bribery of constituencies by promise of the expenditure of public money.

2. A prohibition of government officials and government contractors from being concerned with election funds, either as contributors, custodians or distributors. Also a prohibition of government officials acting in any capacity in elections.

3. A more minute enumeration of the candidates' personal expenses which are to be regarded as allowable.

4. Mr. Alcorn proposes to extend the present clause with regard to the conveying of electors to the polls by including free railway transportation.

5. A provision to hold all elections on the same day.

6. The selection of returning officers is confined to sheriffs, registrars and certain other provincial officers in the Alcorn bill.

7. In an investigation a witness may state for whom he voted.

8. Persons elected for two constituencies simultaneously must vacate one of them within thirty days.

9. The returning officer shall furnish both candidates with a list of deputy returning officers and poll clerks six days before the election. This is to prevent the employment of strangers in such offices.

10. Election officers must be residents of constituencies.

11. The printer who prints the ballots must account for all the paper supplied to him.

Mr. J. G. H. Bergeron also called the attention of the minister of justice to further amendments. These were three: One man one vote; all elections on one day, a point in which Mr. Alcorn concurs; and the providing of authority for the correction of errors made in the printing of voting lists.

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A. MEGRAW, Managing Editor.

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Last quart. 23rd	First quart. 8th					
1908	1908					
APR.						
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
	1	2	3	4		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

EDITORIAL COMMENTS

In certain clauses of the new Dominion election law brought in by Minister of Justice Aylesworth, Hon. Robt. Rogers of the Manitoba legislature sees very grave danger to the franchise rights of the people of Manitoba and British Columbia. The clause to which he takes particular objection is "9a", in which it would appear that the provincial list now in course of preparation in this province will not be used, but a special list for Dominion purposes prepared after the writ has been issued, and only three weeks elapse between the issue of the writ and polling day, which would make it utterly impossible to compile lists and give each elector a fair deal in the matter of allowing him an opportunity to see whether he is on the list or not. Then again, if his name should be left off the new list, the only way he can vote is by open ballot—a most convenient arrangement for the party in power to handle its doubtful voters. By reason of these changes in the election law Mr. Rogers says that it will now be in the power of the Liberals in Manitoba and British Columbia, if they wish to take full advantage of it, to elect all of their men in spite of anything. These are matters which should be looked into most carefully and no stone left unturned to defeat so iniquitous a measure. With a brute majority that has become so sordid as to vote through some of the motions that were passed to cover up certain scandals in the last two sessions, the rights and liberties of the people are not safe, but we do not believe that Liberal sentiment throughout the country—the old true spirit of British fair play which first made Alexander Mackenzie give the secret ballot, would sanction the present proposal, and this, or as much of it as may still survive, should be appealed to as a last resort.

To Mr. Northey the Gazette has only to say that the socialist discussion so far as the col-

umns of this paper are concerned, is over; and we wish to assure him that when he thinks the readers of the Gazette were on tip-toe waiting for his next, he is quite mistaken, for possibly not more than ten per cent of them would take the trouble to read any more of it. He makes denial that there was any socialism in the London county council which about a year ago was turned out of office, and also denies that ex-mayor Schmitz of San Francisco was socialist, which would lead one to infer that if, for any reason, it suited his purpose to deny that Mr. Hawthornthwaite was a socialist the denial would be promptly forthcoming. In the interests of this community it would be a great mistake for the Gazette to give the false impression that socialism had sufficient standing in the Similkameen riding to warrant the carrying on of such a discussion in these columns as Mr. Northey proposed to do. Ranters against capital are an asset that the mining interests of this district can best afford to dispense with at the present time, and the less prominence is given to them and their views the better for the community. To take advantage of a weak point in the mining laws of the province by tying up large tracts of mineral lands by mere location and mere compliance (whether real or nominal) with the regulations for assessment work, and then act in the manner most calculated to frighten away capital, as some local exponents of socialism have been known to do and are doing, is to instruct the community by object lesson on certain phases of socialism that it is perhaps well for us all to know. Capital is needed to develop the mineral resources of the Similkameen and capital was re-assured on February 2nd 1907 that socialism as a political factor is not gaining in the province and certainly not in the Similkameen. Mr. Northey's letter, the substance of which has been given in the two denials referred to, has been returned to him and this particular discussion is closed so far as the Gazette is concerned.

