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Meeting of City Council

Decided to Engage Municipal Scavenger

A meeting of the City Council was held on Monday evening. Mayor Eastwood was in the chair, and there were also present Aldermen Jackson, Menzies, McMillan and Munro.

A letter was read from the Census Bureau, Ottawa, asking for information re incorporation, acreage of city, etc., to which the clerk had replied, giving the necessary information.

A letter was reod from Southern B. C. Lands & Mines, Ltd., re the establishment of a creamery in the city, and asking what assistance the council could give. It was moved by Ald. Menzies, seconded by Ald. Jackson, that the clerk reply, stating that the council are not in a position to deal with the matter at the present time.

The sanitary committee reported being unable to obtain the services of a surveyor, re dumping ground, and were given one weeks' further time.

It was moved by Ald. Menzies, seconded by Ald. Jackson, that the petition from the store employes, re early closing, be placed on file.

It was moved by Ald. McMillan, seconded by Ald. Jackson, that the city clerk be instructed to ask for applications for the position of scavenger to the city.

Nicola Valley Coal & Coke Co.

Output of Coal for the Month of July

At the Middlesboro office of the Nicola Valley Coal and Coke Co., C. Graham reports that work on the new tipple is going ahead, and is expected to be finished before the end of October.

The output at the collieries for the month of July was 16.000 tons.

MERRITT PUBLIC SCHOOL

According to Wm. Cooper, the carpentry work on the new school is going on fast towards completion. The masonry work is already finished and all materials are on the ground. The sanitary fixtures of the Red Cross Sanitary Company, Winnipeg are of the latest and most improved kind, and will be installed within the next few days. The furnace, being of Gurney's well-known manufacture, will provide adequate heating when required. The whole building is expected to be ready for occupation by the end of the month.

MARRIAGE

On Thursday evening, August 3rd, the marriage took place in St. Michael's Parish Hall, of Mrs. Nellie Graham to William Dunn, the ceremony being performed by Rev. T. Walker, vicar. Mrs. James Muir acted as bridesmaid and James Muir as groomsman. The bridal party afterwards adjourned to their home, Armstrong Terrace, where the wedding breakfast took place.

THE I. O. G. T.

The last meeting of the quarter of the I. O. G. T. was held in the St. Michael's Parish Hall on July 27th, and was well attended. Many new members have been added during the quarter and the meetings have been largely attended. The debates for the term were on Reciprocity, Women's Suffrage and the Wage Earners of Canada; the latter debate is to be continued on August 10, when a lively discussion is expected, the subject being of particular interest in the Valley. A most interesting series of programmes has been arranged for the ensuing quarter, consisting of debates, dialogues, vocal and instrumental music, games, etc. All new members will receive a cordial welcome.

Chief Templar Bro. W. Cranna has been prevented by illness from attending the last two meetings, but it is hoped that he will soon regain his health and make his reappearance.

DEATH OF MR. GEORGE LAWLOR

George Lawlor, aged twenty-three years, late timekeeper on the Kettle Valley Construction work, died at the railway hospital on Wednesday last. He was born at Killarney, Manitoba. He had been in poor health for some months, and prior to reaching this district had been in the Okanagan Valley to recuperate. He was employed for about a year with the construction company and was deservedly popular. His brother now resides in Merritt. The funeral service was held at the Presbyterian church this afternoon at three, and the interment took place in the Merritt cemetery.

BASEBALL AT MIDDLESBORO

The first game of the series of three, for the cup presented by the Hudson Bay Company, was played at Middlesboro between Merritt and Middlesboro, on Sunday, and resulted in favor of the home team by 15 to 12. Fleming pitched for the city and Parkinson caught, while King was the pitcher and Blondeman catcher for the home team. Roy Thomas was the chief rooter of the day. The next game takes place on the city diamond on Sunday week, August 13th.

NO MORE KNOCKING

A novel spectacle was witnessed a short time ago in Seattle. A huge hammer, carried on a crepe hung truck, was drawn through the streets, followed by mourners wearing black cowl and gown and a band playing a dirge. On reaching the public square the funeral rites were held, and the symbol of civic strife and petty quarrels placed on the pyre. The object of the ceremony was to publicly mark the end of the campaign of knocking and to revive the old Seattle spirit.

