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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE

Lack of a Virile Opposition Detracts from Interest of Session

TAX REDUCTION CHIEF TOPIC

Railway Bill to Come Down Soon- Poll Tax Survives, But Had Narrow Escape—Signs of Short Session.

Victoria, Feb. 3.—Hon. Mr. Bowser moved the first reading of the Assessment act. In doing so he estimated that it would mean a total reduction in the taxation of $155,000. He pointed out that poll tax collections ran up to over $200,000 a year, and the Government was not yet in a position to abolish it, since it was the only method of taxing Orientals and the floating population. It had been urged that only the Orientals pay poll tax, but if this were done, it would leave after the expenses of collection only a little over $26,000. He declared that, mathematically worked out, the man with an income under $2,000 had a greater reduction in his income tax than the man paying on over $7,000.

Mr. Parker Williams criticised the reductions as unfair to the workingman.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite moved the adjournment of debate.

Some clauses of the Bill to provide medical inspection in schools were strongly opposed in Committee of the whole by the Socialists and the Liberals and at the request of Mr. Brewster, the Bill was finally held over for further consideration.

The delegation from the Vancouver Exhibition Association interviewed the Executive with a request for a grant of $50,000 for prizes for the Exhibition. Consideration was promised.

The Railway Committee passed a Bill to incorporate the Port Moody & Indian River Railway Company, but cut out the power to build branch lines further than the six miles allowed by the British Columbia Railway Act.

Victoria, February 5.—During the week good progress has been made with the legislation of the session. Three Bills at least have passed third reading, namely: The amendment to the Public Inquiries Act to enable Commissioners to take evidence under oath; the amendment to the Coroners' Act to allow evidence to be taken in shorthand; and the amendment to the Notaries Appointment Act, leaving the work in the hands of the Attorney-General's Department. Of the three bills only the latter occasioned much controversy, the Opposition maintaining that it was a move of the Attorney-General to secure more patronage, though he maintained that it was to secure the appointment of a more efficient and less numerous class of notaries.

Four important Bills have passed second reading, namely: The amendments to the Assessment Act, the Public Schools Act, the Act to Establish Juvenile Courts, and the Bill to provide for medical inspection in schools. The Assessment Act was severely criticised by the four Oppositionists, but was allowed to pass second reading without division, but it is understood that Mr. Hawthornthwaite will move a number of amendments in Committee of the Whole. The amendment to the Factories Act exempting the Factory Inspector from supoena, was also regarded with suspicion by the Opposition, though the reasons for the Bill were very clearly explained by the Attorney-General.

An interesting resolution passed during the week was that introduced by Mr. Tisdall requesting the Dominion Government to take steps to secure the better settlement of their lands in the Railway belt.

Alarmed

There was a young lady named Banker,
Who slept while the ship lay at anchor;
She awoke in dismay
When she heard the mate say,
"Now hoist up the top sheet and spanker."

AN INTERESTING REPORT

Royal Commission on Forestry Make Important Recommendations

VICTORIA, Jan 25—The interim report of the royal commission of inquiry on timber and forestry, consisting of Hon. F.J. Fulton. A.S. Goodeve M. P., and A. C. Flummerfelt, appointed by the provincial government last summer to inquire into the whole question of forestry in British Columbia, was presented in the legislature this afternoon, and recommends that the tenure of licenses be extended from year to year until all merchantable timber has been removed. A recommendation is also made that provision be made for the opening for settlement of all agricultural land held under timber license, as it is required for farming purposes. The final report of the commission, it may be said, will not be ready for some months. The interim report reads as follows:

To his Honor Thomas Wilson Paterson, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of British Columbia.

May it Please Your Honor—We, your commissioners appointed on the ninth day of July 1909, for the purpose of making inquiry into all matters connected with the timber resources of the province of British Columbia and to report the facts found by us and the means that should be adopted to conserve the present supply of timber, to guard against fire and to utilize vacant lands suitable for afforestation, have the honor to submit the following interim report:

The commission commenced its work on the 16th day of August, 1909, holding its first session at Victoria and from that time until the 30th day of September, sittings being held in different parts of the province, some 90 witnesses being heard, besides receiving memorials and hearing deputations from various parties and municipalities interested. In addition the commission attended the National Congress on Conservation of Natural resources, held at Seattle on the 26th, 27th and 28th of August.

