The Miner.

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REMOVAL SALE
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NELSON CITY COUNCIL

Tenders For Laying Sewers are Opened.

CITY SOLICITOR'S REPLY

To Charges Made—Some Petitions for Sidewalks Considered—The City Reservoir.

At the weekly meeting of the city council, held yesterday afternoon, the mayor presided, Aldermen Hillyer, Madden, Gilker and Malone being present.

After routine business had been despatched tenders for the laying of sewers on Cedar, Park and Vernon streets were opened. On motion of Ald. Hillyer, seconded by Ald. Gilker, it was decided to award the contract to the lowest bidder. Accordingly, A. B. Campbell and F. Deacon, who offered to do the work for $728, obtained the award.

Other tenders were those of J. P. McEachern, $753, and Thompson, $745.

A petition asking for the extension of the sidewalk on the south side of Silica street, was referred to the board of public works.

A telegram from Mayor Ovens of New Westminster, thanking the council for their prompt and generous aid, was then read by the mayor.

His worship next proceeded to read the following letter from John Elliot, late city solicitor.

Nelson, Sept. 16, 1898.

John Houston, Esq.,
Mayor, Nelson.

Sir—Your letter of the 13th instant received, and in reply I have to say that I cannot comply with your request at present.

I consider that I have been treated in a shameful manner, and that unless a settlement of all matters between the council and myself can be effected, it will be in the best interests of the citizens and myself that the whole facts should be aired in court.

I have been tried and condemned by your august tribunal in the dark, upon false evidence, and without a hearing. I have rendered my bill of costs covering more than the amount in my hands, and have asked for their taxation, but so far have received no acknowledgment or notice whatever in regard thereto.

I am ready and anxious to hand over all papers and money upon settlement of my claim, and am also ready to answer for my conduct in all matters entrusted to me, and let the people say who has acted in the best interests of the city, and who has not, and whether a man who pays more taxes than any member of the council, and more than several of them put together, is likely to have the city's interest at heart or not.

I will go further and now offer to hand over all the papers and a marked cheque to the city's legal advisors, to be held by them until my bills are taxed and paid, if such will be undertaken without delay, as there has already been ample time to have had this done. Yours truly.

(Signed) JOHN ELLIOT.

The above letter provoked considerable adverse comment, and Ald. Hillyer characterized it as a disgrace. The mayor said that Mr. Elliot had acted without authorization in putting the money to his credit at the bank, and that the Aldermen had contributed more money towards public events than all the lawyers in the city.

Ald. Gilker was in favor of accepting the offer of a marked cheque to be placed in their representative's hands, but the rest of the council opposed this, and, after some further discussion, the matter dropped.

The question of the arrears of the electric light and water dues was then taken up, the mayor stating that the revenue from the electric light plant for August was $907.40, with arrears amounting to $393.55. The revenue from the water works system amounted to $458.95 for the same time, the total arrears up to August 31 being $614. It was agree to notify those in arrears that, if such arrears were not cleared off by the 30th instant, the defaulters supply of light and water would be cut off.

A petition from those occupying block 70 on Vernon street, for a side walk was referred to the board of works.

A resolution was then passed that on and after the 22nd instant, all bodies must be interred in the new cemetery, permits therefore to be first obtained from the city engineer.

After various accounts had been examined and approved, Ald. Hillyer gave notice of a motion to bring in a by-law respecting the levying of poll taxes for 1898.

The mayor was authorized to have the necessary grading done in the new cemetery.

Before adjourning the mayor stated that it was not feasible to supply the smelter with water. They had done so one night, and a second night the smelter had taken the water without permission with the result that the water supply in the reservoir had been seriously reduced. It took four days to fill the reservoir, and the city could not again run such risks.

BLAMED ON AMERICANS.

Madrid, Sept. 19.—There is considerable indignation here at the fact that there weree 13 deaths during the voyage among the 1000 Spanish soldiers who have just arrived in Spain on board the Spanish transport San Ignacio de Loyola, from Santiago de Cuba. The Spaniards attribute this heavy death rate to the inhumanity of the Americans in obliging the sick Spaniards to embark to make room in the hospitals for Americans.

T. WHITEHEAD'S DEATH

Alleged Murder at Colville—His Friends Wish an Investigation to be Held.

The subjoined communication was received at The Miner office last night, and there has been neither time nor opportunity to investigate the very serious charges therein contained. It has been thought advisable, however, to print the communication as it was received, withholding for the present the name of the writer.

As the dead man was a British subject, the attention of the authorities is drawn to the letter. In the interests of justice it is imperative that the truth or falsity of such terrible allegations should be established.

Colville, Wash., Sept. 17, 1898.

To the Editor of The Miner,
Nelson, B. C.

Sir:—You have seen the account of Tommy Whitehead's death. Well, I want you to know the truth of it.

In the first place, Tommy was very much under the influence of whiskey.

On the 22nd of August he was in a cabin with another prospector eating dinner, when two deputies rode up, and never said, "halt," and shot him in the mouth.

They claim he shot himself, but the man D. Fisher, says he does not know which one did, but he thinks Wright did it.

The revolver Tommy had would not do the work that was done. The ball came out at the back of the head. They would not have an inquest, and did everything to hide their guilt.

They sent Julius Sacker to Seattle to ship on a vessel so as to be out of reach if wanted. There was no powder burn on his dear face. Oh! I beg of you to try and bring them to justice.

Tommy came from Seaton, Workington. Cumbreland, England. His brother William Whitehead lives there and his sister also, a Mrs. Isabel Collins. His brother is very wealthy.

