WM. R. HEARST: "I have seen the most beautiful lakes in Italy and Switzerland, and all those lovely spots, but I have never seen anything finer than the Kootenay lake and the Arrow lakes. We had a delightful time there. This was my first trip through there."

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PROF. MILLS has never seen anything finer than the fruit of Nelson district. He added: "I didn't see the cherries or raspberries or gooseberries, but if they compare with the apples, pears and plums, you have here a fruit country unsurpassed by anything in the Dominion."

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RADIUM AS A CURE FOR CANCER.

A New York dispatch states that through the use of the much-vaunted, and later almost disdained discovery—radium,—an almost complete cure of a case of cancer has been effected at the Flower Hospital.

Mrs. Sarah Olver of New Canaan, Conn., was slowly dying of cancer, that had attacked the instep of her left foot. At her time of life, 82 years old, any use of the knife would have proved fatal. Hugo Lieber undertook to treat her with radium.

Two weeks ago she received her first treatment with the solution, or coating.

Six days later the great tumor that menaced her life, literally dropped off, showing the healthy flesh underneath.

Hugo Lieber, although almost equally disinclined to talk, consented to explain his important discovery. The World reporter found him in his labratory in West Broadway.

"You see this," said Mr. Lieber, holding up a little glass tube, two inches long and and a half inch in diameter. It was about one-third full of a yellowish powder.

"That powder is radium. It is the largest individual importation made to this country and cost $12,000.

"Now look at this," he continued, displaying a thin rod of celluloid, tipped an inch deep with what looked like crimson paint. "That red substance is my new discovery. It is a solution of radium, which in direct contact with diseased tissue gives all the activity of pure radium."

Turning to an electroscope, Mr. Lieber repeated for the reporter's benefit the experiment with which he had convinced scientists on the initial announcement of his discovery. This experiment measures the activity of radium; and the record made by the little red-tipped rod of celluoid was far greater than that made by the tube of pure radium worth $12,000. The cost of the red-tipped rod is only $25, and the radium solvent upon it is indestructible.

Pure radium is the scarcest thing in all the world, and the most expensive, None but the very rich could hope to benefit by its wonderful power. Lieber's discovery promises to be put within the reach of rich and poor alike.

Shorn of technicalities the history of Lieber's discovery may be briefly told. Initial investigations of pure radium led to the theory that it radiated three kinds of rays: Alpha rays, of low penetrating power; Beta rays of greater penetrating power; and Gamma rays, of enormous penetrating power.

Later investigations have established the fact that radium discharges only Alpha rays, and certain emanations which are the products of radium decomposition. The emanations were originally classed as the Beta and Gamma rays. The Alpha rays form 95 per cent of all other radiations thrown off by radium, and they lack the power to penetrate glass or thinnest aluminum. They were all lost so far as therapeutic uses were concerned

Lieber's radium "crating" gives the Alpha rays an unobstructed chance to operate. It is not encased in glass of alumium, but comes in direct contract with the diseased tissue. The solution is colorless, but it is artificially colored so that its presence on a rod or disk of celluloid may be clearly defined.

At present its curative powers are under experimental analysis. But these powers are amazing. A tube of this radium-coated celluloid that looks exactly like a slender stick of candy will remove warts and moles as if by magic. They simply crumble away, leaving the underneath sound and unblemished.

The next experiment will be upon cancer of the throat and the therapeutists at the Flower Hospital feel confident of the result. It is also believed that it will be possible to treat cancer of the stomach with the new discovery by passing the coated tube down the throat to direct contact.

Experiments will also begin at once to test the radium solution in the treatment of consumption. In this experiment an attempt will be made to blow the emanations of radium into the lungs by means of an apparatus which Inventor Lieber has devised.

By invitation Mr. Lieber explained this apparatus a few weeks ago in an address to to the society for Experimental Biology and Medicine in New York. The instrument by which an attempt will be made to carry radium into the lungs is a complicated arrangement of tubes, bulbs and stoppers too complex for any but technical description.

A NEWSPAPER AMID ANTARCTIC ICE.

Specimen pages of the newspaper that was printed on a typewriter every week for two winters while the Discovery was in the Antarctic have been sent to this country. It was not the first newspaper of its kind, but in quality it was the best of Polar publications.

This is largely due to the fact that it was beautifully illustrated with water colors and black and white sketches. There were artists in that crowd, and some of the best work was done for the newspaper.

