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

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## THE FENIAN RAID Origin of the Attack on Canada. STORY OF STEPHENS

### American Government Made No Effort to Prevent the Raid.

The Fenian raid marks one of the bloodiest pages in the history of Canada. It is now over thirty-eight years ago since the raid took place, but Canada cannot forget the time when her citizen soldiery were wantonly shot down by a horde of invaders who cannot be regarded as other than wilful murderers unable to give any reason for their atrocious deeds.

Omitting the so-called rebellion of 1837, which was a domestic affair, in which well-meaning men contending for a principle, were driven to resort to arms, the land had known tranquility for more than fifty years. Not since 1812 had a foreign foe set foot upon Canadian soil, and there were no indications from any quarter to cause apprehension of the breaking of the long peace. The American States had experienced the storm of havoc of a prolonged and destructive war, and their shattered and weary armies were returning to their homes to renew their strength and to reckon at leisure the fearful sacrifices that had been necessary to preserve the union and strike the shackles from the slave. The sympathies of Canada had been with the federal power in the long struggle and many had gone from this side to attest that sympathy in action. But the war was over, the union was secure and the captive was free, and this country which had watched the struggle with sorrow and fear, rejoiced with those who had rejoiced and was glad that right had won the victory. There was no thought that the aftermath of this fell harvest would be gathered on our borders, yet it was so.

The agitation in Ireland, which had slept for a time, had been revived in a more menacing form than it had presented in years, the power this time being the Fenian organization, named after an ancient Irish military force. The movement, the aim of which was armed attempt to overthrow British rule in Ireland, had its headquarters in New York and the prime propagator of the schemes was James Stephens, a Kilkenny man, who became known as the head centre. He visited New York in 1864, and organized the disaffected Irish into Fenian centres there as he had done in Ireland. On his return to Dublin he was arrested. Fourteen days afterwards he escaped from Richmond Bridewell, and while this was set down to careless officials, it was evident that there must have been some connivance on the part of the Government. Stephens was ever afterwards regarded as a Government spy and could not regain his former position in the order. He returned to New York about the middle of May, 1866, to find that O'Mahoney, his colleague, who was at the head of the movement in America, had been deposed, and that Roberts, a noted Fenian, was in full control. The latter had as chief lieutenant a "General" Sweeney, who had been through the American war. There was a warm dispute between Stephens and O'Mahoney on the one side and Roberts and Sweeney on the other over the control of the organization, especially the control of the money, of which a quarter of a million had poured into the New York treasury, contributions from deluded working people throughout the country eager to aid in "free-

ing" Ireland. This money had disappeared in some mysterious way, and the men in charge of the luxurious offices in Union Square, New York, could give no satisfactory account of it. Probably to divert attention from the subject, Roberts and Sweeney were clamoring for action in the field, and this field was Canada. Stephens, on the other hand, opposed this and contended that the battle should be fought in Ireland, and it would be fought that year if support could be secured. But support was not forthcoming, neither was money in reach anywhere.

So matters stood in May, 1866. In the meantime Roberts and Sweeney pressed their agitation for invasion of Canada, though how Canada obstructed the cause of Irish freedom was not explained, and these worthless made journeys into the west, where the Fenian movement was strong, to stir up the members to action. That the Canadian Government was fully informed as to the conspiracy is certain. O'Neill, afterwards chief of the secret service, was then in the employment of the Government, a shrewd, trustworthy and fearless officer, and he had channels of information known only to the heads of departments at Ottawa.

On May 29, 1866, the Cincinnati Commercial reported a movement of Fenians and large shipments of arms northward, and said there were appearances of an extensive raid upon Canada. Similar reports came from Chicago, New York, Philadelphia and other places. Still there was no thought that the Fenians would carry their threats into operation. Roberts and Stephens were at open war on the subject, one declaring for a blow at Canada, and the other clamoring for a rising in Ireland, and on May 31 Stephens was openly accused at Philadelphia of being an English spy, to which accusation he offered a most unsatisfactory defence.

