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Last Monday's Council Meeting

Finance Committee Reports Rough Estimates for 1913. Clerk's Salary Raised.

The Council met last Monday in the city hall, Mayor Reid presiding The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

Moved by Alderman Tuthill and seconded by Alderman Gordon, that application from C. F. Bunt for position of fireman be received and filed. Carried.

Letter from J. H. Taylor, claims adjuster for the Canadian Accident Assurance Co, re Welfare accident denying liability on the part of the company, was referred to the City Solicitor with power to act.

Letter, from D. G. Sutherland promising delivery of a four horse grader at any time was received and referred to the Board of Trade with power to act.

Letter from H. D. C. Armitage claiming refund of half taxes paid on lot 121 T. S. 91 alleging that the area of land inside the city limits is 80 acres and the assessment 160 acres, was referred to the city Solicitor and City Clerk to enquire into the matter and to report to the next meeting of the council.

An application by J. S. Morgan for increase in stipend was referred to the finance committee to report to next council meeting. The council ordered the payment of sundry accounts.

Alderman Gordon moved and Alderman Boyd seconded, that the Police report for January which showed receipts amounting to $174.35, be received and filed. Carried.

The report signed by Alderman-Menzies was read of a meeting of the water-light committee appointing G. H. Devonshire assistant engineer at 100 a month and D. Forsyth fireman $90 a month. Alderman Gordon moved and Alderman Tuthill seconded that the report be accepted. Carried.

Various school appropriations, and a reccommendation that the council make a special levy of $631.12 for the purpose of redeeming the balance of debentures, were referred to the Finance committee.

Alderman Boyd reported on behalf of the Finance Committee, re-auditors reccomendation for an assistant for the city clerk, that no assistant be appointed, and that the clerk's salary be raised to $125 a month.

Alderman Boyd also reported a rough estimate of revenue for 1912. Taxes $7,000 (general rate.) Licenses, fines, dog tax, etc., $6,000, total $13,000 and fixed charges estimated at. Salaries 5,700, printing etc., $500, Bank Interest $500, Fuel etc., $100, balance $6,200.

Moved by Alderman Gordon and seconded by Alderman Menzies that the report of the Finance committee as to increase in Clerk's salary and the appointment of no assistant be accepted. Carried.

Tenders for city advertising were opened and read. The Nicola Valley News 3 cents a line in 10 point, or 8 point on a 10 point body. Merritt Herald 4 cents a line 6, 8 or 10 point, 3 cents a line subsequent insertions. Alderman Tutill moved and Alderman Gordon seconded that these tenders be referred to the finance committee to refort at the next meeting of the council. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Tutill and seconded by Ald. Gordon, that the question of installing a telephone in the power house aud also in the house of the chief engineer, the chief to pay half the cost of the latter, be referred to the finance committee to report at the next meeting of the council.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Menzies and seconded by Ald. Boyd that the phone be installed in the power house and also in the house of the chief engineer the chief to pay half the cost of the latter. Carried.

Ald. Gordon moved, and Ald. Tutill seconded, that the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Nicola Valley General Hospital be granted the use of the city hall for their mouthly meeting, Carried.

Pleasant Evening Spent at Nicola

The Dance Given by the Ancient Order of Foresters Proved a Great Success

The Forresters Annual Dance given by the A. O. F. Order in Pooley's Hall, Nicola on Monday night, proved a huge success according to reports of individual attendants who do not hesitate to advocate it as being the second dance of the season in popularity. There were about fifty couples in attendance, a number from Merritt and Quilchena taking advantage of the sleighing to organize parties for attending. The social attitude and mirthful enthusiasm displayed throughout the evening could not be otherwise than productive of gratification from every hand, and the manner in which the music and the floor were conducted was a source of satisfacton.

The hall was tastefully decorated and the enjoyment was fast and furious from start to finish.

Those who had charge of the arrangements are to be complimented on the way in which they carried out their duties.

The Merritt Orchestra was in attendance and played for the dances with great gusto which added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening.

Dancing was started shortly after nine and continued with great energy till a little after midnight, when an appetising and enjoyable supper was served The catering left nothing to be desired. After supper dancing was continued unflaggingly till about three o'clock when a most enjoyable evening was brought to a close.