Please try and have the government to take it up.

Please do not give my name until we see what can be done with them, as they do not want the truth to come out on them.

I remain yours respectfully,
ONE WHO KNOWS.

AGUINALDO IN DANGER

He Narrowly Escapes Being Poisoned.

PRIESTS ARE ACCUSED

Now the Insurgent Chief's Food is Subjected to Chemical Analysis—Congratulated on His Escape.

Madrid, Sept. 19.—The Publica Filiana asserts that an attempt was made to poison Aguinaldo on Friday night. A steward, it is added, saw a Spanish prisoner, who had been allowed his freedom, make a movement which appeared like tampering with a bowl of soup intended for Aguinaldo, whereupon the steward tasted a spoonful of the soup and fell dead. Eleven Franciscan friars are alleged to have been engaged in the work. The people, it is further stated, attempted to lynch all the Spanish prisoners, but Aguinaldo intervened.

At Saturday's session of the National Assembly, it appears, Aguinaldo was absent, but his representative related the story of the outrage to the members, who unanimously adopted the chairman's proposal that they all go to Aguinaldo's house, express sympathy with him and congratulate him upon his escape. During the evening, a special thanksgiving service was held in the church at Malolos. Food intended for Aguinaldo is now subject to a chemical analysis before being presented to the insurgent leader, and the Spanish prisoners are kept closely confined.

AMERICANS AT FAULT.

London, Sept. 20—The Hong Kong correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "The Filipino congress has favorably received the Europeans who have witnessed the procedings. It is believed that the deliberations will result in a petition to President McKinley to establish a protectorate. The attitude of the American army officers towards the insurgents is causing much unfavorable criticism among Europeans who have returned from Manila. They blame their almost criminal ignorance of the native character and their elementary ideas of colonizing. The officers seem determined upon wining glory at the expense of the insurgents by hatching imaginary revolts. Aguinaldo has obeyed every order, whether accompanied by threats or not. A British naval officer, who has just returned from Manila, says:

"What is needed is a force acquainted with the Asiatic character. America does not seem to utilize the material she has at hand. Every one is surprised that O. F. Williams, United States consul at Manila, was not sent to Paris, instead of officers who know little of the Phillippines. I am satisfied that if Consul General Wildman, who has lived among the Malays and is familiar with British colonization, were given power, he could arrange everything satisfactorily. It is suicidal folly on the part of America that he has not been ordered to Manila long ago."

THE OCCUPATION OF CUBA.

Washington, Sept. 19.—It is the present intention of the administration to send to Cuba a garrison for the island of about 450,000 troops, in addition to the force now in Santiago under command of General Lawton. The organizations which are to compose the Cuban garrison have not all been designated yet, but it is assured that at least half of them will be volunteers. Within two weeks orders will be issued for the movement to Cuba of the first 10,000 of the permanent garrison and, it is expected now, that they will sail from the United States about October 1. These troops will be followed quickly by others until the entire force of 40,000 have been established on the island.

CUBAN TROOPS UNRULY.

Havana, Sept. 19.—On the Spanish mail steamer Alfonso XIII, which is to sail tomorrow, will go over 1200 passengers, mostly the wives and children of army officials. Advices from Puerto Principe report that the Cuban troops are not observing the requirements of the armistice, but are stealing cattle and making raids in that district, even forbidding the entrance of provisions from the field in to the city.

HATCHED IN AMERICA.

London, Sept. 19.—A despatch to the Daily Telegraph from St. Petersburg says that information has been received there to the effect that Luccheni, the assassin of the Empress of Austria, belongs to an anarchist gang which went to North America two years and a half ago, leaving a few of their comrades in Europe. The gang issued orders from America where the present plot was hatched. The members have now returned to Europe, but the chief remain in New York.

M'COY AND CORBETT.

The Former Refuses to Alter the Date of His Meeting With the Latter.

New York, Sept. 19.—Kid McCoy has refused to hold any further conferences with Corbett and his manager relative to change of the date and place of his meeting with Corbett. He was not present at a meeting which had been arranged for today at George Considine's at noon, but instead sent a letter. All the pugilistic celebrities in town, including Corbett and Sharky, were on hand. Following is the letter from McCoy:

"George Considine, manager of James J. Corbett:

"Dear Sir:—I did not think it necessary to meet you or Corbett according to the date which was published in the daily prints. I have been notified through my manager William Gray, that the Hawthorne Athletic club, Buffallo, will pull off the proposed contest between Corbett and myself, which has been set for October 15. Therefore, I do not see any need of meeting Mr. Corbett or yourself this afternoon. Very Respectfully yours,

CHARLES (KID) M'COY."

The letter was very unsatisfactory to Mr. Considine. He thinks that McCoy is trying to get out of the contest and insists on Buffalo when he knows that the battle cannot take place there. McCoy could not be found this afternoon.

RETURNED TO OTTAWA.

Hon. Mr. Sifton and Sutherland Pleased With Their Trip.

Ottawa, Sept. 19.—Hon. Clifford Sifton and Mr. James Sutherland reached Ottawa today from the west. Both expressed themselves as much impressed with the evidence of territorial prosperity which they observed everywhere. Sutherland was enabled to make comparison between existing conditions and those of 1894, when he travelled through Manitoba and the territories with Laurier. Visible proof of progress in the shape of substantial new buildings, increased area of towns and augmented population confronted him everywehere. He also heard with pleasure the testimony of the people, who speak hopefully of the future. Politicaly Messrs. Sifton and Sutherland found the conditions of the west satisfactory.

BRITISH STEAMER ASHORE.