On May 30 a trainload of Fenians from Cleveland arrived at Buffalo. They were a band of drunken ruffians, who had fought among themselves all the way from the Ohio city, and one of their number had been killed with a bottle at Ashtabula. They did not go directly into Buffalo, but left the train on the outskirts of the city, and that night made Canal street howl with rioting, setting the police at defiance.

In the meantime the mayor of Buffalo had telegraphed the mayors of Toronto, Hamilton and London that something serious was afoot, and to prepare for it; but no one supposed that a friendly Government would allow so malignant a proceeding as an attack upon a friendly and inoffensive people to come from its borders. This was a delusion to be most painfully dispelled within a few hours. The American Government not only permitted the raid to take place, making no effort whatever to prevent it, but a Government vessel aided the murderers to escape from their angry pursuers. So cruel, so heartless, so devilish an offence against a peaceful people by a neighboring and supposedly sympathetic people can only be found among savage and barbaric nations. It left a cankering sore in Canada for many a day. Everyone knows the story of the repulse of the marauders.

### OBITUARY.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Thurman have the sympathy of their many friends in the loss of their little daughter, Minnie Helen Thurman. The little girl was only six years of age, and had endeared herself to the friends of the family by her gentle disposition and pleasing manners, and the announcement of her death Wednesday morning brought tears to many an eye; and sympathy for the parents in this hour of their great trial is universally expressed. Her little child friends, amongst whom she was a general favorite, will long remember their little playmate. Diphtheria was the cause of death.

## SIR JOHN FISHER Sketch of the Man Who Rules the Navy. "JACKY" WELL-KNOWN

### Many Reforms Inaugurated During His Brief Tenure of Office.

Sitting at his desk in a London office a few weeks ago, a certain keen-eyed, firm-mouthed man issued an order, and in a few hours Europe was in the throes of the worst war scare it had known on all the bourses. Cabinets met to discuss the situation; in a hundred cities "Extras" were shouted; in a thousand newspaper offices editorial writers sat down to write about what would happen when the long-dreaded great European war began.

The scare had been exploded before ever those editorials got into print. It had been the falsest kind of a false alarm, with no more foundation than the desire of Admiral Sir John Fisher, senior naval lord and head of the British Admiralty, to find out how well prepared the British fleets were in case war with Russia should suddenly be declared. From Sir John's point of view the experiment was entirely successful. Everything went like clockwork. The great warships at Gibraltar were made ready for sea and active service in a creditably short time; the guns of the fortress were manned and all necessary arrangements to attack an enemy were made with no fuss or friction.

As for the speculators who lost on the bourses, Sir John cared nothing for them. His business was to see that the British navy was in good condition; and, as he said, a surprise order was ordinarily of no use at all. The friction with Russia over the North Sea affair provided an opportunity which might not occur again in a generation. The officers and sailors really thought they were going to fight, and this was the next best thing to actual war to test their efficiency and nerves.

And who is this Sir John Fisher, who thinks nothing of "throwing the world into a fit" in order to test the machinery of England's navy? Ask the average Britisher, and he could not tell you. Ask any British naval officer or any British tar and he will look at you with a pitying smile.

"Oh, Jacky," he will say, "Every one knows Jacky."

And that's about all you will be able to get out of him. That you should be ignorant of "Jacky" and "Jacky's" ways will seem to him incredible.

As a matter of fact, the British public is only just beginning to realize what a strong force "Jacky" is. He has always hated publicity, and his work has been done quietly. But the navy knows his work, the King knows it, the Government knows it, and the last-named power has only recently recognized this work by making Sir John Fisher the First Naval Lord, which means practically the executive head of all Britain's fleets.

This man, whom the greatest navy in the world fears and worships, whom it fears quite as much as it worships, is the son of a Scotch officer who married a Cingalese woman of high rank. If one looks for it one can see the Asiatic in his face. There is something of Oyamia there, but one would never guess it unless first informed of the Oriental blood in Fisher's veins. And the Oriental is even more apparent in work than in his features. On the surface he is all British directness and simplicity; beneath there is a subtle faculty for getting what he wants without letting anyone know he wants

it that would be worthy of the most astute Oriental statesman.

