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To Procure Park Site

By-law to be Submitted to Authorise the Expenditure of $3000 on Park

Committee Reports On Charge for Light

Arrangements for Better Sanitation and Other Business Under Discussion

There was a long meeting of the Council last Monday evening, the sitting lasting till 12.30 a. m.

A letter was read from the Provincial Secretary stating that Alderman Tuthill and Captain Stephenson had been appointed License Commissioners, and Alderman Gordon and H. S. Cleasby Police Commissioners.

Alderman Menzies asked who made the recommendations for these positions. Mayor Reid informed him that the nominations usually came from the Conservative Association.

Alderman Menzies claimed that that made the offices a political bait and that he thought the people should have the nomination.

Ald. Irwine moved that the letter be received and filed.

Alderman Menzies moved in amendment, that the Provincial Secretary be asked who recommended or nominated the commissioners. This, however, did not find a seconder and the original resolution was put and carried.

The following accounts were submitted by the finance committee.

R. J. Macgregor	$ 65.00
J. & D. Stora	6.75
L. C. F. Balz	1.00
Government Telephone Service	6.30
A. B. Kennedy	1.50
McLellan & McFeely	318.21
C. P. R.	6.99
Robertson and Godson	1622.03
Nicola Valley Coal and Coke Company	5.00
D. F. Kennedy	2.00
Fowler & Larson	76.28
O. K. Transfer	12.00
F. G. Paige	29.25
Macdonald & Co.	8.75
Inland Coal and Coke Co.	27.50
W. H. Cameron	57.75
W. H. Cameron	21.95

Alderman Irwine moved and Alderman Gordon seconded that these accounts be paid.

Alderman Irvine reporting for the Board of Works said, assuming that the sanitary committee were responsible for their part, the appropriations of the board would be $3,500.66. The board intended to buy another team and wagon, a grader, plough and scraper.

Alderman Tuthill moved and Alderman Menzies seconded that the estimates be accepted and granted. Carried.

The report was then read from City Solicitor Grimmett re Welfare accident, stating that as the Canadian Accident Assurance Co. denied liability, the City could do nothing in the matter, but by the contract the Company had to stand the cost of any action that Mr. Welfare might bring against the city.

Alderman Tuthill moved that the report be accepted and filed. Carried.

A report from Engineer Balz stating that the pipeline was now complete, with the exception of the boxing for the pipe over the Nicola river, was referred to the Water and Light Committee with the recommendation that they get a plan of the lines from the engineer.

The report of the Sanitation Committee was next read. The committee proposes to procure 100 metalic refuse cans with lids and the passing of a suitable by-law. The Committee also asked for $1,000 in the estimates for the year. Alderman Tuthill, speaking on behalf of the Committee, said that the Committee wished to include metalic tins for closets with the refuse cans. Several residents had intimated their willingness to use them if the city would procure them.

Some discussion then arose as to whether the Sanitation Committee had allowed for as much in their estimates as the Board of Works assumed they would. The Mayor explained that the garbage cans would be purchased by the city and sold to the householders at cost price. This cleared up the misunderstanding and Alderman Menzies moved that the report be adopted. Carried.

The report of the City Clerk and City Solicitor, as to Armitage rebate, was next brought before the Council. The report stated that the lines would have to be surveyed. There was no doubt that there was not 160 acres within the city limits, but until the lines were properly surveyed it was impossible to compute how much was in the city limits.

After a discussion as to who should stand the cost of the survey, Alderman Menzies moved that the City Clerk write to Mr. Armitage informing him that if he had the land within the City surveyed, the City would refund any overcharge. Carried.

The Finance Committee in its report, recommended that the city pay 50 per cent. of the cost of the machinery purchased from the Canadian General Electric Co.

That the road tax stand.

That the stipend of Magistrate Morgan be raised from $37 to $40 a month.

That the appropriations of the School Board be accepted, and that arrangements be made for a levy of $631.12 for the redemption of the balance of the debentures.

That the city secure nine acres from the executors of the Voght estate for a park and that a by-law be introduced for that purpose.

A letter written by the City Clerk to Mr. Dutcher, at the request of the Finance committee was read, asking Mr. Dutcher to explain the financial position of the council to the Canadian General Electric Co. and point out that the delay in the arrival of machinery had caused the city considerable expense, and suggest that in consideration of the fact that the failure of the company to deliver the machinery at contract time had caused loss to the city, the company accept the first payment of 50 per cent. and the balance in 60 and 90 days. In this connection, a letter received by the city from the Canadian General Electric Co. was read, pointing out that according to the terms of the contract the first installment of 50 per cent. of the cost price was due when the machinery was shipped and that now it had arrived, the second payment of 40 per cent. was due.

