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New Year

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Any person found operating a motor-vehicle on the public highways on and after the 1st January, 1926, without displaying the proper licence, will be prosecuted.

"I just paid the doctor another ten dollars on his bill." "Oh, goody! Two more payments and the baby's ours."

AROUND HOME

A Kettle Valley agent has been stationed at Beaverdell.

E. Berg, of Beaverdell, was in town during the festive season.

St. Jude's Church, Sunday, Jan. 3rd, Matins and Holy Communion at 11 a.m.

J. Price, of the Sally mine, Beaverdell, spent Christmas with his family in town.

John Finlay, Jr., of Beaverdell, was renewing acquaintances in town during Christmas.

L. Sortome, of Copper Mountain, is spending the festive season at his home here.

A. R. Royce returned to Trail on Monday after a few days visit at his home in Greenwood.

J. P. C. Wright returned on Tuesday from spending Christmas with his family in Vancouver.

Tom Crowe, of the Bell mine, Beaverdell, was on a visit to Butte, Mont., during Christmas.

Capt. H. W. R. Moore made a business trip to Grand Forks and Beaverdell during the first of the week.

Miss Helen Kerr went under a successful operation for appendicitis in the Greenwood and district Hospital on Monday.

Miss Ethel Royce, R. N. arrived from Vancouver on Thursday last and will visit her mother Mrs. M. Royce, for two months.

R. Lee, Geo. Inglis, R. D. McKenzie and W. Youngston have resumed their duties at the Bell mine, Beaverdell, after a week's holiday in town.

Jim Poggi inspected the Imperial Group and Riverside mine near Rock Creek the first of the week and predicts these properties will make a big showing in 1926.

During January, February and March the Greenwood Theatre will be open on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays. The first show in January will be held on the 9th.

The ice makers are doing good work in the curling and skating rinks and with the indication of colder weather these places of amusement will soon be the centre of attraction.

Lewis A. Keir returned to Spokane on Sunday after spending Christmas at his home on the Midway road. Lewis is getting experience in the fox industry on a farm near Spokane where there are 350 foxes.

Carl Carlson, of Copper Mountain, is visiting with his parents Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Carlson. Carl was welcomed back by his friends who hope he will remain and strengthen the local hockey team as he has done in the past.

Messrs. McCurrach, Walmsley, Nichols, Morrison, Taylor, Lee, Peterson, Kerr, Wanke, Purkis, and Smith, of Greenwood, and Messrs. Wheeler, Marriage, and Amore, of Rock Creek, attended a Masonic gathering in Grand Forks on Monday evening.

Premier Oliver's announcement that in future sessions of the Legislature will be held in the Spring is accepted with approval. Unable to dispose of the business of the House in seven or eight weeks, the government will call the House together early in the New Year hereafter, when there will be no room left for the criticism that last-minute legislation was rushed down so that the House would rush everything in order to get home for Christmas and thus save the government much embarrassment.

To Transfer Bank
Of Commerce Manager

Jas. Muir, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Greenwood, is being transferred to Grand Forks as manager of the branch there. H. T. Newmarsh, of Parksville, B. C., will succeed Mr. Muir.

Mr. Muir has made many friends during his residence here who are sorry to see him leave.

The Ledge

extends its best
wishes for a
Happy and
Prosperous 1926

Community Xmas Tree Was Greatly Enjoyed

The Community Xmas Tree held in the Greenwood Theatre on Wednesday 23rd inst. was a splendid success. The Entertainment provided by the children was of the usual high order and was much enjoyed. The Sunflower Minstrels excelled themselves. Santa Claus arrived in good time and was as cheery as of yore. The gifts were splendid and every child was made happy. Compliments are due the chairman Capt. H. W. R. Moore. Special thanks and commendation are due Miss Isabel Keir and Miss Mary Kerr for their tireless efforts on behalf of the children. Mrs. P. H. McCurrach assisted with the music in her usual efficient manner.

Rock Creek Items

A. E. Bonnett sleighed to town on Thursday morning.

A car of grain was shipped out of Rock Creek last week.

Christian Valley has a foot of snow and sleighing is the order of the day.

Messrs. Eric and Robert Jackson, of Midway, were in town on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smith, of James Lake, drove to town on Wednesday.

Ted McArthur and son, of Myers Creek, motored to town on Wednesday.

James Kerr, of Penticton, deputy assessor, visited Rock Creek on Tuesday.

Mr. Christian, of Christian Valley, brought in a sleigh load of potatoes on Thursday.

Major R. Gray, of Kettle Valley, returned from Vancouver on Wednesday's train.

Miss Robinson, teacher of Ingram Mountain School, is visiting her parents in Nelson.

Jack Gooden, of James Lake, arrived in town on Thursday to spend the festive season.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Harpur and daughter, visited friends in Kettle Valley on the 23rd.

W. Hatton, of Bridesville Road, was hauling grain during the past week to the station for shipment west.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hamilton and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Roberts, of Myers Creek, on Christmas Day.

John Walker and family, of Myers Creek, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Weed, of Ingram Mountain for the Christmas celebrations.

Stevie Pittendigh, of Beaverdell, spent Christmas Day with his parents, and the rest of his holiday he is spending with his two sisters in Spokane.

Mrs. O. Wheeler, of Riverside, accompanied by her niece, left on Wednesday's train, to spend the New Year holidays with Mrs. Wheeler's sister in Trail.

Johnson Creek School Trustees are having a new school erected during the holidays on Johnson Creek. The room will be about 16 x 26 feet. R. Pawsey and Ernest Harker, of Rock Creek, are the contractors and builders. On Saturday the Trustees called for a Bee and most of the farmers of that district turned carpenters for that day.

The Woman's Institute had a most enjoyable Dance on Monday at Riverside Hall. It was well attended and the young people had a gay time. Mr. Palmer, of Kettle Valley, made an AI floor manager. Bush's Orchestra played in fine style, putting lots of pep into their music, which was enjoyed quite as much by the spectators as the dancers. An announcement was made at the Dance that the Woman's Auxiliary will give a Valentine Dance in Riverside Hall, Rock Creek, on Friday, February 12th. Please don't forget the date. Bills will be issued later.

Mineral Output During The Year Breaks Records

British Columbia's mineral production for the year 1925 will reach a total value of \$61,491,600, according to actual returns supplemented by estimates carefully prepared by Hon. William Sloan, Minister of Mines and Provincial Secretary. The figures constitute a new record of production for the Province and is a concrete indication of the steady growth of the mining industry here. Last year the total production was valued at \$48,704,604, the increase this year consequently being \$12,786,996, or 26.2 per cent.

Value of production of the various metals is given as follows, 1924 figures being placed first and 1925 estimates second:

Placer gold—\$420,750; \$400,000; lode gold, \$5,120,535, \$4,425,631; total gold, \$5,541,285.

Silver—\$5,292,184, \$5,044,703.

Lead—\$12,415,917, \$18,581,668.

