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The Municipal Council

The council met Friday evening, there being present the Mayor, Aldermen Kilpatrick, Newman and Gordon.

A communication was read from the secretary of the department of the interior with regard to claims to lands in Revelstoke and stating that it was impossible to fix a date when all those matters could be finally settled.

The city clerk was instructed to write the department asking them to issue patents to parties whose claims have been paid so that taxes could be collected from same.

A communication from Chief of Police Bain was read suggesting that a curfew law be made to keep children off the streets at night, and pointing out the number of cases of petty larceny which had occurred lately committed by small children who were on the streets till one and sometimes two o'clock in the morning. Referred to by-law committee.

A report from the scavenger license committee was read recommending the appointment of Frank Saunders as city scavenger.

A warm discussion took place on this report as to whether the scavenger work could be done by one man better than two. The report was referred back to committee for further information.

Mr. B. A. Lawson presented the following report re affair of the Electric Light and Water Works company. The report consists of answers to a number of questions submitted by the council to Mr. Lawson:

1. Amount of capital actually paid in for stock.—$35,750.

2. Compute interest at 15 per cent. on actual paid up capital, from the several dates when the several amounts were paid in to the company, up to 1st September, 1900.—$15,257.81.

3. Make a statement of the amount borrowed from banks, with the dates, and the purposes to which said moneys were applied.—The amount borrowed from and now owing to banks by this company amount to $20,000, beginning from 1898. These moneys were largely used in construction.

4. State amount of scrip issued (with dates) as stock dividends.—The amount of scrip issued as stock dividends amount to $13,030.41, running from February 28th, 1898 to May 31st, 1900.

5. State amount of earning expended on capital account (exclusive of repairs and maintenance).—$13,030.41.

6. Give actual yearly cost of repairs, and yearly maintenance, each year seperate.—Total amount expended is $12,752.07. 1897-8 $100; 1898-9 $6,550.05; 1899-1900 $6012.02.

State gross revenue for each year, during company's operations.—From Dec. '96 to May 31st, '97 $529.07; May 31st, '97 to May 31st '98 $3,749.40; May 31st '98 to May 31st '99 $7,558.70; May 31st '99 to May 31st 1900 $13,945.85; total $25,783.08.

8. Give amount of cash dividends paid with dates.—Only one cash dividend was paid, viz., 1st Sept. 1897, $540.

9. State amount of supplies on hand, which have not been charged to construction account, or to repair account.—On May 31st, 1900, the general supplies of the Electric Light Co. were $1,850; Waterworks supplies on same date $750; total $2,600.

10. Give statement showing totals of book accounts, and liabilities of the company outstanding as at May 31st, 1900, other than bank loan.—At May 31st, 1900, liabilities were $4313.88. The amount due the company for water rates, installation, fixtures and lighting, at May 31st, 1900, amounted to $4,304.60.

11. Give actual cost of constructing the entire water system, exclusive of repairs and maintenance.—Cost of waterworks as above $17,015.30.

12. Give actual cost of construction of the electric light system, exclusive of repair and maintenance.—Cost of light system as above $58,499.63.

Respectfully submitted,
B. A. LAWSON.

Mr. Lawson in presenting his report explained that it was a difficult matter to arrive at a correct statement owing to the manner in which the company's books have been kept.

The report was referred to the special water and light committee.

The council then adjourned.

A CREDIT TO THE COMPANY.

T. D. Pickard of the R. M. R. Makes a Good Showing at Vancouver.

The twenty-seventh annual meeting of the British Columbia Rifle Association took place at Vancouver on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week. Seventy marksmen were at the butts, principally from the coast cities, Revelstoke being the only point in the interior which was represented, and our city was well represented in the person of Private T. D. Pickard of No. 5 Company, Rocky Mountain Rangers.

In the opening event on Thursday—the Tyro match—Pickard took fourth place with a score of 32 out of a possible 35.

In the next event—New Westminster cup—Pickard made the possible score 50. He was tied however by Private Boult of Vancouver, who also had 50 to his credit. In the shoot off Pickard put on three more bulls, while his opponent only managed to get two bulls and an inner. The New Westminster cup therefore comes to Revelstoke this year and should Pickard win it again next year it becomes his property.

In the Nanaimo match the same day Pickard took second place with a score of 61, being one point behind the winner.

On Friday, while Pickard did not carry off any of the big prizes, he did some good shooting, taking a place in both the Victoria Corporation match and the Helmcken match.