As mentioned in another part of this paper a number of enthusiasts came over from Merritt, Amongst those present the following were observed, Mesdames Langstaff, G. Hudson, Hazlehurst, Mickle, Stevens, Durland, Lauder and Winny; the Misses I. and M. Seaton, R. A. Thomas, Sullivan, McGorran, Whitmore, M. Sherwood, H. Hyland, R. Howse, Blair, M. Blair, C. Murray, C. M. Hudson, M. Stephenson, Guichon, A. Guichon and Feindel; Messrs. A. J. M. Round, T. H. Keown, C. S. Neville, H. G. Green, W. H. Peters, J. C. F. Balz, G. N. Gemmill, C. Howse, Dr. Giliis, G. W. B. Daniel, C. S. Eddy, W. R. Langstaff, A. B. Kennedy, R. Barrett, C. Stephenson, M. A. Durland, W. E. Dodd, George Murray, R. W. Donaldson, J. F. Murray, F. Lauder, Rev. J. Thomson, T. Heslop, Aitkens, Shearer, Aynsley, McGee, Bailey, McDonald and others.

The City in Brief

The Tillicum Whist Club met at Mrs. Blair Reid's last night. Mrs. James Gay won the ladies' first prize, a very pretty sofa cushion. Mr. A. J. M. Round, the gentlemen's first prize, gold cuff links, Miss Mackenzie the ladies' booby prize, and Mr. Balz the gentlemen's booby.

Messrs Green and Peters are at Armstrong's auditing the books.

The 15th being the 49th birthday of the Knights of Pythias, they will hold a social in their hall above Marnes and Mearn's poolroom. Every Knight is expected to bring a lady. All sojourning brethren cordially invited. It is anticipated that everyone will have a good time.

Mr. S. G. McClelland representing Smit Davidson & Wright was here on Wednesday and Thursday.

A number of happy parties left Merritt last Monday night for Nicola to attend the Foresters dance. Everyone was in the highest of spirits and laughter and song were in the air all the way. The return trip was started about 3:30 and the travellers found it just a little colder than it was when they came. However the same high spirits prevailed and the cold was laughed at, although one unfortunate individual was heard to make some uncomplimentery remarks about the temperature of his feet. Merritt was reached at times varrying from shortly after 4 a.m to 4.45., Everyone expressed themselves as well pleased with the evening and quite ready to undertake the trip again when the occasion calls for it.

L. N. Thompson of Vancouver was in the city for two days on business. and whilst here purchased two lots from Harold Greig in Voght Reserve, also Mr. A. T. Macdonald of Nova Scotia has let the contract for the erection of a very modern 5-roomed cottage on Granite Ave. opposite the Reid Block. This goes to show the prospects of Merritt from an outsider's point of view. Mr. Greig informs the News that this building when completed, will be for rent.

An ad. appears in the Calgary Albertan explaining the advantages there are in Merritt for exclusive lines of mercantile business.

The new 1913 automobile licenses have already appeared in Merritt, Harold Greig being the first autoist to display one on his new Winton car.

Major Conant of Dot was in town on Tuesday.

Good things for candy eaters at the Palm.

We now have a first class printer and job man from the coast on our staff, and our job work will now take on a first class appearance, and will be promptly executed. Our rates are as low as possible to be compatable with good work. We solicit the patronage of our readers in this respect.

Citizens of Merritt and surrounding district please read the Simpson & Cranna ad. this week and wake up.

We regret to announce the death of Susan Jane Smith, the beloved wife of W. A. Smith, who died on February 5th, aged 40 years. Funeral services will be held in Ben Priest's Chapel on Granite Avenue tomorrow, Saturday afternoon February 8th at 1 p.m. and will proceed to Merritt Cemetery for interment. Friends please accept this invitation.

The proprietor of the Coutlee Hotel, Mr. S. J. Solomon was in to town last Monday.

The cement work on the new bowling alley is now finished.

See H. S. Darknell for everything good in the Candy and Stationery line.

The C. P. R. has sent engine No. 3000 to replace engine No. 142 switching cars for the Nicola Valley Coal and Coke Company.

Mr. C. S Dutcher, of Cucane Dutcher & Co. who has been here in connettion with the new power plant, left town last Sunday.

Dr. H. Pierce: the eye specialist who is stopping at the Coldwater Hotel is kept busy testing eyes and fitting eye glasses. All those who wear glasses or need glasses should call on him.

Anyone wishing to consult the doctor may find him at room 44, from 8-9 a.m. 1-2 p.m. and 2-7 p m. or by appointment. As most of his patients are satisfied with the glasses fitted. it will pay you to call (Advert.)

Several members of the Fire Brigade express the opinion that the old alarm at the corner of Quelchina Avenue and Voght Street should be removed by the city, now that the new system of fire calls has been instituted. They claim that as long as the old alarm is in position there is always a chance that someone will sound it and thus cause confusion and loss of time. As the city instituted the new system of alarms the Brigade claim it is up to them to have the old one removed.

Capt. Nash of the B. C. Horsee was in town from Nicola.

Norman Woodward came up from Canford.