METEOROLOGICAL.

The following are the readings showing temperature, etc., for the week ending Mar. 28:

AT THE MINE.		
	Maximum	Minimum
Mar 22	37	23
23	45	22
24	29	13
25	26	5
26	30	10
27	32	4
28	38	9
Average maximum temperature	33.71	
Average minimum	do	12.28
Mean temperature		22.90
Rainfall for the week	inches.	
Snowfall	5.	
CORRESPONDING WEEK OF LAST YEAR		
Highest maximum temperature	42	
Average maximum	do	37.85
Lowest minimum	do	2
Average minimum	do	10.57
Mean	do	24.21
AT THE MILL.		
Mar 22	46	32
23	58	31
24	50	25
25	46	28
26	30	22
27	41	23
28	41	31
Average maximum temperature	47.57	
Average minimum	do	27.85
Mean	do	37.71
Rainfall for the week	.09 inches	
Snowfall for the week	"	
CORRESPONDING WEEK OF LAST YEAR		
Highest maximum temperature	50.	
Average	do	46.12
Lowest minimum	do	15.
Average	do	22.85
Mean	do	31.63

Dominion Elections
YALE-CARIBOO ELECTORAL DISTRICT

A Convention of the Liberal-Conservatives of Yale-Cariboo will be held at
Ellison Hall, VERNON
on
Thursday, April 23rd, 1908,

for the purpose of selecting a candidate to contest the forthcoming Dominion Elections in the interests of the Liberal-Conservative Party. Local Associations are requested to meet and appoint delegates at once. Representation at the Convention will be by delegations from the Provincial Electoral Districts of Grand Forks, Greenwood, Similkameen, Okanagan, Kamloops, Yale, Lillooet and Cariboo. One delegate will be appointed for each twenty or fraction of twenty votes cast at each poll. Accredited delegates may vote either in person or by proxy, but not more than five proxies shall be held by any one delegate.

Chair will be taken at 2 p. m. All Conservatives are invited to attend the Convention, but only accredited delegates will be allowed to vote.

PRICE ELLISON,
Pres. Yale-Cariboo Conservative Assn.
J. A. MCKELVIE,
Sec. Yale-Cariboo Conservative Assn.

No. 352.
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"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the "Columbia Copper Company" has this day been registered as an Extra-Provincial Company under the "Companies Act, 1897," to carry out or effect all or any of the objects of the Company to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

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[L.S.] **S. Y. WOOTTON,**
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

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[L.S.] **JAMES DUNSMUIR,**
Lieutenant-Governor.
CANADA,
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

EDWARD the SEVENTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

To all to whom these presents shall come,—
GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

W. J. BOWSER, Attorney-General.

WHEREAS, by Section 6, of the "Game Protection Act, 1898," as re-enacted by Section 19 of the "Game Protection Act, Amendment Act, 1905," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, by Proclamation to be published in two successive issues of the British Columbia Gazette, to declare a close season for geese in any part of the Province for any period of time; and

Whereas Our said Lieutenant-Governor, by and with the advice of his Executive Council, has been pleased to direct, by an Order in Council in that behalf, a close season for geese within the County of Kootenay, until and including the 31st day of August, one thousand nine hundred and eight.

Now KNOW YE therefore, that in pursuance thereof, we do hereby proclaim a close season for Geese within the County of Kootenay, until and including the 31st day of August, one thousand nine hundred and eight.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed:

WITNESS, His Honor JAMES DUNSMUIR, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 16th day of February, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eight, and in the eighth year of Our Reign.

