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The Water and Light Franchise.

At the meeting on Friday night Ald. Newman started the ball rolling in regard to the water and light franchise by urging that the council should lay before the citizens the matter of the purchase of the water and light franchise and the extension of the system. He urged that the present service was most unsatisfactory and sometimes they had no water at all.

Ald. Nettle said he was not opposed to municipal ownership. He considered that before the by-law was submitted however the council should see that there was no danger of trouble such as they had at Nanaimo. He understood that the shareholders of the company were not unanimous in agreeing to the sale to the city and he suggested that before the city did anything further towards the purchase they should ascertain whether all the shareholders would consent to the purchase as proposed.

Ald. Taylor said that where a meeting of the company was held and the majority decided to adopt a certain course the minority counted as nothing.

Ald. Bourne said the difficulty at Nanaimo was that the sale was put through by the directors without consulting the shareholders, whereas here the directors had duly convened a meeting of shareholders and acted as they had been authorised to do.

Ald. Taylor said they had called a meeting to which every shareholder was invited, and that meeting authorised the directors to sell.

Ald. Nettle said if that were so the council would be safe in submitting the by-law to the ratepayers.

Ald. McCarty favored placing before the ratepayers the by law for purchase of the company's rights only, before dealing with the matter of extension of the present system. If the first part of the scheme were rejected then they could go no further.

Ald Bourne agreed with this view.

The mayor said he had hitherto opposed the placing of this matter before the ratepayers in two separate by-laws, preferring to wait till they had definite arrangements about the land required, and would know where their reservoir would be, and what it would cost to give the city a serviceable system. He was now convinced however that they could not put this matter off any longer.

Ald. Nettle asked why the proposition could not be put before the ratepayers in two by-laws—one as to whether they should take over the water company's rights, and the other as to whether they should go on with the extensions necessary to give the city an effective system, but the second part could not be placed before the people till they knew about the land.

The mayor said he had hitherto taken that view, but he could now see they were going to be without water during the coming summer unless they took immediate action.

Ald. McCarty considered it would be no use going to expense in regard to an improved service till they knew whether the people approved of the purchase of the water and light franchise

Ald. Newman considered that the council should place before the ratepayers in one by-law the question as to whether the city should purchase the existing franchise and also improve it so as to make it efficient for fire and domestic requirements of the city.

Ald. Nettle proposed that a by-law to that effect be prepared and introduced at next meeting, Ald. Newman seconded.

Considerable discussion took place as to whether the by-law should be for the purchase of the existing franchise alone or for the carrying out of an effective water system as well, and as a result of the apparent want of unanimity Ald. Nettle and Newman withdrew their motion, so that the matter remained where it had started.

The mayor then spoke very strongly on the position of the water supply of the city. He pointed out that it was getting into March and nothing had yet been done. The pipe had to be manufactured, which would take some time, and they all knew the serious position in which the city was at present placed in the event of a fire getting headway. At this late date he questioned the advisability of holding this matter over any longer. He urged that if a fire broke out with a wind prevailing it was liable to sweep half the town away and they had absolutely no protection.

The matter then dropped.

Romance of the Rail.

A queer thing happened not a thousand miles from Revelstoke. A party was engaged to act as a constable, take charge of, and convey to a place of safety an individual who was supposed to non compos mentis. All went well till, at a wayside station, a bottle which did not contain tea was obtained. By and by the order of things was reversed, and the prisoner had charge of the constable. The conductor came along and demanded tickets. The prisoner explained that he was supposed to be in charge of the other party who had the tickets. The acting constable was roused from his slumbers and began abusing the conductor who promptly turned both constable and prisoner off the train at the next station. Another train came along, and the engine driver, seeing the acting constable lying on the track, took possession of him and handed him over to the police at the next station. Meantime the prisoner went round the country looking for the constable and advising the people whom he met that he had lost his guardian. The acting constable was brought before the police magistrate who intimated he had serious thoughts of giving him six months, when a big-hearted C. P. R. conductor appeared in court and gave the acting constable a high character. The magistrate thereupon reduced the sentence to a fine of $5 or so long in quod. The constable had not the means of paying the fine and after what the conductor had told the court in defence of his acquaintance he found himself in the position of having to pay the fine in order to keep faith with the magistrate. The general opinion appeared to be that the prisoner should have been in charge of the constable.

W. Beaton was killed at Sandon by the K. & S. train running over him.

MINING NOTES.

Prospectors and mine-owners are invited to contribute to the KOOTENAY MAIL information of a reliable character regarding their properties, describing surface showings, development work and results attending it, assays, and new discoveries. The editor desires to make the MAIL a means of furnishing to investors reliable information concerning the progress and development of the mineral resources of North Kootenay.

The Dominion government will establish an assay office at Vancouver in charge of W. Pellew Harvey, so that Yukon and Atlin gold may be purchased on a mint basis as well as at Seattle and San Francisco.

The Dominion government has reduced the price for crown grant of mineral lands within its jurisdiction to a dollar an acre.

The Van Anda mine and smelter are shut down on account of Japanese being put on, when all the white miners struck.

The Blackstock Goodenham syndicate are urging the Dominion government to grant a bonus for the establishment of a lead refinery in Kootenay.

The capital stock of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company has been increased from two million dollars to three million five hundred thousand dollars.

Mr. Gracey, M.E., was expected at Arrowhead from Nelson this week on a visit to the Imperial. C. Menhinick came in to meet him.

H. Morris has sold to Messrs. McIntosh, Johnston and McMahon, his interests in the Silver Bell, on Keystone Mountain, and in the Francis claim which adjoins the Standard group.

J. D. Boyd informs us that the men working at Standard Basin report having lots of concentrating ore in the new strike. The men will be in for the meeting of the company to be held on the 13th.

Several prospectors intend taking in the Big Bend country this season and will probably also investigate the Tete Jaune Cache mica deposits. T. Horn is one of those who will go north in spring.

LAFORME CREEK.