Alderman Irvine moved that the action of the Finance committee be endorsed. Carried.

Mr. Holdsworth then addressed the council on the question of charging him for a trades licence. He wanted to know how they could charge him for a licence for carrying on his trade as a shoemaker.

Alderman Menzies, "You buy leather and sell it in the form of shoes and therefore are liable to pay the licence."

Mr. Holdsworth said they would never convince him of the justico of it and that he would give up his trade rather than pay the licence.

It was resolved that the increase in the salary of magistrate Morgan be adopted.

Alderman Menzies moved that the School Board appropriations be approved and accepted. Carried.

Alderman Gorden moved that the tender of the Merritt Herald be accepted. Carried.

Alderman Menzies moved that the recommendation of the committee as regards the Park site be adopted. Carried.

The city clerk read the report of the medical health officer as to the Costillion cattle ranch, in which the officer stated that the Ranch was in a disgracful stato and would become a menace to health in the summer. The complaint was quite justified.

Alderman Tuthill moved that the Medical Health Officer be instructed to take such action as he thought fit in this and all other kindred cases. Carried.

Alderman Tuthill moved that an extention of time be given the Fire and Police committee, which was carried.

Alderman Menzies, on behalf of the Light and Water committee, mentioned the question of the charges for light. As the light was likely to be turned on almost immediately, intending consumers wanted to know what it would cost them.

Alderman Tuthill suggested that the Water and Light committee take this matter up with Engineer Darnbrough and that this meeting be adjourned to hear their report and take the necessary action.

The City Clerk stated that the School Trustees have consented to take 20 cords of wood at $4 a cord. Alderman Gordon stated that he had let a contract at $2.75 a cord, leaving $1.25 for hauling.

It was resolved that the offer of the Trustees be accepted.

Alderman Menzies moved that the Assessment Roll be returned on March 10th, and that the city clerk be the assessor. Carried.

Alderman Menzies gave notice of motion that at the next meet of the council he would introduce a by-law for the purchase of 9 acres of the Voght estate for $3,000 for park purposes.

Alderman Tuthill moved that the notice of motion be received.

The meeting was then adjourned till Wednesday night.

At the adjourned meeting on Wednesday evening it was resolved to make a charge of 2c a month for the first 100 watts, 1.1-2c for the next 100, and 1c per hundred above that.

A meeting will be held in the K. P. Hall on Monday evening at 7 o'clock for those ladies wishing to join the Pythian Sisters, when all matters will be explained to them.

K. of P.'s Hold Banquet

Celebration of the Forty-ninth Birthday of the Order On Saturday

Pythian Sisters To Be Started

Twenty-eight Ladies Sign Petition for the Starting of a Temple in Merritt

The Knights of Pythias held their first annual Banquet, last Saturday in their Hall, above Mearon and Barnes' poolroom. A most enjoyable evening was spent by all those who were present. During the banquet selections were given on a gramophone.

The chairman, Chief Eggleshaw, in his address said, I feel honoured to be chosen as chairman, of what I believe is the first annual banquet of the K. P.'s to be held in Merritt, and more especially do I feel honoured because this banquet is to commemorate the forty-ninth anniversary of the brotherhood."

"In that short time which is little more than one generation our order has grown so that it ranks among the top notchers; we have reason to be proud that we belong to an organization whose object is to link together in an unbreakable bond all its members, and by unity and co-operation is able to stretch out a helping hand to any of its brothers, who through adverse fortune or sickness, are in extremity."

"The first meeting of the K. P.'s was held in Merritt on May 26th, 1911, and since that time there has been a steady and rapid growth until at present time we have a membership of 110 and there is no sign of any falling off in applications for membership: this, I take it, is the best indication that we can have of the worth and good standing of our order, and I would urge every member to attend the meetings, to make themselves into a solid and invincible whole, as it is only by being united that we can expect to get the utmost benefit to fall to the share of the individual member."

"We have energetic officers and a great deal of credit is coming to them for the way in which they have attended to their duties and the trouble they have taken to run the affairs in a business like way."

"I am sure that you, one and all, will join with me in the wish that the coming year will be a prosperous one for the K. P.'s" (Applause.)

After songs by Mr. D. Copeland, Mrs. Copeland and Mr. T. Brown the company sat down to enjoy the delightful banquet provided for them.

The guests having fitted themselves for the arduous evening that was before them, the tables were removed and the floor prepared for dancing. After two or three dances, Mr. Strang entertained the audience with a song, and Chief Eggleshaw called on vice-chancellor Service to speak to the company on the proposed starting of a Pythian Sister's Temple in Merritt. The vice-chancellor, read a communication from headquarters with reference to the starting of a Pythian Sister's Temple and suggested that the ladies present, who were willing to join the temple, if started, should sign a petition for that purpose. He then asked Past Chief Mrs. Trehearne, whom he said was more qualified than he was, to explain the matter.