London, Sept. 19.—The British steamer Milwaukee, Captain Williams, from Tyne, for New Orleans, previously reported stranded at Portes Roll, Scotland, Sept. 16, has reached a critical condition. Her stern rises and falls with the tide, straining and buckling the decks. A hole through the bottom into No. 2 hold extends 30 feet in length, while the damage is increasing and a heavy sea adds to the danger of her breaking up. The coal in the steamer's bunkers is being jettisoned.

THE FRENCH SHORE QUESTION.

St. Johns, Nfld, Sept. 19.—The British Royal commission to enquire into he French shore question started today for a cruise along the treaty coast. The colonial government has scored a signal victory by inducing the commissioners to accept the co-operation of the colonies representative, Receiver General Morine. The commission did not wish to have the colonial officer accompany them, but the colonial ministers insisted that their representative should go in order that the settlers case should be fairly placed.

RUSSIA SUPPORTS FRANCE.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 19.—The Novoe Vremya warmly supports France in holding Fashoda. It thinks that England will accept the inevitable, as usual, when she is met with proper resistence. She is now attempting intimidation, which is predestined to fail. It adds, "If Major Marchand refuses to leave Fashoda, there is only one power that has the right to declare war against France, namely, the Suzerain of Egypt, Sultan Abdul Hamid."

ABERDEEN AT OTTAWA.

Ottawa, Sept. 19.—Lord Aberdeen arrived at Ottawa today at 1 o'clock to open the Central Canada exhibition. He was met by the mayor and corporation and an escort of the Dragoon Guards, who accompanied him to the Russel House, where he was entertained at luncheon. Later his excellency proclaimed the exhibition open.

MET THE HURRICANE.

London, Sept. 19.—The Norwegian brig Fermad, Captain Mathiesen, from Sheet Harbor, N. S., August 24, arrived at Aberystwith on September 17, and reported she encountered a hurricane on Septmber 4 in latitude 47 degrees north, longitude 35 west, during which she lost part of her deck load.

COUNT CASSINI'S VIEWS

Interview With the Russian Ambassador.

A TALK FOR AMERICANS

The Diplomat Says He Never Heard of a Project of Intervention in the Spanish War.

Hartford, Sept. 19.—A special to the Times from Narragansett Pier, gives an interview with Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, in which he says: "There has been absolutely no change in Russian sentiment or policy toward the United States, nor does there exist a reason for such a change within my knowledge. Russian policy does not conflict with the interest of the United States in any part of the world, no more in China than in England. Russia seeks only peaceful and friendly relations with all other nations."

The correspondent reminded the Russian ambassador that the American people were asked by English writers to believe that the continental powers had sought to arrange a project for international intervention in behalf of Spain in the recent war and that this plan of action had been defeated by the refusal of Great Britain to be a party to it, or even consent to see other powers engage in it, thereby placing this country under a new and special obligation to the British people. "I never heard that there was such a proposition by any of the powers. They continually maintained their neutrality throughout the entire war between the United States and Span."

Coming to the question of Russia's development in the East, Count Cassini said in building the Siberia railroad it was found that the route necessary to be followed in reaching Vladivostock was a very difficulty one, made so especially by the existence of a stretch of almost impassable marshes. The engineering problems presented by that route were practically insurmountable." We also found that it was absolutely necessary to cross Chinese Manchuria in order to obtain an ice-free port, which was essential to enable the railroad to be a commercially successful enterprise. Our Pacific port of Vladivostock on the Siberian coast is closed by ice during the winter months. We are not building a railroad simply for the purpose of laying steel rails, or for the fun of the thing. It must have traffic when it is built in order to justify the investment and we sought a terminus to the southward, where the ships of all nations could come at all seasons of the year. We obtained from the Chinese government a lease of territory for a term of years, like the lease of Kiao Chou by the Germans and Wi Hai Wei by the British. In making the arrangement we were not animated by hostile purposes towards any other power. The only sure and certain revenue which the Chinese government possesses is their maritime customs and a portion of those were pledged for the payment of our loan to China. The administration of the maritime customs is in the hands of an Englishman, Sir Robert Hart, but we did not undertake to remove or disturb Sir Robert. We are represented as hostile to the interests of other nations in China, but we have not objected to or sought to prevent other nations from increasing their commercial privileges. Furthermore, it should be remembered that Russia and China have a common boundary of some 6000 miles in extent, so that we have a national relation to China exceeding that of any other power.

QUEEN REGENT APPROVES.

Madrid, Sept. 19.—The queen regent has replied to the circular of Count Mouravieff, the Russian foreign minister, proposing the reduction of the excessive armament of the powers and the maintenance of a real and lasting peace Her Majesty praises the project and promises to send delegates to the proposed disarmament conference. It is stated that Senor Deojeda, Spanish minister, will be appointed secretary of the peace commission. Senro Montero Rios, president of the senate, and the president of the peace commission, had a conference today with the queen regent.

THE PRICE OF SILVER.

New York, Sept. 19.—Bar silver 60⅞; Mexican dollars, 48⅜.

Tin quiet, Straits, $16.05 to $16.10; plates, quiet.

Lead, quiet; domestic, $4.01 to $4.05.

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SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.

The resolution of the Presbytery, adopted at the meeting here last week, dealing with Sunday labor, was a sensible and timely utterance. Although there has been marked improvement within the past two years, there is still much disrespect shown to Sunday observance in this province. This is in a measure accounted for by our contiguity to the Western states where little respect is shown to anything. The heterogeneous population of that country gathered from foreign lands where Sunday, being comparatively unknown, is just like any other working day, has had more to do with destroying respect for the day of rest than anything else. Our American brethern in the east, who have the Anglo-Saxon regard for Sunday observance, manage to maintain respect for it, but in the west where other influences rule and the real American is in the minority, a different order of things is met with.