Conflagration In Restaurant

New York Restaurant Gutted by Fierce fire Caused by Gasoline Explosion

Shortle after three this afternoon a fire broke out in the New York Resturant to which Fire Chief Shearer and his men promptly responded, and with the aid of a number of willing onlookers soon had his appartus working on the conflagration, which at one time looked as if it would set the neighboring building ablaze. The prompt action of the Fire Brigade and its helpers, however prevented such a disaster from taking place.

The fire, it is said was caused by an explosion in the gasoline tank. A man named Scott was looking into it, for some reason or other when it blew up burning his hair and clothes to a more or less great extent. The whole building was soon well ablaze and despite the fact the Brigade was there within two minutes of the first outbreak, the flames had a very strong hold.

Chief Shearer soon organized his men and had hoses playing on the flames from various directions and also organised a bucket brigade and by the combined efforts of hoses and buckets had the blaze soon under control.

The building was practically gutted, anyway ruined, for what was not destroyed by fire and water was spoilt by the axes which were used to force entrances from various points,

Had the wind been in any other quarter but the one it fortunately was in, the consequences would have been very serious for Merritt, as Rankin's Drug Store and the Commercial Club would have gone up in smoke for a cinch. It would have been almost impossible to have stopped the flames spreading to other buildings.

This is the third fire that has accured in this building within a comparatively short space of time. As to whether there is any insurance carried, had not, up to the time of writing, been assertained.

Mr. Hall, one of the engineers representing Ducane, Dutcher & Co., who are looking after the power plant, left for Vancouver on Wednesday. Mr. Hall hopes to return to Merritt some time next week.

A. F. Rankine has the book you require in his lending library.

W. B. Rogers from Lytton was in town on Tuesday.

Howard Lawes representing Kelly Douglas was here on Wednesday.

A. F. Coutlee is back at his old stand, give him a call.

See W. B. Cameron for all kinds of electric and other signs. If your business is not worth advertising abvertise it for sale. Show card writing and interior decorating a specialty. Estimates and suggestions furnished on work to suit you. Wall paper at Vancouver prices, next door to the Bonk of Toronto.

New Church For Merritt

Plans Passed for the new Church of England--Building will be Started as soon as Possible

A meeting of the congregation of the Church of England, held last Wednesday at the close of the lenten service, passed the plans submitted by the building committee for the new Church, and authorised the committee to call for tenders for its erection.

The building will be erected on the sight at the corner of Granite Aven, and Cleasby street, along side the Parish Hall. And from the plans seems to be a handsome structure, which will add greatly to the beauty of Merritt.

The seating accomodation will be for 150, though should occasion demand it, a greater number could be seated. There will be three ailes. one at each side and one in the centre.

It is estimated that the building, with basement and heating apparatus, will cost in the neighbourhood of $3,500, and of this sum a little over $2,000 has been contributed, The Ladies Guild have supplied the organ.

Any member of the Church Committee will be pleased to receive any contributions that those interested in the Church and the advancement of this City can see their way to make.

Heavy Explosion Startles Merritt

Every Building in the City was Shaked Early Thursday Morning by an Explosion of powder

Early yesterday morning, Merritt was startled by an explosion which shook every building in the city. Houses rocked as though an earthquake had taken place. Quite a number of startled inhabitants hastily dressed and at least one person, with more enthusiasm than sense, ran out in his night attire despite the fact that the thermometer was well below zero, in his anxiety to find out the cause of the explosion.

All the morning the topic of conversation was what had caused the explosion but nobody seemed to know anything about it.

Shortly after noon the problem was solved. It seems that the Nicola Valley Coal and Coke Co. had about 70 pounds of Monabel powder which had become frozen and early this morning they brought it outside and intensionally exploded it. Thus a story that had the appearance of being very sentional fluttered out.

Long Expected Engine Arrives

Engine for the Power House Which Has Been Over Three Months on Road Arrives.

Early in the week news was received that the power house engine had by some miraculous means got to Spence's Bridge and was expected to arrive in Merritt on Wednesday by the freight train. A number of people expressed the opinion that the news was too good to be true and that something would be sure to turn up and prevent the arrival of the engine at the time stated, and they were right. However, the engine eventually arrived on Thursday, greatly to the delight of everyone concerned.

The explanation given by the C. P. R. as to why the engine took just over three months to come from Toronto to Merritt is that the car on which it was travelling broke down and had to be left on a side track to be repaired and came on by a slow train, which train, by the way, was apparently well named. However, all's well that ends well. The engine is now with us and will be fitted in its place as soon as is possible, and will soon be working hard supplying the City with light and water, when all will be merry and bright.

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ASSISTANCE TO AGRICULTURE

The bill that the Hon. Martin Burrell is bringing before the Legislative Assembly will be of assistance to farmers all over the Dominion. This bill provides for the expenditure of ten million dollars the next ten years in aid of agriculture, and is the outcome of a promise made by Mr. Borden when in opposition.