Sir John has been at the head of affairs at the Admiralty only a very short time, and he has already done two things which in the opinion of naval officers would justify the erection of a column in his honor as high as Nelson's. He has tested the efficiency of the fleets as they have never been tested before in time of peace, and he has succeeded in snatching out of the hands of the Foreign Office the organization and arrangement of the intelligence system. As a result of this latter move, should war break out, within an hour the warships everywhere would receive exact instructions from headquarters as to what they were to do.

Sir John is one of the hardest workers in the world. Every day he rises at 5 o'clock and he works till 10 o'clock at night with the exception of brief periods for meals. And the result of this work is shown in the extraordinary knowledge he possesses of the machine of which he is head. It is said that at any moment he can tell exactly where any vessel of His Majesty's navy is or should be.

"Confound him," remarked an officer who had served under him, "I believe he could tell you the exact number of cocktails I drink every time I go ashore."

Like Kitchener, Fisher exacts from those working under him the same standard of efficiency as he imposes on himself. That is why the loungers, the dilettantes, hate him with a perfect hatred. Friendship counts for nothing. If one of his intimates is guilty of wrongdoing he must suffer. At the time of the bombardment of Alexandria Fisher was Captain of the Indefatigable. Some of the officers of the ship were caught with looted goods. They begged for mercy, but Fisher saw to it that each one was court-martialed.

Fisher was a great favorite of Queen Victoria, and it is said, is an equal favorite of King Edward. It is well known that monarchs like servants who are not afraid of them, and "Jacky" was never afraid of any man or anything. Queen Victoria once asked him to be "very nice" to Admiral Gervais, of the French navy who was about to visit Portsmouth.

"Madame," replied Sir John, "I will even kiss him if you want me to."

One reason why Fisher has advanced to his present position is his faculty of silence. He has never in all his career spoken or written a word for publication, and that is the reason, it is said, why he has not a very exalted opinion of Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, whose good nature has seldom been proof against the appeals of newspaper men.—New York Times.

### THE WATSON STOCK CO.

The opinion of many is that the Watson company is the most talented stock organization that has yet visited the city. There is not a poor actor in the whole company. "Jim the Westerner" was given the first night, and it is not exaggerating matters in saying that the audience was enthusiastic over the play and players. Mr. Watson proved himself a capable actor, and Harry Pollard attracted much attention in the role of "Andrew Burke." Miss Roberts is an actress of exceptional ability, and gave a splendid interpretation of "Mary Lawton." The other members of the company were also entitled to special commendation. Last night "The Man From Mexico" was given before a delighted audience. Tonight Boucault's famous "Con the Shaughraun" will be presented. This is one of the best, if not the best, Irish plays ever written. It never fails to draw a large house, and no doubt its presentation in Nelson will be no exception to the general rule.

The Bioscope Company, which gave such pleasure at the Opera House last February, will be seen here again next Tuesday evening.

## CAMPAIGN ECHOES Houston's Ticket Takes the Pledge. A GREAT PROGRAMME

### Sources from Which the Tribune Secures its Grey Matter.

The general topic of conversation on the street for the past few days has been the ease by which John Houston succeeded in emasculating and eviscerating his aldermanic candidates. The candidate for mayor was known to be an exacting master, but even his worst enemy never believed he would go the length he has this time. Men who were disposed to excuse him for past offences, now express themselves as unalterably opposed to the method he has adopted to reduce his followers to a degrading condition of servitude. The condition of the men who have disposed of their birthrights has been compared by some to the slavery that existed in the Southern States before the war, but the comparison is to the honor of the slave. The Southern slave did not sell himself into slavery; he was sold by the dealer in slaves. In the Nelson instance, the men disposed of their liberties, without even getting anything in exchange. Evidently John Houston's long residence in the Southern States has taught him how slavery may be turned to advantage. The lash and whipping post will be now in order.