By Command,
HENRY ESSON YOUNG,
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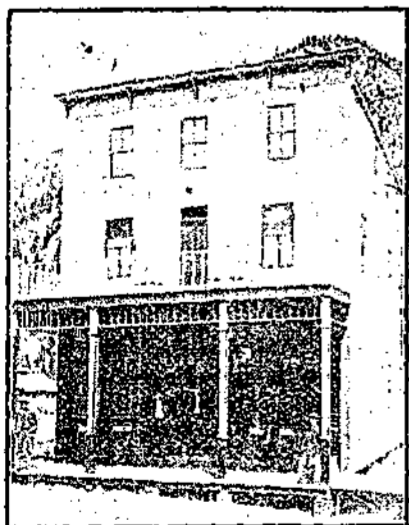
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Town and District.

March made a blustering finish. Good Friday three weeks from tomorrow.

J. McCreath, of Greenwood, was a visitor in Hedley last week.

Kelowna school is closed owing to the prevalence of scarlet fever.

Messrs. J. H. Kennedy and F. A. Hankinson were in Hedley on Thursday last.

Messrs. J. J. Marks and Paul Brod-hagen were in town last Friday, returning to the Golden Zone on Saturday.

Carl Hairsine returned this week from Fairview, where he has been for a couple of months with Shatfords Limited.

Mrs. G. B. Lyon has put in a stock of groceries, and later on will keep fresh vegetables in stock, grown on their own ranch.

J. Critchley, shoemaker, is moving his wife and family to Hedley. They will reside in the house formerly occupied by W. Nelson.

F. H. French, Manager of Shatfords Limited went over to Fairview on Sunday taking along with him Mr. Keely, who will have charge of the Fairview branch.

Basil Gardom, the Enderby constable who allowed the slayer of Nelson Chance to escape, and was dismissed from the service, has been re-instated. The escaped prisoner is still at large.

Wm. Sampson, from Phoenix, who has succeeded Barney Guest as shift-boss at the Nickel Plate, arrived last week with his wife and child and has taken up his abode at the mine.

There has been a marked improvement in the electric lights since repairs were made to the flume. The lights have been particularly bright and steady during the past week.

During the past week they have been burning off railway right of way, which gave the lower part of the town the appearance of having broken out in a violent attack of spring cleaning.

They say that in a regular mining camp such a thing as a garden rake is tabu, but in Hedley it is an implement that is being used these days to beautify sundry garden plots.

April, 1908, has two new moons. The only other double header this year will be November with two fore-quarters. Next year some month may have two full moons and another come in for two hind quarters.

A row between a couple of Chinks in the South end on Monday night gave the constable a little work to do, and put the wheels of the local justice mill in motion to grind out a little more revenue for the province.

A very enjoyable dance was given by the Dancing Club in their hall, the old school building on Daly St. on Friday evening last. About fifteen couples were present, and dancing was kept up until about 12 o'clock.

Old-timers will be interested in the marriage of Wm. Brent and Miss Maria Houghton which took place at Armstrong on March 17th. Both were born in the Okanagan Valley at Okanagan Mission and the best wishes of all old-timers will go out to them.

Mrs. Stewart, of Spokane, was in Hedley on Thursday last on her way to Princeton with her little daughter who is afflicted with tuberculosis of the throat. They left for Princeton on Friday morning, that being the point to which a Spokane doctor advised them to go.

The flume repairs were executed in short time last week, and the water was shut off for only three days. Since then the stamps have been dropping as usual, and there is a little increase in the volume of water, although it is slower than expected and very much slower than in the spring of 1905 when the volume of water had increased sufficiently to drive everything as early as March 10th.

The Keremeos Trumpet appeared on Friday last. The new paper is published at Keremeos Station on the Armstrong townsite by J. A. Brown, formerly of Manitou, Manitoba, who is an experienced publisher and a gentleman who from all reports will give the town a good paper and do credit to the fourth estate. The first number is a credit to the publisher and particularly so to Keremeos, for every business in the place is represented in its advertising columns. It is the people of a town who can either make it go ahead or stand still, and apparently Keremeos business men have caught the idea. The Gazette welcomes the Trumpet to its exchange table and trusts that all future relations may be cordial and neighborly.

It was April blossoming spring. Daily mail to and from Hedley began yesterday with D. J. Innis on the box.