In the Bankers' match on Saturday Pickard was well up with a score of 100 out of a possible 105, the winner having 98 to his credit. He also won a prize in the Vancouver Corporation cup and, in the Tyro aggregate took seventh place with a score of 403.

Taking all together Revelstoke's representative make a most remarkable showing for a young marksman and with the little practice he had before going to the coast it is surprising he did so well. The members of the local rifle corps have every reason to be proud of him and if he follows up the sport Revelstoke will yet see T. D. Pickard in the running for the Queen's Prize at Bisley.

Handled Without Gloves.

(Special to the Mail.)

VICTORIA, Aug. 7.—John Houston, mayor of Nelson, discussing the Liquor License Bill in the legislature yesterday attacked both the government and the opposition.

After the House adjourned he got into a mix-up with Rod Tolmie, secretary of the Mine Owners Association. Houston was first thrown over the bar of the hotel and as he persisted in abusing Tolmie, the latter struck him, putting him out for ten minutes.

A very interesting game of cricket was played on Saturday, but owing to the scarcity of players two captains had to be chosen for the same team, the first innings scoring for one captain and the second innings for the other. J. E. Taylor captained the first innings for a total of 45, against W. H. Simmons in the second innings with 85.

The union picnic of the Methodist and Presbyterian Sunday schools will take place at the recreation grounds on Thursday next. It will be an all day affair, commencing at 10 o'clock, and in addition to the usual picnic games a programme of sports is being arranged. Everybody is invited to be present. Those who are willing to assist in preparing the grounds are requested to turn out for for that purpose this evening.

The Situation in China.

(Special to The Mail.)

LONDON, Aug. 7.—The anti-foreign party again have the upper hand at Pekin, according to reports emerging from Li Hung Chang, who is lodging at Shanghai. His baggage is packed preparatory to his departure for Pekin but it is stated that he has applied to the throne for twenty days sick leave. Li claims that his representations to Yang Tsze the viceroy and Tatoai Sheng have been denounced by Li Hing Peng, because they are friendly to foreigners.

A news agency despatch from Shanghai says it is rumored that the powerful viceroy, Yonan, Shika, the governor who disapproved of the actions of Prince Tuan has been killed.

Correspondents at Tien Tsin are unable to give anything fresh, though a despatch from Shanghai dated Aug. 6th avers that the allies are making slow progress towards Pekin, on account of the differences of opinion among the generals. The American, British and Japanese commanders favor one plan of action while the Russian, French and German commanders favor another.

In an interview Li Hung Chang said the ministers had left Pekin on Friday with a heavy escort for Tien Tsin.

The British consul at Tien Tsin says the allies advanced towards Pekin on August 4th.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—The World in an editorial yesterday, says that it cabled on Saturday to Li Hung Chang for the latest official information on the Chinese situation, and received the following response:—"An imperial decree has just been issued authorizing the escort of diplomatic corps to a place of safety. This renders action by the allied forces unnecessary. It is the first step towards the solution of the situation. (Signed) LI HUNG CHANG."

LONDON, Aug. 7.—The allies were to make a reconnaissance to day, starting with 4000 men against General Mas' army.

According to a Tien Tsin cable to the New York Herald dated yesterday, preparations for an advance on Pekin are being pushed rapidly forward. A large number of boats have been commandeered. All lighters have been seized which will stop business with Tien Tsin. The combined forces are ignoring all commercial interests.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—The following cablegrams have been received at the navy department:—"CHEE FOO, Aug. 6.—British unofficial reports tell of an engagement at Pei Tsang on Sunday morning, from 3 to 10:30. The allied loss in killed and wounded was 1,200, chiefly Russians and Japanese. The Chinese are retreating. (Signed) TASSEY."

"CHEE FOO, Aug. 6.—The unofficial report is believed to be reliable. About 16,000 allies heavily engaged the Chinese at Pei Tsang at daybreak yesterday. (Signed) REMEY."

The Circle Narrowing.

(Special to the Mail.)

LONDON, Aug. 7.—A despatch from Pretoria dated August 5th, says:—"General Lord Kitchener has narrowed the circle around Dewet and Stein, by driving out the enemy from one flank position, which he held."

The Dominion Elections.

(Special to The Mail.)

VICTORIA, Aug. 7.—A Toronto despatch says:—"It is understood that at a meeting of the executive of the Reform Association, Sir Richard Cartwright presiding, it was decided that the Dominion elections should be held on October 16th."