Mrs. Trehearn urged the ladies present to sign that petition for the starting of a Temple, and explained that the Pythian Sisters must be over eighteen years of age, and must be related either to a Knight of Pythias in good standing or else a Pythian sister also in good standing. The entrance fee was $1.50, and the monthly subscription 25 cents. The Past Chief also explained that a K. P. was allowed to become an Honourary Pythian Sister but was not allowed to vote or speak unless asked to do so.

Chief Eggleshaw strongly urged the ladies to sign the petition, so that they could go ahead right away, and get the Temple started. If the ladies would sign the petition, he was sure the Knights would do their part. The petition was signed by 25 ladies and arrangements are now being made for the chief organizer to come to Merritt and get the Temple started.

During the evening Mr. T. Weaver sang "Juanita": Mr. D. Smith "The Song that Reached My Heart", and Mr. J. Slater "The Girl I Left in Sunny Tennessee."

Developing Our Forests

Special to Nicola Valley News

Ottawa—That the various governments of Canada and the lumbermen and the railways have spent in the past year in forest protection and development, about one and a half million dollars, were facts brought out at the annual business meeting of the Canadian Forestry Association here on Wednesday. The meeting, which was largely attended and enthusiastic, made it clear that this Association does not stand for a negative policy of keeping the forests locked up, but stands for the progressive and affirmative policy of utilizing the forests as quickly and fully as possible, always with the understanding that where cut-over lands are unsuited to agriculture they are to be protected from fire and got back under timber crop as quickly as possible. Progress was shown all along the line, and hope was expressed that the forest reserves would be increased, the forest services strengthened, and that there be established a laboratory for the testing of all kinds of Canadian trees to ascertain their suitability for various uses, their pulping qualities, etc.

Winnipeg was chosen as the place for the next convention and late July was fixed upon as the date.

Nicola Notes

A Conservative meeting was held on Monday evening.

Rev. Connor was in Nicola last Thursday, visiting various members of his congregation.

Mr. Wilson is visiting his sister, Mrs. Harboard.

Miss Livingstone is visiting Mrs. Howse.

Miss G. Carrington was at Merritt for a few days.

Mrs. A. R. Carrington has returned home.

Lieutenant Beadle's sister arrived from England.

H. H. Matthews paid a flying visit to Hope.

Indian Fined $25 and Costs

Jack Spy Pleads Guilty to having Whisky in his Possession

Jack Spy, an Indian, was also brought before Magistrate Morgan, on Monday, on the charge of having on Sunday morning, a flask of whisky in his possession contrary to the Act. The prisoner pleaded guilty to the charge. His Worship in passing sentence said he would take into consideration the fact that the prisoner had tried to help the court by acting as interpreter in the trial of Indian Paul, and also by giving a description of the man who sold the liquor to him, and ordered the accused to pay a fine of $25 and costs.

The Rev. J. P. Westman, Sunday School and Young People's Society Secretary for Alberta and British Columbia, will be in Merritt, in the Methodist Church, on February 27th and 28th, and will address the Sunday School and League in a rally with their parents and friends. On Friday he will give a lecture, illustrated with lantern slides, entitled "Making a Nation". Everbody welcome.

Will those who play any instruments, such as violins, cellos, viola, cornets, trombones, drums, etc and who would be willing to take part in the proposed first class orchestra to be started, please communicate with Mr. George Grant at the Coldwater Hotel. Mr. Grant will be pleased to discuss the matter with any who would be willing to join, and also to give further particulars.

The high speed engine at the Power House was started yesterday, Engineer Darnbrough informs us, and so far appears to be running very satisfactorily. It will take a few days to dry out the moisture that has collected in the electrical end of the machine. The light should be turned on in a few days.

A special meeting of the Catholic Ladies altar society will take place Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 26th at three o'clock, at the residence of Mrs. L. G. Lobsinger. All members are requested to attend.

The Tillicum whist club met at the house of Mrs. Crowley last night. Mrs. Gay won the ladies' first prize and Mr. Balz the gentlemen's. The ladies booby was won by Miss Fitch and the gentlemen's by Mr. Blair Reid.

Did Not Resign

The Rev. Mr. Petrie asks us to correct a statement that appeared in last week's Herald to the effect that he had resigned the pastorate of the Presbyterian church to date the end of March. This, Mr. Petrie imforms us, is incorrect. The statement should have read that Mr. Petrie thought it was only fair to the congregation to tell them that he was contemplating leaving, but that the matter lay with the Presbytery. Mr. Petrie did not come to this city on a congregational call, but by the appointment of the Presbytery, so there was no resignation about it.