B. C. TIMBER LICENSES

The returns for the month of July for the timber branch of the provincial department of lands show a total of receipts for that period of $143,143.94, the various heads under which this contribution to revenue is made up being as follows,—595 timber licenses for lands west of the Cascades, $88,924 50; 262 licenses for lands east of the Cascades $31 869.70; timber license transfer fees, $2,645.00; timber license penalties, $550,00; 129 coal prospector's licenses, $16.400; and miscellaneous, $2,754 94.

Douglas Lake Ranch Sold

To English Syndicate Which Includes Robert Ward, formerly of Victoria

The famous Douglas Lake Ranch at Douglas Lake, south of Kamloops, is likely to pass into the hands of a British syndicate. It has been bonded for, it is said, $1,150,000, with a forfeit of $50,000 having already been paid down. The news reached Vancouver when two brokers, who knew that it was on the market, called on the Vancouver agent of the owners and asked for an option, tendering a large cheque in return for an agreement of sale. The owners include Robert Ward, formerly of Victoria, but now a resident of London, and other English people.

The ranch is easily the largest in British Columbia, comprising 100,000 acres of crown-granted land. It is situated on a plateau adjacent to Nicola Valley and is ideally adapted for grazing purposes. At one period its ranges were occupied by over 20,000 cattle and several thousand horses. Most of the stock has been disposed of and the remaining portion is not included in the option recently granted. The title covers ownership of all minerals on the ranch with the exception of gold and silver.

RACES AT MINORU PARK

In the Hunt Club races at Minoru Park, last Saturday, Cennie Campbell, owned by T. J. Smith, came in third. Cennie Campbell was greatly fancied for first place, but was unfortunate at the start, Captain Reed's stirrup coming off the spring and he was compelled to race the mare thus seriously handicapped. Notwithstanding she made great speed in the last quarter. The result was: Matador 1, Hankwell 2, and Cennie Campbell 3.

MERRITT GUN CLUB

A meeting of the newly-organized gun club was held on Tuesday evening in C. Stephenson's tailor shop. Encouraging offers of support were announced, about 25 having promised to enrol as members. The following officers were elected: B. Browitt, president; H. Priest, vice-president; T. B. Phillips, sec.-treasurer.

E. Vachon, the local provincial constable, left on today's train to Vancouver, where he will spend his annual holiday.

Labor Scarce for Railway Work

About 30,000 Men Needed to Put Through Construction Programme

According to an estimate made by A. Kellett, of Foley, Welch & Stewart's railway contracting firm, about 30,000 men will be required to put through the various railway undertakings now in progress or in immediate prospect in Baitish Columbia.

A great deal of construction is also going on in the prairie country and the demand for pick and shovel men is heavier than it has been in years.

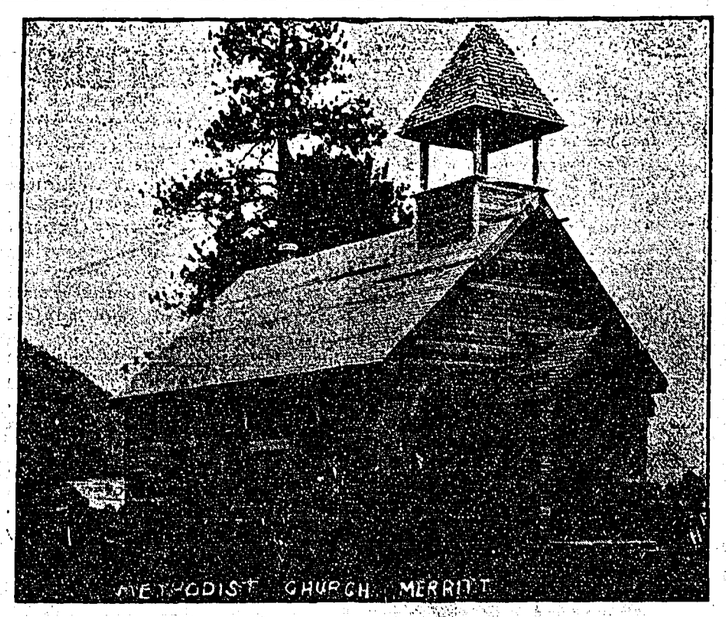
Mr. Kellett remarked that the prosecution of the Great Northern contract out of Abbottsford was not as rapid as it might be if more pick and shovel labor was available. He intimated, however, that it was expected that the road would be completed as far as Chilliwack within sixty days, This road (the V. V. & E.) has been advanced at the other end, out of Princeton, about fifteen miles, its ultimate end being to connect Princeton and Abbottsford through the Hope mountain route. Track is being laid on the Princeton end of the line at the present time.