The questions to be investigated by the commission are many and of the utmost importance, so important in fact, that while the commission has already obtained a vast amount of evidence, covering considerably over 1000 typewritten pages, it feels that it should continue its investigations still further and exhaust all possible sources of information before venturing to submit a final report.

At the outset, however, the attention of the commission was called to the fact that at the last session of the legislature the government announced that it had come to the determination that the tenure of special timber licenses would, at the next session of the legislature, receive the attention of the administration, in the way of some provision that would make for the perpetuity of the license until the timber is removed, but on such terms and conditions as the government then may deem prudent in the best interests of the province and people of British Columbia, and, in consequence the honorable premier has requested us, if possible to make an interim report dealing with this question of tenure.

We, therefore, recommend that the proposed amendments be so framed as to provide that the special timber licenses, other than those provided for in sub-section (2) of section 57 of the Land act, shall be renewable from year to year, so long as there is on the land included in such license merchantable timber in sufficient quantity to make it commercially valuable (proof of which might be required by the chief commissioner) but that renewal shall be subject to the payment of such rental or license fee, and such tax or royalty, and to such terms, conditions, regulations and restrictions as may be fixed or imposed by any statute or order in council in force at the time renewal is made; that power should be provided or reserved for the chief commissioner or government where, after inspection it is found the land is fit for tillage and settlement, and required for that purpose, that he or they may require the licensee to remove the timber from such land within a fixed time, at the end of which period the land shall be opened for settlement upon such terms as the government may see fit.

WIRELESS SCORES ANOTHER

Crew of Sinking Steamer Kentucky Saved by Alamo—Both Have United Wireless Equipment

New York, Feb. 4—Thanks again to the wireless, Captain Moore and his crew of 47 men are safe on board the Mallory liner Alamo, bound for Key West tonight, while their vessel, the Kentucky, was sunk off Cape Hatteras. The Kentucky is a wooden vessel of 990 gross tonnage, 203 feet long, and was bound from New York to the Pacific to carry passengers between Tacoma and Alaskan ports for the Alaska Pacific Steamship company. The latest report received by the United Wireless company in New York tonight said she had gone down.

The first news of the Kentucky's plight was received at the United Wireless company's station at Cape Hatteras at 11 o'clock this morning. The operator heard the urgent international distress signal, "S. O. S.," followed by this message:

"We are sinking. Our latitude is 32.40, longitude 76.30."

Almost simultaneously the operator heard from the steamship Alamo that she was making all speed to the sinking vessel's assistance. Thereafter no message was received from the Kentucky, indicating that water had interfered with the power, putting her wireless apparatus out of commission. The navy department in the meantime flashed wireless messages along the Atlantic coast, dispatching the battleships Louisiana and two revenue cutters to the scene, but at 5 o'clock this evening word came from the Alamo that she had arrived first and had taken off all safely.

Bad luck was the Kentucky's lot immediately after she left New York for her 14,000-mile voyage on January 23rd. Her one bit of good luck was that wireless instruments were installed just before she departed. One hundred and fifty miles off Sandy Hook the vessel began to leak, but by working the pumps valiantly Captain Moore was able to reach Newport News with 16 inches of water in the vessel's hold. Repairs were made, and the ship received a certificate from Lloyd's and the United States inspector at the port saying that she was sound and seaworthy. Notwithstanding this assurance, T. A. McLarney, formerly night operator at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York, who had shipped with the vessel when she left this port, refused to continue the voyage because his parents in Monticello, N. Y., had a premonition that something would happen. They bombarded him with messages to this effect and in deference to their wishes he obtained a substitute operator, W. D. Maginnis, who sent out the call which saved the lives of his shipmates today.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 4,—Wireless reports received here tell of the heroism of Wireless Operator W. G. McGinnis of the Kentucky, who sat at his key sending his call for aid out into the air until the inrushing waters drowned out his dynamo and made his instruments mute. Just as the current failed the black smoke from the alamo's funnels was seen as she came rushing to the rescue. When the crew had gained the deck of the Alamo Captain Moore of the Kentucky publicly thanked McGinnis, and the rescued crew cheered him.