The meeting to be held next Wednesday evening to ratify the ticket selected to carry out John Houston's commands promises great entertainment for those who will be fortunate enough to attend. The programme, which will be a lengthy one, is now being rehearsed under the direction of William Blakemore, an amusement projector of some note. John the Trimmer will give a life-like presentation of Simon Legree, the slave-driver, with Robert Robertson as Uncle Tom and James Johnstone as Little Eva. The West Ward trio will sing "Those Agonizing Cruel Slavery Days," while a quartette composed of the three East Ward candidates and the would-be-mayor will sing, "If They Only Fought With Razzers in This War." There will be a real plantation scene, with the slaves at work. Altogether the entertainment should be an attractive one.

"There's a good article," said a follower of John Houston, the other evening, as he laid down his paper. "When it comes to writing good stuff there is not a man in Canada can push a pen like the long-handed journalist of the Tribune."

"What is the article about?" asked one of those present, supplementing his interrogation with the belief that if the article had any merit, it had not been written by the sage of the Tribune.

This, quite naturally, set the Houston champion foaming at the mouth, and he indulged in the usual Houston argument by offering to bet that the article headed, "Working for Wages in Different Ways," (which appeared in the Nelson Tribune, December 14), was written by John Houston; that, as a matter of fact, he had seen John in a brown study that afternoon, and he knew that something of the kind was about to be given out, concluding that Houston was the only man in Canada who could write the article any way.

"You may have seen all these things," said the other, but I am equally sure that if the editorial you

refer to has any sense to it, it was never written by John Houston, but clipped from some other paper, and no credit given. Let us read it anyway."

The paper was handed over, and the gentleman who made the last contention only read through the first paragraph when he remarked, "Why, I read that in the San Francisco Weekly Examiner, of December 8."

This made the Houston champion very warm, but in order to settle the matter, some one was sent over to a bookstore for the Weekly Examiner. When he returned, it was discovered that the double-column editorial in the Tribune of Dec. 14, entitled "Working for Wages in Different Ways," was word for word the same as an editorial which appeared in the San Francisco Weekly Examiner of December 8, (six days before), headed, "Don't do Just Enough to Earn Your Pay."

Of course the evidence was incontrovertible; yet the Tribune champion is now figuring out how the enterprising Examiner succeeded in getting John Houston's editorial six days before it appeared in the Nelson paper.

MORAL.—It is quite easy to gain a reputation as a deep thinker and an able writer, if you know how to run the editorial lawn-mower.

While plagiarism is not uncommon in newspaper offices it is not often that so flagrant an instance as the one outlined above comes to light. It is not an unusual thing for one paper to pilfer news items from another,—news once it is published being regarded in the light of community property; but even then the majority of newspaper men work in a credit some place. It is different, however, with matter that properly belongs to the editorial column. This is quite as much the property of the newspaper who buys it from the writer as is the machinery of the printing office. The publisher has bought and paid for it, and no other newspaper has any more right to use it than to take without permission the machinery belonging to the printing establishment. You can borrow the facts contained in the article, but the elaboration must be your own. A more impudent instance of plagiarism than the one cited above has never come under the observation of the writer; indeed, anywhere in the civilized world a man posing as a newspaper writer who would be guilty of such an act would soon find his occupation gone. Yet it is not unlikely that the guilty one in this instance, will remain in Nelson and brazen out his offence.

When John Houston announced that he would be a candidate for mayor, many citizens began to figure out what this great public-spirited gentleman had left to sell the city, for John has always some old junk on his bargain counter to hand over to the city at a low price for cash. It was suggested that he might be considering the advisability of selling the Tribune to the corporation, and by this means further carrying out the idea of municipal ownership of public utilities. It was pointed out that the purchase of that paper would be a good investment, inasmuch as the city would be able to do its own printing at a lower rate than it would have to pay the "grasping corporation" which now controls it, for the same work. This brings up the subject of how much John Houston and the Tribune has received from the city. The figures are taken from the books at the city hall:

Tribune, Cr. for Printing.	
1897.....	\$ 386 38
1898.....	438 87
1899.....	547 15
1900.....	710 01
1901.....	1193 35—\$3275 76
John Houston, Cr., Salary.	
1897, 6 mos at \$166.66.....	\$1322 28
1898.....	2000 00
1900.....	1200 00—\$4522 28
1903, Securing power site (not itemized).....	300 00
Total.....	\$8098 04