GEOLOGICAL CONGRESS

The International Geological congress is to be held in Canada next, in the summer of 1913, and already the officials in charge of arrangements have issued a list of excursions all over the Dominion from which the members will make their selection. One of these is along the mainline of the C. P. R., including visits to the nickel mines at Sudbury, gas wells and coal mines at Medicine Hat, coal mines at Bankhead, Anthracite, Canmore. Visits will also be paid to Banff, Laggan, Lake Louise, Victoria Glacier, Yoho Valley, Mt.Stephen, Glacier, Sicamous or Kamloops or Nicola, and then on to Vancouver, whence a three days' excursion will be made to Vancouver Island.

ACCIDENT AT MIDDLESBORO

William Bradley, who resides in Merritt, was badly crushed between cars on Tuesday evening, while at work in No. 1 mine at Middlesboro. He was attended by Dr, Williams and afterwards conveyed to his room at the City Hotel, where he is getting on nicely and is expected to be out and about in a couple of weeks.



Methodist Church, Merritt, adjoining which the new parsonage is now under couse of erection.

LOCAL AND DISTRICT

Rev. T. Walker, who has been spending a short holiday at the coast, returned to town on Wednesday evening.

Melo Rodevitch, a Servian, was this morning sent up for two months for stealing a blanket from the Middlesboro Boarding House.

J. P. Boyd, who, with Mrs. Boyd, has been spending a holiday at Golden, returned to town last night. He reports that Mrs. Boyd has just recovered from an attack of measles, which is very prevalent in the neighbourhood of Golden at present.

The second annual exhibition of the Nicola Valley Agricultural and Horticultural Association takes place on Thursday, September 7th, at Merritt. The prize list has been largely increased, and all information can be obtained from A. W. Strickland, the president, or T. Heslop, secretary.

SANITARY ARRAGEMENTS

Roy Harris, of R. Harris & Co. of Victoria and New Wesminster, has been visiting the city. He has secured several contracts, and is doing good business in the valley. The Sanitary Red Cross appliances are being erected at the new public school here, as well as at other parts of the district. He has been visiting Merritt and the valley for some years and he says that in no city of so young a growth has he seen such material progress made.

CONSERVATIVE MEETING

A committee meeting of the Conservative Association will be held at the rooms opposite Morgans's store on Tuesday evening, August 8th, at 7.30, when the political situation will be discussed.

A HUDSON'S BAY RAILWAY

Ottawa, Aug. 4.—Action looking to the construction of the Hudson's Bay Railway will be taken immediately. Following the government's decision to construct the railway itself, surveys were completed and tenders asked for last June for the construction of the first 200 miles, extending from Pas Mission. Keewatin territory, to Thicket Portage and running in a northeasterly direction through country north of the Saskatchewan River. Tenders have been opened. In all, eight was received, but the choice it is said, was narrowed down to two, those submitted by J. D. MacArthur of Winnipeg and m. S. O'Brien. It is the intention of the government to start the work of construction at the earliest possible moment and it is regarded as likely that the successful contractor will be at work before September 1. Construction will commence from the north end of the government bridge over the Saskatchewan at the Pass. If, as is probable, Port Nelson is selected as the terminal port, the railway will be approximately 500 miles in length and the government anticipates putting down a considerable portion of the first 200 miles of roadbed provided for by the present contract before the advens of winter.