FREE TEXT BOOKS

Plan Appears to Have Worked Well Government Saved Money for Parents

Mr. David Wilson, officer in charge of the free text book branch of the Department of Education, reports that the system has worked well since the branch was opened in 1908. Since that time 430 schools have been supplied with a larger or smaller proportion of these books. The net cost of these books to the Province since the system was inaugurated is $32,763.30.

The Free Text-book Branch distributed during the past year school books and supplies which would have cost parents and school boards $33,422.15. To place these in the hands of the school children of the Province through the Free Text-book Branch of the Education Department called for an expenditure of $25,637.37, the items of which are:

Text books (laid down cost)	$20,914.98
Distribution (freight, etc.)	1,376.74
Distribution (salaries of staff)	3,445.65
	$25,637.65

The net profit of the year's business is, therefore, $7,784.78, the percentage of profit 30½ per cent.

MACHINERY ARRIVES

Two Carloads Awaiting Attention of Erecting Engineer

On Tuesday two car loads of machinery arrived at Hedley station from Sherbrooke, Quebec, and now awaits the attention of the erecting engineer, who is expected along every train.

The machinery is quite massive in appearance, one casting alone weighing 10,000 lbs. and it is all for the power house to carry out the changes outlined in last week's paper.

If the erecting engineer were on hand the machinery should be installed and in operation by the first of March. If it were ready to turn on right now, it couldn't come in at a better time, for the past ten days cold weather has made it difficult to keep everything going.

It looks as if there will be water enough to finish out February which is already more than one third gone, and after that there will be a hustle to get the changes made in the milling plant which are to be made and have all ready to start up again with the new water when the snow has melted sufficiently to raise the streams. In spite of the intense cold of the early part of the winter which threatened to tie up everything, the plant has been kept in almost constant operation and a successful season's work has resulted.

WE'RE NOT ORE THIEVES

Consequently We Don't Need Gordon's Ore Samples Bill

OTTAWA, Feb. 2.—There was a spirited debate in the Senate on the second reading of the bill to amend the Criminal Code making it a punishable offense for persons to have precious ore in their possession without being able to give a satisfactory explanation of how it was obtained. This was the bill brought forward in the Commons by Mr. Gordon, of Nipissing, endorsed by the minister of justice and passed.

Senator Lougheed opposed the bill. He would not seriously object if the law was restricted to the province of Ontario but he thought it going too far to say that everywhere in Canada men must be regarded as criminals who possess specimens of precious ores for which they could not account and that if they could not account for them they should be required to do so before a criminal court. There were deposits of low grade ore in British Columbia, Saskatchewan and Alberta from which collections had been accumulated for many years and he doubted if the owner of these collections could in all cases satisfactorily explain where the specimens came from.

In many cases prospectors were going through British Columbia and bringing in specimens of ore that it would hardly be desirable that they should be put in the position of having to explain in a criminal court the possession of their samples. He thought the bill should be limited to the Cobalt district.

The bill was given a second reading on the understanding that the principle was endorsed and the committee stage was set down for a week hence.

A bill to incorporate the Merchants' Bank of Canada pension fund was read the third time.

February thus far has proved a trying month on the woodpile. As much, or almost as much, wood was burned during the first week in February as during the last three weeks in January. A glance at the temperature readings in another column will show why this is so. When the mean temperature for a week figures out from 16 to 20 degrees of frost, it is mighty cold weather no matter how fine and bright the days may seem. In fact February has been quite a bit of a josher—making us believe we were having the finest kind of weather and all the while the woodpile was slowly but surely vanishing into thin air.

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and

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Advertisements will be changed once every month if advertiser desires, without any extra charge. For changes oftener than once a month the price of composition will be charged at regular rates.

Changes for contract advertisements should be in the office by noon on Tuesday to secure attention for that week's issue.