Some of the Laforme creek claims are:—The Toronto Chief, on the summit; the Kitchener, on the north (an extension of the Toronto Chief on the Carnes creek slope), and the Baldie, an extension of the Toronto Chief on the south. These claims form a copper proposition. Surface assays of W. Pellew Harvey give $8.80 in gold; by A. H. Holdich over $8 in gold. The formation of the vein is red chert. There is 14 inches of solid copper ore for over 900 feet on the Toronto Chief and 8 inches of solid mineral on the Baldie claim. The lead is pretty well covered on the Kitchener, but where it dips on Carnes creek the lead widens. There has not been any work done on this claim yet, all the work being on the Toronto Chief. This consisted in stripping the vein as the owners considered there was not much use taking out ore and piling it in a dump at present. The owners claim they can take out ore right from the grass roots on the Toronto Chief, and the vein can be opened by a tunnel running on it down the mountain side. This is said to be a good property for a company to get hold of if transportation were available. These claims are directly over the Little and Adair groups, and are owned by G. S. Flint and J. A. Leslie, of Revelstoke.

THE HOSPITAL.

The most business-like meeting yet held in connection with hospital matters took place last evening, Rev. C. A. Procunier presiding.

BUILDING.

R. Tapping wrote offering his building of 13 rooms for sale or lease.

W. A. Nettle, on behalf of the building committee, submitted sketch of proposed building giving all needed accommodation, and which would cost about $7000. The committee suggested that tenders and designs might also be invited from local builders.

WAYS AND MEANS.

F. G. Faugnier, on behalf of the committee of ways and means, reported that $5,200 could be raised for a building as follows: $2,000 from private subscriptions, $2,000 from government grant, $1,200 from other sources.

For maintenance they estimated $6,080 a year available as follows: Railway and lumber employees, $2,880, government grant $1,500, tickets $1,600, nursing $100, Victoria Order of Nurses $100, paying patients $500.

Mr. Kernaghan was of opinion that the government grant would be in proportion to the style of building.

SITE.

Mr. Downie, on behalf of the site committee, stated the C. P. R. objected to giving the site between 4th and 5th streets, as they considered a hospital would damage the value of property there. They had already advised of the difficulties concerning the other sites and had decided to come to the meeting for advice as to further action.

Mr. McCarter said the Dominion government were reserving some land behind the English church, and a site might be got from them.

Mr. Kellie believed that land was to go to Mr. Farwell.

It was decided to ascertain from the Dominion government whether they had any land there.

Mr. Kellie suggested applying to the provincial government for a grant of $1000 towards the hospital for current year and this suggestion was adopted.

INCORPORATION.

Mr. McCarter submitted the draft for incorporation of the hospital society and it was adopted, the mayor, Messrs. F. Robinson, W. B. Pool, R. Howson, J. Abrahamson, C. H. Temple, and I. T. Brewster to be the first trustees.

A GOOD SUGGESTION.

Mr. Howson suggested that the most equitable way for the city to contribute towards the hospital would be to bonus it in the same way as an industry. The cost would not then fall inequitably on the residents who were willing to contribute but absentee property owners would have to contribute their share, and the cost would in that case be spread over a number of years instead of being forced on them all at once.

On the motion of Mr. Kernaghan, seconded by Mr. Howson, it was resolved to ask the committee who would wait on the council to request the city to submit a by-law to raise $3000 to $4000 as a subsidy towards the hospital.

The meeting adjourned till call of the chairman.

BUSINESS NOTES.

A. B. Philp left for Galden where he will open business for a week.

Percy Chapman, formerly manager for A. MacDonald & Co., Revelstoke, has been in Vancouver arranging for the opening of a branch of the firm's business there.

The printing and publishing business in connection with the KOOTENAY MAIL will in future be conducted in the premises formerly occupied by the Cash Bazaar on McKenzie Avenue.

R. Sainson is the successful tenderer for handling the output of firewood from the Fred. Robinson Lumber Co.'s mills and will supply at $2 a load delivered. Orders should be left at Sanson's wood yard or at the mill.

Sawyer Bros. have received a number of orders for doors and sashes for new buildings to be erected at Ferguson, and as soon as navigation is reopened on the Arm they expect to ship considerable orders for Trout Lake and Ferguson.

Revelstoke has experienced a coal famine this winter. The coal used here is mainly from the Anthracite mines, and these mines have been unable to keep up with the demand. Mr. F. McCarty, who is agent for them here, is determined there will not be a recurrence of the experiences of this winter and has arranged with the company to lay in at Revelstoke during the coming summer a sufficiently large supply of coal to meet the requirements of the city for the following winter.

Messrs. McLennan McFeely, and Co., hardware merchants of Vancouver, have at Dawson City what is probably the finest store between Vancouver and the north pole. Last season they shipped in 800 tons of goods involving expenditure for freight of $170,000. They supply a large number of the mining companies. The firm have big orders in hand for the coming season and expect to do even a larger business with that section than they did last season.

The Ontario government has a surplus of $290,000 for the year and proposes to build a government railway from North Bay. Government railways are coming all the time.

Latest News by Wire.

General Botha Surrenders.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—The Sun says it is officially announced that Gen. Botha, the Commandant General of the Boer forces, has surrendered to Gen. Kitchener. The War office has received no confirmation.

LONDON, Feb. 28—3:45 p.m.—The Pall Mall Gazette credits the news of Gen. Botha's surrender, but a representative of the Associated Press learns that neither the Foreign office nor the Colonial office has any information confirming the report.

MANCHESTER, Eng., Feb. 28.—The Evening Mail says General Botha formally surrendered to General Kitchener shortly before 10 o'clock this morning.

OTTAWA, Feb. 28.—Col. Sherwood got a cable to-day informing him of the death of Major Howard.

DE AAR, Feb. 28.—The combined forces of Generals De Wet and Hertzog are now east of Phillipstown, about 40 miles northwest of here. The total number of men is 2000.

The Colliery Disaster.

CUMBERLAND, Feb. 27.—The Coroner's jury met to-night, when Frank Little asked that an adjournment be taken for two weeks. This was agreed to. Fourteen witnesses have already been summoned. The work of pumping the water out of No. 6 shaft will commence to morrow.

Customs Returns.

OTTAWA, Feb. 28.—The Customs revenue for the Dominion is still growing. It was $2,325,000 for the present month, or $150,000 of an increase over February, 1900.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

(From Our Special Reporter.)

VICTORIA, Feb. 28.—The debate on the Speech from the Throne closed to-night and the address-in-reply was carried.

Attorney-General Eberts outlined the railway policy to be a cash subsidy and with government control of rates, a percentage of gross receipts to be paid into the Treasury. The contract for the East Kootenay Railway is to be made at once.