## DR. ROSE'S FRIENDS Begin the Work of the Campaign.

### ALDERMANIC TICKET G. W. Bartlett, W. G. Gillett, Wm. Spry, H. Bird, A. H. Clements and R. M. Macdonald.

Dr. Rose's campaign opened last Thursday evening when a meeting of his supporters was held in the rooms in the Opera House. It was the largest and most enthusiastic preliminary meeting ever held in the city of Nelson. Every seat was occupied and standing room was at a premium. Mayor Hamilton occupied the chair. His Worship made a few remarks of a practical character, after which short speeches were delivered by Dr. Rose, Harry Bird, A. H. Clements, W. G. Gillett, William Spry and others. The speeches dealt generally with the issues before the people, and the candidates fully endorsed Dr. Rose's platform, at the same time reserving the right to think at all times for themselves. They refused to sign over their rights as free-born British subjects to one man, and in this position they were fully endorsed by all present. Plans were then made for the actual work of the campaign, and committees appointed to carry out these plans. Those present predicted not only the election of Dr. Rose but every one on his ticket by large majorities. The death-knell of Houstonism has been sounded.

The gentlemen selected for aldermen on the Rose ticket, are all well-known in the city of Nelson, and, if elected, can be depended upon to give the city a good administration. They stand squarely on every plank in Dr. Rose's platform, but do not wear the collar of any one man. In the East ward there are three gentlemen who would be an honor to any civic administration. W. G. Gillett is a contractor, who has earned the respect of his fellow-citizens. George Bartlett conducts a hotel, and his fellow-citizens know that he is an honest, upright man, with a good knowledge of business. William Spry is a young man, who has the energy so requisite to the progress of a young and growing city. In the West Ward there are two of last year's aldermen seeking re-election, Messrs. Bird and Clements. The first is a thorough business man, and has served the city faithfully in the past. Ald. Clements is also a good business man, and his large interests in this city is the best assurance that he will devote his time to the benefit of Nelson. R. M. Macdonald is a new man. He is a lawyer and stands well in his profession. His professional knowledge will be of use on many occasions. The foregoing gentlemen comprise Dr. Rose's ticket, and the prospects now are that the doctor and everyone of his aldermen will be elected.

There is not likely to be much fault found with the settlement of the damage suits resulting from the bursting of the sewer. The resolution of the council favoring the settlement was moved by Ald. Bird and seconded by Ald. Kirkpatrick, and is as follows: "That in view of the advice and counsel of our city solicitor, this council instructs our city solicitor to compromise the damage cases on the basis of 75 per cent of the actual cash loss of goods or property in each case—said loss to be determined by arbitration in the usual manner." This resolution was carried without dissent.

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**Sign, Faustus, Sign.**

MEPHISTOPHELES. But make the compact, and at once I'll undertake to charm thee with mine arts. I'll give thee more Than mortal eye hath ere beheld before. —Faust.

Robert Robertson has secured the much coveted honor of a nomination on John Houston's aldermanic ticket. It is not, however, with the ambition and achievement of Robert Robertson that this article has to do, but rather with the position of that gentleman, just previous to the meeting for the selection of the Houston ticket, and while his soul thirsted for aldermanic honors. For weeks Robert Robertson had been full of the subject of municipal politics, and remembering his antagonism to Houston and Houston methods generally, some of his friends called upon him just to see how he reconciled his present position with his attitude a few years ago, when he positively refused to vote for either a candidate for mayor or alderman if the virtuous-minded Robert Robertson suspected for one instant that the candidate was tainted with Houstonism. It was a rational inquiry, and the interrogator could scarcely be accused of vulgar curiosity.

Our informant does not record that Robert Robertson had a seraphic smile on his face when the question was put to him, but it certainly requires no stretch of imagination to picture that gentleman looking extremely wise, and washing his hands in the invisible atmosphere as he made his explanations. Incidentally, he unfolded a scheme by which he and one or two resolute followers were to bottle up John Houston when the time came to choose the candidates. For the time being the would-be alderman was to become dictator, and the autocrat of the Tribune was to be shorn of his power like the Beggar Prince in the comic opera on his return from the war. Houston was to have nothing whatever to do with the choice of candidates or control of their actions, but was to be forced to accept a ticket of strong men, headed by Robert Robertson, with valiant James Johnstone second in command.