Copper—\$8,442,870, \$10,109,862.

Zinc—\$4,266,741, \$7,720,038.

Total metalliferous—\$35,958,997, \$46,281,902.

Coal tons (2,240 lbs.)—\$9,697,630; \$11,645,820.

Coke tons (2,240 lbs.)—\$214,305, \$563,878.

Building materials, etc.—\$2,833,672, \$3,000,000.

Total value of production—\$48,704,604, \$61,491,600.

Approximate tonnage treated—3,750,000.

Laid to Rest in Victoria

The funeral service of the late Mrs. Isadore Ellen Murray was held on Saturday, Dec. 26th, at 3:15 p.m. at Hayward's B. C. Funeral Chapel, Victoria, by Rev. Mr. McKee. Many friends were present and the casket and hearse were covered with floral offerings. The hymns sung were "The Lord Is My Shepherd" and "Just As I Am." The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. C. J. McRae, F. A. Murray, J. N. Moore, J. Mowat, J. L. White and Dr. A. McInnis. Interment was made at Royal Oak Burial Park.

Mrs. Murray, of which brief mention was made of her death in the previous issue, was born in Ontario 68 years ago. She was the wife of Hugh Murray, a pioneer settler of this part of the Boundary district and for a great number of years resided on their ranch up Boundary Creek. Owing to ill health, a few months ago, she was taken to Victoria by her daughter, Eva, where she passed away on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 22. She leaves to mourn her loss her husband, two daughters, Jessie, of Greenwood and Eva, of Victoria, and six sons, William and George, of Greenwood, Walter and Arthur, of Trail, Duncan, of Beaverdell, and Robert, of Kimberley. The sympathy of the entire community is with Mr. Murray and family in the loss of a loving wife and mother.

Boundary Falls

The annual Christmas Tree and Entertainment of the Boundary Falls School held on Dec. 17th, was a social success. Many local people attended as well as a number from Greenwood. The programme of songs, recitations and the play entitled "Squire Hawley" were well received and much enjoyed. Santa Claus appeared, much to the pleasure of the children, and distributed bags of candy and nuts. A pleasant event of the evening was the presentation to Miss Ruth Axam, the popular teacher, of a French Ivory Jewel Box, for which Miss Axam thanked her pupils, in a few appropriate words. Dancing held sway for the latter part of the evening, Will Watson and Sam Bombini supplying excellent music. Refreshments were served at midnight and dancing was kept up until 3 o'clock when the crowd dispersed having had a glorious time.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Bubar, a daughter on Dec. 26th, at the Greenwood and District Hospital.

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Canada's Growing Time

Haying entered upon a new year of activity. Canadians may with profit to themselves, and as a source of inspiration and encouragement, take a brief backward glance over the first quarter of the century—the century which Sir Wilfrid Laurier declared with eloquence and conviction would be Canada's century just as the Nineteenth Century belonged to the United States.

Within the scope of such a brief article as appears weekly in this column it is possible to touch only the high water marks of past achievement, but these serve to give confidence for the future. Despite the blue rain talk which some people seem to delight in, and of which quite a little is heard from politicians around election times, the fact remains that Canada made solid and gratifying progress during the first quarter of the century, notwithstanding the setbacks resulting from the war.

Too much attention is given to the flow of population from the Dominion to the United States, while too little is devoted to the steady increase in our own population. Canadians might just as well make up their minds to the fact that a large, self-contained country like the United States will always prove a powerful magnet to the people of Canada immediately adjoining it, speaking the same language, and with so many things in common. Such attraction is both natural and inevitable.

But how many Canadians take time to consider that the population of the Dominion nearly doubled in the first quarter of this century, from 5,371,215 in 1901 to nine millions now. And now that the most disastrous after-effects of the war are passing, with the United States enforcing rigid laws against immigration to that country, and with more business-like methods of promoting immigration to Canada, the tide of incoming settlers to Canada is steadily rising, with prospects for 1926 brighter than ever.

What are these larger number of Canadian citizens doing? In 1901 the area of occupied lands in Canada was 63,334,815 acres and of improved lands 29,166,033 acres, while in 1921 the acreage of occupied lands had increased to 140,887,803 acres, and of improved lands to 70,769,518 acres, having more than doubled in both cases within twenty years.

In 1900 the capital employed in Canadian industries amounted to \$446,000,000; in 1922 it was \$3,125,773,000, or nearly eight times as great.

Canada's imports in 1900 were valued at \$172,651,676, and exports at \$183,237,555, for a favorable trade balance of a little over ten millions, and representing a total foreign trade of \$355,889,231. In 1921 imports had grown to \$803,366,867, and exports to \$1,058,553,297, or a favorable trade balance of \$165,000,000 in a total foreign trade of nearly two billions of dollars. The figures for 1925 will reveal an even more satisfactory showing.

Canadians should absorb these figures, and many more of a like character which might be quoted, and instead of deprecating their country and thinking of it as slow and unprogressive and the reverse of prosperous, should boast for Canada on all occasions and give intelligent answers to its critics and detractors.

The new year of 1926 was ushered in with business more active and flourishing throughout the Dominion than for many years past, with many of the largest industries working overtime to fill orders, with less unemployment than usually prevails in mid-winter, and with an optimistic note being sounded by all the large financial concerns.

The first quarter of the Twentieth Century, notwithstanding the war, witnessed great progress in Canada and the beginning of the fulfillment of the prophecy that it would prove to be Canada's century. The progress thus made, and the exceedingly favorable conditions under which the Dominion has entered upon the second quarter of the century, give confidence that when the half-century mark has been reached, the development and progress of Canada will be found to have been indeed remarkable and not surpassed by any other country in the world.

If Canadians are true to themselves, they can realize for their country in the next few years the greatest expectations ever entertained for the Dominion by its most ardent patriots. "This is Canada's Century" should be the slogan of all—a beaconlight beckoning all citizens and inspiring them to put forth their highest and greatest endeavors.

Wants General Disarmament

Germany Announces Intention to Place Demand Before League of Nations

Now that the disarmament of the Reich is officially recognized by the evacuation of Cologne, France, should proceed to fix own disarmament. It is comprehensible that France should keep 700,000 men under arms. If Germany could dispose of an equal number of effectives, but the German army no longer exists. In the League of Nations, Germany will demand with persistence general disarmament. As long as the abnormal situation exists of a disarmed Germany facing other powers who are engaged in an armament war, Germany will not even be able to adopt a foreign policy, for to have a policy without an army is like giving a concert without instruments. This was always the point of view of "Old Fritz" (Frederick the Great).—Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung.

Kenora Paper Mills

Plant Expects to Greatly Increase Output Within a Few Months

The Kenora Paper Mills is the new name under which the plant of the Backus interests is to be operated in the future. Since the commencement of operations this plant has been operated through the Keewatin Lumber Company, pending a selection of a name for the new concern. The output of this mill is at present about 320 tons daily, but it is expected that within a few months it will be increased to 260 tons.