The migratory movement to and fro across the border brought many western ways with it, among others a desire for a "wide open Sunday." The restraints here have, however, prevented the license which, under other circumstances, would probably follow. Still there is a great deal of work done in this province which could be avoided and those who should move against it are the workingmen themselves. They make a great mistake in permitting any encroachment on the day that is inalienably theirs. Upon that day they are God's free men, as on no other day, and they should weigh well the consequence before surrendering any portion of it. It may be that smelters and kindred works cannot shut down on Sunday without great inconvenience, but there are other industries which could cease operation on that day without loss. Indeed, they would be the gainers, inasmuch as the day of rest would fit their employes for better and steadier work through the week. Leaving the religious aspect of the case out of the question, there are most weighty reasons why there should be one day's relaxation from labor in the week and these reasons are not far to seek.

THE AGENT-GENERALSHIP.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser, commenting upon the dismissal of Mr. Vernon, agent-general for British Columbia at London, doubts whether it would be advisable for the government to continue the office and indulges in a short dissertation on economy, which latter is but the cant with which politicians hope to please the public ear. With a province increasing every year in importance the government must keep pace with the altering condition of things and this, it will be found, will necessitate increased expenditure in most of the departments. To control this expenditure judiciously is all the economy required. To talk of abolishing, on the ground of economy, an office which could be made a most useful one, shows that the News-Advertiser has a poor idea of public requirements.

That journal further on in its article on the subject, says that it would cost $8000 per annum to maintain the office "in the style that would be effective for the purpose for which such an office is designed." It would cost as much more or in all $15,000 a year, "to provide a suitable office and maintain it in such style as would be proper." Why this talk about "style?" An agency in London is a purely business proposition and it should be conducted on business principles with which "style" has nothing to do. This province we take it, is too democratic to care much about "style," which was the great weakness of Hon. G. F. Vernon There was too much style and too little business in him, and when he was dismissed the style went with him. Governments are supposed to pay for services and not for style.

The News-Advertiser thinks that it might be a good plan to give the appointment to some rich person who is indentified in some way with the province and who will accept it for the honor, and in that case prominent British Columbians visiting London would be assured of "generous hospitality" at his hands. This is very cheap argument, still it may have its good points in the eyes of some who are looking for "hospitality," but we fancy that prominent British Columbians would prefer to see the province represented by a capable business man rather than one who lived in style and was supposed to furnish hospitable entertainment in return for the honor conferred on him. This is the News-Advertiser's view of economy.

The office should be retained. It should be filed by a businees man familiar with British Columbia. He should receive $2500 or $3000 a year with another $1000 a year added for office rent, etc. Such a man would be of immense service to the province, which cannot afford to give a cent for style.

The London Empire, a paper devoted to colonial affairs, ridicules the Jewish conference recently held at Basle, and speaks contemptuously of the restoration of this remarkable people to their "inheritance" in Palestine, a hope they have cherished in sorrow through the ages. If Mr. Stuart Cumberland knew anything about the stupendous events which will mark the return of the Jews to their own land, an occurence which Christians throughout the world, as well as Jews, are watching for with intense eagerness, he would not permit his paper to be made the vehicle of comments so offensive to intelligence. But unfortunately, we have come upon the days when, at the mention of sacred things, the fool openeth his mouth and sayeth Ha, ha.

The Spokesman-Review probably thinks is funy to speak of the Prince of Wales as Mr. Wettin, but it is extremely silly. There is no more reason for calling him Wettin than there would be in calling him Smith or Jones. His name is Albert Edward, and his title is the Prince of Wales. But what can be expected of a press that calls the chief ruler of the people "Bill" McKinley and refers to its public men by their Christian names, as "Jim" Hill, for Mr. J. J. Hill of the Great Northern railway. Familiarity is offensive at any time, but this sort of thing is a gross breach of good manners.

Because the government has dismissed a few incompetent and useless officials the cry goes up from some quarters, "the spoils system has been introduced." As a matter of fact Mr. Semlin and his confreres are opposed to the spoils system. They have had under discussion the management of the different departments of governments and came to the decision that no one should be removed from office who was competent and upright in performance of his duties. They have strictly adhered to that decision. The dismissals that have been made were for cause, into explanation of which it is not necessary to enter.

Moralizing on the disaster which overtook Mr. Turner and at the same time knocked on the head the negotiation of a new loan, the Victoria Colonist says mournfully, "but the province has fallen on another kind of days" Yes, the right kind of days, days that will be remembered as marking the dawn of popular government in this province, as a substitute for clique rule in every way arbitrary and objectionable.

DEATH OF SIR GEORGE GREY.

London, Sept. 19.—The death is announced of Right Hon. Sir George Grey, aged 86 years. The late Right Hon. Sir George Grey was formerly lieutenant governor of South Australia in 1841, governor of New Zealand from 1846 to 1854 and again from 1861 to 1867, governor and commander-in-chief of the Cape of Good Hope from 1854 to 1861 and premier of New Zealand from 1877 to 1891.

THE METHODIST CONFEREENCE.

Lansing, Mich., Sept. 19.—The Michigan conference of the Methodist Episcopal church today adopted, without debate, a resolution declaring for a constitutional amendment providing equal lay and ministerial representation at the general conference. The vote was 199 to 9.