Most of the color work illustrated natural history. The birds and beasts of that region gave numerous sittings and the pictures are rarely surpassed by any process.

Many black and white illustrations hit off the daily life in camp, showed the humorous aspect of things and caricatured everybody from Capt. Scott down. These pictures are sprinkled in among news items, stories, fun and solid scientific articles. It is a remarkable product in its way, and they are talking at the Royal Geographical Society in London of making facsimile reproductions in eight volumes to be sold at a pretty penny.

Then there were other methods also of driving dull care away during the tedious winter months. Once in a while things were livened up by a negro minstrel performance.

It would not to do to rehearse for these performances on the ship, for everybody would know just what was going on. So the burnt cork artists always went for rehearsal to a hut that had been erected on the ice. The temperature in the hut was decidedly Arctic, and Lieut. Royds says it was no great pleasure playing the piano for the comic song.

One day when the troupe went to the hut for rehearsal they found two members of the scientific staff taking pendulum observations. The gentlemen gave way to the minstrels and started for the ship, and a mention of what happened may give a faint idea of an Anarctic blizzard on a winter night.

The distance between the hut and the ship was 600 feet. The rehearsal was over in an hour, and the minstrels started for the ship. They had gone half the distance when they heard a faint cry through the howling blast. Everybody knew that some one was lost.

The party opened out and soon found the two men who had left the hut. They had been lost between the hut and the ship and for an hour had been tramping around in a little circle circle shouting at the top of their voices, but they couldn't outcry the blizzard.

THINGS TALKED OF DURING THE WEEK IN NELSON.

The audience that assembled in the Opera House on last Monday evening to hear Cowen's cantata, "The Rose Maiden," given by the Nelson Choral Society, were scarcely prepared for the excellence of the musical treat presented to them. Indeed, the fact that quite a number of seats in the house were empty indicated that the Nelson public generally harbored some doubts as to whether the entertainment would be worth paying for. If such doubts existed in the minds of those present they were speedily and satisfactorily settled before the opening chorus of the programme came to an end, and from then on the enthusiasm of the audience grew with each number, culminating in a perfect tempest of applause at the magnificent rendering of the bridal chorus. A rigid rule had been declared by the management against encores, but in this and another instance it was found impossible to adhere to it. At the conclusion of Miss Crowley's scena, "Ask of Yon Ruined Castle," the audience demanded a repetition that would brook no denial. This talented young lady was heard for the first time in Nelson on this occasion, and her clear, sweet voice, rendering the music with a depth of feeling and power of interpretation surprising in such a young singer, captivated the listeners. If the Nelson Choral Society had accomplished nothing more than presenting an opportunity to a Nelson audience of hearing Miss Crowley, its existence would have been fully justified. It is sincerely hoped that such natural gifts as Miss Crowley possesses may be given the utmost possible cultivation. The other soloists of the evening are well known to the Nelson public and deserve the highest praise. Mrs. Briggs was at her best and sang the difficult soprano part exquisitely. The audience wished to have her repeat the aria, "Bloom on, My Roses," but she contented herself with acknowledging the plaudits merely. However, when Miss Crowley was called upon to repeat her number, Mrs. Briggs very charmingly repeated the recitative, "God Greet Thee," leading up to it, and shared in the demonstration of delight with which the audience showed their appreciation. Mr. C. Broadwood sang in a masterly manner, his robust and highly cultivated baritone blending perfectly with the other voices in the concerted pieces and coming out with rich power in his solo, "Where Gloomy Pine Trees Rustle." Mr. G. Brown surprised and greatly pleased his friends in his singing of the tenor solo part. The quality of Mr. Brown's voice is pure lyric tenor, a rare quality in this country for some reason. It is a voice that would well repay further careful cultivation. The chorus and orchestra showed the effect of conscientious practice and training, and their part in the evening's entertainment gave universal satisfaction. Even the few who went to criticize and not to enjoy found it difficult to agree as to where any imperfections existed. The attack and finish on the part of the chorus were excellent. The very soft passages might possibly have been made even softer with advantage. The sopranos somewhat overweighed the other parts in the pianissimo. The orchestra was well balanced and very effective. Perhaps its best efforts were the introduction and the prelude to the bridal chorus, both of which were gems of orchestral work. Mr. Bodmer, who presided at the piano, is entitled to the very highest praise in this connection. As one of the audience remarked on coming away from the Opera House, he seemed to be able to make the piano sing. The work for the piano as also for the violins is decidedly difficult, demanding technique of high order. It is scarcely too much to say that this particular feature was above criticism. The society is to be congratulated on the success of its first performance and the satisfaction that was apparent on the face of the conductor, Mr. R. M. Macdonald, at the genuine enthusiasm with which the house gave vent to its feelings was undoubtedly shared by every member taking part. That the members themselves placed a large share of the credit upon their conductor was evidenced by the hearty cheers which they gave him at the end of the performance. The conclusion of the whole matter, however, is that when every one engaged does his or her best, as has been the case in the preparation of this work, success such as that of last Monday evening is assured. Nelson music lovers will look forward with pleasurable anticipation to the society's next production.