Vatican To Have Big Radio Plant. Rumors that the Vatican will broadcast messages to the world by wireless have again been revived by the arrival of a huge radio apparatus at Milan, consigned to the Vatican.

The Oldest Calculator

When a child counts on beads strung on wires in a frame, he or she is using a copy of the abacus of the Greeks and Romans—the oldest calculating machine in the world.

Minard's Liniment used by Veterinaries

Some Sensible Advice

Follow Safety First Idea and Keep Away From Uncertain Investments

You have heard of sections of the country where money is made in gas, oil or real estate almost overnight. You compare your slow process of getting the "where-with-all" and you become dissatisfied with your job, your boss and your whole environment.

You may have a home and a couple of thousand dollars and while you have a steady position you are tempted to sell everything and try out the investment game where money is reported so easily made. The pictures drawn for you by interested salesmen have fired your imagination and upset your mental balance.

Look here, old man, take sensible advice and do not risk the little you have on such uncertainties. Investment and securities are out of your line and the small sum you can turn into cash should be safeguarded, not risked. So hang on to what you have. —Edmonton Bulletin.

SAVED BABY'S LIFE

Mrs. Alfred Tranchemontagne, St. Michel des Saints, Que., writes:—"Baby's Own Tablets are an excellent medicine. They saved my baby's life and I can highly recommend them to all mothers." Mrs. Tranchemontagne's experience is that of thousands of other mothers who have tested the worth of Baby's Own Tablets. The Tablets are a sure and safe medicine for little ones and never fail to regulate the bowels and stomach, thus relieving all the minor ills from which children suffer. They are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cts. a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Settlers For British Columbia

Lake Windermere District Securing a Large Number of Desirable Immigrants

The Lake Windermere district is receiving a larger number of settlers than it has been favored with for the last ten years. Whilst Russians from Harbin have settled down immediately around Invermere, there has been a larger settlement at Edgewater, about twenty miles north of there. These settlers comprise experienced agriculturists gathered from Germany, Switzerland, Denmark and the Western United States.

Worms, however generated, are found in the digestive tracts, where they set up disturbances detrimental to the health of the child. There can be no comfort for the little ones until the harmful intruders have been expelled. An excellent preparation for this purpose can be had in Miller's Worm Powders. They will immediately destroy the worms and correct the conditions that were favorable to their existence.

Youth For Peace

Effort to Link Youth of Canada in International Movement

Inaugural effort to link the youth of Canada in the international youth movement, was made by Thomas Q. Harrison, of New York, national field secretary of the Fellowship of Youth for Peace, in an address under the auspices of the Student Christian Association at Montreal.

"We realize that to outlaw war, there must be world federation of youth," Mr. Harrison stated. He told of developments in Australia and other parts of the empire, and asked Canadian help for the youth in the United States who were struggling against nationalist tendencies in their own country.

Civil Marriage in Turkey

First One On Record Took Place in Constantinople

The first civil marriage in Turkey, that of a Turkish school mistress and a government official, took place at Eski Shehr, says a dispatch from Constantinople to the London Daily Mail. Both the bride and groom signed a contract declaring they would enjoy equal rights; that any act infringing equality would violate the sanctity of the family, and that until conditions of existence became easier, both must work for a living.

Soft corns are difficult to eradicate, but Holloway's Corn Remover will draw them out painlessly.

Indian Princesses Play Football. That young princesses in India play football will surprise some people over here. Yet the Begum of Bhopal stated the other day that that is what her three granddaughters miss most during their sojourn in England.

B.C. Spruce Seed For Britain

The first consignment of spruce cones from the Queen Charlotte Islands has reached the federal seed extraction plant in New Westminster. The spruce seed is an order for the British forestry commission, which is in the market for fir, cedar, spruce and lodge pole pine seed from the coast province.

To Harness Ocean Tides

Promoter Tells of Big Power Project On Bay of Fundy

The future of the entire North Atlantic coast will be affected by Dexter P. Cooper's Passamaquoddy Bay tidal power project, its originator said at the dinner of the Maine Society, when he disclosed new details of his plans for developing between 500,000 and 700,000 horsepower by means of a modern, low-head hydro-electric station on an arm of the Bay of Fundy.

The amount of power which can be developed will depend largely upon market conditions," Cooper said. "The annual production of the plant will be approximately 3,000,000,000 kilowatt hours, which is, according to the geographical survey statistics for 1922, 75 per cent. of the output of the public utility plants in New England in that year.

"The cost of this power will be well within the range of the cheapest hydro-electric station in this country, with the added asset of positive assurance of output. It will be possible to sell a part of the power in New Brunswick and in Maine, and, owing to the location of the project, about 300 miles east of Boston, it will be within easy transmission distance of all of New England."

Mr. Cooper said that the tides at the site of the new power plant have a range that varies between 18 and 27 feet every two weeks.

"Nature has produced two large bays, having a combined area of 150 square miles," Mr. Cooper went on, "which can be placed at small expense under complete control. This will be accomplished by the construction of dams and control gates at the entrance of the bay. The topography permits the erection of the power house directly between the two bays."

The New Immigration Rates

A Real Immigration Policy To Be Launched

The new schedule of immigrant rates from Great Britain to Canada, examples of which have appeared in the news columns, certainly suggest that the policy of immigration is being gone at in a new spirit by the immigration department; is being gone at, indeed, with a rush.

The reductions are surprising, almost startling. From any British port the fare to Quebec is to be \$15; at present it is \$33.75. From any British port to Winnipeg the fare is to be \$27.50; at present it is \$119.79. To Vancouver the fare is to be \$35; at present it is \$142. It can be readily believed, from such examples, that the statement is true that these new rates will be the lowest that have been known for a generation.

Mr. Stewart's recent statement that the government hopes to bring in 200,000 immigrants next year takes on the aspect of reality when these fares are announced. They are so low, indeed, that they imply a very considerable amount of supervision over the immigrants when they arrive and have been placed; because the low fares will enable large numbers of British people to emigrate who will have little or no capital when they arrive, and the immigration scheme will need to carry them a good deal further than their point of destination.

The new rates, however, indicate that a real immigration policy is about to be launched, and such a policy will have the approval of the whole country.—Manitoba Free Press.

Time has Tested It.—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil has been on the market upwards of fifty years and in that time it has proved a blessing to thousands. It is in high favor throughout Canada and its excellence has carried its fame beyond the seas. If it were doubt the price it would be a cheap liniment.

Anxious That States

Join World Court

Few Members of Senate Cannot Prevent It Says Bishop Manning

The demand that the senate recognize public opinion of the United States for entry into the world court was voiced by speakers at a Thanksgiving service in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, celebrating the signing of the Locarno treaty.

Both Bishop William Manning and Nicholas Murray Butler, president of the Columbia University, declared that a small group of senate irreconcilables cannot prevent the United States from entering the court.