A preliminary step was taken last year but before a complete statement was outlined, Dr. C.C. Jones was appointed to make a thorough investigation of the whole subject, and the result of his labours is found in the terms of the bill.

The problem that confronts Canada today is the ever increasing cost of living and the increase in the urban as against the rural population. We, in Canada, take a great pride in our ever growing cities, but we are poor citizens if we do not try and avert the attendant evils which follow undesirable increase in population.

Figures show that while the urban population increased by 43.3 per cent the rural population only increased by 1.6 per cent. The question we have to ask ourselves is—if this goes on indefinitely where are we going to land.

The safeguarding of the productive classes is a matter of fundamental importance to the nation, but in regard to the agricultural it is not only the economic conditions that should be aimed at but something finer—the creation of a rural civilization which will at once induce a fuller and happier life to those in its midst, and prove a source of strength to the state itself.

In choosing education or instruction as the means of assisting agriculture, the government is making a very wise step. Financial help in the way of loans on land and cheap properties is all very well, but what is wanted in nine cases out of ten is not so much help of that description as the knowledge of what is best to do with the land when it has been obtained. Another point of almost greater Importance, which is not dealt with by the bill, and which the government would do well to consider, and that very carefully, is greater freighting facilities and the best available markets. All kinds of knowledge will not help the farmer, if after having put his knowledge to the test and raised a crop he is unable ta dispose of it owing to there being no available market, or the freight charges being so heavy and the facilities so poor, that he is unable to market his produce with any profit.

By the bill in question, it is proposed to strengthen all lines of instruction and educational work, Scientific researches of the past fifty years have revolutionized agriculture, but the greater number of those who today til the fields of Canada have not been reached by the benefits of these researches. The spectacle is too often witnessed, pathetic and pitiful, of ceasoless laborius toil bringing distress of mind and body, and bringing no reward even after long years, simply from lack of knowledge and misdirected energy. Help of this kind will not only mean better farming but better farmers and better and happier men and women.

The special needs and conditions of the difierent provinces will vary the forms the assistance will take, but it will embrace the increased equipment and efficiency of the agricultural colleges, the establishment of agricultural and horticulatural training in public schools, and work by travelling and qualified instructors.

The scheme for working the bill is this, the sum of $700,000 will be alloted the first year and this sum will be increased by $100,000 dollars annually till 1917 from which year until 1933, $1,000,000 will be provided annually. The gradual increase and growing equipment of the Provincial organizations will. in this way be more helpfully met than by starting off at the million mark.

The amounts alloted to the various Provinces will be in proportion to the population and British Columbia will receive in 1913 $47,334, yearly increase of $5,467, and between 1917 and 1923 $69,202.

We are glad to observe that the bill has the general report in principle of both sides of the house, though some oposition may be made as to the minor details.

CORRESPONDENCE

We propose to devote some of our space to correspondence and will be glad if readers will write to us expressing their views on matters of interest, whether these subjects have been dealt with by us or not does not make any difference we shall be glad to have outside views expressed.

Correspondents may, if they wish, use a nom de plume but their names and address must be sent as a sign of good faith. Letters will be limited to three hundred words, and the Editor reserves the write to use his descretion as to what is printed. We are also contemplating starting a sporting page. Any item of local sport should reach this office not later than Tursday morning.

CONONDRUN

Can anyone inform us why the respected inhaditants of Vancouver whenever there is a little extra weather invariable say either "This is most unusual. We usual get very fine wheather at this time of the year" or "This is the worst rain or snow or whatever it is that we have had for the past twenty years". It is usual those people who have been in the City for the last two or three years who try and work off the story on others who have only been there for perhaps one year, forgetting that in all probability their victim has a memory as good or better than theirs and that he very well remembers rain far worst at that time of the year before.

There are only two reasons that come to us as explaining this extraordinary craze. One is that they have boosted their climate, which everyone is one of the worst, to such an extent that all newcomers are surprised at what they find, and the residents have to gag them with pretty stories to prevent them running away black to where they come from, or else they must have a very poor opinion of the intelligence of their fellow men. We should like to be enlightened on this point and if any of our readers can expain it we shall be very pleased to hear the explanation.

THE SUFFRAGE QUESTION.

Exactly how the suffragettes in the Old Country think they are going to gain the vote by their present tactics is hard to understand. When the camaign was first started. the only difficulty was public indifference and ignorance of their claims, but now by the violent methods a certain section of cheap notoriety seekers have caused the propoganda to develope into an orgie of violence which has aliented the sympathy of every right thinking man and woman.