Again, we can imagine the smile that illumined the face of Robert Robertson as he outlined his plan of campaign. It was a great scheme, and one worthy of the giant brain in which it was conceived. We can scarcely believe that S. S. Taylor would altogether fall into the scheme, for Mr. Taylor has had some dealings with John Houston in the past, and it is hinted that the latter has found his learned friend "unusually easy," to use the language of the streets. However, Robert Robertson was satisfied his scheme was all right, and he proceeded at once to put it into execution. When the time came for the selection of candidates the uncompromising Robert Robertson was on hand, and really did succeed in getting the nomination, as did that other gentleman of iron will, James Johnstone. Then John Houston took an inning. He had one of those famous resolutions, with which his name has been indissolubly linked, and which in effect was that the candidates for aldermen, if elected, must sink their intelligence and identity in the will of the majority, that majority being John Houston. For the moment, Robert Robertson, the strong-minded, lost his mental equipoise, and before he knew what he was doing, he found himself unconsciously shuffling towards the shamblers. It must be said of James Johnstone that he hesitated to make the compact, but only for an instant. Houston's eye was upon him, and before he realized

what he was doing, he had prostrated himself before the Nelson autocrat. It is not likely that history will ever record the feelings of Robert Robertson and James Johnstone when they came to, but those who know John Houston best can well believe that the great man laughed at the ease with which he upset the imposing structure reared by the would-be dictator of Water street.

**EDITORIAL COMMENT.**

The so-called Progressive Party called a meeting to select followers of a self-appointed leader. This is the only instance so far known where any aggregation calling itself a party allows the inferior minority of one to dictate to and rule the show.

John Houston claims that the aldermen of 1930 were blockheads and had no sense, but the city was saved by one just man for mayor—that man, of course, being John Houston. The aldermen referred to were: Dr. Arthur, Dr. Hall, Blake Wilson, A. L. McKillop, William Irvine and Chris. Morrison. Just compare these men with John Houston. The first two are successful professional men; Blake Wilson stands second to no man in this city from point of business ability and public spirit; A. L. McKillop is at the head of his profession in this Province, and is regarded as one of the best aldermen Nelson ever had; William Irvine is a shrewd, keen business man, and holds the respect of his fellow citizens without regard to party affiliations. Chris. Morrison's only crime is that he wobbled a little, and eventually became a meek and lowly follower of John Houston. But every man mentioned was better qualified for office than the man who now maligns them. Modesty is not John Houston's besetting sin.

**To the Electors of Nelson**

At the request of a large number of ratepayers of our City, I have consented to offer myself as a candidate for the Mayoralty for the forthcoming year. If elected I will give my best efforts to carry out the following:

1. An energetic administration of the City's business and carrying out of its projects.
2. Sell debentures and erect at once a Power Plant on site acquired by City on Kootenay River, and to borrow more money if necessary to complete the plant.
3. Operate efficiently and economically the Electric Railway system, and advocate the opening of negotiations to purchase for the City such system with the ultimate view of lawfully extending a belt-line through the East ward, and thence through the Park, into Fairview.
4. Improve main city thoroughfares and where necessary to macadamize the streets and for that purpose utilize facilities owned by the City.
5. Extension of City limits to include suburbs.
6. Improvement of City Park.
7. The necessary extension of sewer and water systems.
8. Provide suitable and commodious school accommodation with a view of inaugurating a system best adapted to the present and future needs of our growing population.

If elected I promise to use my utmost endeavor to further the interests of the City.

WILLIAM O. ROSE.

**NOTICE.**

In the matter of an application for a duplicate of a certificate of Title to Lot 11, Block 3, Town of Nelson.  
Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to issue at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above mentioned Lot 11, Block 3, in the Town of Nelson, in the name of William Perdue, which Certificate is dated the 16th day of May, 1930, and number 841 K.  
Land Office, Nelson, B. C.,  
28th October, 1931.  
"H. F. MACLEOD,"  
District Registrar.