No resident of the city of Nelson during the past two or three months needs to be informed how frequently and persistently the mayor of the city and his clacquers have been putting forth his claims to public recognition for the valuable services rendered by him in connection with the disposal on favorable terms of the city's power debentures. In the columns of his paper, this claim has been expressed ad nauseam. All the credit therefor has, it is asserted, been due to him alone. Prior civic administrators has been dilatory in this matter; he has been prudently energetic, with the above result, and this notwithstanding the malign influences which have been at work against him. This has been his claim on behalf of himself, applauded in the making of it by a coterie of his followers, and quietly conceded by the public generally. It now appears, however, from an item relating thereto which has recently appeared in the columns of our morning contemporary over the signature of the Manager of the Royal Bank in this city, that such credit has been claimed by Mayor Houston and generally conceded without there having been for it any foundation in fact; that whatever of credit there is therefor has been due, not to the Mayor, but to this bank, as it has been through this institution that the transaction which resulted in the said sale took place. Perhaps after this, we shall read and hear less about the credit in connection with this matter which is due to the Mayor, and have it given to those who alone are entitled to it.

A live issue has arisen in the City Council between the Mayor on the one side and Aldermen J. E. Annable and D. M. Macdonald on the other. At this we are not at all surprised. We indeed anticipated it. No one can work amicably with the Mayor unless he is disposed on all occasions to subordinate his individuality to that of his Worship; to accept unhesitatingly and unquestioningly the dictum of the Mayor as governing all his actions as alderman. These two members of the Council did not feel that they could continue to do this, in view of some of the erratic actions of His Worship. Hence the conflict. One of these has been the summary dismissal of Samuel Coulter as driver of the Fire Department, who bears the reputation of having been a competent man for the position, and the substitution in place of him of J. T. O'Connor, who it is charged, is not specially fitted for that position. The two aldermen above named thought that the interest of the City should not be imperilled by the Mayor's whims, and they have in consequence taken a decided stand in this matter. This is the version of the commencement of the trouble in the Council that is now current "on the street." On the afternoon of Thursday last, four other members of the Fire Department received notice of summary dismissal—D. Herb, R. Sharp, R. Elliot and J. E. Procter—this, notwithstanding the fact that the Council, at its meeting on Thursday, refused to sanction a reorganization of the City Fire Department. R. Sharp has since been that been reinstated. There is evidently a first class row brewing in the Council over the Mayor's whimsical actions. The Mayor reads the offending aldermen out of the so called Progressive Party in his newspaper, and proceeds to trounce them in his well known style, and calls upon them for their resignation as members of the City Council. A statement from the said aldermen is expected shortly, which will show their reasons for the course which they have called upon to take in civic matters. It is not, we are sure, without a strong sense of duty that they have taken their stand; but having taken it, they will retain it notwithstanding all the Mayor's specious misrepresentations.

The interest aroused by the recent production of the cantata, "The Rose Maiden," brings to mind that this is the month for holding the regular annual meeting or the Nelson Operatic Society. It is believed that with the success atteding past productions under this society, the members will be induced to undertake another opera for the autumn, probably during the Nelson Fair. Mr. Parry is convinced that there will be no difficulty in getting together quite as good a company of singers as he has yet had under his direction.