While not upholding the molestation of Cabinet Ministers in any way, one can see what the organisers have in mind, but how in the name of all that is wonderful they think they will gain public sympathy and support by putting decoctions in the letter boxes and destroying Xmas mail, and by other actions, endangering life is past comprehension.

There is another phase of the matter which is damaging their cause, as much, if not more than the effect of these acts, violence If these people will stoop to these low, unlawful means to gain an end that they consider unimportant, it is only fair argument to state that if they have power of voting, and holding, as they do that the end justifies the means the greater importance they attach to the end in view so much greater will be the unlawful means adopted.

The suffrage movement is in its infancy in this country and although some of the advocates of violent methods have reached Vancouver, there have been so far no outbreakes of violence. As in the Old Country. so it is here, the greatest difficulty to be over come is public apathy. Those who have the interests of this cause at heart will do, well take warning from their sisters over the Atlantic and not alienate what little public sympathy they possess.

CANADIAN PARCELS POST

One of the most important declarations of policy made in any years was made by the Hon L. P. Pelletier. Postmaster General, when he announced in the House of Commons that Canada was to have a Parcel Post service. Many other countries have had the benifits of Parcels Post confered upon them and an experiment is being made in the United States.

From the statement made by Mr. Pelletier it appears that he is going about that question in a most business like manner, and will acquaint himself with with the results of systems already in operation before deciding on the system to be carried on in this country. The object seems to be to work out a system not only to serve those districts which are already served by Express companies, but other districts as well.

Wherever their is a post office the effect of the parcel post arrangements will be felt to a certain extent, although it is not feasable to make every office a centre of a parcel post zone as in the States. It is not likely that the scheme will be worked out at on the flat rate basis.

The intention is to work out a plan by which a fair share of the parcel carriage business of the country will be done by the Post Office. This will probably be brought about by au arrangement with the railways so that all the paying business will not be left to the express companies

COAL FREIGHT RATES

With reference to an article in the Saturday Sunset on the coal question in Vancouver and freight rates from this part in particular, what is remarkable for its crass stupidity, the following extract from the Preliminary Review and Estimate of Mineral Production 1912 issued by authority of the Legislative assembly is of interest.

The writer in the Sunset takes the position that the government is responsible for the shortage by not holding an investigation. and backs up his contention by a series of sarcasms and petty abuse, apparently being hard up for any sound arguments.

While we don't say that an investigation, would do no good, we contend that had the railway frightage been reasonable the present shortage in Vancouver would have been minimised.

The quotation referred to above is: "High railway freight charges for transportation of coal to the larger towns are a serious drawdack, preventing this company from effectively competing on a large scale with other coal-mining companues more favorably situated. Another railway is beng constructed in the district, and it is hoped theat this will eventually afford the much-desired relief in connection with freight charges on coal shipments."

The company referred to in the quatat is the Nicola Valley Coal Coke Co, but what applies to that of company course applies all to the other companies in the district.

As intimated in our last edition the freight changes are to be the subject of a government investigation, the course of which will be followed with great interest by all interested in the welfare of the coal industry in this valley.

HUMAN NATURE AS EXPRESSED IN VERSE

The following was received from one of our readers.

Oh! moon, moon why art thou so fickle. well might Allen Quartermain of african exploits. explain when one pauses to think of the perversities of the average man or woman. On deliving into the human soul, one cannot but be struck by the strange conglomeration therein-a mixture of the sublime and base. This is clearly proved when one studies the exclamations and expressions of various people as expressed in verse. For intance a costermonger man, probably one of the lowest classes London, was heard once to exclaim in his greif at losing his life long partner.

'O are she dead and is her gone
and is I left here all alone
O' cruel fate, you is unkind
to take her 'fore and leave I' hind
Her never will come back to we
But us shall surely go to she.

What a tonching expression of he poor fellows' poignant woe is this both in his sorrow and simple faith Compare this with the little boy's excitement at the death of his playmate.

Little Alexander's dead
Jam him in his coffin
Don't get such a chance
For a funeral often. Rush his
blooming body round To the
Cemeter . Drop it in the sepulchre. Long with Uncle Jerry.

Yet doubtless, this youth would grow up to be a sober and responsible citizen. Again, take the man and maid in love's young day. They are perfectly willing to sacrifice everything in order to attain their hearts desire for the nonce. This evidenced by the swain who sang

"Vanity, all is vanity," said
Wisdom scorning me. I took my
soul love's dainty hand and
and answered tenderly. If this
be vanity, who'd be wise. If
this be vanity, who'd be wise
Vanity let it be

What a depth of degradation a man must be guilty of to be willing to sacrifice all that is best in life for a moments folly. It was beyond his powers to attain the enobling thoughts of the knight of old who in his tremulous pleadings to his lady breathed

"Gwendoline, oh, Gwendoline
Laugh thy golden laughter,
Then the moment after
Weep thy golden tears
Gwenny, that mine ears
Like a lover greetest
All my hopes and fears

The men of old certainly had the advantage of the modern youth in spite of Higher Education when it came to expressing themselves, Take the Greeks of old There was a noted Grecian philosopher who in order to warm the young generation to look before they leapt wrote;

There was a man of Tessaly,
And he was wondrous wise.
He jumped into a bramble bush,
And scratched out both his eyes,
And when he fonnd his eyes were out,
With all his might and main,
He jumped into another bnsh,
To scratch them in again.