A. MEGRAW, Managing Editor.

Full Moon 25 — New Moon 11
Last quar. 3 — First quar. 18

1910			FEB.			1910
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A SUMMER PLAYGROUND.

Our neighbor, the Star, threw out an excellent suggestion recently which we wish to apply in the cause of conservation. That suggestion was to set aside a good large area in the Hope Mountains for a provincial park. The government of Ontario wisely provided such an asset for that province a few years ago from its wild lands, and British Columbia has a vastly greater area at her disposal for such purposes, than Ontario.

For this purpose it is difficult to find a more suitable spot than the Hope Mountains, for a score of reasons. Its comparative proximity to coast cities where population may first be expected to become congested, would be sufficient in itself to decide the matter of location, and then there is the eminent fitness of the locality itself and the scenery and facilities for recreation it has to offer which should leave it almost without a rival.

More important still is the great step in advance in the cause of conservation, for the district forming the park would cover the head waters of various important streams flowing in different directions, and those are the regions that must be kept inviolate from the devastating ravages of fire and lumbermen. To set it aside as a provincial park need not mean the tying up of the mineral wealth of the region which could still be exploited under necessary restrictions, but it would never do to allow mining operations to be carried on in the free and haphazard way that has often resulted in laying waste large tracts of valuable timber land without adequate return. To us in the Similkameen valley it is most important that the timber wealth at the head waters of the Similkameen river and tributary streams be preserved to ensure plentiful and unfailing supply of water every day in the year, as well as to lessen the danger of destructive floods in time of high water. Floods and landslides are the immediate penalties resulting from allowing mountain areas to be denuded of their timber wealth, while the preservation of the timber acts as a natural reservoir to hold back the water until the surplus from the melting snows in springtime has had time to flow off.

The provincial government are considering the advisability of construct a trunk wagon road through the province. Hand in hand with this laudable undertaking, and serving to round it out to completeness, would be the setting apart of an area in the Hope mountains equal in extent to two or three eastern counties, through which the wagon road would traverse. Now is the time to take hold of this matter before further alienations of timber areas take place to complicate the situation.

METEOROLOGICAL.

The following are the readings showing temperature, etc., for the week ending Feb. 5, 1910:

AT THE MINE.

	Maximum	Minimum
Jan. 30	18	12
31	20	9
Feb 1	25	7
2	24	2
3	30	5
4	32	9
5	33	9

Average maximum temperature 26.
Average minimum do 7.57
Mean temperature 16.78
Rainfall for the week . inches.
Snowfall " " 2 "

CORRESPONDING WEEK OF LAST YEAR

Highest maximum temperature 31.
Average maximum do 23.57
Lowest minimum do 6.
Average minimum do 13.85
Mean do 18.71

AT THE MILL.

	Maximum	Minimum
Jan. 30	39	27
31	36	13
Feb 1	26	5
2	27	9
3	30	5
4	26	5
5	32	26

Average maximum temperature 30.85
Average minimum do 12.85
Mean do 21.85
Rainfall for the week . inches
Snowfall " " . "

CORRESPONDING WEEK OF LAST YEAR

Highest maximum temperature 52
Average do do 40.14
Lowest minimum do 23.
Average do do 28.28
Mean do 34.21

MORTGAGE SALE

UNDER and by virtue of the powers contained in a certain mortgage which will be produced at the time of sale there will be offered for sale by public auction by Henry H. Avery, auctioneer, at

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17th, 1910

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For terms and conditions of sale apply to the auctioneer, or to Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge, solicitors, Vancouver, B. C.

Dated this 4th day of January, 1910.

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE, that thirty days after date, I, Thomas Walsh, of Bridesville, intend to apply to the superintendent of provincial police, F. S. Hussey, for a retail liquor license for the Bridesville Hotel, located at Bridesville B. C.

THOS. WALSH

Bridesville, October 14th, 1909.

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Town and District.

The Kamloops presbytery will meet in Kelowna on February 23rd.

St. Valentines day on Monday next; the winter is making progress springward.

Mr. A. Pleasance left for the coast on Monday and will be gone for a few weeks.