If Nelson ever hopes to make progress as a manufacturing centre, her citizens must encourage local manufacturers. One local industry that is specially entitled to encouragement is the Kootenay Cigar Company. This company manufactures cigars equal in every respect to those imported from the east, and it is worth noting that their Royal Seal cigar is now growing in popularity throughout the Kootenays. This cigar is made from the choicest leaf and is a favorite everywhere. Mr. Hawthorne, the travelling representative of the Kootenay Cigar Company, is constantly on the road, and every three or four weeks covers the territory between Fernie and Phoenix, and all the Slocan and Lardeau. He finds the local product growing in demand, and as a result the company is kept busy filling its orders.

Among the many visitors to Nelson this week is Charles Hayward, of Victoria, who will give evidence in the Atkinson case next week. Mr. Hayward occupied the Mayor's chair in Victoria three terms, and during his official career the Capital city made substantial progress in many respects. He is noted for his progressive ideas, and the strong resemblance he bears to the late Lord Salisbury.

A demonstration such as was made at the court house last evening when John Roberts was declared "not guilty" should never again be repeated in British Columbia. Canadian jurors have a duty to perform, and that they do that duty in a conscientious manner is not a subject for an open demonstration of applause. In rendering their verdict be it guilty or not guilty they simply acquit themselves according to the dictates of their own consciences.

The gardens in and aroud Nelson are looking beautiful. Nelson has more pretty gardens than any city its size in Canada or the United States.

COSTLY SOUVENIRS OF GREAT PEOPLE.

Perhaps you do not set any particular value on your old clothes, your old books, your old love letters—but if in after years you become famous, such insignificant articles will be worth a gold mine to your descendants.

Take Thackeray's case. When he was at school, like almost every boy he ornamented his Latin dictionary, his Euclid and his Horatius with little ink sketches. You could pick up such books on any stall for 3d, but because they belonged to the great author they realized, not long ago, not less than $200.

A one page letter, written by Charles Dickens, changed hands for $160. The plain, unpretentious house in Portsmouth in which he was born, which you would hate to acquire for $1,000, was also sold recently for $5,625 to the Portsmouth corporation, who intend to convert it into a Dickens museum.

For a love letter written by Robert Burns, the Scottish poet, $50 was paid not long ago. Yet a brass collar which was worn by Boatswain, the dog to whose memory Lord Byron erected a monument at Newton Abbey, fetched 21 guineas, while the collar of Thunderer, another of Lord Byron's dogs, realized 4 guineas only.

A mulberry tree planted by Shakespeare has already brought in a small fortune. A casket made from the wood was sold a few months ago for $700; a figure of the bard similarly carved fetched $65.

Fancy prices are frequently paid for relics of theatrical stars. The Louis XVI. clock which formerly belonged to Mrs. Siddons, a short time ago fetched 38 guineas.

Seven relics of Charles Kean, nevertheless, were sold for $20, one among them, a Highland dirk, used by him when playing the part of Macbeth, going for $3.

For the pistol with which Dick Turpin once instilled fear into the hearts of passengers on the Great North road, however, 5 guineas were considered sufficient.

Relics of Lord Nelson are also worth a small fortune. An enameled gold telescope, once in the possession of the great admiral, was sold recently for $200; the wine flagon of Admiral Brueys, taken by Nelson, fetched 50 guineas; but a letter written by the gallant hero to Lady Hamilton just before he died realized the huge sum of $5,150.

At the same sale another letter written the day after the battle of Waterloo by the Duke of Wellington, was sold for $505. Part of the mane of the charger ridden at the same battle by the great duke also fetched an extraordinary price.

A few cents under $50 was paid not long back for a button which had once adorned the coat of Oliver Cromwell. It was accompanied by a certificate stating that it was on his coat when he "sett to judge King Charles." An order, signed by the Protector also fetched $50.

At a collection sold some time ago a letter from the King when Prince of Wales realized $200. A Sarah Siddons letter went for $60, and one from Edmund Kean for $45. The same price was paid for David Garrick's autograph.

But it is royal relics which fetch the highest prices.

A little while back a pen, whose initial cost probably did not amount to sixpence, was sold for $160. It was used by the Emperor Francis I., the Czar Alexander I, and King Frederick William III. of Prussia, in appending their signatures to the treaty of the the Holy Alliance in 1816.

A lock of Napoleon's hair, not long ago, fetched $5, his court coat 19½ guineas.

FRUIT GROWING IN THIS PROVINCE

Reports from all over the district are to the effect that the prospects are favorable for a prolific yield of fruit. During the week there has been considerable demand for land for small fruit ranches, and the real estate dealers report the demand increasing every day.