The moral is obvious to the blindest our modernity demands other things ahd the less said about the future, the better. The author cannot illistrate this better than be quoting Mr. Irwin who wrote:

A preacher stood at his desk,
And preached for an hour or two;
His theme was not garish.
It pleased a rich parish,
And tickled the founder's pew.
And the gist of the note he blew,
To open the pearly plate,
Was ready salvation,
And infant damnation,
And pass the collection plate.

Now the man in the founder's pew,
Was good for the pastor's pay.
Though he's grown very wealthy,
By ways that were stealthy,
And means that I blush to say.
But the preacher he whanged away,
At his regular Suuday rate,
On ready salvation,
And infant damnation,
And pass the collection plate

A saint in a niche near by,
Gazed with a scornful stare
As to say. you old reacher,
Were you a fine preacher
You,d lift up the founder's hair,
You'd till at corruptions lair,
And the money that breed with shame.
Oh, why this oration
On infant damnation!
It's the old uns that need the flame.

But the founder asleep in his pew,
Dreamed not of the gold saint
For he was the master,
Of sermon and pastor,
What care'd he for the saint
Deep mouthed the organ plaint,
Bore to his dreamful pate.
A harmonization,
Of infant damnation,
And pass the collector's plate

So the service at last was done
And the founder in passing out
Serenely uplifted,
The pastor so gifted,
By wisdom and faith devout.
What sinner he says could doubt
After hearing you demonstrate
On syllables rolling,
A faith so consoling,
That it fills the collector's plate

Comment is superfluous but what a fine spirit this shows. If the author conclude by saying that he is neither a cynic nor a scoffer but a lover of truth and the beantiful and one who has remained "broke" for the sake of the sublime. M.H. G,

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LOCAL AND OTHER SPORTING ITEMS

No Trouble for Zbyszko to Down

McIntyre puts up game fight against very heavy odds weight and strength win.

Zbyszko, the famous polish wrestler, whom many experts consider to be superior to Frank Gotch, the world's champion, forced Chet. McIntyre's shoulders to the mat three times in 36 minutes 35 seconds, by his sheer weight and strength at Victoria last Saturday. The Pole had contracted to throw his opponent 3 times in an hour, and although McIntyre put up a game struggle he had no difficulty in filling the contract.

Although McIntyre was quick and scientific he could do nothing with the ponderous grappler. He applied some holds which had he been possessed of the necessary strength would have resulted in Zbyszko's downfall.

McIntyre by bringing into play his cleverness and agillty, made the pole exert himself until lathered in perspiration before the first fall came in 19 min. 35 sec.

McIntyre being used up with his tremendous struggle in the earlier part of the bout, the next two falls came in fairly quick succession, the second being 11 min. and 30 sec. and the third and final time 5 min. and 30 sec.

By his excellent performance against such great odds, McIntyre won the sympathy of the crowd which was always with him and cheered him every time he twisted out from under the pole. Seveal times the little fellow was on top, but all his wit and cleverness could not fathom a way of flopping the huge invader.

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Rowing Club Clinch Honors

Columbias Defeated 2-1 in poor Game at the Vancouver arena Goal Tenders play good hockey

The Vancouver Rowing Club made sure of the honors in the city hockey league last Saturday by defeating the Columbias at the arena by 2 goal to 1, Columbias have no more games to play. The Rowing Club have still to play the Bankers. Whatever the the result is, it will not alter the position in the league. It was a hard game for the Columbias to lose as they played as good or rather as bad hockey as their opponents. The match was full of off-sides and scraggy play and little combination work or individual dash was shown. With the exception of the goal tenders, who defended the nets in grand style, everyone seemed to be off color.

Box found the net for the Columbias after eighteen minutes of disultory play, during which the referees' blew the whistles for off sides nearly every minute In the second period Orchid and Shore scored the Rowing Club tallies.

Summerland, Jan. 31.— Last Friday, a representative team from Kelowna met the Summerland boys in the Giants Head Rink in this town. The game was full of excitement and very keenly contested. Kelowna put up a hard fight but were in the end beaten by 4 to 2.