Among the Churches

ANGLICAN CHURCH
Sunday, Feb. 23rd.
Nicola—11...m.
Merritt—7.30 p.m.
Wednesday—
Merritt—8.p.m.
Friday—
Nicola—8p.m.
J. Thompson,
Vicar.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday, Feb. 9th 1912.
Merritt—Divine Service, 7.30 p. m.
Lower Nicola—3.00 p. m.
2.30 p.m., Sunday School.
All welcome.
Rev. J. A. Petrie,
Pastor.

LODGES

A.F.& A.M.

Nicola Lodge No. 53 meets in Reid's Hall the second Tuesday of each month at 8 p. m. Sojourning brothers cordially invited.

A. R. CARRINGTON, W. M. — F. A. REID, Secretary.

A. O. F.

Court Nicola No. 8931 meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays in each month in the Board of Trade Room, Barwick Block Nicola, B. C. Visiting brethren cordially invited to attend.

THOS HESLOP C. R.
H. H. MATTHEWS, Sec.

K. OF P.

Nicola Valley Lodge No. 46 meets in K. P. Hall in Simpson & Cranna' building every Wednesday night at 7.30 p.m. All visiting brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Knight T. E. Clarke, C. C — Knight W. Cranna, K. R. S

I. O. O. F.

Pittitko Lodge No. 13

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

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A COSTLY EXPERIMENT

That the Laurier navy, the Rainbow on the Pacific coast and the Niobe most of the time in drydock on the Atlantic, has proved a costly experiment, is shown by figures prepared by the department of the naval service. The amount spent on the service, estimating what will be spent this year, is $4,273,473.24. Which sum, considering what little use the two boats are, is appallingly high. As already stated the Niobe spends most of her time in drydock, and so far as the protection of the Atlantic is concerned, might just as well not be there at all, and the Rainbow on this side is so terribly slow that anything can get away from her. It is true that since she has been out here she managed to catch one fishing boat poaching, but we believe that the fishing boat's engines had broken down or else that she ran into her in a fog.

The number of Canadians serving on the Niobe and the Rainbow since the passing of the Act makes a rather sharp contrast with Liberal idea of the ease with which a Canadian Navy can be manned by Canadians. A few days back the Hon. Wm. Pugsley drew a very pretty picture of thousands of Canadians dying to serve in the navy, and so anxious were they to do so, according to Mr. Pugsley, that they were actually joining the U.S. navy because there was no opportunity of doing so in Canada. Unfortunately for Mr. Pugsley the figures of the department tell rather a different story.

Of the Canadians serving in the famous Canadian navy, Nova Scotia provided 162, New Brunswick 5, Prince Edward Island 19, Quebec 113, Manitoba 1, Alberta 4, British Columbia 52; a total up to December 15 of 402 officers and men. Of these quite a number deserted from the Rainbow. During the same period 64 English officers and 626 men were employed on the ships.

The number of men qualifying for service up to January 13 was 78 made up as follows: Boys 26, ordinary seamen 22, able seamen 29, and leading seamen 1. These have completed their service in the training ship and are eligible for draft to a seagoing ship for advanced training in seamenship, gunnery and torpedo work.

Another sign of the ease with which Canadians may be obtained for the navy, is the training ship Egeria, which is lying in the stream at Burrard Inlet. Last summer the large number of five boys were being trained for the navy, but at the present moment there are none, and just recently it was necessary to sell some of the fittings to pay expenses. It has certainly been a costly experiment.

ADEQUATE FIRE PROTECTION

In the last edition of our contemporary there was an article headed "Action needed for fire peril", which we heartily endorse, but do not think the writer went far enough. While not wishing to "knock" the City in anyway, we think it well for dangers to be pointed out. From the fire point of view, this city is more or less a trap. The suggestions of the writer with regard to concrete being used for buildings instead of wood, while it will help out in the future, does not give much assistance in relieving the danger which at present confronts the City.

The apparatus at present in use is not sufficient to cope with a fire of any size, especially if there happened to be an advers wind. As pointed out in our account of the last fire, if the wind had been in another direction, the brigade would never have been able to stop it with the appliances they had at their disposal.

When the waterworks system is working, the difficulty of getting an adequate supply will be done away with. The only way to really make this City anyway safe as regards fire, is for the City to purchase an engine that could pump a sufficient supply of water to prevent a big fire from spreading. A fire Captain should be stationed at the Fire Hall with a crew of volunteers, who should have regular drills every week. That to our mind, and that alone will put this City in a position of safety as regards outbreak of fires.