Mr. Taylor, of Revelstoke, made an excellent speech, presenting the needs of his district and the mining districts clearly.

A petition was presented by Geo. A. Cox for permission to build a railway from Crow's Nest coal fields to the International boundary.

On Monday an address to the King was adopted on the motion of the Premier, seconded by J. C. Brown, who acted as leader of the opposition.

D. Murphy (West Yale) moved the address in reply in a brilliant speech, and it was seconded by C. H. Dickie.

J. C. Brown approved the proposed land grants to members of the South African contingent, and dairy industry, and reduction in railway rates but condemned the school policy and the timber regulations, which he said would drive away capital. He believed that about 50 per cent. of the appropriations for roads and bridges was wasted.

Mr. Wells—Where?

Mr. Brown was proceeding.

Mr. Eberts—The chief commissioner of lands and works wants to know where that happened.

Mr. Brown was not prepared to name a specific case.

Mr. Gilmour supported Mr. Brown's views.

Hon. J. H. Turner replied.

Capt. Tatlow closed the debate, applauding the government policy, and urging the house to support the executive.

The debate was adjourned.

Grip and Password.

K. OF P.

The Grand Lodge K. of P. will meet at Revelstoke in May.

The local lodge has purchased a piano for use in the lodge room. They purpose letting it to the other orders at a nominal monthly rental.

M. AND D. OF E.

The Maids and Daughters of England will meet this evening at 8 o'clock in the I. O. O. F. lodge room.

I. O. F.

Court Mt. Begbie has recommended April 22nd as the date of the meeting of the High Court at Revelstoke, instead of April 15th, as proposed by the high secretary. The local court will be represented by J. L. Smith, R. Gordon and B. R. Campbell, together with B. R. Atkins, H. V. C. R., and O. D. Hoar, H. M.

S. O. E. B. S.

A most successful at home was given by Mrs. H. V. Scott to the Sons and Daughters and Maids of England on Tuesday evening, Mrs. Scott being the president of the ladies branch of this fraternal society. The occasion was the reception of Bro. Moscrop who went out to South Africa with the first contingent, and who is on a visit to his brother at Revelstoke. A magnificent repast was laid before the guests and the room was tastefully decorated with pictures of the heroes of the war and the national colors. Bro. Watson, W. P. of Lodge Royalty, presided, and the usual toasts were honored, after which came the toast to the guest of the evening, Bro. Moscrop, who was presented with a handsome clock and replied with an interesting recital of his experiences. The evening was concluded with a musical entertainment. The genial hostess, Mrs. Scott, was ably assisted by Messrs. Smythe in making a success of the gathering.

BOARD OF TRADE.

The council of the board of trade met yesterday when there were present Messrs. McCarty (president), Sibbald, Brewster, Haggen, Gordon, Mofen, and Shaw (secretary).

OPENING THE BIG BEND.

Messrs. McCarter and Brewster, committee appointed for the purpose, submitted a resolution which they had drawn up setting forth the advantages to be derived from the construction of a trail from Goldstream to the crossing of Canoe river, such a trail opening up valuable timber, agricultural and mineral lands, and giving access to the mica fields from Revelstoke.

The resolution was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to Mr. Taylor, M. P. P., to be laid before the government.

A letter was received from T. Taylor, M. P. P., stating the members of the government, before whom he had laid the matter of opening the Big Bend country by the construction of the road and government subsidy to a steamer, were quite in favor of the scheme. A vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Taylor for the trouble he had taken in the matter.

It was resolved to ask Mr. Galliher, M. P., to lay before the Dominion cabinet the necessity of a vote of $15,000 for improving the Columbia river between Revelstoke and Canoe river in view of steamers being put on during the coming season.

MINERAL EXHIBIT.

The matter of an ore exhibit for Revelstoke was discussed and Mr. Brewster said Mr. Young, of Reid & Young, had made what appeared to him to be an excellent suggestion, namely to place a showcase at the Hotel Revelstoke and have samples of ore representative of the mineral resources of the district displayed there. That was where such an exhibit would be of most value, as people most likely to become interested stayed at that hotel in passing through. He would undertake to look after it if the scheme were adopted.

It was understood the finance committee should take action toward providing the necessary showcase.

FERRY.

It was resolved to ask Mr. Taylor, M. P. P., to take steps to have the vote granted last session for establishing a ferry across the Columbia at Smith Creek expended for the purpose first thing in the spring.

RIVER BANK.

It was resolved to back up the action of the City Council by asking Mr. Taylor, M.P.P., to press on the government the immediate repair of the river bank mattress work.

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Examination of and reports on Mineral Properties a Specialty.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 1901.

THE balance sheet of this province shows a surplus of liabilities over assets of $5,768,561.

THE Dominion government contributed last year $242,689 towards the revenue of this province.

THE last provincial elections resulted in an addition to the revenue of $4000, 20 candidates having lost their deposits.

THE provincial balance sheet shows a refund of $10,509 by the Dominion government on account of its liability of $16,553 for the Columbia river protective works at Revelstoke.

$133,765 was the amount received by the provincial government for the issue of miner's licenses in this province last year. $191,303 was derived from general mining receipts. These items stand respectively second and first as the principal sources of revenue of the province. The personal property tax, yielding a revenue of $118,211 comes next.

THE management of the Crows Nest Coal Company admit they are selling to the American smelters at lower rates than they charge in British Columbia. The enormous grants given by the dominion and provincial governments in connection with the Crows Nest Railway have therefore really been given to enable the smelter trust to beat the British Columbia mines and smelter. It is high time that this system of transacting the public business was changed.

THE Roblin government in Manitoba is an ingenious affair. It leased the N. P. and released it to McKenzie & Mann on condition that they lowered the grain rates, but with the proviso by McKenzie & Mann that the government should back the Rainy River railway loan, and be responsible for any deficit caused by reduction of the grain rates. That is a pretty safe bargain for McKenzie & Mann, but a rather shaky proposition for Manitoba.

A WORK that should be urged on the government is the opening of the trail from Smith creek, on the Columbia river to the crossing of the Canoe river, where it would connect with the trail from Donald to Tete Jaune Cache. The Donald trail should also be improved, and at small expense a good trail could be opened over the twenty-five miles between the crossing of Canoe river, where the Kamloops trail comes in, and Tete Jaune Cache. Another five miles of trail would connect with the mica deposits there which are said to be some of the finest in the world.