Thomas McNaught, of Halcyon Hot Springs, was in the city yesterday. Mr. McNaught has become a convert to the great inducements offered by British Columbia from an agricultural and horticultural standpoint. On his recent trip down the Arrow Lakes, he counted between Halcyon and Robson 120 small fruit ranches all in a flourishing condition. He also observed that there are thousands of acres of land uncultivated, and argues from this that the time is not far distant when the banks all along the lake will be dotted with small fruit ranches. The land is well adapted for fruit growing, and the transportation facilities are all that could be desired.

Reports from the Coast districts with regard to the fruit crop are conflicting. The News-Advertiser, of Vancouver, says that while in regard to other crops there may be complaints of an insufficient rainfall, the outlook for fruit culture is exceptionally good. The importance that fruit culture has attained, both on Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland, during recent years is very considerable and a good season will tend to stimulate the industry. It is one that should be encouraged in every possible manner. Its extension will add largely to the wealth of the Province and distribute among our own people large sums of money that now, to a very considerable extent, are sent abroad. At the same time it will lead to the addition to our population of a most desirable class of settlers, who in fruit culture will find an occupation, remunerative in itself, and that can be carried on under social conditions no so easily attainable in other lines of agricultural pursuits.

During the week alarming reports have been in circulation in Victoria to the effect that the recent frosts had done tremendous damage to the fruit and strawberry crops in the district adjacent to Victoria. A Colonist reporter called upon Messrs. F. R. Stewart & Co., the produce dealers, and asked them what information they had on the subject. Mr. Stewart said he had heard the most disquieting rumors, especially respecting the strawberry crop; but from conversations with R. M. Palmer and others in a position to speak with authority, he did not think the situation was as bad as was made to appear. Mr. Palmer said the Gordon Head district had luckily escaped any damage to the strawberry crops, though the same could not be said in respect to adjacent districts, where the loss would no doubt be considerable; but it was yet too early by a week or so to speak with full knowledge on the subject. Regarding the apple and other fruit crops, it appears that the frosts did not, as far as yet can be ascertained, do any very serious damage, as the trees were not sufficiently advanced to suffer a serious set back. However, the real situation will not be revealed for a week or ten days yet.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

A short time ago, in an editorial which appeared in THE ECONOMIST, we expressed ourselves as not in sympathy with the employment of the Chinese at Salmo. Our views in regard to the matter still remain the same as those which were expressed in that editorial. They were not manufactured for the special occasion, but they are those which have been held and expressed by us for many years.

Still we are not in sympathy with the views and resolutions which we observe not unfrequently regarding this question. These views and resolutions express disapprobation with the maintenance of the police there for the preservation of law and order in that community, and frequently manifest more of a political than of an economic bias. The question which has occurred to us in this connection, and which we would like to see calmly discussed, is this: Granting that there is need of the police there for the preservation of order, has the proper department of the British Columbia Government that has supervision over this matter, or has the chief of the provincial police in this district any option but to so employ them? If either this department of the Government or the said official has reason to apprehend a breach of the peace, is it not the duty of each of them to as far as possible guard against its occurrence? All governments and such officials, at least in civilized countries, seem to act upon the principle that such a duty is cast upon them in consequence of such apprehension. It is needless to cite instances of this—they are of frequent occurrence. Is it, or should it be different in British Columbia? If a breach of the peace were to occur in consequence of their non-employment there, would there not be a loud outcry raised against the same Government for neglect of its obvious duty by those same persons who now rant and roar against it in consequence of their employment there? There certainly would be a very strong manifestation, and justly so. These are questions which in our opinion may well engage the thoughtful attention of those who are sedulously endeavoring to manufacture political feeling against the Government in consequence of its maintaining a couple of policeman at Salmo for the preservation of order there.

Hon. R. F. Green spent Tuesday night in Nelson and collected a great deal of information that will be useful in the conduct of his department. Mr. Green visited every point in his constituency and is now in East Kootenay on departmental business.

According to the Lardeau Mining Review, the mining industry in that section is booming, and the differt mines are being worked profitably and with satisfaction to their owners.

To those who are fond of solving perplexing puzzles, a study of the Tramway timetable might prove interesting and entertaining these dismal rainy evenings.

PRESS COMMENT.

There is now a bill before the British Parliament to shut out undesirable emigrants. Now what is the good of their passing any such legislation when they should know that Laurier will disallow it the same as like legislation passed by the B. C. Legislature.—Blairmore Times.