A PARK FOR MERRITT

It is with pleasure we find that a notice of motion has been made in the City council to introduce a by-law authorising the expenditure of $3,000 on a City Park. The intended site is nine acres of the Voght Estate. After the by-law has passed through the council, all that will be necessary to make the Park a certainty is the sanction of the voters. That the Council will pass the by-law, and that the voters will sanction the expenditure, is, we take it, a forgone conclusion.

The new park will not only supply a long felt want, but will, at the same time, add to the list of attractions that our fair city already possesses.

We understand that a bandstand will be erected and that the City Band will discourse sweet music there on suitable occasions, so that we may look forward to spending many pleasant summer evenings in our new park when it is completed.

The advantages of the park are so obvious that it is a waste of good space to narrate them. Possibly at the present moment, when the city is in the act of growing, the great needs will not be so strongly felt as will be the case in a year or so, when if the City continues to grow at the same rate as it is at the present moment, one park of nine acres will be insufficient.

That recreation is necessary to those who are working hard for a livelihood nobody will deny, and we think the Council are to be congratulated on realising the need, and providing for it, while land can be purchased at a reasonable figure.

LOGGING SLASH
Greatest Menace to Forests

Last October the Forestry Branch of the Department of the Interior called a meeting of the fire rangers of the Revelstoke district of the railway belt to discuss more efficient forest fire protection.

This conference decided that there can be no certain hope of conserving forest resources till the slash, left after logging operations, is disposed of.

The experience of rangers shows that once a fire gets a start in slash an army of men cannot check it. A fire at Golden, B.C., last June was quoted as an example. This fire started in slash where logging operations were being carried on. Fanned by a strong wind, it obtained such headway that a large force of men employed by the lumber company, who were right on the ground, had to fight for their lives. This fire raged up and down the Columbia river for miles, destroying many million feet of timber, and burning up logging camps and a logging railway. A large force of fire fighters proved helpless to stop its ravages.

The conference asserted that this slash problem is becoming more insistent and dangerous every year, as the quantity of slash is increased by lumbering operations.

Much satisfaction was expressed by the conference at a statement made by the forest inspector, acting as chairman of the meeting, that the Forestry Branch was to institute experiments as soon as possible to determine the safest and most economical method of disposing of logging slash.

The Turks are afraid to look up for fear of a Greek bomb descending from an aeroplane on their heads.

Govenor Wilson had decided to drop the Thomas from his baptismal name and desires to be known as Woodrow Wilson. "Tommy" does not convey the genial familiarity of "Teddy" or "Bill"

Astronomers have now almost completed their census of the stars. They have already counted 50,000,000, not including Halley's comet and theatrical stars.

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Meteorological Report for 1912

Dominion Government Station. Nicola. B. C.
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	Maximum Temperature	Minimum Temperature	Rainfall in Inches	Snowfall in Inches
January	48.0	22.0	.80	4.40
February	46.0	10.0	.57	2.50
March	64.0	6.0	nil	.70
April	65.0	21.0	1.50	nil
May	82.0	33.0	.83	nil
June	91.0	36.0	.88	nil
July	85.0	43.0	1.58	nil
August	82.0	39.0	2.03	nil
September	75.0	31.0	.97	nil
October	65.0	23.0	.92	2.00
November	57.0	20.0	.80	4.00
December	46.0	6.0	.25	2.75
Total			11.13	16.35
Total precipitation				12.76

The fifteen years average annual precipitation when 1.0 inch snow equals 0.10 rain is 11.12 in. 19.2 differed from average plus 1.64 inches.

The fifteen years average annual rainfall is 8.63 inches. 1912 differed from average plus 2.50 inches.

The fifteen years average annual snowfall is 30.7 in. 1912 differed from average less 14.22 inches.

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The City in Brief

The Misses Blair returned to Vancouver on Wednesday.

Mr. Frank Bailey left on Wed- for a short trip to Vancouver,

His Honor Judge Swanson is staying at the Coldwater Hotel during the sitting of the County Court in this City.

Before it adjourned the County Court dealt with several Naturalisation cases and made a few orders in Chambers.

Owing to the indisposition of Mr. Grimmett, the County Court has adjourned till March 19. His honour Judge Swanson left town on Thursday afternoon.

Since writing our account of the alleged fire on Wednesday afternoon, it has come to our notice that Mr. Bunt in his anxiety to reach the scene of action jumped a fence and fell headlong into a refuse heap.

On March 5th the Merritt Orchestra will give a big dance. The new dining room will be ready for use on that occasion and the present dressing rooms will be used for dancing. Full particulars next week.

There was a large attendance at the weekly dance given by the Merritt Orchestra in Menzies' Hall on Wednesday last, between a hundred and one hundred and fifty being present. A most enjoyable evening was spent and all claimed that it was the largest and most popular dance of the series.