This spirit of peace was typified in a procession through the unfinished nave of the cathedral which opened the service. The flags of Britain and six other signatory nations represented in the Locarno pact were carried, including the flag of Germany, which had not been seen in the cathedral since the war.

Each day more than 5,000 tons of newspaper print paper is produced in Canada.

Minard's Liniment for Grippe

Trade Prospects Reviewed At Meeting of Bank of Montreal

More than ordinary interest this year attaches to the proceedings at the annual meeting of the Bank of Montreal because of the general hope that commercial conditions promise improvement and the knowledge that bankers are in best position to confirm that expectation. The note sounded by Sir Vincent Meredith, the President, and by Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, the General Manager, was distinctly optimistic. The address of the President covered a wide field of finance and trade, a survey in a large way of existing domestic conditions in which encouragement was found, and a review of affairs in other countries with which Canada carries on commerce and whose financial condition reflects in some degree upon ourselves. The balance sheet of the banks is the alter ego of business, and in the form it may be read the state of the latter. Bank deposits have grown while bank loans for commercial purposes have decreased, a sure sign of receding trade. But the country is emerging from the slough. In the opinion of Sir Vincent Meredith, "there is no question but that the 'trend of business is slowly but surely upward' and in support of this conclusion he cites many examples. Dominating all is the big harvest of the year, one of the largest ever gathered, marketed at a profitable price. Sir Vincent Meredith estimates that the year's harvest will bring at least \$500,000,000 of new money into Canada, from which will

come a liquidation of farmers' liabilities, and therefrom an improvement in business generally the country over.

Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, the General Manager, dealt more particularly with the affairs of the Bank. The strength of the Bank was revealed in figures in the percentage of liquid assets to public liabilities to the extent of 66 per cent. Deposits have grown particularly savings deposits, and circulation of notes is larger. An important point was brought out by Sir Frederick when he said that "Canada now has one branch bank for every 2,200 people, as compared with one bank for every 3,700 persons in the United States and for every 3,000 persons in Australia." The notion that recent amalgamations of banks in Canada have reduced banking facilities is dissipated by these figures.

Summing up the outlook for Canada, Sir Frederick said:—

We have vast natural resources and an industrious people—in fact, all that goes to make a great and strong nation—but prudent management of our affairs is fundamental. Without that all our manifold advantages mean nothing.

We should ever keep before us the fact that Canada has immense potentialities, and that the mistakes of the past are reparable. Also, we have a splendid manhood east and west, with a loyal love of country and a unanimous determination to preserve our political independence.

Wants Canada As Member

Dominion Will Be Invited To Join Pan-American Union

A proposal that efforts be made to obtain the admission of Canada into full membership in the Pan-American Union was one of a group of resolutions for promoting better relations between the three Americas adopted by the Pan-American Commercial Congress at its final session in New York.

The resolution pertaining to Canada suggested that the Dominion and all other western hemispheres political entities be invited into association with the Pan-American Commercial Congress and that the admission of the Dominion into the Pan-American Union be made "to the end that Pan-America may include all America."

It also was decided that the Pan-American Congress for 1927 would be held in Canada.

Dragged Down by Asthma. The man or woman who is continually subject to asthma is unfitted for his or her life's work. Strength departs and energy is taken away until life becomes a dreary existence. And yet this is needless. Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy has brought a great change to an army of sufferers. It relieves the restricted air tubes, and guards against future trouble. Try it.

Must Meet Wembley Deficit

But Was Worth Three Times the Sum As Empire Asset

The deficit on Wembley Exhibition is announced to be \$10,000,000. But according to J. H. Thomas, M.P., who is chairman of the liquidators, it was worth at least treble that sum as an empire asset.

It is estimated that the British taxpayers, as guarantors of Wembley, will have to pay \$5,500,000 towards its losses. Of the private guarantors Mr. Robert McAlpine and Sons will be called on for \$750,000; underwriting members of Lloyd's, \$500,000; five principal banks, \$250,000.

Campaign of Education

The Jewish Immigrant Aid Society of Toronto has commenced a programme of education in Canadian history and institutions, in an attempt to remove a state of ignorance regarding Canada among many immigrants from Central Europe, which has amounted to the belief that this country was governed from Washington.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON

JANUARY 3

THE SON OF GOD BECOMES MAN

Golden Text: And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us (and we beheld his glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father), full of grace and truth. John 1:14.

Lesson: John 1:1-18.
Devotional Reading: Philippians 2:5-11.

Explanations and Comments

The Relation of the Word of God and to the World, verses 1-5.—In the beginning, before the creation of the world, before time began, was the Word. Compare Genesis 1:1, and Matthew Henry's observation that "The world was from the beginning, but the Word was in the beginning." Logos, Word, is seen in our terms theology, biology, chronology, etc. Logos was a familiar and significant term in both Jewish and Gentile thought. It meant the Eternal God in relation to man; the self-communicating God. John uses the term to designate Jesus Christ as expressing and revealing God (to the world).

"Christ is not a word, you observe, but the Word. Every prophet was a word of God. Every great or good man since the world began, who has added anything to the general fund of virtue or of truth, has been a word of God. Galileo was God's word to science. Luther was God's word to religion. But Christ was The Word—the full and complete thought of God—uttered once for all, expressing the very soul of God with such entire precision and finality that of him it may be said, 'The Word was with God and the Word was God'." (Dr. J. W. Dawson.)

Left Nothing For Charity

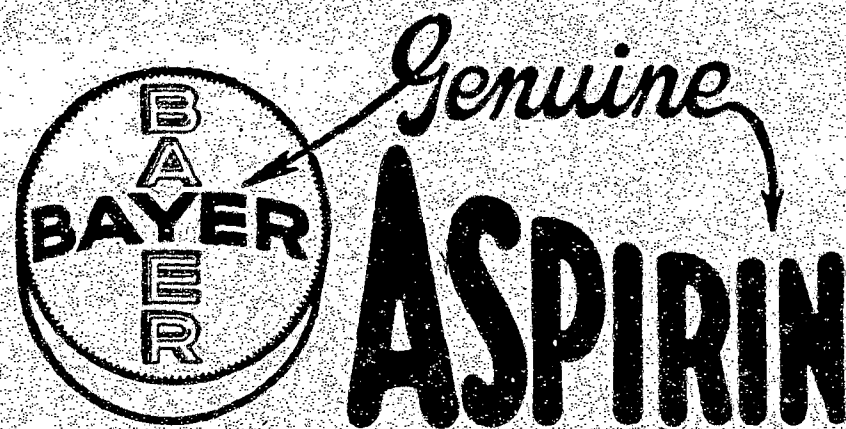
None of his fortune of 70,000 pounds was left to public objects by the will of the late Sir George Dashwood Taubman Goldie, founder of the British Territory of Nigeria. The will stated his belief that all public gifts should come from deprivation on the part of the giver rather than his heirs.

Settlers For Irrigation Area

James Piko, manager of the Lethbridge Northern Irrigation project, states that an average of a settler a day is being placed on the irrigation tract. Incoming farmers get competent instruction from the start.