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4.00 p.m.	Kaslo and Kootenay Lake Points	7.15 a.m.
6.00 p.m.	Rossland, Trail, Nakusp, Robson, points on main line C. P. R., Vancouver and Winnipeg	7.00 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS.

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CHURCH OF ENGLAND—Matin 11 a.m.; Even Song, 7.30 p.m. every Sunday. Holy Communion on 1st and 3rd Sundays in the month after Matins; on 2nd and 4th Sundays, at 8 a.m. Sunday School at 2.30 p.m. Rev. H. S. Akehurst, Rector. Cor Ward and Silica streets.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Services at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Sunday School at 2.30 p.m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 8 p.m.; Christian Endeavor Society meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. R. Frew, Pastor.

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G. L. LENNOX, Secretary.

I. O. O. F. Kootenay Lodge No. 16, meets every Monday night, at their Hall, Kootenay street. Sojourning Odd Fellows cordially invited.
A. H. Clements, N. G. Fred J Squires, Sec.y

NELSON LODGE No. 25, K. of P., meets in Castle hall, McDonald block every second and fourth Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. All visiting knights cordially invited,
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J. F. Jacobson Sec'y

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ERNEST KING, Worthy President
CHAS. H. FARROW, Secretary.

COURT KOOTENAY, I.O.F., NO. 3138 meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday in each month in the K of P Hall. F W Swanell, C. D. S, C. R.; J R Green, C.R.: J. Parkiss, Secy.

NELSON LODGE, NO. 10 A.O.U.W., meet every Thursday in the I.O.O.F. hall. G C Williams, M.W.: W S Smith, Rec.-Sec.; J. J. Driscoll, Financier F. J Squire. Receiver and P. M. W.

NELSON L.O.L. No. 1692 meets in the McDonald block every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting members cordially invited. John Toye W.M.; F. J. Bradley, R.S.

GENERAL LOCAL NEWS

EVENTS OF INTEREST IN AND AROUND NELSON.

Brief Mention of Happenings in the District During the Past Few Days.

Mark Gilliam of Erie is in town.

J. Keith Reid went out to the Granite mine last night.

Jerry's prolonged spree has culminated in the lock-up.

Provincial Constable Wilson of Kuskanook, is in the city.

The North West Territory elections will be held early in November.

Wanted—A waitress, must be a smart girl, apply at the Hotel Hume. *

Miss Mooney has opened out an elegant stock of fall and winter millinery. *

C. A. Gregg, of the Victoria Times, left yesterday for Kaslo on the Kokanee.

Maxwell Stevenson and Henry M. Stevenson of Ainsworth, are registered at the Phair.

Miss Buckley has opened out a large stock of fall and winter millinery in the Broken Hill block. *

J. W. Harvey, barrister, has arrived from Fort Steele to act for the crown in the Bruno murder case.

F. M. McLeod, barrister of Rossland, arrived in the city on business with the supreme court.

Mrs. H. W. Simpson gave a musicale to a few friends in the parlors of the Hume hotel last night.

Mr. Justice Irving, who will preside over the assizes which begin today, registered last night at the Hume.

P. Burns, the meat king of the Kootenay, arrived in the city last night from a business visit to Rossland.

Charles Estmere, sole agent for the Kimberley townsite in East Kootenay, is in the city and will remain a few days.

Sergeant F. C. Clopp, J. E. Angers and E. C. Lott, all of the Northwest Mounted Police are registered at the Queen's.

Wm. Foster, Revelstoke; Chas. Black, Brantford; Mrs. Davis, Spokane; A. Gammie, Ingersoll; W. J. Earle, Kootenay Lake, are registered at the Phair.

Mrs. Bolton of Revelstoke, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Beaseley of Nelson for the past couple of weeks, left last night for home.

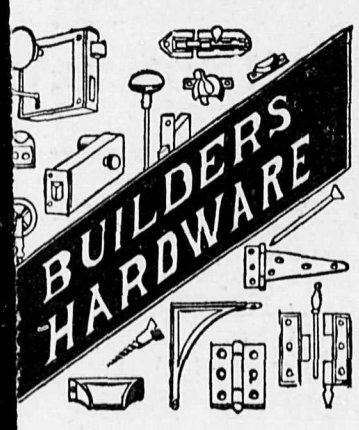
Among those registered at the Hume are J. B. Stevenson, San Francisco; A. A. Wing, Oro; F. J. Ewing, Brooklyn; J. Payzant, Rossland, and James Golden, Trail.

Among those registered at the Queen's are W. J. McKay, Fort Steele; J. C. McGregor, G. H. Owen, S. Drummond and T. E. Devlin, Brooklyn, and R. A. Fraser, Fort Steele.

A birthday social will be held in the Methodist church on Wednesday evening under the auspices of the ladies aid society of the church. An excellent programme of music, etc., is in course of preparation and an enjoyable time is assurred.

Miss Mooney requests the ladies of Nelson to attend her millinery opening on Wednesday the 21st instant, in Ferland's store, where she will display all the latest novelties in American and Parisian styles. *

Police Magistrate Lucas of Kaslo passed through the city yesterday on route to Vancouver. Mr. Lucas has been appointed organizer for the conservative party in British Columbia and will make a tour of the province for the purpose of organizing associations at every available point.



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The contract for the erection of the C. P. R. repair shops and round house at Calgary, Alberta, has been let to McDiarmid & Co., of Winnipeg and work on the new buildings has been commenced. The material used will be Calgary sandstone from the quarry west of the city and the lumber will be taken from Vancouver.