The meeting held at Nelson to protest against the recent importation of Chinese and Japanese labor for the Salmo Shingle mill, bore the earmarks of a political scheme. Public sentiment is undoubtedly against such importations, but dragging in politics will not benefit the white laborer to any extent.—Phoenix Pioneer.

There is a greater demand for farm and fruit lands in this valley this spring than there has ever been before in the history of this district. People are just beginning to realize that the demand will continue to increase from year to year. In the Okanagan and Similkameen districts ranching land is at present reported to be selling at $300 per acre. In the immediate vicinity of Grand Forks a superior quality of land—suitable for fruit raising, market gardening or farming on a large scale—can be purchased for about half that amount.—Grand Forks Sun.

In reference to a rumor that the Dominion Government had arranged with the Grand Trunk Pacific to start construction work in British Columbia simultaneously with the beginning at Winnipeg, Quebec and Moncton, or had overcome that company in a contest on this point, a member of the cabinet, who will not allow his name to be used, states that there is nothing in the rumor. The point has never been brought before the Government, and has, consequently, never been discussed. The matter is in the position it has always been in. New Westminster Columbian.

The employment by the Kootenay Shingle Company of a number of Chinese and Japs in its mill at Salmo has been seized upon by certain political discontents at Nelson, namely, Mr. Houston, Mr. S. S. Taylor and Mr. F. J. Deane, as a pretext for attacking the Provincial Government, and this pretext has been used for like purpose by some of our Liberal newspapers. Of course, the matter is no concern of the Government. The mill company can employ whom it pleases—unless thereby it breaks contracts with other persons, who would have the usual legal remedy. But the incident serves to show to what straits the opposition party is driven in seeking for a cause for criticism of the Provincial Government. The Government has done all in its power to keep Oriental labor out of British Columbia; the Liberal party of Canada, on the contrary, has done all in its power to negative those efforts. But the law must protect the rights of Orientals already in the country, and if the shingle company at Salmo chooses to employ that class of labor it has a right to do so, and that labor must be protected by the Government from attack by all and sundry.—The Week, Victoria.

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THE animal that cannot be trained to keep its wits about it on the approach of a motor car must disappear. Its stupidity, filth, sloth, fear of everything and useless size prove to the most conservative that it must go. The horse that will not stand a motor car may be the delight of its owner, but it is a public nuisance and a public danger, and ought to be shot like a mad dog. Horsemen have no right to bring unmanageable brutes into the public highways, to the public danger, and it is time this elementary justice should be recognized. The motor is going to become the means of locomotion for all light transit, and by the ordinary roads as they exist to-day. It is the pedestrian and the horse that have got to give way. The horse in traffic, if he chooses to bolt, is uncontrollable. The motor, from the lightest bicycle to the heaviest car, is perfectly controllable, occupies half the space, and travels now through the congested streets at double and treble the speed of any horse-drawn vehicle. The only thing the two have in common is that at times they both refuse to go.

The unobservant talk of the accidents that would happen. The accidents will be a great deal fewer in number. A conclusive proof of this, to any one with any sense, is the fact that in the thousand miles tour no one, I believe, was hurt, though the roads were lined with spectators. In the race from Paris to Berlin, three days, and the tour around Italy, ten days, but two children were killed, the result entirely of their own carelessness or that of their parents. Suppose, for a moment, that in France a hundred and ten teams, or, rather, droves, of horses—there were a hundred and ten motors—ranging from fifty in a bunch down to two—this was the horse-power of the machines—had been let loose and driven at top speed for three days on the public roads. Will anyone tell me that thousands of people would not have been killed, that hundreds of drivers would not have lost their lives as well? But that would have been described as sport. . . . The only danger to be feared from the motor car is to its own driver, the only drawback is its own imperfection. Read the reports of automobile accidents: proportionately, these are far fewer than from any other form of locomotion, and in nine cases out of ten the accident occurs to the driver or the occupant of the car; in the tenth case it is owing to the stupidity or the carelessness of the person who gets in front. The average pedestrian has simply got to learn to keep out of the way, and that is the end of it.—Joseph Pennell in "Contemporary Review."