On Saturday P. C. Willgoose was called to the back of Armstrong's store to quell a disturbance caused by two foreigners. One of the foreigners was drunk and for some reason or other his friend got him on the ground and proceeded to jump on him and generally do him up in pretty good style. It took P. C. Willgoose and two other men to get him to the lock-up where he will be kept till he appears before the Magistrate to answer the charge of being drunk and disorderly.

Mr. J. B. Radcliffe left town last Friday for a short trip.

The Knights of Pythias will hold a Grand Ball in the Central Hall, Quelchena Avenue, on March 17th, St. Patrick's Day.

Hyman Bergman, who was sentenced to six months for selling liquor to an Indian, was taken to Kamloops on Wednesday.

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian Church are holding a baking sale, in the Walters' Block, next to the Bank of Toronto, on Saturday afternoon and evening.

Provincial Constable Vachon informs us that he has received instructions to be in Kelowna by February 28, to take up duty in that City. So far a successor has not been appointed.

Chief Eggleshaw left last Friday for Kamloops to which town he was accompanying the half breed who was committed for trial on the charge of burglariously entering the City Hotel, last week.

Jack Swakaw was brought before magistrate Morgan on Wednesday, on the charge of being drunk in the City of Merritt on January 2, he being an Indian. The prisoner pleaded guilty to the charge. He explained to the Court that two men George Stirling and Lora Manning gave him three and six drinks respectively. He was fined $10 and costs.

Shortly after three o'clock on Wednesday afternoon an alarm was turned into the fire hall that the O. K. Transfer was on fire. Smoke was seen to be issuing from the garage and Messrs. Bunt, Wilkinson, Sutcliffe and Fyall rushed to the scene armed with axes, patent fire extinguishers and all kinds of courage. Having obtained an entrance, they quickly ran the auto out, when the brigade arrived. It was then discovered that all the excitement and smoke was caused by Mr. Houston starting the engine of the car, which had just been oiled.

Canford Jottings

Fifteen carloads of limber were shipped to western points by the Canford saw mills last week.

Some three million feet of logs are in the mill pond already and another four million feet will be there ready for the saws on the 15th of March.

Development is being steadily carried out upon what promises to be a very excellent quality of coal in this vicinity. Its position both from the standpoint of mining and shipping is most advantageous, hence it is to be hoped success will follow this pursuit of the black diamond.

Horses and cattle are again enjoying the pastures which the melting of the snow by the recent thaw has uncovered.

A gentleman from the "Old Country" has been investigating possibilities here during the past week and pronounced himself as highly pleased with what he had seen, so much so that he is likely to make an extensive purchase in the valley.

A Cure for Scanda'.

To whom this may concern:

Take of "Good Nature" an ounce; of an herb called by the Indians "Mind Your Own Business" one ounce; mix this with a little "Charity for Others" and two or three sprigs of "Keep Your Tongue Between Your Teeth." Simmer them together in a vessel called "Circumspection" for a short time, and then it will be fit for use.

Application: The symptoms are a violent itching in the tongue and roof of the mouth, which invariably takes place when you are in company with a species of animals called gossips. When you feel a fit of the disorder coming on, take a teaspoonful of the mixture; hold it in your mouth, which you will keep closely shut till you get home, and you will find a complete cure.

Should you apprehend a relapse, keep a small bottleful about you, and on the slightest symptom repeat the dose.

Altogether the weather conditions have been such as to elicit more than satisfaction from strangers who have visited us during the winter.

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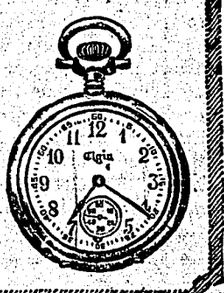

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LAND ACT

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:

Commencing at a post planted at Northwest corner North of Brown Creek, about three and one-fourth miles from Chilliwack Lake, British Columbia; thence South 40 chains along line of John Love's claim to British Columbia and United States Boundary line Southwest corner; thence East 80 hains along boundary line Southeast corner; thence North 40 chains; thence West 80 chains to place of beginning containing 320 acres, more or less.

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LOCAL AND OTHER SPORTING ITEMS

N. H. A. Sue Sport-Scribes

President Taking Action Against Papers That Insinuated Games Were Framed Up.

Montreal, Feb. 15.-Announcing that he had instructed the N. H. A. lawyers to institute proceedings against the Toronto News as a paper, and the Sporting Editor as an individual, if an immediate retraction of an article written in that paper recently hinting that the N. H. A. games were framed up beforehand, President Quinn of the N. H. A. threw a bomb into Eastern Hockey circles to-night. For some time it has been no secret that the Toroeto sporting scribes have been knocking professional hockey. As, however, most of the Toronto sporting writers are officers in the Amateur Hockey Association playing in Toronto, the public have drawn their own conclusions.