THERE are many complaints about the inefficiency of the system of water supplied by the Water, Light and Power Company. At the meeting of the city council on Friday night Ald. Newman stated he had been without water for two days and we hear of similar complaints by other citizens. One reason for the shortage is stated to be that the method of collecting at the tank is bad, and that the receiver collects only a third of the water available there. We suggest to the company that they endeavor to have the cause of complaint remedied.

A BETTER RAILWAY TARIFF

The Board of Trade would do well to keep hammering away at the C. P. R. for such a reduction of rates as will allow Revelstoke merchants to have and to hold the wholesale trade of North Kootenay. Such discrimination is now made in favor of Nelson that the merchants of that city are supplying goods even to Thomson's Landing. This should not be. There is plenty of room for both Revelstoke and Nelson, as wholesale points, and it ought to be to the interest of the C. P. R. to promote the interests of this city where the company has such large interests. Revelstoke should at least have as great privileges as Nelson and should not suffer because it has not, like Nelson, a competing American road. If the C. P. R. wish to avoid an agitation which will demand competing railways either by foreign owners or by the government the people who use the Canadian road must meet with fair and even liberal treatment in the matter of freight rates.

THE MAYOR'S WARNING.

"If a fire should break out with wind prevailing it is liable to sweep half the town away and we have absolutely no protection." Such were the ominous words uttered by the mayor at the meeting of the city council on Friday night, and the pity of it is that these words are only too true. The mayor's warning should re-echo in the mind of every citizen who has the welfare of Revelstoke at heart. For a year now this question of an efficient water supply has been before the city council, and nothing has been done. It even looks as if nothing might be done till it is too late. It is clearly the duty of the council to introduce the by-law at all events. It is not as if the matter lay solely with the council. It is a matter for the ratepayers. If they should see fit to turn it down then the council will be absolved from all blame. If, on the contrary, the by-law is carried, as we believe it should be, then the city can be saved from the serious position in which it is now placed as regards an outbreak of fire. Nor is it a matter of fire protection alone. An efficient supply of good water is necessary to the health of the residents of any city, and if it is not provided, then its absence is simply an invitation to epidemics with their attendant ills. The city council should no longer hesitate to do its duty and should leave the issue with the ratepayers, to whom they will be responsible for their stewardship in case of unnecessary neglect or delay.

LIENS ON MINERAL CLAIMS.

Cases are now and again springing up where persons and companies taking working bonds on mineral claims fail to meet their engagements for the payment of wages and for supplies, and the merchants and men naturally seek to hold a lien on the property. Such are instances where the interests of owners and others conflict. While it is right that the workers should have a lien for their wages, it is also right that the owner of a mineral claim should be free from any lien on his property for the acts of others. It is pretty hard in such a case to devise a remedy which will be just to all the parties, but no doubt a means can be found which should meet the case. One remedy has been suggested to us, and that is that where the owner of a property posts a notice on his property that he will not be liable for any debts for wages or supplies incurred by persons bonding and developing the property under a working bond or option, the men would know that in such a case they should require the amount likely to be payable to them as wages deposited in a bank to be available as earned, or perhaps statutory provision should be made whereby the wages of employees should be payable weekly. There are many in this district interested in this question, and we shall be glad to receive from such expressions of opinion with a view to devising a remedy which will protect the owner of the property on the one hand from unjust liens and yet will secure to the workers and merchants affected means of securing payment for wages and supplies respectively.

THE WATER AND LIGHT FRANCHISE.

It is whispered around the city that the Water, Light and Power Company have offered the works committee to improve the water supply as required by the city for fire purposes in consideration of the payment by the city to the company of another $[illegible] a year by way of water rate, and a guarantee of a twenty years franchise. We quite admit that the city requires to have a good supply from the city in order to [illegible] the money required to carry out the proposed improvements, but since the city has to finance the matter anyway, we say it is better for the city to acquire the company's franchise altogether and make it the property of the people. We have shown clearly in previous issues that by this course the franchise is a good business investment, and for the city owning the franchise the improvement can be effected in the water supply and at the same time the increased payments required by the company can be saved to the city, while not the least important consideration is that the acquisition of the company's rights and carrying out of the proposed improved supply will result in a handsome addition to the revenue of the city after allowing for all charges for interest and sinking fund, and will leave the city the unencumbered owners of the water and electric light systems on the closure of the loan period. With such prospective results Revelstoke would be in as good a position as any city in the province. The city has the option now and we believe should exercise it before its expiration. If that is not done now we believe the citizens of Revelstoke will regret losing the opportunity once, and that will be always.

THE GOVERNMENT POLICY.

The policy of the Dunsmuir cabinet is one which cannot be fairly discussed till it is more fully enunciated. The proposal, however, to promote the wood pulp industry in the province is a most important industrial move and one that will meet with universal endorsement. This industry cannot be overdone, employs a large amount of labor, utilises an otherwise waste product, and has been a blessing to every community where it has been established. There is no more suitable site than Revelstoke as one of the points where the industry should be located, and we suggest to the board of trade that they watch this matter closely and take the most active steps possible to avail themselves of this new and creditable feature of the government policy to have a pulp mill located at Revelstoke. The reduction of freight rates promised will also be a boon to the country provided the arrangement has not been arrived at by too great a sacrifice of the public interest in some other direction. A direct line from the coast to the boundary is an essential feature of the development of the country but we are assured by engineers that this could be done as well by using the present C. P. R. and Shuswap Okanagan lines with a first-class steamship service on the Okanagan lake, as building a railway through the Hope mountains will be a very costly undertaking, both from the point of view of original cost and maintenance. The Kootenay people have, however, been demanding a competing line, and it is desirable that it be secured, providing that the province is not called upon to make too great sacrifices by way of subsidising a corporation to secure it. The opening of the far north by a railway from a British Columbia port is a most creditable enterprise, and one which, if successfully carried out, will entitle the government to the support of the people. We take issue however with that portion of the policy which proposes a railway to the far north of Vancouver Island. The mainland will not tolerate that part of the policy, which appears to be a waste of public money. Vancouver Island is most favorably situated for ocean transportation, being a long, narrow island with magnificent harbors. If the railway could traverse the centre of the island, away from the harbors, and open that up there would be little cause for objection; but it is impossible to build a railway along the rugged mountain range which occupies the interior of the island, and so the line will have to follow the coast, where it will compete with shipping. The line is therefore valueless and unnecessary and if it is proposed to build it by cash subsidies the work will be most unjust to the rest of the province. The public funds which it is proposed to spend in that direction could be devoted to much better purpose in opening up the interior by a railway to the north from Ashcroft, Kamloops, or Revelstoke. If the people of the interior had the advantages of transportation by water that the island has such a proposition as a railway would be regarded as an absurdity. We hope that better counsels will prevail and that this portion of the government policy will be dropped.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the "Arrowhead and Kootenay Railway Company" will apply to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to Amend section Twenty-five of the "Arrowhead and Kootenay Railway Company Act, 1897" being Cap. 67 of the Statutes of British Columbia of 1898, by extending the time mentioned in the said section for the completion of the railway authorized to be built by the said Act.