The Times of this city says the despatch is not far out.

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TUESDAY AUGUST 7, 1900.

THE suggestion of Chief of Police Bain made at the city council meeting on Friday night, that a curfew by-law be passed is a good one and should receive the hearty support of the entire council. It is a glaring and disgraceful fact that the number of children who are on the streets of our city till all hours of the night is enormous. It is hoped the council will take immediate action in this matter and pass a by law as suggested by Chief Bain.

THE first division of the first session of the ninth legislature of the province took place on Wednesday when the government was sustained by a vote of 24 to 13. The division was over a couple of amendments offered by Mc Innes to Helmcken's labor resolution. It is interesting to note that Ralph Smith was found voting with the opposition in company with Houston Kidd, and Neill.

AT THE second annual meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade of southern British Columbia held in Nelson last week, the matter of the representation from the interior of the province in the legislature was dealt with as follows:—

Resolved that whereas in the recent provincial election six Kootenay electoral districts polled more votes than the whole of Vancouver island with fourteen seats, and as the Boundary district is practically unrepresented, although at the recent election it polled more votes than any other whole constituency excepting Victoria, Vancouver, Rossland proper, and Nelson, and many times the number polled by some constituencies with two members; That such gross inequalities are a scandal and an outrage. Be it resolved that this association petition the legislature to redistribute the constituencies on an equitable basis and further to pass a special act which will at once give the Boundary district at least one member.

In regard to the lead smelting trade, the following resolution was carried: That this association recognize with approval the action of the Dominion government in granting the request of this association made at its last annual meeting for the free re admission into Canada of lead of Canadian origin smelted in Canada but refined abroad. And that this association reaffirm its decision of last year that import duties on manufactured lead should be increased to a parity with the duties levied upon other lines of manufactured goods, and we ask particularly that the duties upon dry white lead now admitted at 5 per cent and litharge now admitted free be increased to a minimum rate of 20 per cent. We believe that this change would have the effect of providing a profitable home market for about 7000 tons of lead used in the manufacture of lead.

IT IS safe to say that the conservative members of the legislature, who are loudest in the denunciation of premier Laurier upon the Chinese and Japanese labor question, will fall down when it comes to voting for the McInnes labor bill. They do not desire to restrict the immigration and employment of Chinese and Japanese so much as they desire to embarass the liberal administration at Ottawa. They will cheerfully condemn Laurier for not going far enough in his policy of restriction, but they will find plenty of excuses for pursuing the same policy themselves.—Nelson Tribune.

TO DESTROY THE CUT-WORM.

Remedies Suggested for the Plagues Infecting the Gardens.

(Extracts from the Report of Dr. Fletcher, Dominion Entomologist.

In view of the disastrous invasion of cut-worms, reports of which are pouring in to the Department of Agriculture, Mr. J. R. Anderson, the Deputy Minister has asked the Colonist to publish the following extracts, taken from the 1896 report of Dr. James Fletcher, Dominion Entomologist:—

Cut-worms are the caterpillars of dull coloured, active moths, belonging to the noctuidae or owlet moths, of which there are upwards of 400 kinds in North America. The caterpillars of these different kinds vary somewhat in their habits, but on the whole they are very similar, being smooth, almost naked, gray looking caterpillars of some dull shade of colour similar to the ground in which they hide during the day. The head is smooth and shining, as well as a small horny plate and the segment next to the head. Their habits are almost always nocturnal, lying hid by day just beneath the surface of the soil, they come out at night to feed.

When they occur in large numbers they change their habits somewhat, and feed by day as well, owing to the reduced food supply consequent upon their ravages. The eggs from which cut-worms hatch are laid by some species in the autumn, and by others in the spring or summer, and as a consequence cut-worms of all sizes can be found in the spring; for these insects, according to the species, may pass the winter in the state of either a perfect moth, a chrysalis, a partially grown caterpillar, or an egg.

Large numbers may be destroyed by placing between the rows of an infested crop, or at a short distance apart on infested land, bundles of any succulent weed or other vegetation which have been previously poisoned by dipping them into a strong mixture of Paris green (two ounces to a pailful of water). The cut-worms eat the poisoned plants then bury themselves and die. In hot, dry weather these bundles should be placed out after sundown, and a shingle may be laid on each to prevent fading.