Vernon has a lady candidate for school trustee in a bye-election being held there.

Blank receipts, bound and perforated, dirt cheap at the City Drug and Bookstore.

J. D. Swanson, of Kamloops, is the new judge appointed to succeed Judge Spinks.

Rev. A. H. Cameron went up to Princeton by Monday's train, remaining until next day.

Jack Corrigan left on Friday for Spokane where he expects to take a course in business college.

Miss Edith Bradshaw is leaving today for Spokane. She will have company that far with Mr. and Mrs. Brown.

L. M. Hale, engineer, was in town on Friday looking after a few local matters for protection of the road bed and building the station.

Yesterday which was Ash Wednesday, ushered in the lenten season. Forty days from that will bring Easter Sunday on March 27th.

And now that the ice crop is all successfully garnered, or nearly so, spring is at liberty to come with all its concomitants,—robins, frogs, etc.

With Easter Sunday coming in March the hens will have to work over time to get ready. The effect on the price of eggs is likely to send it skyward.

Mrs. W. A. Maclean returned from Winnipeg where she has been for the past six weeks, being called there through the illness and death of her brother.

Tim Griffin and A. Harrington, left on Saturday for Fife, B. C. to work on a property near Christina Lake. They expect to get back to the Similkameen some time next summer.

A G. N. R. work train has been at work on this portion of the line for several days. One thing that is engaging their attention is filling in the piers of the bridges with rock and getting them in shape to stand the spring freshets.

The fruit growers of British Columbia are fortunate in their organ, the Fruit Magazine, published in Vancouver by J. Maxwell Smith. Each issue contains matter highly interesting to the industry and the magazine is maintaining its standard of excellence.

Messrs. Boeing and Brass put up a work shop for H. Zibler by extending his cabin a few feet at the front end. Before he was injured he had not light enough to do mending in the old cabin and the new addition aimed to provide all the light possible.

Mrs. J. A. Brown, of Keremeos, spent Sunday in Hedley, the guest of Miss Megraw. Mr. and Mrs. Brown are leaving the end of this week on a trip to Manitoba, and Mrs. Brown expects to remain there until the summer before returning to Keremeos.

Mr. P. Swanson and Frank Garrison of Princeton, were in town on Thursday last for a few hours. Mrs. Swanson is going to Scotland shortly and during her absence the dining room of the Great Northern hotel in Princeton will be in charge of Miss King, now in the Hotel Similkameen, Hedley.

M. K. Rodgers was in a runaway accident at Phoenix after he left Hedley last week. He and O. B. Smith, superintendent of the Granby, were driving when the horses ran away, crossing the railway track, throwing both out of the sleigh. Smith had his shoulder dislocated but M. K. came off harmless.

J. Madden, engineer and contractor, who has been connected for years with Great Northern construction work in various capacities, was in town last week and said that there is going to be lively work in connection with the building from Princeton to Otter Flat. Word has been issued from head office that this section must be done in four months. Mr. Madden has five miles to build—two and a half miles either side of Granite creek and he is making all preparations to rush the work and get his contract completed within the time. Mr. Madden was gathering up his outfit this week and shipping it by rail to Princeton to be hauled from there to Granite creek. He says that it is not at all improbable that trains will run into Otter Flat in July.

Geo. H. Sproule and wife went to Princeton on Tuesday returning next day.

John Lind went over to Grand Forks on Monday.

China New Year and Ash Wednesday happened on the same day this year. Fancy the "haythins" beginning lent with fire-crackers.

The comet has not been seen in Hedley since Friday evening last. On that date it was barely visible for more than five minutes before it set and since then the lengthening day makes it too clear to see any star in the sky until after the comet's setting time at Hedley. It is doubtless visible yet at the Nickel Plate.

An advance agent who made the mistake of assuming that there were somewhere about eleven days and a half in the week and that no time need be consumed in getting from one place to another managed to get the Stuttz Theatre Co. badly twisted up in their dates. As a result they were expected to be in various Boundary towns on the same date.