A good many formalities are necessary for the women of Sumatra before they can lay aside their widow's weeds, says "Womanhood." Immediately after the husband's death the disconsolate widow places a flagstaff in front of her door, and on this a flag is raised. As long as the flag remains untorn by the wind etiquette forbids her to marry, but with the appearance of the first rent she can lay aside her mourning garb, begin to take notice and to receive offers of marriage.

GENERAL NEWS.

It is expected that the Atkinson case will occupy the attention of the court for one week or ten days. There are sixty witnesses.

Wm. Hunter, the well known politician and mining man, of Silverton, was in the city this week, giving evidence in the Roberts case.

The Steel-Freeland picture show was not well attended. The pictures were not the best seen here, nor were the specialties above the average.

Frank Tamblyn will take up his residence at Moscow, Idaho, and the curling, hockey and lacrosse clubs lose a most enthusiastic supporter.

The Slocan Drill has passed to the great beyond. The Drill was one of the best weekly papers published in British Columbia, but had to suspend on account of lack of support. It is understood that its editor, Mr. Smitheringale, will move his plant to the Northwest.

"That Independent Young Couple" is the name of a farce comedy that will be produced at the Nelson Opera House next Tuesday evening. THE ECONOMIST is not familiar with the piece and cannot say anything with regard to its merit, but the manager promises a night of unusual hilarity for those who attend, which is in itself a recommendation.

Football seems to have taken the place of baseball and lacrosse in Nelson although there is a little baseball being played this season. Already two football teams are in the field and they are putting in hard practice, which no doubt, will result in some good games. In all probability a game will be arranged for May 24th. Lacrosse has been set back somewhat by financial difficulties, but a meeting is to be called shortly when they will be overcome and work started in earnest.

In one of the Philadelphia colleges a professor of chemistry asked a student the other day: "Now, suppose you were called to a patient who had swallowed a heavy dose of oxalic acid, what would you administer?" "I would administer the sacrament," replied the student, who, by the way, is said to be studying for the ministry, and takes chemistry because it is obligatory.

It is reported that Innocent IV. and Thomas Aquinas were standing together as the bags of treasure were being carried in through the gates of the Lateran. "You see," observed the Pope, with a smile, "the day is past when the Church could say, 'Silver and gold have I none.'" "Yes, holy father," was the saint's reply, "and the day is past also when the Church could say to the lame man, 'Rise and walk.'"

W. J. Bryan told a good story at his own expense in New York recently: "I spoke during the campaign in a little Illinois town. In front of me sat a man rigidly attentive. He drank in every word I said; I think he had drunk in something else besides. When I finished he came up and wrung my hand. 'Mr. Bryan,' he said, 'you are wonderful, wonderful. You are the first man I ever saw whose back teeth I could see all the time he was speaking.'"

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Notice To Delinquent Co-Owner.

To Archie M. Johnson, or to any person or persons to whom he may have transferred his interest in the "Ophir" mineral claim, situate on the west side of Bird creek, about one and a half miles up from the old Government trail in the Nelson Mining Division, West Kootenay:

You and each of you are hereby notified that I have expended one hundred and two dollars and fifty cents in labour and improvements on the above mentioned claim in order to hold said claim under the provisions of the Mineral Act, the said labour being done for the year ending April 12, 1904, and if within 90 days from the date of this notice, you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditure together with all costs of advertising your interest in the said claim will become the property of the undersigned, under Section 4 of an Act entitled "Mineral Act Amendment Act, 1900."

Dated this 17th day of February, 1905.

J. B. BAXTER.

Notice To Delinquent Co-Owner

To Nels Peterson, or to any person or persons to whom he may have transferred his interest in the "Summit" mineral claim, situate on Toon creek, in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay:

You and each of you are hereby notified that I have expended two hundred dollars in labour and improvements on the above mentioned claim in order to hold the said claim under the provisions of the Mineral Act, the said labour being done for the year ending 1904, and if within 90 days from the date of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditure together with all costs of advertising, your interest in said mineral claim will become the property of the undersigned under Section 4 of the "Mineral Act Amendment Act, 1900."

Dated this 6th day of March, 1905.

GODFREY BIRTSCH.

LANDS AND WORKS.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the reservation established in pursuance of the provisions of the "Columbia and Western Railway Subsidy Act, 1896," notices of which were published in the British Columbia Gazette and dated 7th May, 1896, and 5th June, 1896, respectively, are hereby cancelled.