Striking results have been obtained during the last two years by putting along rows, or at the base of such plants as tomatoes and cabbages, a small quantity of the following mixture, which is mentioned by Prof. J. B. Smith's excellent new Manual of Economic Entomology:

Thoroughly mix together in a dry state 50 pounds of bran and one pound of Paris green; then add water a little sweetened with sugar until the whole is thoroughly wet, but not sloppy. Prof. Smith says—

"This mixture is extremely attractive to cut-worms, being preferred to plants in all the instances which have come under my notice. It takes about ten pounds of this mixture to an acre of potatoes as ordinarily planted."

The same mixture has been used dry by Mr. F. A. Sirrine, of Geneva, N.Y., with, he claims, even better results than the wet mixture, which is apt to get mouldy.

Hand picking or digging up the cut worms whenever a plant is seen to be cut off should, of course, always be practised.

Preventative measures consist of: Clean culture, by which all vegetation is removed, upon which the young caterpillars could feed in the autumn or which would attract the moths to lay their eggs.

Cut-worms are heavy bodied insects unable to climb over smooth surfaces, therefore, surrounding a plant or tree with a band of tin or even of paper in the case of such plants as cabbages and tomatoes is an efficint means of protection. Tin bands may easily be made by taking pieces of tin six inches long by two and a half inches wide and bending them around a spade or broom handle so as to form short tubes. In placing them around a plant the two ends can be sprung apart to admit the stem and then the tube should be pressed a short distance into the ground. I have found this a useful means of disposing of tomato and other cans. To prepare these easily the cans need only be thrown into a bonfire, when the tops and bottoms fall off and the side becomes unsoldered. The large piece of tin can then be used whole or may be cut down the centre with a pair of shears, so as to form two bands. It may be well to mention here that the two remedies so often mentioned in newspapers, salt and lime, have proved quite worthless in our experiments for preventing cut-worm injuries.

Dr. Fletcher, in a communication dated 23rd July, 1900, says that "the pest is Peridroma saucia, the Variegated Cut-worm. * * * Spraying does not seem to be the most satisfactory way of applying poisons for cut-worms. The poisoned bran remedy gives really remarkable results, and is actually more attractive than green vegetation. I find that the best way to prepare this is to wet the bran with water slightened sweetened; then dry this by mixing in more bran until the whole is apparently dry again, but, as a matter of fact, there will be sufficient imperceptible moisture to make the poison adhere. When the bran is perfectly dry, Paris green falls quickly to the bottom and is difficult to mix with the bran."

Paris green being a deadly poison care should be exercised to keep it out of the reach of children and domestic animals.

A Financial Star.

They haven't been married long, and they are as loyal and devoted a young couple as ever made the confirmed bachelor search for a new argument against matrimony. She has pronounced and original ideas upon domestic economy, and in this and other ways she strives to make her husband's home a perfect Utopia.

There was a love lit smile upon her pretty face when hubby came home from the office the other evening.

"What is it, dear?" he asked, observing the glow of enthusiasm that shone through the soft, peach blown cheeks and sparkled in the Kohinoor-like eyes.

"I made 13 cents today," said she, and her rosebud lips parted in a prideful curve.

"That so, dear? How did that happen?"

"Why, I sold 9 cents' worth of rags—and—and 3 cents' worth of bottles—and—let me see!"—

"Yes, that's 12 cents. Where does the other cent come in?"

"Oh, yes—yes—now I remember—an old pair of your trousers for the other penny."

No Napoleon of finance ever looked more satisfied or smiled with so much self complacency after a successful monetary deal than did this fair young wife when she had related her little commercial accomplishment. And she looked sorely grieved when he smiled audibly. It was really their first misunderstanding.—Detroit Free Press.

He Doesn't Mean It.

When you hear a young man say, "I don't believe in a woman having anything to do but sit and read or manicure her finger nails all day, I don't want my wife to be busy about anything," why, of course, you know that the young man is simply talking against time. He doesn't mean a word he says, and it is safe to warrant that he is the first man who would be bored to death by such a girl. This young man may like to fancy that he is a believer in such false sentiments, and perhaps he does believe in them for the moment of saying. But this may more than likely be only his way of protesting against the wave of energy which the girlhood of today is responding to, out of which perhaps may come salvation even to man. Or else, possibly, there is nothing more than sly method in his old school assertion.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

His Obstacles.

Harry—Did you ever undertake to write poetry?