J. McLennan, a contractor on the Crow's Nest Pass railway construction, is in the city. To a Miner reporter Mr. McLennan stated that there is now a regular train service from MacLeod to Cranbrook and the track would be laid to Kootenay lake early in October. The contractors have finished their work and most of the men have left for the Robson-Penticton branch.

In a recent issue it was stated that the cook, who was until a few days ago employed at the Kootenay Lake General hospital was discharged. Further enquiry has revealed the fact that she left of her own free will, nor is it the case, as might possibly have been inferred from the paragraph above alluded to, that she gave solid food to Mr. Barnhill, who recently died at that establishment.

The Kaslo board of trade, whose charter covers all the Slocan and Ainsworth mining divisions are preparing a mineral exhibit for the New Westminster fair. Mr. Papworth has secured about 200 samples of ore from the principal mines in the districts, which are being carefully labelled and will be shipped this week to the exhibition.

It is reported that arrangements have been completed for the extension of the Pacific division of the C. P. R. eastwards from Donald to Laggan. The change will probably take place early next month when the Golden division formerly under the supervision of Superintendent Niblock of Medicine Hat will be placed under the care of Messrs. Marpole and Duchesney.

HUME ELECTION PETITION.

Mr. Justice Irving Orders the Petitioners to Furnish Further Particulars.

On September 14 an order was made by Mr. Justice Irving at Victoria on the application of Mr. R. W. Harrington solicitor for Hon. J. Fred Hume in the matter of the Hume election petition, compelling the petitioners to file within 30 days from the service of the order particulars which may be stated generally as follows: (1) The names of the agents and persons acting for the respondent and alleged to have committed any of offenses referred to in the petition.

(2) The names of the persons bribed or attempted to be bribed, the names of those treated, of those treating, of those guilty of undue influence and of those unduly influenced.

(3) The names of those hiring rigs, horses, etc., the places where hired, the voters conveyed, the polls to which they were conveyed and the places from which they were conveyed, the names of those personated and the names of the persons guilty of personation, the names of those induced to refrain from voting and by whom induced, and as to all of the several charges, the places where each and all of them were committed, the places where and the times when committed and,

(4) As to bribery and payments of money, the amounts paid or offered or the nature of the bribe, together with many other particulars referred to in the order.

THE HOSE REEL RACES.

Nelson Wins the Hub and Hub—Great Dissatisfaction Prevails.

In the hose reel races yesterday at Rossland, Nelson met with very hard luck in the wet test. They made the fastest time of any to the hydrant, but shortly before reaching it Perrier slipped and fell, being dragged 30 or 40 feet, thus Nelson had perforce to give up the race.

The representatives of Nelson, Kaslo, Trail and Rossland competed, Rossland running last. Great dissatisfaction was expressed at the fact that while the other teams found a low pressure and experienced some difficulty in getting water, when Rossland's turn came the water rushed through the hose, thus giving them considerable advantage. Their time was 29 4-5 seconds.

The Trail team were so sore that they declined to compete in the hub and hub race, though they offered to race Rossland at Trail for any money.

In the hub and hub race Nelson won in 18 seconds flat, Kaslo being second and Rossland third. This was especially creditable as, owing to the disaster in the wet test only seven men ran, the other teams having their full complement.

The Nelson team consisted of Captain Steele and J. F. Thompson, leaders; W. G. Lillie and G. Nunn, second; J. Campbell and H. Houston, third; G. Partridge and A. Perrier, fourth; A. Jeffs, branchman; C. Archibald and H. Stuter on the pole; G. Davis and F. J. Bradley, being hydrant men.

IN THE BALL FIELD.

Sept. 19.—At Boston—Boston 7, Louisville 1.

At Washington—Washington 8, Chicago 0.

At New York—New York 2, St. Louis 1.

At Brooklyn—First game—Brooklyn 11; Pittsburg 10. Second game—Called owing to darkness. Brooklyn 2, Pittsburg 6.

At Philadelphia—First game—Philadelphia 8, Cincinnati 0. Second game—Philadelphia 9, Cincinnati 12.

At Baltimore—Baltimore 12, Cleveland 6.

Notes by the Way.

"As an instance of cheap travelling," said Mr. D. R. Wilkie, of the Imperial Bank, in after-dinner talk at the Hume, "I was standing on the railway platform at Revelstoke when a man came up to the person to whom I was talking and handing him a railway ticket said 'You can have that.' 'I don't want it', answered my acquaintence. 'Neither do I,' answered the man. 'This is where I stop and anyone wishing a ticket to go farther can have it.' The ticket turned out to be one from Seattle to St. Paul and it had cost the purchaser $10. What became of it I don't know. But it was a cheap trip, wasn't it."

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What about the electric car line? Any prospect of its being built soon?

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"I came down the river to Robson on the Rossland a week ago," said a travelling man at the Hume on Saturday night. "Late in the afternoon we pulled up at a place called Brooklyn, one of those settlements that spring up during railway construction and sometimes become a permanency and sometimes don't. Among the deck passengers were a number of railway navies bound for that point to work on the railway. They were pretty well supplied with liquor, some having bottles half full with the other half obviously stirring them up internally. Some of them forgot to get off at Brooklyn and raised such a row when the steamer hauled out, that it was deemed expedient in the interests of peace to run her against the bank further down. They all got off safely, for it is a saying that Providence watches over wee bairnies and drunken men, but the last one moving tardily, the boatmen tilted the gang plank to make him hurry. He shot down towards the beach, but strange to say landed on his feet, and turning around he poured out a string of profanity which would have made Hades howl; then he opened on the crew with expressions which called their parentage into qusetion and cast doubts upon their legitimacy. It was dreadful. Then he lifted his hat to the captain in the pilot house and cried, 'But I thank you, Captain, for letting me off'. The place for the missionaries seems to be out in the construction camps, not in Africa or China or cities where order is kept."