To Commemorate Visit of Prince

To commemorate the Prince of Wales' visit to South America, it is proposed to raise £25,000 for the endowment of a King Alfonso XIII chair of Spanish at Oxford University.



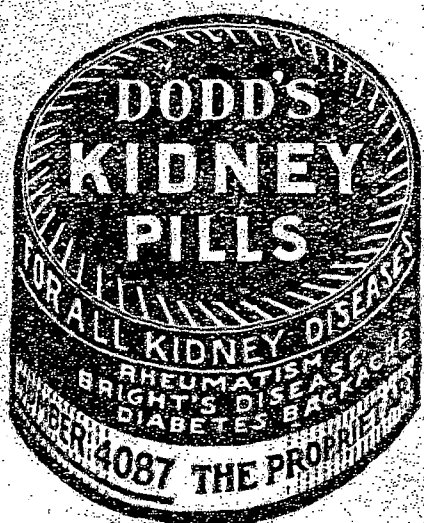
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Ireland Would Welcome Prince

British Royalty Has Always Been Popular With Irish People

British papers have been bidding the Prince of Wales visit Ireland. Such a visit might well place the copstone on the temple of Irish peace to which Irish and British statesmen have recently contributed their efforts. The suggestion is taking form in connection with laying the foundation stone of the Ulster Parliament Building in Belfast. He cannot well go to Belfast without going to Dublin. The Prince, as ambassador at large, has visited every continent and every other member of the British commonwealth. Everywhere he has captured the hearts of statesmen and people by his bonhomie, his capacity for enjoyment and for giving enjoyment. Like his namesake David, he is "a mighty valiant man, and a man of war, and prudent in matters, and a comely person." He possesses the charm which was the heritage of the Stuarts, grafted upon and refined by the sturdy Brunswick stock. These qualities are calculated to give him a peculiar place in the affection of the Irish people. And is he not also, named Patrick, and is he not a lover of horses and a reckless rider—and if he is thrown now and then does he not pick himself up and try again with unabated courage? The Prince would willingly have gone to Ireland had he been allowed, at the height of the Sinn Féin trouble and done his part toward allaying the passions then raging. But the life of the Prince was counted too valuable to risk sacrifice by bomb or bullet. Grave statesmen held that the Irish trouble was constitutional and only a constitutional change could remove it. They did not know the Irish people.

Strange as it may appear, in Ireland's eight hundred years of tragic association with England, English kings and princes have often been popular with the Irish people. With the Celt there is still a divinity that doth hedge a King, and it would not be unnatural if the Prince should win the loyalty of the Irish as Bonnie Prince Charlie was King of the Highland hearts. Queen Victoria on each of her visits to Ireland received a rapturous welcome. So did King Edward, so did King George. Personal rule, the personal touch, the Chieftain, is always dear to the Celt—Montreal Witness.

Could Prove It

A city girl married a young farmer. As her husband came into the house one day, she exclaimed, "Oh, John, I found four ducks' eggs among the two dozen you brought in this morning."

"Ducks' eggs," said John. "How do you know they were ducks' eggs?" "Why," she answered, "I put them in water and four of them floated."—London Tit-Bits.

Turkish Women Must Pay Taxes. "No emancipation without taxation," appears to be the motto of the Turkish ruler, Mustapha Kemal. But a short time ago he issued an edict permitting women to go without veils. Now, according to official dispatches reaching here, he has further ruled that emancipated women are subject to the same taxes as men.

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Chinese Social Customs

Strange Rules of Etiquette That Must Be Followed

Social intercourse in China is so intricate that the traveller from other lands often finds himself baffled completely when he tries to follow the manners and customs of the subtle-minded Chinaman. Indeed, one of the greatest barriers between the Chinese and the western races is this one of social etiquette.

It is difficult to become intimate friends with a well-bred Chinaman in his own country without making a deep study of his social life. Every action, every gesture, every carefully worded phrase is, replete with hidden meaning. For instance, it is wrong to remove your hat when entering a Chinaman's home. It is an insult, and equally as bad if we were to sit at a host's table for tea with our hat on.

Again you should never offer a Chinaman your hand to shake. This would cause your host great displeasure. You must shake hands with yourself, both on arrival and departure from his home. If you are offered anything to drink it is a breach of etiquette to touch it before the moment you are about to leave. Again, you will notice your host will pick a cake or choice biscuit and put it on your plate, and in return you must pick the daintiest morsel from the dish of sweetmeats and place it on his plate. In so doing you pay him the greatest of compliments.

For these little mannerly considerations the Chinaman will make one's visit worth while, show you all the treasures, give you stories of his home and business and many introductions to his friends.

Your visit to Mr. Chinaman's home ends with a good handshake with yourself as you stand on the step. But as you turn to walk away, you find he is handing you a small present in memory of your visit, for the Chinese are splendid hosts and love to make your visit to their home a happy memory.

Hidden Wealth In North

Forecasts Great Mineral Production In Northern Manitoba

That Northern Manitoba is destined shortly to produce, in mineral production alone, actual wealth equal, if not greater, in revenue than all other combined productivity in the province, was the opinion expressed by R. H. MacNeill, for many years secretary of the Hudson Bay Railway, and ex-councillor of the Pas. For instance, he pointed to the recent commencement of activities of consolidated smelting interests of the U.S.A. now arranging for extensive preparations to develop the Elm Flon copper-zinc, gold mine. "None of the oldtimers of new Manitoba have ever wandered in their fealty to the future prosperity of the district adjacent to Hudson Bay, and whatever success may now dawn upon the north country, it will only be received as an expected reward to northerners for their indomitable pioneering spirit in making such achievement possible," declared Mr. MacNeill.

Prince of Wales Thoughtful

Chauffeur Tells Another Story Of His Ready Sympathy

Mr. F. J. Small, chauffeur to the Prince of Wales on his recent tour, tells a story of the Prince's thoughtfulness and sympathy. One night a car which was taking members of the Prince's party to a dance overturned and the driver, a young Dutchman, was killed. When the news was received the dance was stopped, and the Prince drove to the scene of the accident. He learned that the driver was to have been married soon, and a few days later, when passing through the village where the man's fiancée lived, he sought her out and gave her the silver watch bearing his monogram, which he had intended to give to her lover.

Help Would Be Welcome

The man in the next flat was pounding a frenzied tattoo upon the thin wall. "Look here," he shouted angrily, "I can't sleep with your baby yelling like that! If you don't make him stop, I will!" "Come along, sir—come along!" shouted the infant's long-suffering father in reply. "You'll be as welcome as the flowers in spring!"—Pearson's Weekly.

Prince To Preside

Word has been received in Montreal from Edinburgh, Scotland, that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales has consented to preside at the banquet to be tendered to the visiting Canadian curling team early next January at Edinburgh. The heir to the British throne is president of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.

City Boarder: "I suppose you hatch all these chickens yourself?" Farmer: "No. We keep hens for that purpose!"