The station gang are making very good progress with the building which is now nearing completion. They have also made a start on the section houses which are being located down near the lower end of smelter flat. Of the station, the platform, roof, floors, rustic on the outside, ceilings and inside lining have been completed and about a week more will suffice to see it ready for business.

THE TRUNK WAGON ROAD

Routes Over Hope Mountain Discussed—An Innocuous Document

Coast papers last week published extracts from a report made by Lewis Hind on the feasibility of a route over the Hope mountains for the proposed Trunk Wagon road from the coast into the interior of the province. It appears to have been a somewhat lengthy document and is remarkable on the score of length rather than from any information it contained that will be of any real benefit in securing the end in view.

It starts out with the sentence "On November 1st I arrived at Princeton and was informed that owing to a recent snowfall it would be impossible to get up to Summit camp." It next tells of where he had entertained the hope of said snow disappearing in a few days. Of course it is a habit the snow on that summit is likely to have in the month of November. Then from that out the report is for the most part made up of hearsay.

It discusses three alternative routes, one of which would appear to be that of paralleling the Coquihalla route of the V. V. & E. for almost its entire distance.

The most sensible and to the point part of the whole report, and in fact all that would warrant reproduction, is to be found in the two following paragraphs:

"Before any definite route is decided upon I should advise that all these routes be fully examined by an engineer, having regard to their mineral productive capabilities; and for this purpose a party could, with advantage, be sent into the district about the middle of May and not sooner.

"If this proposed road is to be carried on, I should suggest that, as a preliminary step, the comparative depths of snowfall be ascertained, and for that purpose that a man be sent in on snowshoes to each of these summits about the middle or end of February to get reliable data which would be of great value in the ultimate location of such road."

HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

Ladies Organize to Help With Hospital Work

At the ladies' meeting held on Friday last to organize a hospital auxiliary the following ladies were chosen as office-bearers; President, Mrs. Arthur Clare; Secretary, Miss Myrtle McLean; Treasurer, Mrs. T.H. Rotherham.

It was arranged that the first work which would engage their attention would be that of providing linen and other sewing required for the hospital.

Fortnightly meetings of the Auxiliary will be held in the Union hall every second Friday at which other arrangements for sewing meets may be made.

A manifesto issued from what purports to be the progressive Liberal Party in convention at Fort George reads like the time honored declaration of the three tailors of Tooley Street. Unless B. C. Liberals ase particularly flush Fort George is scarcely the place that would be chosen for the holding of a convention to enunciate the principles for any party either new or old.

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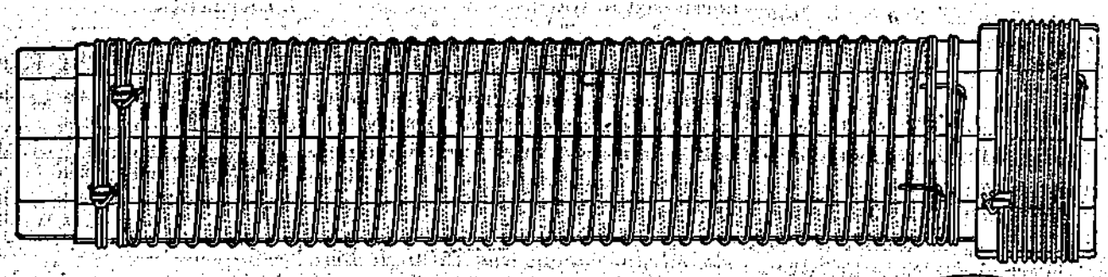

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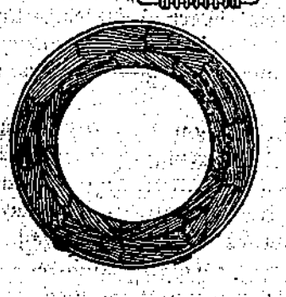