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"When I got aboard the train at Vancouver the other day," said a gentleman at the Phair yesterday "I asked the porter on the sleeper to give me a berth. 'I can give you an upper, sir,' he answered, 'but all the lowers are reserved until we pass the Mission. You know, we meet the Seattle train there and we don't let no lower berths until we see what comes off her'. I object to this arrangement. Why should travellers out of Vancouver, who pay as much for a ticket to Nelson as Seattle people pay to New York have to take upper berths while these cheap raters from Seattle crawl into comfortable lowers. Something ought to be written about it in the papers so that Mr. Shaughnessy may know that this is a differential about which the public have a right to kick."

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Mr. William Tiernay, railway contractor, says that the Crow's Nest Pass road will be at Kootenay lake in two weeks and that trains will be running through in a month. This is good news for Nelson, which will be then two days nearer to the east.

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"Dismal" Smith, of Fort Wiliam, who has the boarding house and store privileges along construction on the Crow's Nest Pass line, is said to have made a fortune since the work began. As "Dismal" is a poet it is not improbable that the beauties of the pass and the perfections of the line will be worked into chisseled verse before long.

ADDRESS

To the Electors of the Nelson Riding of West Kootenay Electoral District:

Gentlemen: My acceptance of a seat in the cabinet of Hon. C. A. Semlin has vacated the seat in the provincial legislature formerly held by myself as your representative in that body.

I now beg leave to offer myself as a candidate for re-election.

Although it is but a short time since you honored me by electing me as your representative, and I have every reason to believe that my action in accepting office has your approval, I regret that the duties of office have prevented me from meeting you and personally asking you for the renewal of that support which you have been kind enough to extend to me during the past four years.

The department of mines, which, with the office of provincial secretary, Hon. Mr. Semlin has entrusted to my care, is a most important one, particularly to the mining sections of the province, of which Nelson riding forms so important a part, as by the careful administration of this department the welfare of this and other mining districts may be greatly benefitted.

I appeal, therefore, for your support as a member of the new government, which I am convinced, with the support of the electors throughout the province, will be able to do much to promote the general welfare of the province and enable it to assert its position as the most prosperous of all the provinces in the Dominion.

I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

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Nelson, September 17th, 1898

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NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an extraordinary meeting of the Shareholders of the "Exchequer Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability," will be held at its head office on Baker street, in the city of Nelson, B.C., on the 26th day of September, A. D., 1898 at the hour of eight o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of

(1) Considering propositions for the working and further developement of the mines.

(2) Ratifying a certain agreement of the 6th September, A. D., 1898.

(3) Appointing Trustees and Officers for the said Company and to transact such further and other business as may come before the said meeting.

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CONFERENCE AT QUEBEC

The Next Session Will Begin Today.

M'KINLEY IS ANXIOUS

He Sees the Importance of Both Countries Arriving at a Speedy Settlement of Differences.

Washington, Sept. 19.—Senator Faulkner will leave tomorrow night with the expectation of reaching Quebec on Thursday. It is his understanding that the next session of the commission, which is to begin tomorrow, will continue only until about October 8 or 9 and that there will be an adjournment until some time in November, when the commission will meet in Washington. There is a general desire among Washington authorities to conclude work before the convening of congress in December, and it is understood the president shares in the anxiety. He told Senator Faulkner today, that he was desirous of facilitating the commission's labor to as great an extent as possible and dwelt on the importance to both countries of arriving at an early settlement of the differences which have arisen bewteen them. There are 15 points of disagrement which the commission will try to settle and Senator Faulkner says his information is to the effect that there is a fair prospect of reaching a settlement.

SIR CHARLES TUPPER.

Says That the Conservatives Were Never Stronger Than Now.

Ottawa, Sept. 19.—Sir Charles Tupper is in Ottawa. Tomorrow morning he will leave for Montreal to sail with Lady Tupper on Tuesday on the Californian for Liverpool. Sir Charles describes his reception in the maritime provinces as most flattering. The conservative party, he said, was never stronger than it is today. Asked what effect the actions of conservatives in coming out squarely on party lines in New Brunswick provincial politics would have, he said, it will be the means of overturning the provincial government and carrying the province solidly for the conservative party at the next general election. He declared that if the election were to take place tomorrow, not one of the ministers would be returned from the maritime provinces. Sir Charles denied that in stumping the country, he had gone back on his promise not to discuss issues now pending before the Quebec conference.

Asked as to his probable stay in the old country, Sir Charles replied that it would depend altogether on circumstances, "but" he added, significantly, "I shall be back in time for anything important that may transpire to require my presence in Canada."

THE HONOR IS MR. MULOCK'S.

Duke of Norfolk Puts the Credit of Penny Postage Where It Belongs.

Toronto, Sept. 19.—Following is a special cable to the Evening Telegram, dated London, Sept. 19:

The Duke of Norfolk, postmaster general in the Imperial cabinet, spoke at Lytham, Lancashire, on Saturday, devoting same time to the question of Imperial penny postage. He said that Imperial postage was due to the progressive spirit of Canada and it would be unfair to Hon. William Mulock, Canada's postmaster general, if J. Henniker Heaton, M. P., did not at once shift from his shoulders any merit earned by his Canadian brother.

J. A. MARA IN THE CITY

On Private Business—Story of the Wreck of the Stickine Chief.