The offending article contained amongst other things the following paragraph:

"The terrible beating administered to the Tecumsehs at Ottawa on top of their double victory over the Montreal Clubs is enough to almost convince the most skeptical that there is something decidedly odorous in the state of Denmark."

Pro. Ball for Fort William

Fort William, Feb. 17.—Fort William is to have a professional baseball team in the field next summer, and to finance the deal $10,000 has already been subscribed, all Fort William capital, and a joint stock company has been formed. Players for the Fort William team are already being signed by Taylor of Winnipeg. The old Arena Rink property is to be secured as the ball grounds.

Hockey, Major Sport

Cambridge, Mass. Feb. 17.—The Harvard Student Council voted 17 to 13 to-night in favor of making hockey a major sport at Harvard. This vote acts as a resolution to the athletic committee, which is expected to decide the matter next week.

Nelson Bonspiel.

Nelson, Feb. 17th—The local bonspiel has been almost concluded, only four games remaining to be played. In the Bunyan competition C. D. Blackwood's rink carried off the prize, while in the Burn's competition W. A. Thurman landed on top. The remaining games are Guthrie v. Thurman in the finals in the Perrier competition, Forin v. Deacon in the finals in the Consolation; Guthrie v. Jones for third and fourth places in the Bunyan, and Houston vs. Dill for third and fourth places in the Burns.

Victoria Y. M. C. A. Will Meet Rowing Club

Victoria, Feb. 19.—Easily overpowering the B. C. Telephone team, the Y.M.C.A. won the amateur hockey championship of Victoria for the season of 1912-1913 tonight, and will meet the Vancouver Rowing Club in home and home matches for the B. C. title.

The Merritt Curling Club

We regret to state that the Strickland Competition looks as though it would have to be abandoned, owing to the disappearance of the ice. As far as the competition has been played, Messrs, Rogers and Petrie were equal, with three games to the credit of each.

Old Country Soccer

London, Feb. 15. — Following are the results of to-day's football games:

First Division—Aston Villa 1, Blackburn Rovers 1; Bolton Wanderers 0, Everton 0; Chelsea 1, Woolwich Arsenal 1; Liverpool 2, Sheffield Wednesday 1; Manchester United 4, Derby County 0; Middlesborough 0, Sunderland 2; Newcastle United 1, Manchester City 1; Notts County 0, Tottenham Hotspur 1; Oldham Athletic 0, Bradford City 0; Sheffield United 1, West Bromwich Albion 0.

Second Division—Barnsley 5, Blackpool 3; Bradford 2, Fulham 3; Burnley 3, Birmingham 0; Clapton Orient 1, Lincoln City 2; Glossop 4, Nottingham Forest 3; Hull City 3, Bristol City 1; Leicester Fosse 1, Grimsby Town 0; Preston North End 2, Huddersfield Town 1, Stockport County 6, Leeds City 0; Wolverhampton 3, Bury 1.

Southern League — Millwall Athletic 2, Queen's Park Rangers 1; Brentford 4, Stoke 2; Swindon Town 2, Gillingham 1; Bristol Rovers 2, Northampton 0; Watford 1, Merthyr Town 3; Westham United 1, Crystal Palace 2; Exeter City 1, Reading 0; Brighton and Hove 1, Plymouth Argyle 4; Portsmouth 2, Norwich City 0; Oxford 2, Cambridge 2.

Meteorological Report For January, 1913

H. H. MATTHEW, Observer,
Nicola, B.C.

	Maximum Temp.	Minimum Temp.
1	28.0	5.0
2	40.0	32.0
3	40.0	26.0
4	27.0	7.0
5	20.0	3.0
6	15.0	9.0
7	21.0	15.0
8	21.0	9.0
9	18.0	2.0
10	13.0	(minus) -8.0
11	3.0	0.0
12	3.0	-30.0
13	(minus) 16.0	-21.0
14	15.0	8.0
15	21.0	2 0
16	11.0	-2.0
17	5 0	-12 0
18	5.0	-20.0
19	5.0	-29.0
20	-2 0	-22.0
21	2.0	-11.0
22	12.0	-15.0
23	33.0	-13.0
24	39.0	32.0
25	44.0	35.0
26	42.0	17.0
27	34.0	20.0
28	33.0	14.0
29	45.0	14.0
30	34.0	18 0
31	34.0	17.0

Snowfall.

Jan.	Inches.
7	1.00
9	1.50
12	2.50
13	.75
14	.75
15	1.00
05	.25

Average mean temperature, 11.9 for month. Difference from average, —8 6. Snowfall, 7.7.5 inches.