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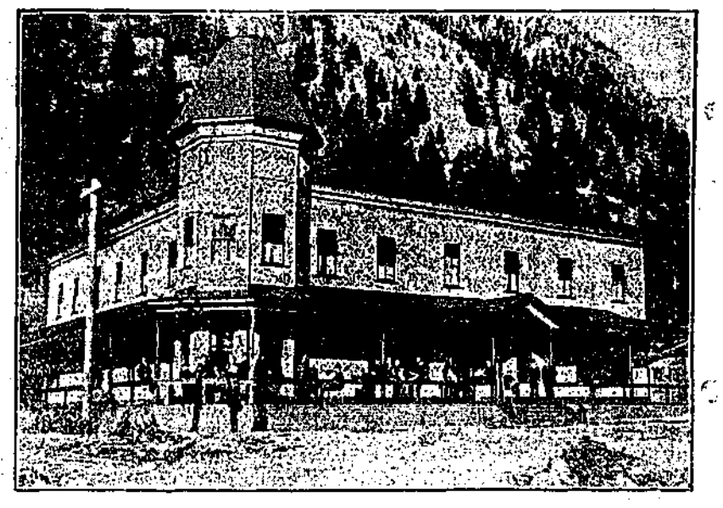

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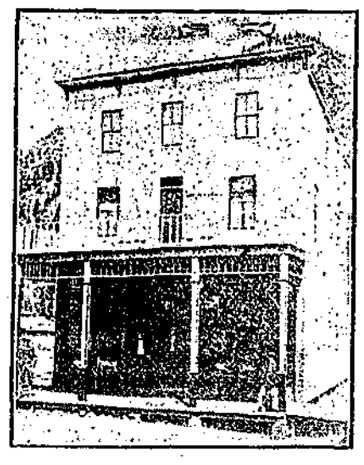

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THE KEREMEOS PAGE

KEREMEOS, the Centre of Lower Similkameen---Famed for Fruit Growing

Town and Lower Valley.

Mrs. J. A. Brown spent Sunday with friends in Hedley.

J. J. Armstrong is expected home from the coast on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. London and Mrs. C. Richter, are spending the week at Spokane.

Several families of new settlers will take up their residence in Keremeos in the near future.

Mrs. E. M. Crooker has been spending a few days in Oroville, the guest of Mrs. Tilson.

Mrs. Revely, of Hedley, has been visiting Mrs. Lowe, at the ranch, during the past week.

Rev. A. H. Cameron leaves on Monday next to attend a meeting of the Presbytery for this district to be held at Kelowna.

W. M. Frith went to Spokane on Tuesday to meet his wife and children who are returning home after a three months' visit to friends in Manitoba.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McAlpine and children returned on Saturday from their visit to Spokane and are now busy making preparations to move to Princeton.

'Vin. Wilson has rented his ranch to M. C. McAulay for a term of three years and is making preparations to leave for the prairies, where he intends taking up a homestead.

Messrs Norman Cameron and Gilbert Mowat who have been in the employ of J. A. McAlpine at the Great Northern commissariat left for the upper valley on Wednesday. They will be missed from the circle of young folks here.

The Methodist Ladies' Aid will give a Valentine social in the town hall next Monday evening, Feb. 14th. A program will be rendered and refreshments served. Everybody cordially invited to attend and receive a valentine. Collection.

The ice on the river has been presenting favorable opportunities for skating during the past week and together with the exceptionally fine weather has tempted forth everybody who owned or could beg, borrow or steal a pair of skates.

Mr. and Mrs. William Elmhirst, and Mr. and Mrs Thomson leave for home on Thursday. They will go by the Crows Nest railway and will be accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brown, who purpose spending a month with friends at their old home in Manitou, Southern Manitoba.

The secretary of the Keremeos Conservative Association announces that the annual meeting will be held in the Board of Trade room, Keremeos Land Co's. building, on Wednesday evening next Feb 16th. A good attendance is requested as several matters which require the attention of the Association will be brought up.

Carl Johnson is now the happy possessor of a machine which, while resembling a miniature pom-pom gun is really nothing more formidable than a latest improved, triple-action automatic photographing instrument. On Saturday he left for Hedley where he hoped to commence a large and lucrative business in his new line.

People of Keremeos will learn with regret that H. A. Cook, formerly G.N. agent here and recently of Princeton, is suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism. On Monday he passed through here, accompanied by his wife, on his way to Medical Lake where he will undergo treatment. We wish him a speedy and complete recovery.