Living In A Favoured Age

We Do Not Fully Appreciate How Modern Many of the Comfortable Things of Life Are

The one hundredth anniversary of the overshoe has arrived. This is not being designed "overshoe week," but nevertheless it is just a century ago that Thomas C. Wales, a Yankee boot and shoe merchant of Boston, bought from a wandering sailor a number of crudely made shoes fashioned from "India rubber" by South American natives. The sailor had picked them up in Para, Brazil, as curiosities. All he wanted of them was to obtain a few dollars to purchase the creature comforts that sailors love, rum being perhaps the chief of these.

Mr. Wales, however, saw in them what Dr. Samuel Johnson once called "the potentiality of wealth beyond the dreams of avarice." He conceived the idea of shaping rubber shoes over the standard lasts so that they might be worn over shoes to protect them from the weather. His plan was so successful and the rubber shoes had such a ready sale that a country-wide market, which shortly became world-wide, was developed.

It was not until 1858 that Mr. Wales patented the "waterproof and cold-proof overshoe made of cloth and rubber together." He called that invention "Wales' Patent Arctic Gaiter," and from this name arose the familiar appellation of "arctic" for overshoes that is heard even to this day from the lips of the elder generation.

We little appreciated how modern many of the comfortable things of life are. For example, the fathers of men now living knew nothing of window screening, and the plague of flies in the house was something of which we today have little conception. About the same time the new invention of "rubber shoes" appeared, and for the first time in the history of the race it was possible to walk the streets and fields dry shod and to return to the house in which the age-long battle with house flies had at last been won.

A new era of comfort and health had opened. And this was only a hundred years ago.—Regina Leader.

Valley Of Nile Vast Museum

Discloses History of Events Which Scholars Have Been Discrediting

Greater even than the discovery of the tomb of King Tut-Ankh-Amen is another event that has happened in Egypt this year. That wonderful discovery and still more the art treasures found in the sepulchral chambers and in the tomb itself have been hailed by scholars the world over because they have shed new light on the fascinating history of civilization. But many tombs have been uncovered and opened in the land of the Nile. The entire valley of that famous river is, indeed, one vast museum, a veritable treasure house of archaeology. All Egypt is but the facade of an immense sepulchre, out of which, together with statues, vases, weapons, amulets and jewels buried with the mummies are taken inscribed tablets and written documents on papyrus, leather and linen, containing the recorded history of men and events which before had been discredited by scholars and looked upon as myth and folklore.

Respiration and T. B.

Slow-Breathers Live Longer and Are More Immune from "White Plague"

It has been noted by scientists that the slow-breathing animals are the longest-lived and the least susceptible to tuberculosis. The rabbit, which is the most susceptible to the disease, breathes fifty-five times a minute while the horse, the least likely to contract it, breathes but ten times a minute at rest. The animal which never is attacked by tuberculosis and which is perhaps the longest-lived is the turtle. Its respirations are so few that they are scarcely perceptible. The observations and tests on animals have been made by experts in pulmonary diseases for the purpose of trying a slow-breathing treatment on tuberculosis patients.

Refused To Recognize Prince

The Prince of Wales has given back Molly, his Cairn terrier, to Lady Burton, from whom he secured her two years ago. In his absence in Africa and South America, Molly was left in Lady Burton's charge, and when her royal master returned she refused to recognize him.

Did Not Drink Milk

We are told that the Japanese would be taller if they drank more milk. Now we know why Napoleon, Roberts and Lloyd George never grew up.—Ottawa Journal.

A steel fire lookout tower, 120 feet high, was recently erected in one of the world's largest pine forests in Eastern Arizona.

Minard's Liniment for frost-bites

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Added Malay State To British Empire

Work of Young Englishman Gave Britain Valuable Territory

How R. W. Duff added Kalantan in the Malay Peninsula to the British empire is revealed in a suit just concluded after lasting a decade, by which he wins damages of £278,000 and costs from the Kalantan Government.

Thirty years ago the young Englishman just from college, went to Pahang to command the military police. Rebellion breaking out he was sent with Hugh Clifford, now governor of Ceylon, to quell it. When the insurgents fled across the border into the neighbor state of Kalantan he followed, being with Clifford, the first white man to enter it.

For four years the little command endured every kind of hardship. During this period Duff saw the possibilities of the country and when in 1900 he was invalided out of service he returned to London to interest capital in obtaining concession. He thought if successful the British Government would back him.

Returning to Kalantan he outwitted the Siamese and secured from the Rajah extraordinary powers not only over the resources but over the natives. He made laws, drew up policies and among other things inoculated 300,000 natives against cholera and smallpox. He opened up gold and silver mines and by 1906 had several thousand acres of rubber under cultivation.

The British Government became interested and treating with Siam in 1909, renounced extra territorial rights in that country in return for three states including Kalantan. Duff gave up administrative powers, but retained concessions and stipulated that the projected Singapore-Bangkok Railway should pass near his lands. A change in the railway route caused the suit Duff has now won.

Hard To Paint Royalty

Constantly Interrupted During Sitting Says Portrait Painter

A passenger on the White Star liner Majestic, when she arrived in New York recently, was Frank Salisbury, English portrait painter, who has had most of the royal family of England as his subjects. He will exhibit his work in New York next month. Royalty does not make the best sitters, the artist explained, relating how King George, who will give but an hour a day to a portrait, is constantly interrupted by secretaries who have him read and sign letters while the artist is at work. The Prince of Wales, he added, was even more nervous than the King.

For Catarrh.—It is one of the chief recommendations of Dr. Thomas's Electric Oil that it can be used internally with as much success as it can outwardly. Sufferers from catarrh will find that the Oil when used according to direction will give prompt relief. Many sufferers from this ailment have found relief in the Oil and have sent testimonials.

An Original Excuse

An ingenious plea to a poaching charge was presented in a letter written by a man who in absence was charged at Aberdeen with taking two salmon out of the River Devonart to the mill lake leading to the Richmond Hills. Huntly. "I plead guilty to taking the fish, but they were in an exhausted condition, and I thought I was doing a kind action," the letter read.

"Do you have much variety at your boarding house?" "Well, we have three different names for the meals."

She Could Hardly Do Her Housework Nerves Were So Bad

Mrs. I. M. Parks, Coneseon, Ont., writes: "I had heart and nerve trouble, and became so short of breath I could hardly do my daily housework, and was so nervous I could not think of staying alone, as every little sound I heard felt like a shock to me."

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recommended, so I tried a box, and after taking the second one I am now feeling like a different woman. This preparation has been on the market for the past 32 years and has achieved a wonderful reputation for the relief of all heart and nerve troubles.