Rev. A. H. Cameron went to Spokane at the end of last week. He gave up his Sunday in Keremeos to the Rev. Mr. Cleland of Penticton, who purposes holding Anglican services in Keremeos every fifth Sunday.

The Indians are cutting down the remaining trees on the reservation flat to the west of the town and are preparing to put up a wire fence to take the place of the log fence which was hauled away last winter.

The Yale Mining Co. are starting their diamond drills again and more exploratory work will be carried on this season. The work will be done with their own diamond drills, and a diamond setter has been engaged by the company.

The men who were negotiating for the purchase of W. J. Manery's place in the lower Similkameen two weeks ago and were frightened off by some local knocking have purchased at Grand Forks instead, and are going in for a big nursery business.

Tuesday brought in a bevy of commercial men among whom were Alex. Vaughan, representing Wilson Bros., Victoria; Geo. J. Smith of Galt Bros., Vancouver; C. Marshall of Brouer Co. and Jas. A. McGill of the Gutta Percha Rubber Co.

Dr. Inman, an eye specialist from Winnipeg reached town on Monday with full equipment for eye-testing and furnishing glasses to suit all defects in vision. He was a couple of days later in reaching here than he had counted on.

A little mix-up of the types in last week's paper changed the name "Rotherham" to "Robertson"; and thus made it appear that the Hedley Miners' and Millmen's Union had deposed its secretary. But this is a mistake; Mr. Rotherham is still secretary-treasurer.

The mail contracts have been awarded. D. J. Innis will carry the mail from Hedley to Keremeos; W. E. Welby from Keremeos to Penticton and W. F. Revely from Hedley to Princeton. The time for leaving Hedley will be as before, but the contract calls for arrival at 5 p. m. Welby must have the mail in Keremeos by 12 o'clock noon, which will require an early start from Penticton.

The Ladies of Hedley extend a cordial invitation to all to be present at their dance on Friday evening next in Fraternity Hall. Dancing will begin at 8:30, and supper will be served at midnight in the Miners' and Millmen's Union hall on Daly St., through the courtesy of the Dancing Club who have kindly allowed them to use the hall for that occasion, they having it rented from the Union for every Friday night.

Some Coast papers, whether by design or stupidity are in the habit of handling news items from the press of the interior in a very slovenly manner, in giving no credit and dating them from the wrong place. These are then innocently copied in other papers. Last week's Trumpet, for instance was caught by one of these, which had been taken from a Coast paper, dated Princeton, March 23rd, but was clipped from the Gazette of March 19th, dealing with progress on V. V. & E. construction.

Notice is up in the post office that mails close in the evening at 8 o'clock. In the reign of good old Gillespie it was nominally 11 p. m., but midnight would do as well if he was there and the case was urgent. The regency soon saw it changed to 10 p. m. and now it is being shortened to 8, showing that a vicarious occupancy of the post office is meant to remind one of Balzac's "Pean de Shagrin." By and by though, there will be a red metal letter-box at the station that the mail clerk will empty on the departure of the mail train, and then all will be happy again—particularly the night-hawks.

On Wednesday of last week Rev. A. H. Cameron of Keremeos, who was here on church business, met W. A. Maclean of Penticton, who happened to be in town that day. It was the first time they had seen each other for over twenty years, and their first acquaintance went back to early construction days on the C.P.R. Various little instances and pranks played, were remembered by both of them. Among these was the lynching of Cassiar's dog, a piece of practical joking engineered by W. A. at Donald, for which Cassiar would have murdered the whole crowd if they hadn't got out of the way. In strenuous times the jokes were strenuous like everything else.

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March has been a favorite birthday month and several Hedleyites claim that month for their natal day, which has been the occasion for several enjoyable birthday parties. Among these a sort of a combination party to serve for several whose birthdays came within a couple of weeks and in honor of the Misses McLean who are visiting in town, was given in the parlor of the Similkameen hotel on Saturday night by Mr. MacHaffie. The affair was quite unique, taking the form of a historical, or rather biographical party, the guests compiling each other's biographies in a neatly gotten up booklet which would serve as a souvenir, and was kept as such by each guest whose biography was compiled. This with music and some other amusements serve to make a most enjoyable evening.

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