The New Coal Tariff

The Strike Prospects in Fernie District

The new coal tariff which will effect all coal carried west from Port Arthur and Fort William will go into effect in a few days. There will be a reduction of $2 per ton in the rate from Port Arthur to Winnipeg. In portions of the West directly affected by the coal strike, and which normally get coal from Western mines, there will be a further very material reduction.

To Calgary the reduction will be $3 per ton. The further West the greater the reduction. It is stated also that a large quantity of coal will be obtainable for the West from Montana. Sir William McKenzie says that a few cars of Montana coal will be brought in and tested. If satisfactory, large quantities will be imported. Investigations are being made with reference to the possibilities of securing rates on coal from Indiana and Illinois if the strike is not settled.

The situation regarding the strike, as reported from Fernie, remains very quiet, but that there is a strong undercurrent running towards a favorable vote being the result of todays vote upon the question of accepting the findings of the majority report of the conciliation board seems to be conceded by many who profess to be in close touch with the mining communities. It seems to be the conssus of opinion that the foreign element are largely in favor of acceptieg the terms as recommended and going to work. If the vote is favorable to a resumption of work it will not take long to put the mines in working condition again and the threatened fuel famine may yet be avoided before much suffering results from the long shut down throughout the district.

Winnipeg, August 1.—The vote today of 1000 miners of the Fernie Coal Company shows that a large percentage of the whole number on strike are in favor of ending the strike.

STRIKE NOT YET ENDED

At a largely attended meeting at Fernie on Wednesday, the miners voted unanimously for a resolution repudiating the Gordon report on the conciliation. Some 800 men were present, and no one spoke against the resolution. Coming as it did upon the heels of the report from the Corbin camp, where the men voted to go to work, it is a surprise. This again changes the aspect of the case, and if the action of Wednesday is a fair indication of the other camps where similar conditions exist, it would seem that the vote of today (Friday) will be adverse to the proposals of the Gordon report.

DESIGN FOR NEW COINS

An extra Gazette announces the design to be used on the new 50c and 10c coins. The obverse side will have an effigy of the King with his Imperial crown and robe and will bear the inscription, "George V. Rex et Ind Imp.," while on the reverse side will apper 50 or 10 cents, as the case may be, the year of coinage, a wreath of maple leaves and the Imperial crown.

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THE RECIPROCITY ISSUE

On September 21, the elections throughout Canada will practically hinge on the one issue of Reciprocity with the United States. It has been debated for several months from American, Canadian and British standpoints. On the American side the new policy has, on the whole, been accepted, if not with enthusiasm, at least with complacent satisfaction. That attitude is suggestive, if not ominons. In Canada it cannot be said that there is any enthusiasm, or even confidence, on the part of its advocates, but there is certainly very strong and pronounced opposition, among not only Conservatives but leading and influential Liberals, to the proposed agreement. For the whole policy is a leap in the dark. Its advocates do not profess to know whether its ultimate benefits will be in favor of the States or Canada. On the contrary, so uncertain have become these benefits as regards Canada that reciprocity exponents are now falling back on the plea that the government can eventually abrogate the treaty or agreement should it not prove advantageous to the Dominion. Therein lies the vital weakness of the policy. That it may benefit certain trades or sections of Canada is not disputed, but that it will be of material advantage to the people of the Dominion as a whole is extremely problematical, and, as many think, quite unlikely. The fact is that at the time of the Knox-Fielding-Patterson agreement there was no demand in Canada for this particular brand of reciprocity. It was sprung upon the country. Under the present system of tariffs the Dominion has made unparalleled strides in prosperity, and everything promises its continuance and increase. Our trade with both the United States and Great Britain has been advancing by leaps and bounds. Now it is proposed to give one country a share, it may turn out to be a lion's share, of that trade, and it cannot well help being prejudicial to the interests of the other country, which has always been Canada's best customer. Taft and numerous other American politicians and writers have not hesitated to advocate reciprocity as a blow to Imperial trade. The inference is obvious. It is not necessary to know the history of the commercial relations of the States with other countries during the past forty years to enable even the man in the street to guess which country is likely to prove "long" or "short" on results.