John A. Mara, ex-M. P., for Yale-Kootenay, and who is at present largely interested in Nelson realty is in the city on a business visit. To a Miner representative Mr. Mara stated that his visit to the city was not in any way connected with politics but was solely on private business. He noted a great change in the appearance of the city since his last visit here about four months ago and expressed himself as especially pleased with the substantial character of the buildings now in course of erection.

Mr. Mara was the owner of the steamer Stickine Chief and was on board that ill-fated vessel when she and the Mono were wrecked on the voyage to Alaska. The story of the wreck and the rescue of the crew is as follows:

Both steamers were taken in tow at Wrangel by the Steamer Fashnet, that place being left on July 23. Shortly after leaving port, dirty weather was encountered, and the four strand hawser by which the Mono was being towed was snapped like a thread. The Stickine Chief was towed to what was considered a safe anchorage near Bushy island. The Fashnet then returned to the Mono and found that vessel on the rocks, a complete wreck. The crew of the Mono were taken on board and the Fashnet returned to pick up the Stickine Chief. The latter had, however, slipped her anchor and was found drifting helplessly about eight miles distant. She was taken in tow but shortly afterwards her hog chains parted and she filled with water and sank. The crew were rescued with considerable difficulty but all were got on board the Fashnet and returned to Vancouver. Mr. Mara will remain in Nelson for a few days longer.

BACK FROM BOUNDARY.

How Things are Looking in the Kettle River District—Whitewater.

J. Roderick Robertson, manager of the London and B. C. Goldfields has returned to Nelson after an absence of about four weeks.

In conversation with a Miner reporter, Mr. Robertson stated that the greater part of this time had been spent in the Kettle river district. He had gone in by stage from Bossburg, and made his way to Greenwood city, in the vicinity of which are some claims owned by his company.

The Boundary country seemed to be enjoying a season of prosperity, both miners and farmers doing well. There was a good deal of building going on in Cascade City, and in Greenwood City there were also several houses going up.

Mr. Robertson came out by way of Vernon and Penticton, and on his arrival in Nelson went immediately to Whitewater.

He reports that everything is going on well at the Whitewater mine. Work is proceeding apace with the construction of the concentrator, part of the machinery being already installed.

It is hoped that before long the concentrator, which will have a daily capacity of 125 tons, will be in operation.

FIRE IN LONDON.

London, Sept. 19.—McDougall's flour mill and other warehouses in Mill Wall docks, have been destroyed by fire. The damage is estimated at £75,000.

PROHIBITION MEETING.

Supporters of the Local Prohibition Movement Deliver Powerful Addresses on the Subject.

At the prohibition meeting last night in the Salvation army barracks, Mr. Coxhead was in the chair, the first speaker being Mr. Reed, who announced himself a native of Fredericton, N. B.

Mr. Reed in the course of a long speech reviewed at considerable length arguments advanced by those opposed to prohibition, and quoted a great many statistics in support of his position. He did not consider that the question of supplying the deficit in the revenue was any business of the prohibitionists, and quoted Sir Leonard Tilley and Mr. Gladstone in support of his contention that there was no cause for fear in that respect as it had been repeatedly shown that prohibition did not decrease the revenue. It would be a good thing for labor if the manufacture of liquor was abolished, as that industry employed less men in proportion to the capital invested than any other. He gave figures to show that prohibition was invariably attended by a decrease in crime. They had had prohibition in Fredericton for 20 years, and though the Scott Act was miserably enforced the people would never give it up. The wealthy liquor dealers had a political pull and still sold liquor. There is no law on the statute book that can be so easily and readily enforced as a prohibitory liquor law. If a man steals, he may put the article in his pocket and none be the wiser, if a man takes a drink he cannot hide it. He is betrayed by his breath or his gait or in some other way.

He had not much to say on the question of tampering with the subject's liberty, but there was no slave like the slave of his appetites.

Mr. Williamson was the next speaker, and he was much pained at the utterances of a local business man which he had seen in the daily paper, which was to the effect that prohibition was only good for women and children. He went on to say that liquor dealers were not the friends of the people. They made men drunk and then kicked them out. The best journalists and blacksmiths were total abstainers. Drink was a curse and robbed the country.

The Rev. Mr. Robson regretted that he had had no opportunity for preparation. The local press appeared to lean to the liquor side of the fence, but took no definited stand. He wished they would. The present license laws are kept by no one. In the Irish famine year, when the breweries and saloons were closed, the revenue was greater than the previous year with good crops and open saloons. The liquor license law now forced on us hurts the public health, and is therefore illegal. Saloons were the places where nefarious plots of all kinds were hatched.

The chairman then announced that a collection would be taken up and appealed to the liberality of those present. He also stated that prohibition literature would be distributed at the door.

The meeting then closed.

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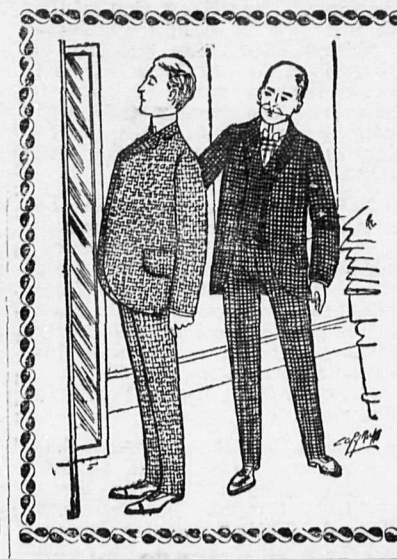

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