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J. E. ANNABLE.



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Little Johnnie Mineral Claim, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District.  
Where located: On Rover Creek, about three miles from Kootenay River. Take notice that I, Frank Fletcher, of the City of Nelson, acting as agent for myself, Free Miner's Certificate No. B32,025, and A. C. Flumm, Free Miner's Certificate No. B30,824, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.  
And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements. Dated this 28th day of May, A. D. 1931.  
FRANK FLETCHER.

**Certificate of Improvements.**

The Vancouver and Kootenay Mineral Claims, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District.  
Where located: On east side of Kootenay Lake, about three miles east of the town of Sandon.  
Take notice that I, J. L. G. Abbott, Free Miner's Certificate No. B34,134 for myself and as agent for H. Abbott, Free Miner's Certificate No. B34,438 and E. J. Healey, Free Miner's Certificate No. B35,245, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.  
And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before issuance of such Certificate of Improvements. Dated this 20th day of June, 1931.  
J. L. G. ABBOTT.

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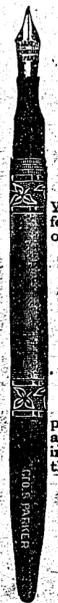
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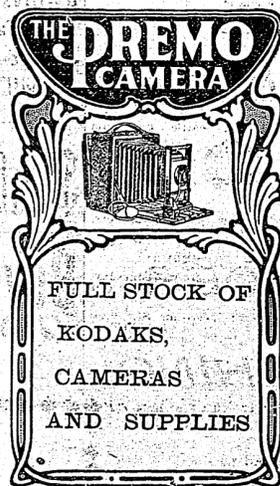
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## NEWS OF THE MINES.

### BOUNDARY MINING NOTES.

Phoenix Pioneer.  
The Hope No. 2 in Skylark camp, has been bonded by W. N. Cornish.

Machinery for the Betts & Hesperus mines has arrived at Grand Forks, including an air compressor, etc.

The Silver King made a shipment of seven tons of ore, going out with the Silver Cloud ore to the Greenwood smelter.

At the Greenwood smelter the briquetting building is nearly completed, and the machinery is about to be installed.

Eight men are now employed at the Oro Denoro in Summit camp, and it is intended to increase the shipments of ore shortly.

It is anticipated that ore shipments will be started from the Last Chance mine, being operated by D. W. McVicar, at no distant date.

On account of needing some new parts for the boiler, which had given out, work at the Athelstan has been at a standstill for several days.

Shipments from the Rawhide mine are expected to be started next week, when the second furnace at the Boundary Falls smelter will also be blown in.

Ore is coming in over the Great Northern to the Granby smelter from the Le Roi No. 2, White Bear and Jumbo, at Rossland; Hunter V. at Ymir, and Copper Key and Mountain Lion at Republic, etc.

It is expected that within a few days arrangements will have been made for working the Gold Bug, one of the promising claims in the high grade belt,

in which several Phoenicians are interested.

Superintendent Collins, of the Montreal & Boston, is experimenting with black powder in the quarrying operations at the Rawhide, something after the style of breaking rock. He thinks it can be done with greater economy than with dynamite.

It is the intention of the Montreal & Boston to shortly make a raise from the 250 foot level of the Brooklyn mine to the surface, south of the Great Northern tracks. As this is the lowest part of the valley the raise will be about 140 feet high, and will ventilate the workings much better.

Returns from the third class car of ore shipped from the Skylark mine last week were \$40 per ton, it being treated at the Granby smelter. The car of first class ore which will be shipped about the 15th, will be treated at the Nelson smelter, as it will be too high grade for reduction at the Granby smelter.

This week the final work of preparing the Snowshoe machinery for a term of idleness of greater or less duration, was completed, after being operated for several weeks, while the mine was being examined by Prof. R. W. Brock, pending the merger with the Le Roi and Centre Star-War Eagle mines at Rossland.

Two car loads of machinery arrived for the Granby mines this week. It comprised the parts for the new giant ore crusher which is to be installed at the No. 3 ore bins, now rapidly nearing completion. The crusher will have a capacity of 1,500 tons in one shift, the ore from these bins being loaded into Great Northern cars.