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Edison Changes His Habits

Eats Less and Sleeps Five or Six Hours Instead of Four

Thomas A. Edison, in his seventy-ninth year, has taken to sleeping more and eating less. He sleeps as much as five to six hours a day, although for a period he cut this down to four hours. He therefore has only about eighteen hours a day for work. His diet, according to an interview published in Popular Science Monthly, brings the cost of living down very low. Although his weight is 136 pounds without variation, the inventor eats at all meals the following combination. A piece of toast, one and one-half glasses of milk, a tablespoon of cooked oats and a sardine. He observes this menu for weeks at a time, and then will change it slightly, though he never eats anything more heartily.

In his laboratory he is engaged on many new lines of research and is busy also with perfecting the phonograph and the storage battery. He refused to tell about the new inventions on which he is working.

GOOD NEWS FOR RHEUMATIC PEOPLE

Now Known That This Trouble Must Be Treated Through the Blood

The most a rheumatic sufferer can hope for in rubbing something on the tender, aching joint is a little relief. No lotion or liniment ever did or ever can do more than this. The rheumatic poison is rooted in the blood. To get rid of it you must treat it through the blood. Any doctor will tell you that this is true. If you want something that will go right to the root of the trouble in the blood, take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. The whole mission of this medicine is to purify and enrich the blood and when they do this all blood troubles, including rheumatism, disappear. Among those who have proved the value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is Mrs. Annie Wright, Worcester, Mass., who says: "I was a sufferer from rheumatism for six years, and during most of that time my life was one of misery. I tried several doctors, and many remedies recommended, but never got more than temporary relief. The trouble seemed to affect my whole system and I was badly run-down and suffered from headaches as well. Finally I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and through these I found complete relief and to-day I feel like a new person. I can therefore strongly recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to anyone suffering as I did from this trouble."

You can get these pills from any medicine dealer, or by mail at 50 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Little Helps For This Week

Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life. Prov. ix, 23.

O Heart, be true! True to thyself and to thy God. Though all around thy path may change, Though oft the road that thou hast trod,

To those that hear no guiding word, Seems hard and strange. Whatever else the whole wide world may do—

Be true, my heart, be true! The best thing we can do, infinitely the best—indeed, the only thing that men may receive the truth—is to be ourselves true. Beyond all doing or good is the being good; for he that is good, not only does good things, but all that he does is good. —George MacDonald.

Dispute Claim of Columbus

Norwegians to Attempt Passage to America in Old Viking Boat

To prove that it was possible for Leif Ericson to have discovered America 500 years before Columbus, Captain Folgero intends to make an attempt next year to reach this country in a vessel, the exact duplicate of the boats used by the old Vikings. His boat will be 40 feet long and 12 feet wide and will follow a route by Dover, Finsterre, Madeira and then across the Atlantic in the hope of reaching Philadelphia.

The Norwegians still dispute Columbus' claims and insist Ericson was the discoverer of America.

Worst Winter In German History

This is the worst winter in German history, with soup kitchens running full blast, masses of unemployed aimlessly roaming the streets, and a tidal wave of bankruptcies is unanimously and persistently predicted by every German-American business man here. A regular "gloom panic" has seized the German business world.

Could Not Mistake It

A Londoner speaks over the telephone. "Yes, this is Mr. Arrison. What you can't ear? This is Mr. Arrison—ratich hay, two bars, a bl, a hess, a ho and a hen, Arrison."

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Reflection Was Too Real

Bird Killed Flying Against Window In Which Tree Was Reflected

A curious sight was witnessed at Dumbarton Road, Glasgow. The bright morning sunshine was reflecting a nearby tree in the drawn blind to the window of a butcher's shop. While admiring the perfect silhouette, a young man was startled by the whirl of a large bird which passed him flying straight for the shop window under the impression that the reflection was a tree. The bird shattered the window, and was picked up on the floor of the shop dying. It proved to be a magnificent female specimen of the capercaillie, the largest of the gallinaceous birds of Europe, and a native of the Highland wilds. It is a mystery how the bird found its way so far from its habitat. The capercaillie, or cock of the woods, is a big shy bird and is seldom seen except on the moors. The dead bird weighed over ten pounds, and in striking the plate glass panel, which measured about 12 ft. by 8, it beat its beak right round.

Mere Man's Unnatural Pose

In the correct posture, described by a Chicago doctor as an aid to health, a man would see into be expected to stand with chest and head held just about as they would be in case he ever won an argument with his wife.—Detroit News.

Unless worms be expelled from the system, no child can be healthy. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator is an excellent medicine to destroy worms.

Foolish Question

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A HAPPY NEW YEAR

One secret of happiness is to keep well. A healthy body can enjoy to the full the pleasures that come through the senses, sight, hearing, exercises, and even eating. To enjoy food, one does not need to be a glutton, but there is a good deal of sound philosophy in the reply of a dying old woman to her minister's leading question, "Here at the end of a long life, which of the Lord's mercies are you most thankful for?" Her eye brightened as she answered, "My victuals." Fellow citizens, let us not forget it, there are not a few physical sources of happiness.

"Why should a living man complain?" A man alive! It is happiness to be alive—especially to be alive and well. It has been well said, "Spend less than you earn, and you will be rich. Eat less than you can digest, and you will be well. Attempt less than you can accomplish, and you will be strong. Covet little, love much, and you will be happy. By the first you will accumulate money; by the second, blood; by the third nerve; by the fourth, love." Some secrets for having a happy New Year! Here they are. Are we willing to learn them? Are we enough willing to try to put them to the test of application? Here is another secret: "Smile up." At least that is the way the boys in a boys' club I know express it. "Smile up." "Smile up" is one of the best, most durable and stylish New Year's resolutions we could make. Good nature is a fine thing to have on hand and never become vulgarly common. After a time when we become skillful in smiling, we can grin away a toothache—almost. At least we can bear it and not issue momentary bulletins to the family.

When Joan of Arc was asked the secret of the invincibility of her white banner, she said, "I send my banner forward against the enemy, and then I follow it myself." Let us send the white banner of our new resolutions forward into the New Year as a challenge to the foes that have menaced and discomfited us during the past year, and then let us steadily and persistently follow it ourselves.

Another secret of happiness may be found in cultivating the ambition to grow larger in 1926. In an old fable there was a magic skin the wearing of which would get a person anything he wished. But each wish that was granted shrank the skin, and by and by, when the wearer got what he wished, the skin squeezed his breath out. The fable is true. The magic skin is false ambition. Every time false ambition is attained the person shrinks. On the other hand, every time we promote ambition there is an expanding of the whole nature and an enriching of the being. There is happiness in it. Let us grow larger during 1926—Selected.

Mrs. A. H. Biggin left Midway last week on a visit to her son in California.

Private Bill Turned Down

J. P. Keene, well known in the Rock Creek district, was not successful in getting his private bill, to set aside judgments of the courts, before the recent session of the legislature. It was thrown out by the private bills committee. Following is committee's report:

"Your committee had the opportunity of hearing the promoter of the bill and has given the most careful consideration to the arguments submitted, and has come to the conclusion that it is not in the public interest for the legislature to interfere with decisions of the courts in matters where litigants have not exhausted all remedies open to them by the said courts, which have been created by parliament for the specific purpose of adjudicating upon such issues as are contained in the above-mentioned bill.