Dick—I did once, and I got along fairly well too. The only trouble was that I couldn't rhyme very well, and I couldn't think of anything to write about. But I was all right with the capital letters at the beginning of the lines.—Boston Transcript.

Boarding House Pleasantry.

"Will some one please chase the cow down this way?" said the funny boarder, who wanted some milk for his oatmeal.

"Here, Jane," said the landlady in a tone that was meant to be crushing, "take the cow down there where the calf is bawling."—Chicago News.

Pursuit of Knowledge.

The Wearisome Caller—Is that clock going?

The Girl—Yes. Are you?—Syracuse Herald.

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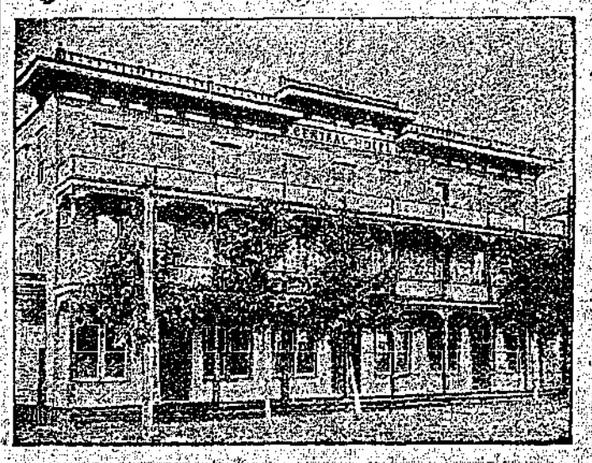

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A Romance of Confetti.

(Continued.)

companions. Fleming chartered another and followed the party to the doors of the Grand hotel, the hall of which he entered a few seconds after them.

"Are the Baron and Baroness Riegelthurm staying here?" he inquired of an attendant.

"I think they expect you, sir. One of the ladies asked me whether you wanted to see the Baroness Riegelthurm or her stepsister, Mrs. John Fleming."

Half an hour later the little blue domino, without her mask, and with tears in her pretty dark eyes, sat hand in hand with Jack Fleming in her sister's drawing room.

"You horrid, proud old thing!" she was saying. "Why didn't you come and claim me years ago? Of course, I always expected you to. And I've been so lonely and miserable sometimes! When I heard you tell all that to the man you were with tonight, it was all I could do not to jump for joy and kiss you."

"There is nothing to prevent you from kissing me now," Jack Fleming said.

And Mamie agreed with him.—Mainly About People.

THE PASSING OF THE LAIRD

A Story of the South African War.

It was that field of dread memory—Magersfontein. From dawn—when the belching hill front of fire had mowed in swathes the ranks of the Black Watch—till dusk—when the last gun had sent its whistling shrapnel—the air had seemed to live and screech and scream and to maim, blast and wither the men of the Highland brigade.

The dark African night had flung its blackness over Magersfontein, and in the scanty scrub and hollows remained those who could not well retire when the bugles, with reluctant notes, sounded the retreat.

Piper Duncan Farquharson sat up and groaned. His last experience of life had been rather mixed. He remembered retiring behind a wire fence, and after he had scampered over the veldt a few dozen yards something happened. What this was Duncan was uncertain, but as he felt his head he knew he had been hit.

The blood had caked hard on his neck and collar, and as he moved it began anew to trickle down his face. He took out his handkerchief and bandaged his wounds as well as he could.

His pipes were safe. He could feel the reeds lying over his knees. He bent to grasp them.

He was tormented with an awful thirst. His water bottle was still intact, and he raised it to his lips. Still the thirst continued.

He sat up and considered. Where was his company? Where was the captain and his lieutenant, the young laird, who bore the same name as he bore? He would go to them. So he went.

He rose up and, reeling, fell. He rose again and once more came down. Then he crawled.

There were groans and curses and sobs from the darkness, and sometimes a wild yell tore the night asunder. There were calls for water in all the dialects spoken north of the Tweed and in many forms of southern Anglo-Saxon.

Duncan crawled through them. At last he came to the barbed wire entanglements. As he crawled through these the barbs tore his kilt and hose, and he felt them enter his flesh, but at last he threw himself clear.

Then he rolled down a short way, and a bowlder brought him up. He put out his hand to protect his face and caught another hand, cold and clammy, in his own.

The other groaned aloud.

"Is that you, laird?" said Piper Duncan Farquharson.

"Ah, it's you, Duncan," said Lieutenant Duncan Farquharson.