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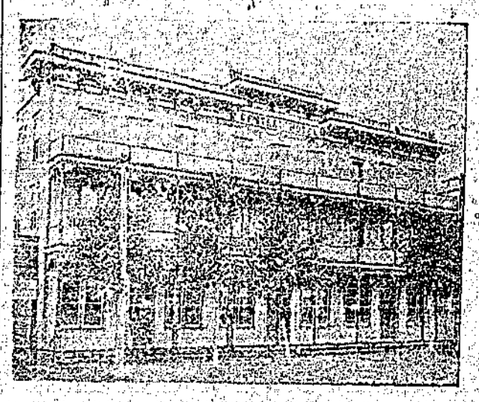

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7:00 a. m.	Nelson	7:15 p. m.
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The transfer book of the Company will be closed during the fourteen days immediately preceding such meeting.

Dated at Revelstoke, B. C., this 13th day of February, A. D., 1901.

J. M. SCOTT, Secretary.

The Key

To the Revelstoke merchant's success is attention to his announcements in the homes of the city people. The key to these homes is an advertisement in the columns of THE KOOTENAY MAIL.

THE CITY COUNCIL

Council met on Friday, all members being present.

CORRESPONDENCE.

From Dominion government, stating title was being issued to A. S. Farwell for lot 39. The council had objected to title being issued for this lot owing to number of graves there.

DRILL HALL.

Ald. Taylor urged that city should guarantee a site for a drill hall subject to the government erecting the building thereon.

The mayor said that the assurance of a site would be necessary to justify the placing on the estimates of a sum for the erection of the building.

Resolved, on motion of Ald. Nettle, seconded by Ald. Bourne, that city guarantee site of 50x100 ft.

NO. 1 FIRE HALL.

Ald. Taylor said the public works committee recommended the purchase of this building.

The mayor suggested that in reporting on this matter, the works committee should also state the amount required to place the building in proper condition for the purpose so that the city should know exactly what the whole thing would cost.

It was understood that an extension of the existing option be obtained to allow of the matter being closed.

A REJECTED MOTION.

A motion by Ald. Abrahamson to obtain bunch grass seed from the Dominion government to sow down the hills north of the railway track, and to inquire regarding grasses suitable for sowing sand hills, was rejected.

BY-LAWS.

The by-law to borrow $4000 from Molsons Bank was passed.

RIVER BANK.

In reply to Ald. Nettle it was stated that Mr. Taylor, M. P. P., would draw attention of the government to the necessity of repairing the river bank.

OPENING THE BIG BEND.

Steamboats for the Columbia Above and Below Death Rapids.

Mr. Shaw, secretary to the board of trade, has received a letter from Mr Taylor, M. P. P., stating he has assurance that the road to open up the Big Bend will be completed to the head of the canyon, and the government will subsidise a steamer to be placed on the Columbia River.

It is reported that Mr. Stuart, who is heavily interested in the Tete Jaune mica deposits intends placing a steamer on the Columbia river to run above Death rapids, and as far as the log jam on Canoe River, with a view to getting out mica next season, and as a cheaper method of getting in supplies than by packing from Donald. If a steamer is put on between Revelstoke and Death Rapids, that will establish a good system of transportation between the Tete Jaune Cache country and C. P. R. Line at Revelstoke. If such a system of communication were established there would be great activity in the Big Bend country as hundreds of prospectors would soon be in there, while the rich farming lands of that section would soon be peopled with settlers. Many people are already known to regard that as their objective point and are only waiting for transportation to get in there.

The Dominion government should be asked to put in a tramway at Death Rapids.

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The great Canadian firm of G. F. & J. Galt have opened a branch tea blending and packing establishment at Vancouver in charge of Mr. John D. Roberts. Here they pack their celebrated brand of Blue Ribbon Tea. They have lately purchased the business of the Monsoon Tea Co., and that brand will also be packed at Vancouver. The firm are agents for America for the Blackwater estates in India, from which they have monthly consignments of fresh teas by the Empress line. These teas, packed in lead, are landed direct from the steamer into the company's warehouse. They are then packed for the market in packages of half a pound and up. Here the British Generals Brand is also put up. The firm are adding to their plant complete blending machinery. They are also putting up at their Vancouver establishment their brands of baking powder and other household specialties.

ARMSTRONG & MORRISON IRON WORKS.

The Armstrong & Morrison Ironworks at Vancouver form an industry which is a credit to the province. The business is about to change hands to a powerful English company and will be extended to meet the growing requirements of the establishment. Mr. G. M. Taylor, an old C. P. R. man and friend of Mr. Temple, foreman of the Revelstoke shops, is foreman of the works. The factory makes a specialty of hydraulic piping for the economical construction of which the firm has a most complete plant, and the article turned out by them is found to be far ahead of cast metal pipes. These pipes are thoroughly tested before being sent out. The firm have just built an immense vat for a canning factory which is automatically fitted and will enable the product to be operated without manual labor. The firm are building an automobile, to be operated by gasoline and steam, for the Cariboo road.

NORTH KOOTENAY PAY ROLL.

What the Government Spent Here Last Year.

The treasury statement shows the following expenditures in Revelstoke riding for last financial year: Repairs to government buildings $538, roads and trails $18,133, fire department $100, salaries of Revelstoke government office $5,520.

Mining recorders: Trout Lake $300, Revelstoke $900, Nakusp $720.

Police: Revelstoke $715, Trout Lake $755, Comaplix $200.

Schools: Revelstoke $3000, Nakusp $736, Illecillewaet $138, Trout Lake $600, Arrowhead $600.