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Some interesting adventures are recounted in "The Reminiscences of an Irish Land Agent," by Mr. S. M. Hussey. The author of the book has had an extensive experience, has been the target of irate tenants with shotguns, and other pleasures of the land war of the eighties, but has come out unscathed, and at the age of 80 enjoys fighting his battles over again.

In Mr. Hussey's earlier years stage coaches were still universal, and steam packet services were unknown. The journey from Dingle to Dublin took more than two days, and the journey to London occupied five. He says:

Those coaching journeys were terrible experiences in wet weather, for you were drenched outside and suffocated inside, whilst you paid more than three times the present railway fare for the miserable privilege of this uncomfortable means of transit. The old posting hotels used to be uncommonly good and comfortable, whilst they did a thriving trade. The coach purported to give you ample time to breakfast and dine at certain capital hotels, but by a private arrangement between mine, host and the guard and driver, the meals used to be abruptly closed in order to save the landlord's larder.

On the way down from Dublin a thirty minutes' pause was allowed at Naas for breakfast; but on the occasion of my story, as well as on every other, after a quarter of an hour the waiter announced that the coach was just starting.

Everybody ran out to regain their seats except one commercial traveller, who picked up all the teaspoons and put them in the teapot before calmly resuming his meal.

Back came the waiter with:—  
"Not a moment to spare, sir."  
"All right," said the traveller.  
"Which of the passengers has taken the teaspoons?"

The waiter gave one glance of horror and then proceeded to have everyone on the coach examined for the missing articles.

By the time that the commercial traveller had calmly finished a hearty meal there was nearly a riot, and then he emerged from the coffee-room and suggested that the waiter had better look in the teapot.

While discussing the subject of drink an interesting story is told of two gentlemen, both now dead, who were members of Parliament—Dr. Tanner and Sir Ellis Ashmead-Bartlett.

Dr. Tanner went up to Sir Ellis Ashmead-Bartlett in the lobby of the House of Commons and abruptly observed:

"You're a fool."  
Sir Ellis fixed him with his eye-glass, and in disgusted tones replied:  
"You're drunk."

"I suppose so," retorted the Irishman; "but then I'll be sober to-morrow"—in the most plaintive tone; then in a crescendo of scorn—"whereas you'll always be a fool."

**NEWS ITEMS.**

Hon. Richard McBride is visiting at Vernon.

The merchants report a satisfactory Christmas trade.

The R. M. R. will give a dance on the evening of Dec. 19.

The schools have closed for the Christmas holidays.

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J. Fred Hume, J. P., has just returned from a prolonged hunting trip to the Flathead Valley. His party had great success. The first game they struck was a herd of buffalo. After killing two, they found on skinning them the brand of P. Burns & Co. They then visited all the ranchers' stacks and hay ricks and shot a number of chickens. The party then took to the mountains for goat. They crossed two summits of 10 feet of snow by using snow shoes on the cayuses. After travelling over a lot of country, where the coal oil flowed out on the ice, which was a great convenience for camping purposes, they shot one goat, but it unfortunately fell over a cliff 2,000 feet and nothing but the horns could be found. Owing to the bell mule of the pack train dying on the trail, from being overfed, the game has not reached town. The waiter, Ninard Hume states, was delightful—sixty degrees below zero, but good grazing.

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**Woman's Wiles.**  
"What a hold Maud seems to have on all her rejected suitors."  
"Why shouldn't she, the artful thing? She always tells a man, when she refuses him, that she is afraid to marry a handsome man because she would be as fat as he."—Ottoman Empire.

**Trials of Ignorance.**  
Casey—I called one of them Johnnie a liar, an he says to me, says he, "In quoque." Now, what might that mean?"  
Dooley—It means, "You're another."  
Casey—Fwat! Ah I let 'um get away widout hittin' 'um! Ah, that is what a man gets for havin no education.—Valety Fair.

**Costly.**  
"Yes, I'll admit that I thought my wife was an angel before I married her."  
"And what do you think now?"  
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