"Ah, it's me, laird. Are ye sair hurtit?"

"Oh, I don't know, Duncan. For heaven's sake, if you have any water, give me some!"

"I've nae water, laird, but I'll get ye some. Ye are awfu' caul', though," said the piper.

He took off his tunic and wrapped the laird in it as well as could be done under the circumstances.

The laird suddenly stirred.

"Do you mind the loch your father and we two used to fish at the back o' Ben-d-houran? Now was it a Jock Scott he used? I don't remember."

He shivered; then he came back to Magersfontein.

"Duncan, lad, if you can move, bring me a drink of water."

Duncan sat still and felt his head. He heard with his ears, but his brain had not yet comprehended.

Then consciousness returned to him. He must obey the laird.

It was in these circumstances that Piper Farquharson robbed the dead on Magersfontein.

His field of operation was limited, but he had many within it, limited though it might be.

Duncan pillaged from an officer a silver flask which its owner would never more require.

With other melancholy loot Duncan crawled slowly back to the laird, and, feeling for his face, he poured whisky and water between his lips.

The laird caught his trembling hand.

"Steady, Duncan! I've enough. I'm going. Keep it for yourself."

"Na, na, laird; tak' some mair o't. I'll tak' some mysel', though."

He drank the mixture, and, as the spirit brought back life into his trembling frame, he said:

"Man, laird, I houp that officer chiel was a good levin man. He deserves to gang to a place there's nae sich a drought as there's here."

"You were always plucky, Duncan," said the lieutenant. "But I'm going." His voice was now at a whisper.

"Na, na; ye'll tak' anither drappie!" said the piper, and again he poured a few drops between the laird's lips.

"Duncan, could you play a march before I go?"

"I'll try, but ma heid awfu' queer. Hiv ye my pipes?"

"Yes; I kept them in my left hand."

Piper Farquharson tuned his pipes.

"Now, the 'Haughs o' Cromdale,' Duncan. I'm going," whispered the laird.

"Na, na; yer nae gaun, laird! I'll play ye a reel." And over the desolation floated the springing crispness of the "Perth Hunt."

From the darkness the sentries on the heights and in the trenches fired off their rifles, and their sleepy comrades stood to their arms. These verdomed petticoat rooineks were to make a night attack. Suddenly the music stopped.

"Dae ye mind that? It was danced at yer coming o' age."

"Yes, I remember, Duncan. But play the march and sit down here beside me. I'm cold. It will soon be snow, Duncan."

Duncan, whose head was throbbing with the effort in playing the reel, crawled down beside his laird.

"Aye; I think it will be snow afore moruin," he said.

Then Piper Farquharson played marches and strathspeys, and in the cold and darkness death came to many of his audience. But as they fell asleep and their thirst was sated and their pain eased, their lullaby was, to them, the sweetest they had heard since childhood.

Duncan could play no more. It was indeed only fitfully he had played at all.

And the laird was passing.

"Goodby, old man, and thanks!" sighed the laird. "If you go home, tell them I sent my love. I wrote to them all yesterday. Good"—

There was a slight tinkle, the laird fell sideways. He had gone with his comrades.

The dawn would come soon. Already the summits of the eastern hills were beginning to appear through the grayness. Day was coming, and the night and those who had gone under its blackness were now to be numbered with that which had been.

Duncan, however, was only concerned about one thing.

The laird was gone. He had asked him for a march. He should have one. Duncan rose, propped himself against the bowlder and stood over the body of his lieutenant.

Then over the veldt the low, wailing strains of "Lochaber No More" rose and swelled in the dawn, like the voice of a mother mourning with a sore articulate grief the loss of her children.

It was well played. The infinite sorrow, the wild hopelessness of the music rang out over veldt and kopje, and the more superstitious among the Boers muttered that "It was the wailing of the souls of the petticoat rooineks." It was probably Piper Farquharson's best effort. It was his last.

The Boer sentinel in the advanced trench saw, as the dawn came, a rooinek, standing facing him. He was a petticoat and might have thousands behind him. The sentry brought his rifle to the "present." It was an easy shot—a tall man, with no khaki tunic to deceive the marksman. Then the Mauser barked.

In this wise Piper Duncan Farquharson of the Highland brigade rejoined his laird.—Detroit News.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL BRIEFS

S. Lawrence left for Salmon Arm last night.

Rev. J. Mumo of Trail, arrived in the city last night.