The British Columbia Co-Operative Settlers Association have appointed Harold Greig their representativein Merritt. This Association is applying for Dominion Charter with a capitalization of $1000000,00. with Sir William Whyte as President, and with a very influetial board behind them, this Association will seek immigration from all parts of England, Scotland, Ireland, France, Germany, the United States, also other countries.

Merritt Curling Club.

Competition

President vs. Vice President.
Barnes vs. Ransom.
Strickland vs. Petrie.
Grimmett vs. Rogers.

Losing Skip to stand all members an oyster supper. Vice President Rogers won by nine points. The date of the supper has not yet been fixed, but will most probably take place when the Strickland Cup is presented.

STRICKLAND COMPETITION.

Results to date—

Jan. 22. Strickland vs. Petrie. Petrie won 11-5

Jan. 23. Rogers v. Grimmett. Rogers won 11-7.

Jan. 24. Ransom vs. Petrie. Petrie won 8-7.

Jan. 27. Rogers v. Strickland. Strickland won 13-9.

Jan. 28. Strickland vs. Ransom. Strickland won 10 to 5.

Feb. 3. Rogers v. Petrie. Rogers won 9-7.

Feb. 4. Grimmett vs. Barnes. Barnes won 12-3.

Feb. 5. Rogers v. Ransom. Rogers won 12-8

Feb. 5. Grimmett vs. Petrie. Petrie won 10-11.

There are six more games to be played.

Curling Notes.

The members of the Vancouver Rink attending the Winnipeg bonspiel, Messrs. H. Whaleb, F. G. Crisp, Thomas Anderson, J. A. McIntyre and T. N. Nair left for the Manitoba capital last Saterday night, and it is hoped they will make a creditable showing and also be the means of inducing many rinks from the Prairie cities to take part in the Vancouver bonspiel which commences March 17th and which promises already to be attended by twice the number of rinks that were present last year.

Vancouver, Feb. 1.—A South Vancouver rink skipped by Ed. Campbell had as opponents a rink under Vice-President J. A. Russell. The visitors, in spite of the heavy ice, started the game by winning the first five ends with a score of six points before Russell on the sixth registered a four end. South Vancouver added another two in the seventh but Russell took the deal at the tenth end with another "four" and finally won an interesting game by 12 to 9.

Pheonix, Feb. 1-- The final games deciding the possesors of both the coveted Smith and Burns' trophy were decided on Saturday last. The decision rested with the teams who represented the local curling club in the recent very successful bonspiel and no matter who won in the finals, the silverware remained in Phecnix. Close scoring marked the games the honor of winning the Smith cup falling to the rink of O. B. Smith by the close margin of 10--9, while the winners of the Burns' trophy proved to be the rink of J. A. Morrin which defeated the aggregation of O. B. Smith by a score of 11-7.

New York Jan--31, Bombardier Wells the English heavyweight champion, and Luther McCarty have been matched to box 10 rounds in the Madison Square Garden in the latter of March or early in April, according to cable advice from New York.

Mr. C. T. HoLsworth of Vancouver was up visiting Mr. Nevill last week end.

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Nicola Notes

Our sympathy is exended to Frank Jackson, whose father died last Sunday.

During lent, services will be held in the Church of England on Friday evenings,

Judging by the weather the badger must have seen his shadow.

We note with great pleasure that Mrs. Howse is able to be out again.

Mrs, Kirby and Mrs. Green went to Vancouver on a visit last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs, Boothroyd were in town last week.

Mrs. G. Colk has gone to Vancouver to visit her daughter, Mrs. Plater who has undergone an operation for appendicitis in that city.

A party of boys from Merritt drove to Nicola last Saturday to enjoy skating on the lake.

The A. O. F. dance was a great success, about sixty being present including parties from Merritt and Quilchena.

The mercury is still hanging around zero,

Lower Nicola Jottings

The School has been closed for a time owing to Miss Brown being for a time indisposed.

Harry Jackson is acting as clerk for R. M. Woodward for a short time.

Dan McKay returned from Coldwater on Tuesday, and is going to start logging at Canford next week.

Tommy Williams and Percy Johnston have taken a contract to log for R. Whitaker.

Sam Bury, of Dot, was visiting here Tuesday.

Connolly Wins Handicap.

Vancouver, Feb. 2--Staying with his apponent for fifty minutes and forty-six sec. before he was thrown and then sticking out the few remaing minutes of the hour, "Pat" Connolly the popular local mat artist. won last night's wrestling handicap from Stanislaus Zbyszko, the giant pole at the Vancouver Athletic Club.

Although the latter won the final fall entitling him to the match the game showing made by the hefty Irishman entitled him to the honors of the evening inasmuch as Zbyszko failed to throw him twice within an hour as was agreed upon.