But the ultimate aim of American politicians, as openly avowed, is the political as well as commercial dominance of Canada. Plausible efforts have been made by certain American speakers and writers on the subject to placate the susceptibilities or pride of Canadians with references to the "junior" partner joining the "senior" partner of one great business. Others have kindly stated that Canada, in entering the union, will be granted all the inestimable privileges that other states, such as Maine or Missouri enjoy under the stars and stripes. As Canadians, strong and proud in our present virtual independence as a nation, we may profess to ignore the idea of annexation, but the fact remains that such is the ultimate aim of a large proportion of politicians in the States and that they are receiving conscious or unconscious support from many residents in Canada. Reciprocity may not lead to annexation, which would mean absorption, but it appears to indicate its possible tendency.

As regards British Columbia, which at the last election returned five Conservatives and two Liberals, it appears likely, according to Premier McBride, to give an equal, if not greater, majority in opposition to the party of reciprocity.

The government endeavored to hustle this uncalled for measure through parliament. It has now decided to try and rush it through elections which will be based on the old distribution, and it has been estimated that Western Canada will thus be deprived of nearly half its fair and full representation. In two or three months the census returns would probably have been completed and a redistribution of seats arranged. It therefore appears strange the government could not have postponed the elections, and so enabled a fuller and juster verdict to be given on this momentous question.

Much dissatisfaction is being expressed in the city regarding the electric-light service of the Merritt Water Power & Light Co. On Saturday, Sunday and Mon- it was "the light that failed." During the last six months this has become a too common occurrence, causing considerable inconvenience to both business and private residents of the city. The fact is that the plant is old and obsolete. A plant which was in use about forty-five years ago in Victoria, and fifteen years ago in Nelson, when it was discarded as inefficient, cannot be expected to make good now in Merritt. This is a matter which calls for the immediate attention of the city council.

It will be seen from an advertisement in another column that a city scavenger is to be appointed. This is a step in the right direction as the sanitary conditions of the city are now altogether deplorable.

The city council have finally shelved the petition of the shop employees for shorter hours. It is now up to both employees and employers to follow the example of other cities and come to a mutual arrangement on the matter.

It has been rumoured for some days that Premier McBride would become a candidate for federal honors. To all enquiries, however, for definite information he has given, so far, non-committal answers. The honorable and popular "Dick" is loth to be off with his old love for all the enticements of the new; but in the meantime nobody knows what will happen before election day.

OUR LETTER BOX

EDITOR NICOLA VALLEY NEWS

Sir,—May I call your attention to the following:

While in the town on Tuesday, the 25th July, I had occasion to leave my rig for some ten minutes outside a store on the main street. On my return to the rig I found that my coat had disappeared therefrom. The good angels have no need for coats, but evidently one of Merritt's "angelic hosts" required it.

Now, as I come from a place called Nicola, where one may stand one's horse up for a term not exceeding three hours, and have it watched by a guardian of the peace, free of charge, I feel I have been neglected, and seriously neglected in Merritt, where so little attention is paid me that my coat is stolen.

I must say that this is no encouragement for a man to move into the City where there are several policemen and a mayor and all kinds of good things, if he cannot get the same attention as he does here in Nicola, where we have only one policeman and everyone is a mayor on his own.

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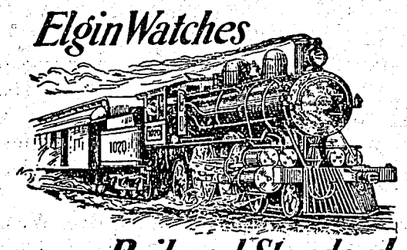

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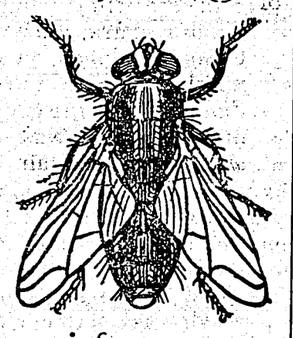

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LOCAL AND DISTRICT

A. W. McVittie, from Aspen Grove, was in the city on Wednesday last.

Alfred H. Carrington, of Nicola, was in the city this week.