School grants: Revelstoke $177, Illecillewaet $50, Trout Lake $50, Nakusp $50, Revelstoke school building $2633.

General: Charity $41, expenses of VanDusen trial $174, Revelstoke lockup $351, travelling expenses of officers, Revelstoke, $225; court of appeal, Revelstoke, $60; public buildings, Comaplix, $135; Trout Lake and Ferguson road $7,813.

The Big Bend.

J. D. Boyd gives the following as the distances:—

Revelstoke to Death Rapids, 45 miles.

Death Rapids to Smith Creek, 16 miles.

Smith Creek to crossing of Canoe River, 45 miles.

His opinion is that to make the Upper Columbia river in good shape for navigation a tramway four miles in length should be constructed from Laporte past Priest and Death Rapids, and that the boulders brought into the river at the confluence with the Gordon river should be removed to some extent.

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We will recognise as a bird anything belonging to the feathered tribe, whether it be a Hen, Cow, Singer or any other kind. You can use any letter as many times to make a name as it appears in the list of letters above; for instance Woodcock, Plover, Snow Bird, etc. To any persons who can make a list of 25 or more different names of birds, we will give absolutely FREE a beautiful Prize value $1,000 or less.

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When you have made out your list fill out the line on the bottom of this advt. and send us with a Stamped Addressed envelope, stamp of your country will do, then if you are awarded a prize you can if you desire get the prize by becoming a subscriber to THE WOMAN'S WORLD. We shall award a prize to every person who sends the name of 25 Birds, and our gifts will be as follows: For the best list, received each day, a Gold Watch; for the second best solution each day a beautiful Imported Tea Set; for the seven next best solutions each day, a Konrah Sakih Diamond and Ruby Ring; for the next best solution, a Gold Piece; and for all other correct solutions, Prizes of Good Value. These prizes will be forwarded daily, you will not have to wait a long time in uncertainty before you know the result. There is no element of lottery in our plan, it makes no difference whether we get your solution late or early in the day. All you need is to mail this Advt. to us, and on the day it reaches us, if your list is the best, **You shall have the Gold Watch** or if second best the beautiful Tea Set, and so on. We guarantee that we will award you a prize. There is absolutely no opportunity for deception on our part—we cannot afford it. We want to get 1,000,000 well satisfied subscribers, and for that reason we don't want you to send any money until you know exactly what prize you have gained by answering the puzzles. As soon after 1 p.m. each day as possible, the examiners will judge the lists to the best of their ability and will designate the prizes. We will write to you at once notifying you what prize has been awarded you, then if you are satisfied, you can send your subscrip on to THE WOMAN'S WORLD and your prize will go by return of mail carriage paid. To a person of narrow ideas it seems impossible that we should be able to make such a gigantic offer, but we have the money, brains, and reputation, we know exactly what we are doing, and if we can legitimately gain a million subscribers by this grand idea we know that this million of well pleased subscribers can be induced to recommend THE WOMAN'S WORLD to all friends, thereby building up our circulation still further. We are willing to spend $25,000 in this contest in building up a big subscription list, and when this money is spent we reserve the right to publish a notification that the contest has been discontinued. Don't delay until it is too late. The contest will continue until July 1st, 1901.

We give a Bonus Prize of $250.00 in addition of all others to the person who sends in the list gotten up in the best and handsomest manner. One committee will decide and award prizes daily, but the special $250 prize will be awarded in September, 1901. Any bird's name found in the dictionaries accepted.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

King Edward is visiting Germany.

Nelson defeated Rossland at hockey by 12 to 6.

The supreme court has declared the Manitoba prohibition law ultra vires.

A monument is to be erected in Montreal to those who fought in South Africa.

The Strathconas sailed on Feb. 23rd, for Canada, by the Numidian, receiving a great send-off.

Ladies heavy check skirts to order for $8 to clear out fall goods. J. B. Cressman, McKenzie Ave.

It is reported that Lord Salisbury will retire and will be succeeded either by Chamberlain or Balfour.

Dull times only mean: Look to your advertising! If you have not got a space in the KOOTENAY MAIL get on.

The Columbia River Lumber Co., with headquarters at Golden, is incorporated for $750,000 in 7,500 shares of $100 each.

WANTED—A situation as housekeeper or domestic help. Good references, apply at office of KOOTENAY MAIL.

Freighting on the ice has been excellent on the Arm, and a great deal of freight has been taken in that way of late.

The taxation of the city is now 15½ mills on the dollar. The council has the power to levy another two mills, or such rate as may be required, for hospital purposes.

The new land registration office for the Kootenays will open at Nelson to-morrow, H. F. McLeod being registrar. W. J. Fort, of the Victoria office, will assist Mr. McLeod at the start, and Mr. Nolan will be chief clerk.

Ladies tailor-made skirts at cost for the next ten days to clear out fall stock. J. B. Cressman, Mackenzie Ave.

At the hospital meeting last evening Mr. Kellie said that some of the C. P. R. employees objected strongly to having hospital contributions docked from their pay. Mr. McCarter replied that could not be done if the men objected.

F. M. Rattenbury, architect, is calling for tenders for the erection of a large addition to the C. P. R. hotel at Field. Copies of plans and specifications should be sent to the C. P. R. offices at Revelstoke for convenience of local contractors.

The teachers and Superintendent Robinson are having a row which culminated in the superintendent postponing the next meeting of the teachers' institute for a year. The teachers then appealed to the minister of education, who is said to be backing them up.

His worship the mayor will shortly visit Victoria with a view to representing to the government matters affecting the interests of Revelstoke. Among other business Mr. Kilpatrick has been asked by the promoters of the hospital to interview Mr. Farwell, and endeavor to arrange with that gentleman for his share of the site which it is desired to acquire behind the court house for hospital purposes.

The vote of $5000 for the Columbia river which appears on the Dominion estimates turns out to be for that part of the river south of Golden. That vote is required, but there should also be a grant for the necessary improvements on the river north of Revelstoke. At least $15,000 should be asked for this work and we suggest that the action of the Board of Trade in asking for this sum be backed by the Liberal Committee of Revelstoke, and that they also represent the matter to Mr. Galliher with a view to having the grant made.