As he stepped on the mat in his bare feet, the pole appeared to have the advantage over Connolly in every way, but after a few minutes of grappling it was evident that the local man was a match for his opponent in every way.

Although it seemed that Zbyszko must pin his opponents shoulders to the mat on frequent occasions, agile, bridging on Connolly's part staved off a fall and as time went on his chances seemed more promising.

As fifty minutes of the hour went by it looked as if Connolly would win out without a fall being registered against him, but a few seconds later the Polish giant got him in difficulties and pinned his shoulders to the mat with a barlock and body hold.

After a ten-minute rest the men met again and Connolly stayed the remaining few minutes with ease. After the applause which greeted the finish of the hour had subsided, both men set to in deadly earnest, It was not long, however, before the fatigued Connolly was in difficulties and four minutes and thirty-seven seconds after the hour the Pole threw the Irishman with a flying mare.

Proposed Baseball League

Regina, Jan. 31--According to reports from Lethbridge a band of baseball magnates are doing their best to start a Western Canada League the Cities involved being Calgary, Edmonton, Lethbridge, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, Moose Jaw, Medicine Hat and Regina. It is said that the proposition advanced is a reasonable one and a one that will give smaller cities the same chance to make money as the big ones. The league will be run on strictly business lines. Regina had a professional baseball team not so very long ago, and when that organization said "Au Revoir" local magnates said, "never again." The sting of past defeats however, is now worn off and the fans may bite again.

AUSTRALIAN WONDER

From Australia comes a letter to the New York club from a pitcher who threatens to show up the talent in the big leagues if sombody will forward him car fare and passage money and a contract. He does not attempt to conceal his ability in his modest, although pointed communication. The Australian postal rate is high, says he: "I have a curve practially in every direction, and speed. But my skill as a ball player is not confined to the pitching slab. I play any position with ability, and if manager McGraw would care to shift me to another position I think I could also make good. If the New York Club is unable to use me, please turn this application over to some other.

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Alternates—David Brown, Alexander Ewart.

Appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council—George Hudson.

Elected by the Miners—Frank Bond.

Alternates—James McFarlane, John McDonald.

All persons interested may obtain full information by applying to the Secretary of the Board, Mr. George Hudson, Merritt, B. C.

Note—Alternates act as Members of the Board in the absence of those regularly appointed or elected to act thereon.

Dated the 23rd day of December, 1912.

RICHARD McBRIDE,
Minister of Mines.

Synopsis of Coal Mining Regulations.

Coal mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal sub divisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quality of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns shall be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy Minister of the Interior

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Lower Nicola School

SEALED TENDERS, superscibed "Tender ror Lower Nicola School," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to noon of Monday, the 27th day of January, 1913, for the erection and completion of a large one-room frame school-house at Lower Nicola, in the Yale Electoral District.

Plans, specifications, contract, and forms of tender may be seen on and after the 6th day of January, 1913, at the office W. N. Rolfe, Government Agent, Nicola; Mr. James Smith, Secretary of School Board. Lower Nicola and the Department of Public Works Parliament Buildings, Victoria, Copies for purposes of tendering may be had on depositing a certified cheque for $10, to be refunded on return of plans and specification by date tenders are recievable.

Each proposal must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, for a sum equal to 10 per cent of the tender, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenders will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

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Yale Land District. District of Yale

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JOHN LOVE
John Kenneth Campbell,
Agent.
Dateed November 30th, 1912. 44-6

LAND ACT

Yale Land District. District of Yale

Take notice that Mary Ellen Campbell of Vancouver, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

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MARY ELLEN CAMPBELL
John Kenneth Campbell, Agent
Dated November 30, 1912. 44-9

LAND ACT

Yale Land District. District of Yale

Take notice that Gahr Pederson Myren of Otter Valley, B. C., occupation rancher, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted 20 chains North of the South East corner of Lot 238, thence South 20 chains, thence East 20 chains, thence north 20 chains, thence West 20 chains to point of commencement and containing 40 acres more or less.

GAHR PEDERSON MYREN.
Date, November 4th, 1912.

A. O. F.

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There is a rumour going about the city to the effect that Provincial Constable Edgar Vachon is leaving us right away. This story is not altogether correct. The fact is Constable Vachon has been applying for a change, but so far as he knows at present, the change will not take place for a month or so yet.

Inspector Clark has been round inspecting the Post Office and needless to say has found everything to his satisfaction. He left yesterday by stage for Coalmont.

Mr. Langstaff asks us to contradict the rumour that has been going round, to the effect that he is giving up the Post Office. Mr. Langstaff expressed himself as being very comfortable there and had no idea of leaving.

The Misses Sybil and Grace Richmond returned to Merritt from Yale where they have been staying as guests of Mrs. Veale.

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