Sharp razors, and Clean Towel. —W. E. Brown. 52tf

BORN.—To Mr. and Mrs. A. Fyall, on Sunday, July 30th, a daughter.

Mrs. Hope, of Aspen Grove, is in the city. She is staying with Mrs. J. A. McDonald.

Mrs. Major Flick, accompanied by her two children and Miss Lacy, paid a visit to Nicola on Wednesday evening's train.

H. Colin Clark left on Monday for a two weeks' visit to coast points. He will also spend a few days at Campbell River before he returns.

The Bank of Toronto have decided to open from 7 to 9 p. m. on Saturdays, for the accommodation of its customers, commencing tomorrow, August 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Riches returned on Tuesday evening from the coast, where they had been spending a ten days' holiday.

Wm. Cooper returned from Victoria on Tuesday. He will be spending much of his time nowadays at Cloverdale, where he is busy getting the new school building under way.

Joseph Guichon, jun., was in town on Wednesday. He reports that arrangements are about all completed for the big Labor Day celebration at Quilchena.

R. F. Walker, accountant for the Westminster Trust Co. at New Westminster, is spending his holidays here, visiting his brother, J. E. Walker, manager at the Vancouver Lumber Co.'s local yard.

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D. J. Matheson, formerly mayor of Phœnix, and Fred Watson, also of Phœnix, were in the city last Saturday. They are making the trip from Phœnix to Fort George on motor cycles.

J. A. McDonald has secured a site and will erect a business block in Lytton. Mr. McDonald has been looking after the Bailey Hotel during the absence of Hugh McGuire at the coast.

A Cranna, of the firm of Simpson & Cranna, who has been sick for the past two weeks, left the first of the week for the coast, where he will remain until he has fully regained his health.

A band concert will be given by the Merritt Brass Band on Sunday afternoon, from 2.30 till 4.30, on the vacant corner opposite the Nicola Valley Meat Market.

T. G. Holt, executive agent of the Canadian Northern Railway, visited Kamloops this week on railway business. He will likely visit a number of the railway construction camps on his way home.

M. L. Grimmett, LL.B., is having erected an office adjoining the Barwick block on Granite Avenue, his present quarters being found inadequate. Otherwise this means that business is prospering.

J. S. Morgan is putting up another building between his present premises and H. Greig's estate office. The former building will be leased to the Co-operative Society, which will commence business about the middle of Septembe.

E. Mackay Young (otherwise Mac), who has had several years' experience of newspaper work in Toronto and Montreal, is the new editor of the News. He comes here with a lively sense of the potentialities of the Valley in general and Merritt in particular.

Fowler & Larson, the contractors, have secured office room in the Kennedy building on Voght Street. They are going ahead with the concrete foundations of the new city hospital and the work will be completed about the enk of the week. The whole work on the building is being rushed through.

Frank M. Coffee has severed his connection with the News. He has made many friends in the town and district and always took a great interest in local affairs. He is now on a shooting and fishing expedition, accompanied by Dr. Curtin and W. Brown. We wish him luck in his future career as well as in his present hunting and piscatorial adventures.

BIG FIRE AT VICTORIA MILL

Fire which broke out shortly before two a. m. on Sunday last completely destroyed the premises of the Taylor Mill Company, between Government and Store streets, consuming upwards of two million feet of lumber and the entire plant and holds. The total loss is estimated at $175,000.

The outbreak was a most spectacular one. The mill of the company lies immediately beside the gas reservoir of the Victoria Gas Company, and for upwards of an hour this was in imminent danger of exploding.

Hundreds of people from the surrounding houses turned out, many of them half-dressed, to witness the blaze, and hundreds were turned back by firemen and police, for fear they should become involved in the ruins should the gas reservoir explode.

MERGER OF LAKE SHIPS

Plans for the consolidation of the largest shipping corporation on the Canadian side of the Great Lakes, which have been in progress for nearly a year, have been completed this week. Working agreements have also been entered into between the merger and the Manchester Lines, Limited, of which Lord Furness is chairman. The Canadian companies concerned are among the largest of the navigation companies of the Great Lakes, representing a capital of $20,000,000. The merger will have a fleet of about fifty steamers plying on Lakes Erie, Superior, Michigan, Ontario and Huron, with the port of Montreal as the point of transhipment to European ships.