"The bill in question seeks to set aside and render null and void certain decisions, findings, and orders by the courts of our province, yet it does not appear that the petitioner did exhaust available remedies at law in that connection.

"We find the preamble to the bill has not been proved.

"We further find that the material allegations made in support of the bill have not been proved.

"We recommend, therefore, that the bill be not allowed to proceed, and that the fees paid by the promoter be refunded."

Midway News

The Farm Locals will meet in the Hall on Saturday, January 2nd, 1926, at 2:30 p.m. All visitors are cordially welcomed.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Hartland, of West Grand Forks, were the guests of their daughter Mrs. E. Lund, for the Christmas holidays. Teddy and Leslie Bryan accompanied them home on Sunday for a short visit.

The interior of the Midway Church has been completely renovated. The walls have been paneled with mahogany stained Lamato and the ceiling painted. Come to Church next Sunday evening at 7:30 and see. Everybody welcome.

Last week some local residences were broken into, the owners being away. Although apparently nothing was stolen, a lot of damage was done to the doors, the locks being forced, cupboards, etc., being ransacked. It is thought that it is the work of the gentry known as "hoboes." Midway seems to be their jumping-off place and the menace is hard to cope with, however, if the residents would turn a deaf ear to their "hard luck" stories, it would help the police considerably.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF YALE:
HOLDEN AT GREENWOOD
IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF the Estate of John McKellar, late of the City of Greenwood, in the Province of British Columbia, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that by an order of His Honour Judge Brown, dated the 12th day of November, A.D. 1925, Charles King, Esq., of Greenwood, B.C., Official Administrator for the former electoral division of Greenwood, was appointed administrator of the estate of the said John McKellar, deceased, who died on or about the 28th day of August, A.D. 1925, and is hereby required on or before the 28th day of February, A.D. 1926, to send by post prepaid or delivered to the said Charles King at Greenwood, B.C., administrator of the estate of the said John McKellar, deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their account and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that after the said day of February 28th, 1926, the said Charles King may proceed to distribute the said estate among the parties by law entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall have had notice and the Administrator will not be liable for the said estate or any part thereof to any person or persons whose claims shall not have been received by him at the time of such distribution.

DATED at Greenwood, B.C., this 31st day of December, 1925.
H. W. R. MOORE,
Solicitor for Charles King, Esq.,
Administrator of the estate of John McKellar, deceased.

SYNOPSIS OF
LAND ACT AMENDMENTS

PRE-EMPTIONS

Vacant, unreserved, surveyed Crown lands may be pre-empted by British subjects over 18 years of age, and by aliens having intention to become British subjects, conditional upon residence, occupation, and improvement for agricultural purposes.

Full information concerning regulations regarding pre-emption is given in Bulletin No. 1, Land Series, "How to Pre-empt Land," copies of which can be obtained free of charge by addressing the Department of Lands, Victoria, B.C., or to any Government Agent.

Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes, and which is not timberland, i.e., carrying over 8,000 board feet per acre west of the Coast Range and 5,000 feet per acre east of that Range.

Applications for pre-emption are to be addressed to the Land Commissioner of the Land Recording Division, in which the land applied for is situated, and are made on printed forms, copies of which can be obtained from the Land Commissioner.

Pre-emption must be occupied for five years and improvements made to value of \$10 per acre, including clearing and cultivating at least five acres, before a Crown Grant can be received.

For more detailed information see the Bulletin "How to Pre-empt Land."

PURCHASE

Applications are received for purchase of vacant and unreserved Crown lands, not being timberland, for agricultural purposes; minimum price for first-class (arable) land is \$5 per acre, and second-class (grazing) land \$2.50 per acre. Further information regarding purchase or lease of Crown lands is given in Bulletin No. 10, Land Series, "Purchase and Lease of Crown Lands."

Mill, factory, or industrial sites on timber land, not exceeding 40 acres, may be purchased or leased, the conditions including payment of stamp duty.

HOMESITE LEASES

Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites, conditional upon a dwelling being erected in the first year, title being obtainable after residence and improvement conditions are fulfilled and land has been surveyed.

LEASES

For grazing and industrial purposes areas not exceeding 440 acres may be leased by one person or a company.

GRAZING

Under the Grazing Act the Province is divided into grazing districts and the range administered under a Grazing Commissioner. Annual grazing permits are issued based on numbers ranged, priority being given to established owners. Stock-owners may form associations for range management. Free, or partly free, permits are available for settlers, cowboys and travellers, up to ten head.

Banff Stages Big Winter Classic



A world-championship Dog Derby to the "Top of the A World and Back" will be run for the first time in the history of dog-mushing at the Banff Winter Carnival this year, according to plans now being made by the Carnival committee under President Standish. The course from Calgary to the Great Divide and back to Banff will be the longest dog race in the world and will exceed the famous Pas Derby by 23 miles. The Strongheart Trophy and one thousand dollars will go to the winner.

From Calgary, the starting point, the dog teams will travel to a height of 5,300 feet over a distance of 133 miles. This point is the Great Divide, the backbone of the North American continent, which in the Canadian Rockies separates Alberta from British Columbia. The contestants will then return to Banff via Lake Louise, completing the distance of 173 miles. The course lies over the most rugged scenery in America and will be the most unique run ever made by dog and sled.

This world-championship dog derby will be made an annual event at the Banff Winter Carnival from now on. Among the famous mushers who have already signed up for the race are Ike Mills with his team of famous all-black; Harry Knight, the 19-year-old boy who has twice already won the Strongheart Trophy and will have to win it only this year to come into possession of it; Jim Boyce, Fred Pepper, George Child and others; less note. The end of the race will be celebrated by a big buffalo barbecue at Lake Minnewanka, seven miles from Banff.

A special train will run from Calgary to Banff to allow those who saw the teams start to view the finish.

The Banff Winter Carnival, which has now become one of the big Canadian winter classics, will extend over two weeks this year, from February 3 to the 17th.

Another feature of this year's events will be the ski-jumping contests over the new, enlarged hill, which will be participated in by Neils Nelson, the Canadian Pacific Railway brakeman who holds the world's championship in both the amateur and professional classes.

To enable the winter visitors to Banff to see something of the scenery, Bill Potts, famous Rocky Mountain guide, will bring in twenty horses to be used to pull ski-jourers and tobogganers to scenic points in the surrounding mountains.

Other features of the ice carnival will be the ladies' hockey championships and skating contests for all classes; swimming contests in the famous hot sulphur pools; ski and ski-joring races and the packing and saddle contests by the famous Rocky Mountain guides of West Canada. Dog teams will be used to taxi the visitors instead of the familiar Banff summer automobile. These teams will be provided by the Brewster Transport Company. The city of Calgary having this year discontinued their own carnival to join forces with the Banff classic. It is expected that the coming Banff Carnival will be the biggest in the history of the Rockies.

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