The building occupied by J. A. McAlpine as residence has been purchased by Wm. Camerom who will use the lumber for building on his lot. The building used by the commissariat is being pulled down and will be taken up to the front to be utilized in building stables for the horses. Messrs Cousins and Lee, local contractors have the job of razing the building.

John Knudson and Ezra Mills are making a marked difference in the appearance of the north end of our town. They have purchased from Chas. Becker the row of lots along the hill and are clearing the same of brush and otherwise improving with a view to disposing of them at an advanced figure. Incidentally they are stacking up a nice little pile of firewood.

R. S. Elton, wife and family of four children, from Alberni, Vancouver Island, arrived in Keremeos Wednesday. They have taken up temporary residence in E. Mills house. It is their intention to spend a month in this district and if satisfied will make their permanent abode here.

People of Keremeos are vainly straining their eyesight for a glimpse of the comet which is said to be plainly visible every clear evening at Hedley. The trouble here is that before it is dark enough to be able to see the celestial visitor it has dropped behind the high hills south west of town. Those really anxious to obtain a glimpse of it might do so by organizing a party and climbing the hill north east of town.

Keremeos is to have a series of high class concerts at intervals of about a month apart. Particulars as to dates and the personnell of the troupes are not to hand, but they are companies, and placed on circuit by the Walker Theatre Company of Winnipeg, and are said to be first-class in every way. The advance agent was through here the first of the week and arranged with the managers of Richter's hall to play there.

While returning home from Hedley early Wednesday morning John Himmell had an accident on the road a short distance west of the town which resulted in a painful bruising up for himself, a badly demolished rig and injury to one of the horses. John had been employed by Messrs Tweddle and Elmhirst to drive a couple of drummers to Hedley on Tuesday afternoon and on his return trip when near the end of his long drive he must have fallen asleep with the result indicated above.

As Reuben Sees It

Farmer Foddershucks—"Haow do them summer boarders of yourn keep busy?"

Reuben Robbins—"They play golf."

Farmer Foddershucks—"What'n Sam Hill's that?"

Rueben Robbins—"'S near's I kin figger, it's solitaire shinny."

AN INTERESTING REPORT

Continued from Page One.

Also, that if any holder af a license provided for in sub-section (2) of said section 57, desires to take advantage of the privilege of renewal provided for in this amendment, he shall, within six months after the passing of this amendment, surrender the license held by him and the privileges now appertaining thereto.

Your commissioners are carefully investigating the constitution of forestry departments in other governments and countries with the object of recommending the establishing of such a department in British Columbia, and, pending the securing of the fullest data, we are of the opinion that the government will be well advised to provide in the next estimates an increased amount (at least double that of 1909) for the purpose of supplementing the system of forest fire protection already inaugurated, which, so far as the limited amounts appropriated in previous years would permit, has been shown by the evidence to be most effective in reducing the number and extent of fires.

We might add in conclusion that in our opinion a carefully thought out policy as to, the best method of dealing with the present unalienated timber lands of the province should be decided upon before the same are dealt with, as it is our attention to consider this question carefully and submit a recommendation in our final report, we would respectfully suggest that the present reserve be in the meantime continued."

LAND ACT.

TAKE NOTICE that Kenneth Carlton Boyd Frith, of Greenwood, B. C., occupation Postmaster, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted on the west boundary of Indian Reserve Lot No. 3, thence 20 chains along Indian Reserve Lot No. 4, thence south 40 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence north along the Indian Reserve 40 chains to point of starting.

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Commencing at a post planted about 20 chains west of the north west corner of Lot 178 in the Similkameen Division of Yale District; thence north 20 chains; thence east 20 chains; thence south 20 chains; thence west 20 chains to point of commencement, 10 acres, more or less.

LOUISE BROWN,
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NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date, I Sidney Walter Brown, of Osoyoos, B. C. intend to apply to the superintendent of provincial police, F. S. Hussey, of Victoria, for a retail liquor licence for the Osoyoos Hotel, situated at Osoyoos B. C.

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