CORBIN COAL PROSPECTS

The danger of coal famine in the northwest is averted by the announcement of the resumption of operations, this week in the mines of the Corbin Coal & Coke Company at Corbin, B. C.

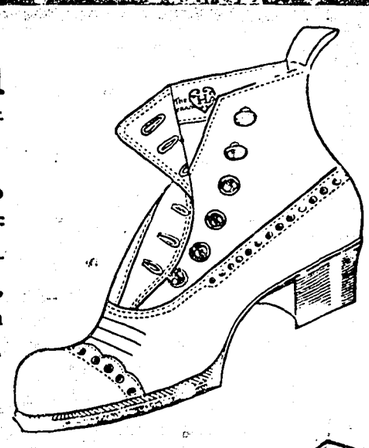
Whether this means a general settlement of the strike in the entire Crow's Nest Pass district was not given in the information received by President D. C. Corbin, but he expressed the opinion that the miners had followed the action of the operators in accepting the report of the government conciliation board.

GAME PROTECTION IN B. C.

By an Order-in-Council passed recently by the Provincial Government, the future use of automatic guns by British Columbia sportsmen has been prohibited from September 1st next. These guns have only come into general use during the past few years, and have been particularly favored by duck-hunters, who, thus armed, have been enabled to slaughter the water-fowl wholesale. The general opinion is that their use is the reverse of sportsmanlike, and the action taken by the government will meet with the cordial approval of true sportsmen in all parts of the country.

By a second Order-in-Council a closed season for sheep during the ensuing two years has been prescribed in the districts of Yale, Okanagan and Similkameen; and another year of immunity has been granted to wapiti in all parts of the mainland, as from September 1st. The wapiti of Vancouver Island are already under special protection.

The Latest Addition to Our Shoe Dept.



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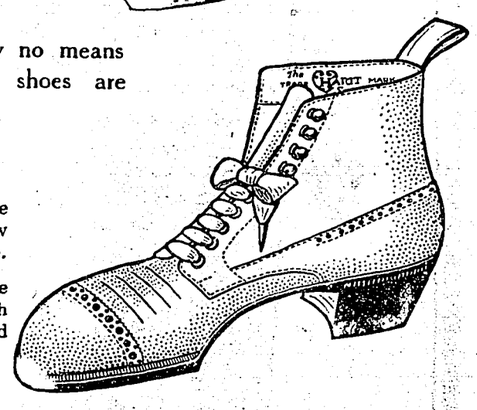

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CHURCH NOTICES

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Services for Sunday, August 6th.
10.30 a. m., Morning Prayer.
11 a. m., Holy Communion.
7.30 p. m., Evening Prayer in Parish Hall.

Rev. T. WALKER, Vicar.

NOTICE

City Scavenger Work

Tenders are invited for the Scavenger work of the City of Merritt. Quote prices for:

1. Emptying privy boxes.
2. Rubbish per load.
3. Hotel and boarding house privies.
4. Cleaning chimneys.

Any other information desired can be obtained from the City Clerk at his office opposite Public School. Tenders to be in not later than Monday next, August 7th, at 6 p. m. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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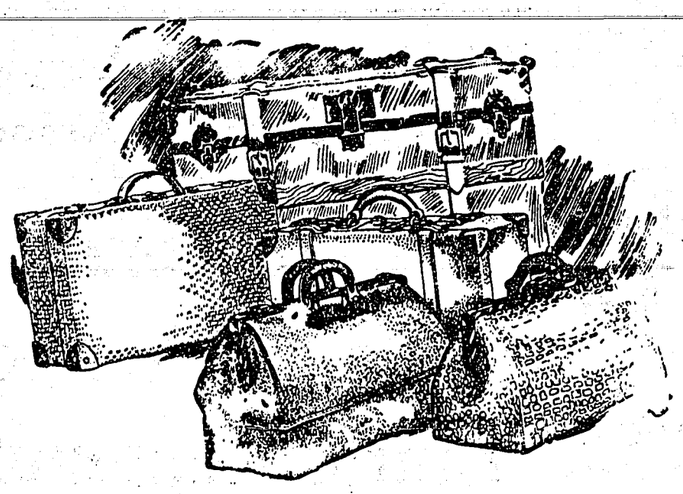

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Merritt, August 4, 1911

CERTIIFICATES OF MILITARY QUALIFICATION.