The city by-laws struck a snag the other day. Jo Lanzo, an Italian, was brought up on a charge of carrying without a license. Jo raised the point that the by-law only applied to an owner of a team and did not apply to a carrier who hired a team from another. Mr. Sibbald, P. M., had to admit that Jo had interpreted the by-law aright and dismissed the case. In this instance Jo was an exception to the adage that the man who is his own lawyer has a fool for his client, though the general impression is that some gentleman of the law had posted Jo on his point.

Curling.

The Mutual Life has given a handsome trophy for competition among local curlers, the gift being made on the representations of Messrs. Lewis, the local agents of the Mutual.

On Saturday one of the best games of the season was played by Calgary against the world. G. S. McCarter, A. McDonnell, A. M. Pinkham, K. D. Johnson represented old Calgary residents, and G. Newton, J. A. Fallis, D. M. Rae, and H. A. Brown the latter. The score stood 16 to 11 in favor of Calgary.

In the match between J. D. Molson and T. Downie, in the Green Curlers competition, the score was 13 to 12 in favor of Mr. Molson.

Social and Personal.

J. V. Armstrong returned on Monday from the coast.

Dwight Ross came down from Standard Basin on Monday.

T. Hughes has returned from the Kamloops hospital.

W. Woodhouse has been appointed locomotive foreman at Trail shops.

We are glad to see Chief of Police Bain about again after a bad attack of la grippe.

Dr. Taylor, of Golden, has been taken to Banff suffering with inflammatory rheumatism.

F. S. Ketcheson, of Calgary went down to Ferguson Monday to take a position on the Eagle staff.

J. A. Birney, who recently returned to Calgary with the first South African contingent, intends joining the constabulary.

J. D. Boyd came in from Carnes Creek on Monday, having experienced a hard trip owing to the quantity of snow that has fallen lately.

Isaac Bate, of Thomson's Landing, returned on Sunday from California, where he had been for the benefit of his health. He left for home on Monday.

H. A. Brown has recived news of the death of his cousin, Sergt. J. A. Kerr, from the effects of a rifle wound while fighting the Boers in South Africa.

Miss Austin, having closed her dress making parlors, will leave for Rossland on Monday, where she will engage in business. Miss Maggie Smith accompanies her.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Craig came up from Thomson's Landing on Wednesday and left this morning on a visit to Mr. Craig's parents at Truro, N. S.

Alex. Fraser, of Revelstoke, who has been garrisoned at Victoria with A Company R. C. R. since last spring, passed through Saturday for Africa on the constabulary force.

K. D. Johnson, a constant of Molsons Bank, who is one of the most popular residents of the city, is to be promoted to another branch of the bank. Mr. Johnson will be greatly missed here, having taken an active part in sports and social gatherings.

The members of No. 2 Fire Brigade held an At Home at No. 2 Fire Hall, on Wednesday night, when they entertained their lady friends and members of No. 1 Brigade. There were about 40 present and a pleasant time was spent in dancing and card parties. Refreshments were served. Music was supplied by Messrs. D. Williams (mandolin), E. Waterson (violin), Guy Barber and A. E. Kincaid (guitar).

Firewood.

Having obtained the contract with the F. Robinson Lumber Company to handle their output of firewood, I am prepared to supply same at $2 a load, cash on delivery. Orders should be left at my yard or at the mill.

R. SAMSON.

POLITICAL NOTES.

A caucus of the government party was held on Saturday, when the only business dealt with was the mission of ministers to Ottawa.

It is stated the cabinet will be re organized and a portfolio given to a Vancouver member, Turner retiring and being succeeded by Tatlow.

It is stated that Green, Houston, Munro, Kidd, and Hawthornwaite are likely to go into opposition.

The Coast papers talk of a proposed reconstruction of the Dunsmuir Cabinet, but so far nothing definite appears to have been done in that direction.

The conservative petition against the return of Maxwell for Vancouver got short shrift from the judge and Maxwell now safely holds his seat.

It is reported that at a meeting of the opposition Joe Martin withdrew from the leadership and that Smith Curtis will act in his stead. Mr. Curtis will adopt the policy of endeavoring to force the province into dominion party lines.

Joe Martin was the sole opposition on the first vote in the legislature this session. He voted against the adjournment on the governor's speech, and his was the only "nay" heard on the opposition side.

THE CHURCHES.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. W. C. Calder left on Tuesday's No. 1 for Kamloops to attend a meeting of Presbytery.

Commencing next Sunday Mr. Calder will begin a series of sermons, at the morning services, on "The Lord's Prayer," and another series at the evening services on "The Tears of the Bible."

METHODIST CHURCH.

Last Sunday Rev. S. J. Thompson preached on "Sabbath Observance," and in the evening on the text, Numbers, x, 10, "Come thou with us and we will do thee good." He said Moses represented the people of God and gave in these words a cordial, loving, sincere and pressing invitation to Hobab, as representing the world outside. The reasons that we press so constantly on men outside to unite with the church are—1, That such decision will be best for themselves; 2, It will be best for others. The better a man is, the more influence for good he will have on his fellows.

A fine anthem was given before the sermon and during the offertory a quartette was sung by Messrs. Taylor and Allan and Mesdames Dent and Thompson.

Next Sunday in the Methodist Church there will be a special service in the morning. An illustrated sermon, specially for the children, will be given by the superintendent, and the singing will be led by the children of the Sunday School. Everybody invited. Sunday School at 2:30 p.m., and regular evening service at 7:30 by the pastor.

A social which was largely attended was given at the parsonage last evening. The entertainment consisted chiefly of a programme of vocal and instrumental music which was well rendered.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

The usual weekly lent service was held on Wednesday evening.

A meeting of the Altar Guild will be held on Wednesday of next week at 3 p. m. at the vicarage.

The ordinary services will be held by the Vicar next Sunday.

R. Gordon has been appointed Sunday School Superintendent, in place of Mr. Floyd.

CATHOLIC CHURCH.

H. Floyd has been appointed organist.

RECRUITS FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

Visit of the Recruiting Officer—Men Left This Morning.

On Wednesday morning Captain Bastard, accompanied by Sergt. Fenner and Surgeon-Major Vaux, attended at the Hotel Revelstoke, to receive applications for service in South Africa Mounted Police.