The Presbytery of Kamloops will meet in Revelstoke on the 15th inst.

M. Pettipiece left with his pack train for Carnes Creek yesterday.

J. J. Langstaff, of Trout Lake City, was in town yesterday.

P. Burns, of Calgary, registered at the Revelstoke on Sunday.

The C. P. R. employees of Kamloops purpose holding a picnic at Shuswap on August 24th next.

Dates for the Salmon Arm agricultural exhibition have been fixed for Sept 20th and 21st.

The Trail smelter is to be enlarged at once by the addition of two more lead furnaces.

Mr. Skene, brother of C. R. Skene, is in the city having just returned from Klondike.

Mrs. E. Toombs and family have gone to Glacier to spend a couple of weeks.

A farewell to Dr. and Miss Paget is being arranged by the ladies of St. Peters's Church.

The Misses Carlson are leaving the Central for southern points greatly to the regret of their many friends.

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Major Clohecy manager of the Bennison group in North East Kootenay was a guest at the Revelstoke on Sunday.

C. B. Nagle and J. B. Scott left yesterday morning for Prairie Mountain to do assessment work for J. M. Kellie.

G. M. Clarke left Sunday morning for Nelson, to do the finishing work on one of the large and handsome blocks recently erected in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Scott returned Sunday morning from a week's visit to the Okanagan.

J. Lander and J. McMahon returned from Ferguson last night where they have been doing assessment work.

Rev. S. J. Thompson, Mrs. Thompson and family returned Saturday morning from Okanagan lake where they have been camping for the past two weeks.

The ladies of St. Peter's Talent Society wish to express their appreciation of the work of the outgoing officers, particularly of Mrs. Molson's labors which were without ceasing in the interests of the Society.

The annual meeting of the Brotherhood of Canadian Engineers takes place at Hamilton on Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Sam Needham won the carving set at Roy Smythe's weekly shooting contest on Saturday evening, with a score of 21 out of a possible 25.

A meeting of the liberal association will be held at 8:30 this evening in committee rooms opera house, a full attendance of members is requested.

D. J. O'Donoghue, Dominion labor commissioner passed through to the east yesterday having completed his business in B. C.

There was a scarcity of pack and saddle horses on the Big Bend trail last week, some outfits having to wait three or four days for accommodation. There are three trains working on the trail this summer.

Chas. Abrahamson is back from Trout Lake and speaks in glowing terms of the country. He says it's like war to hear the shots all over the hills. He returns in a few days.

Miss Austin, dressmaker at the Cash Bazaar, left on Sunday morning for Toronto to attend the fall openings. She is expected to return about September 5th.

Principal Sullivan returned Sunday morning after a most enjoyable holiday in the Okanagan, and ready to resume his duties at the school house next week.

The Revelstoke Gun Club are making arrangements for a two days shoot to be held Friday and Saturday, Aug. 24 and 25th. Several clubs have signified their intention of sending teams and the townspeople are subscribing fairly well for a prize list.

THE SOCIETIES' RE-UNION.

Approaching Event at Nanaimo Will be the Largest on Record.

The re-union of secret societies which is to be held at Nanaimo on the 11th instant promises to be the largest on record, the Nanaimo committee and business men intending to do credit to their city. The committee are in receipt of information showing that the societies will be represented in great numbers in the four cities.

The Nanaimo societies have in preparation a number of floats, and considerable competition and rivalry will take place for first honors.

The Foresters have in preparation a miniature Sherwood Forest, with the accessories, trees, hounds and deer. A special feature is being made of the parade, $20 being offered the best represented society, $20 to the society marching in the best order, $30 to the best society float, and $20 to the best decorated float.

In addition to this, over $200 has been set aside for athletic sports. The celebration will conclude with a dance in the opera house, and the privileges given by the local committee of an excursion by water and rail will enable many to enjoy a day's outing that will not soon be forgotten.—Colonist.

Anti-Compulsory Vaccination.

The following petition from the citizens of Vancouver and Victoria, with over 2000 signatures attached has been presented to the legislature:—

To the honorable the speaker and members of the legislative assembly of the province of British Columbia, in legislature assembled:

The petition of the undersigned residents of the province of British Columbia, humbly sheweth:

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Take notice that I, William A. Bauer, agent for D. H. Wilson, free miner's certificate No. B 44783, Frank Young, free miner's certificate No. B 44785, J. H. Hoare, free miner's certificate No. B 45016, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

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