Capit l's Trip For Cup is Off

Capitals Will Not Play for Stanley Cup on Quebec Ice.

Unless the Quebecs, who appear to have the N. H. A. championship safe for another series, agree to play on neutral ice there will be no Stanley Cup series between East and West this year. The Victoria players have been figuring on a trip East, but their castles in the air were sadly tumbled about when Manager Lester Patrick stated that on no account would he allow his team to play on Ancient Capital ice.

"The Quebec rink is about two-thirds the size of the one here, which would make it impossible for us to do our best," said Patrick. And while I believe Victoria to be a stronger team than the Quebec, I don't think we would stand a chance in a series for the world's title in the cup-holder's stronghold."

The Quebecs have already announced that they would not play against a Western team in Toronto, as has been suggested, so the chances of the Stanley silverware coming out to the Coast this winter are pretty slim.

Now that the weather shows signs of letting up, and football is once more in sight, it will be of assistance, if the secretaries of the various clubs in this city will send us a list of their fixtures and the dates of the same.

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More Whisky To Indians

Indian Paul After Pleading Not Guilty, Turns King's Evidence.

An Indian named Paul was brought up before Magistrate Morgan on Monday, to answer the charge of having a quart of whisky in his possession in the early hours of Sunday morning, contrary to the Act. To this charge Paul pleaded not guilty. P. C. Willgoose then took the stand and having been sworn gave evidence that he saw the accused on Voght Street near the bridge over the Coldwater River, between two and three on Sunday morning, in company with Lyman Berghman. He had been watching them for some time. He saw Berghman with a bottle in his pocket, and knowing the class of men, watched him and saw him join Indian Paul. He then followed them down to the bridge and found that Paul had got the bottle in his right hand pocket. He did not see Berghman give the bottle to the accused. When arrested the prisoner had the bottle in his pocket, and the cork had not been drawn.

As soon as Willgoose arrested the accused, he passed the bottle, which contained Dewar's Scotch whisky, over to Berghman, who threw it on the ground. He was quite satisfied that the bottle contained Scotch whisky.

Paul, who was questioned by His Worship, admitted that he had given Berghman $2 for the whisky, near the Van Hear poolroom. When asked if he had asked Berghman to get the whisky for him, or whether Berghman had asked if he would like it, Paul stated that it was Berghman who had asked him.

His Worship said that considering the way the accused had tried to assist the law by giving evidence against Berghman, he would impose the minimum penalty and fine him $25 and costs. This, it was announced would be paid by W. H. S. Cleasby.

Six Months At Kamloops

Hyman Berghman sentenced for Selling Liquor to an Indian. Chief Gives Bad Character

Magistrate Gives Maximum Sentence

Indian Paul Turns King's Evidence after Pleading not Guilty

"I commit you to Kamloops for six months, and I am sorry that the law will not permit me to give you more" said Magistrate Morgan is sentencing Hyman Berghman for selling liquor to Indian Paul. contrary to the Indian Act.

When the charge was read over to him, Berghman pleaded not guilty. The evidence of P. C. Willgoose, taken at the trial of Indian Paul, for having whisky in his possession contrary to act, was read over. The prisoner denied that he had had the bottle in his possession before Paul had it.

In answer to a question by His Worship, the accused stated that he met Paul in a poolroom and Paul gave him a drink. The Magistrate then read the evidene of Paul taken at his own trial. When the prisoner was asked what he had to say, he denied that he had sold the whisky to Paul. The accused admitted that he knew that the indian was not allowed to have a drink.

His Worship in summing up said on the evidence before him he had no option but to find the prisoner guilty of selling whisky to the Indian. Chief Eggleshaw said that the prisoner was nothing more than a vagrant and that he had already ordered him out of the City. On behalf of the prosecution he asked that the full penalty be imposed. His Worship then passed sentence as stated above.

DEPARTMENT OF MINES

"Coal Mines Regulation Act"

BOARD OF EXAMINERS

Notice is hereby given that the following constitute the Board of Examiners for the Nicola Collieries during the year 1913:—

Appointed by the Owners—Robert Fairfoull.

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.

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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 teriitory the land mus 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 must be furnished at least once a year.

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W. W. CORY,
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Yale Land District. District of Yale

Take notice that John Love of Vancouver, occupation Druggist, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the Northwest corner North of Brown Creek, about two and three-fourths miles East of Chilliwack Lake, British Columbia; thence South 40 chains to the British Columbia and United States boundaro line the Southwest corner; thence East along boundary line 40 chains Southeast corner; thence North 40 chains adjoining and along the West of Mary Ellen Campbell's land claims Northeast corner; thence West 40 chains to place of beginning, containing 160 acres, more or less.

JOHN LOVE
John Kenneth Campbell,
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