Crown Lands situated within the area embraced by the said reservation will be open to sale, settlement, lease and other disposition, under the provisions of the "Land Act," three months after the date of the first publication of this notice in the British Columbia Gazette; provided, however, that in all cases where lands are so sold, pre-empted, leased or otherwise alienated by the Government and are subsequently found, upon the survey of the Columbia and Western Railway Company's blocks, to lie wholly or in part within such blocks, then the persons so acquiring such lands shall acquire their title thereto from the Railway Company, who have agreed to deal with such purchasers, pre-emptors, lessees, etc., on the same terms and conditions as the Government would under the provisions of the "Land Act," except in respect to timber lands on the Company's blocks, which shall be subject to the regulations issued by the Company relative to the cutting of timber on the Columbia and Western Railway Land Grant.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 23rd February, 1905.

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I hereby give notice that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase a tract of land in West Kootenay district, of the following description:—Beginning at a post marked J. J. Campbell S. W. Corner, which is placed adjacent to the N. W. corner of lot 6300, running therefrom twenty chains North, thence approximately forty chains East, thence twenty chains South, thence forty chains West to the point of commencement, containing approximately eighty acres.

(Sgd.) J. J. CAMPBELL.

Nelson, B. C., April 4th, 1505.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 320 acres of land situate in West Kootenay District, about 4½ miles West of Slocan River, on Robertson Creek:—Commencing at a post planted at the centre of William E. Koch's East Boundary line marked "A. M. J.'s N. W. Corner Post," thence South 40 chains; thence East 80 chains; thence North 40 chains; thence West 80 chains to the point of commencement.

Dated February 14th, 1905.

A. M. JOHNSON.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 10 acres of land in West Kootenay District: Commencing at a post marked "F. E's. N. W. Corner Post" planted 1 mile East of Bonnington Falls Station on the South side of the Right of Way of the Columbia & Kootenay Railway, thence East following said Right of way 440 yards, thence South to Kootenay River, thence following the sinuousities of said Kootenay River to the point of commencement.

Dated 21st February, 1905.

FRED ELWELL.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, for permission to purchase 3 acres of land situated in West Kootenay District:—Commencing at a post marked "L. A. C's. N. W. Corner Post" planted 1100 yards East of Bonnington Falls Station on the South side of the Right of Way of the Columbia & Kootenay Railway, thence East following said Right of Way to Fred Elwell's North-West Corner Post, thence South to Kootenay River, thence following the sinuousities of said Kootenay River to the point of commencement.

Dated 21st February, 1905.

L. A. CAMPBELL.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 480 acres of land situate in West Kootenay District, about 4½ miles West of Slocan River, on Robertson Creek:—Commencing at a post planted 40 chains North of William E. Koch's N. W. Corner Post, marked "M. E. K. N. E. Corner Post," thence West 80 chains; thence South 40 chains; thence East 40 chains; thence South 40 chains; thence East 40 chains; thence North 80 chains to the point of commencement.

Dated February 14th, 1905.

M. E. KOCH.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 640 acres of land situate in West Kootenay District, about 4½ miles West of Slocan River, on Robertson Creek:—Commencing at a post planted 40 chains East of the North-East corner of Larcher's pre-emption, marked "W. E. K. N. W. Corner Post," thence South 80 chains; thence East 80 chains; thence North 80 chains; thence West 80 chains to point of commencement.

Dated February 14th, 1905.

WILLIAM E. KOCH.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given, that sixty (60) days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands, on the North shore of Kootenay Lake in the District of West Kootenay.

Commencing at a stake placed twenty (20) chains East of the North-west corner post of Lot 1313, Group 1; thence East along the Northern boundary of said Lot 1313, a distance of eighty (80) chains; thence North forty (40) chains; thence West eighty (80) chains; thence South forty (40) chains to place of beginning.

Dated 18th of April, 1905.

Gordon Hallett.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, for special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in West Kootenay district:

1. Commencing at a post planted 1½ miles from Goat River on the South side of Sullivan Creek, and marked C. A. Paulson, S. W. corner; thence East 40 chains; thence North 160 chains; thence West 40 chains; thence South 160 chains to place of commencement.

2. Commencing at a post planted 1 mile from Goat River on the South side of Sullivan Creek, and marked C. A. Paulson, S. W. corner; thence East 40 chains; thence North 160 chains; thence West 40 chains; thence South 160 chains to place of beginning.

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