Twenty-five men put in applications and after undergoing examination eighteen were accepted as follows: Percy Marks, Vernon, (temporary sergeant); J. Coombes, Ashcroft, (temporary corporal); H. Trudgeon, Revelstoke; J. T. Brummage, Salmon Arm; J. E. Bacon, Enderby; C. Begg, Kelowna; G. R. Clarke, Revelstoke; J. V. Colbert, Langley Prairie; W. J. Dunne, Revelstoke; L. L. George, Kaslo; R. Gordon, Enderby; J. A. Johnson, Ashcroft; L. H. Hunter, Vancouver; C. H. Little, Revelstoke; H. A. L. Macdonald, Wellington, Ont.; W. J. A. Mort, Kaslo; Walter Moulder, Essex, Ont.; Ernest Sayers, Enderby.

The men were to leave to-day for Ottawa whence they will embark.

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Ladies of taste admire our stock of watches. We have some delicate attractive cases that contain reliable works. These watches are not only beautiful they are perfect timekeepers too. They are made for good service and we sell them at a small price. We believe we have the one you want.

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An Important Deal—English Capital Interested.

W. B. Pool returned on Wednesday from a visit to the mine and reports it is looking better than ever. There have now been 500 tons of ore shipped out. The ore also keeps improving in values.

On Tuesday Mr. Young came in from Calgary, and on Wednesday Mr. Cochrane, president of the company, came in from McLeod accompanied by Mr. Alfred Octavius Kirby, solicitor, and Mr. Godsall, of London, England, who represent English capital, and who have come to Revelstoke on business connected with the Nettie L. and Great Western Mines and Double Eagle Companies, in which they will now be heavily interested. Mr. Kirby holds options on the White Elephant, Treadwell, Noble Three, Wa Wa, and Chilcat claims on Laforme and Carnes Creeks in the Big Bend, and in the Moscow and Ottertail claims on Pool Creek.

The directors of the Nettie L. company on Wednesday night met Mr. Kirby, when it is stated that gentleman subscribed for 250,000 treasury shares in the Nettie L. thus placing the company in a first class financial position. It is now intended to go ahead and thoroughly develop the property which at present gives every promise of turning out a large and valuable mine.

A NOVEL PROPOSAL.

What the Proprietors of Dr. Clarke's Little Red Pills Offer.

To the Editor of the KOOTENAY MAIL:

SIR,—We make the following proposal to the readers of the Kootenay Mail: To any one who is a subject of rheumatism (no matter how long standing) or any blood disease, as enumerated below, and will give Dr. Clarke's Little Red Pills a fair trial, and do not find a perfect cure, we will refund the money paid for the pills. If no substantial improvement is observed, we will in addition, pay $10 in cash on satisfactory evidence being supplied as to this effect.

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Dr. Clarke's Sure Cure for Catarrh, same price, $100 will be paid for any case that it will not permanently cure.

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We have just opened up a large choice stock of Dry Goods which is the best and only new stock in the city. The latest styles and newest patterns that can be purchased. Call and see us. It is a pleasure to show such excellent goods and it will be a pleasure for you to buy them.

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TRAINS BLOCKED.

No Mail From the East Till Sunday—Traffic via Crows Nest.

The rainstorm which was experienced during the past two days resulted in exceptionally heavy snow slides in the mountains, as was to be expected, with the result that the train service is blocked.

No. 1 due yesterday got as far as Golden and was detained there. As to-day's No. 1 could not get through either the officers of the C.P.R. arranged to send the passengers through by the Crow's Nest, so that passengers and mails will arrive here by Sunday's steamer and train from the south.

Passengers for the east will leave by the south train to-morrow morning to go on by the Crow's Nest.

No. 2 yesterday was delayed for about two hours and a half by a slide at Clanwilliam, and to-day's No. 2 is detained at Ashcroft by a washout but will probably get in this evening, when it will be turned back, and thus give a passenger service from Revelstoke to the coast.

The wires were down yesterday beyond Illecillewaet but telegraphic communication has again been restored.

So far as can be learned no damage has been done to the snowsheds or permanent way but it is simply a matter of ploughing a track through the heavy slides with the rotaries from either end. All men available have been put on to restore communication as soon as possible.

Meantime the Company are looking after the comfort of the passengers in every possible way. It is not definitely known when traffic will be restored, but probably by the beginning of the week.

ILLECILLEWAET NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Valentine ball passed off very successfully under the management of Mr. Howell. The hall was tastefully decorated and the floor was in excellent condition. Mr Harry Le Brash was floor manager, while the music was furnished by Messrs. Lamont and Moriani. Visitors from Albert Canyon and Rogers Pass swelled the crowd. Altogether about 20 couple tripped the "light fantastic" to their hearts' content. At midnight as many as could be seated adjourned to the "annex," where a sumptuous repast was served containing all the delicacies imaginable. During the interval songs were rendered by the remainder of the company, some of which were exceptionally fine. After justice had been done to the good things provided dancing was taken up again and continued until four o'clock, when the party dispersed, having had one of the most enjoyable times ever experienced in this vicinity. There were several competitors in the prize waltz, but after a close contest the prize was awarded to Mr. H. Howell and Miss Annie Berger. A vote of thanks was given Mr. Howell for the successful manner in which he had conducted the affair which was ably responded to.

A large and enthusiastic temperance meeting was held in the hall on Friday evening. The programme consisted of vocal and instrumental music which reflected great credit upon the committee and was much enjoyed by the audience. Mr. Frank Felt delivered an address on "The need of temperance reform," which was followed by an address by Mr. P. H. Peterson on "Some practical methods of temperance reform." Both addresses were listened to with attention and no doubt will greatly aid in promoting the cause of temperance.

There was a good attendance at the "Howell" rink on carnival night. The ice was in perfect condition, thanks to our energetic manager. Some of the costumes worn were excellent, the prizes being awarded to Ted Harrington as "The Czar of Russia," and Miss Ruby Anderson as a "Spanish Belle."

Swan Anderson has returned from a visit to Halcyon Hot Springs, looking much improved by his visit.

Mr. J. Callahan, of the firm of Dyke, Evans & Callahan, music dealers, Vancouver, was in town during last week. He has placed a "Concert Grand" piano in the Merchants Hotel. "Teddy" is bound to keep abreast of the times.

TO THE DEAF.—A rich lady, cured of her Deafness and Noises in the Head by Dr. Nicholson's Artificial Ear Drums, gave $25,000 to his Institute, so that deaf people unable to procure the Ear Drums may have them free. Address No. 891 The Nicholson Institute, 780 Eighth Avenue, New York.