The following extract from Militia Order No. 359 is published for information:—

(1) The following certificates are granted:

RANK.	NAME.	CORPS.	NATURE.	RANK.
Major.....	Flick, C. L.....	B. C. Horse.....	Cavalry	F. O.
,, ...	Flick, C. L.....	,, ,, ...	,, ...	Captain
Lieutenant.	Matthews, H. H.....	,, ,, ...	,, ...	Lieutenant
,,	Campbell, R.....	,, ,, ...	,, ...	,,
,,	Broome, D. G.....	,, ,, ...	,, ...	,,

CHARLES FLICK, Major,
O. C. "D" Squadron, B. C. Horse.

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

The Granby Co. expects to spend $1,0.0,000 at Goose Bay in developing the Hidden Creek mine and will probably erect a large smelter for the Portland Canal district.

The C. P. R. will at once construct a spur from Kamloops to the river to enable the C. N. R. contractors to get in their outfits and supplies quickly and economically.

T. E. Bate has been unanimously chosen by the Cumberland Conservative Association to contest the Comox-Atlin district in the forthcoming Dominion election.

W. W. Ashall, Montreal, superintendent of the Grand Trunk Railway telegraphs, announces that the company will adopt the telephone instead of telegraph for train despatching over the entire system.

"La Concorde," a new French weekly paper has made its initial appearance at Ottawa. If sufficiently encouraged, the editors say the paper will become a daily. Its object is to vindicate and defend the rights of the French-Canadian people.

The report of the fruit division of the Dominion department of agriculture states that the prospect for apples had diminished slighly since last month's report, except in British Columbia, where prospects have rather improved, and it is now estimated that shipments from that province will be 85 per cent of last year's crop, which was very heavy. The hot dry weather does not appear to have affected the apple crop prospects in Eastern Canada, although correspondents, especially in Ontario, have expressed apprehension that if sufficient rain does not soon come the crop will be very much shortened.

Moose Jaw is no longer dry. The local option mix-up there has been settled, with the result that five hotels in the town have again been granted licenses. It was established that many of the names on the voting list previously objected to by the temperance party were qualified voters, which left no valid reason for enforcing the by-law. The vote was taken last December, and since then there has been a never ending agitation, owing to the inconvenience the town was put to, through lack of hotel accommodation.

The wholesale slaughter of dairy cows found to be infected with tuberculosis has followed the visit to Nelson of Dr. B. R. Ilsley, of Vernon, the Provincial government veterinary inspector, and within a few days Nelson will experience a milk famine. In some of the dairies as many as 35 out of 39 cows have been proved by the tuberculosis test to be infected with bacilli. It is said that the number of condemned cows in the dairies already examined is considerably over fifty per cent. All the animals condemned have to be destroyed within a certain period, and as it is impossible for dairymen to obtain fresh animals for some weeks, it is inevitable that many householders will have to be content with the canned product for a while. Several dairies are put completely out of business.

Twenty citizens of Revelstoke were brought into the police court last week charged with riding bicycles upon the sidewalks. The mayor, who was one of the offenders, presided over the court and started things off by imposing a fine of $5 and costs upon himself. Three aldermen were also assessed $2.50 and costs and the balance of the offenders paid $1 and costs.

Damage estimated at $500,000 has been caused by forest fires at Squamish. The timber through which the flames fought their way, it is stated by officials of the provincial timber inspector's office, is some of the finest in British Columbia. The fire, which is said to have originated near the limits of the Newport timber camp has almost wiped out the camps of that company, it is stated.

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Printers Fight White Plague

Typographical Union's Exhibit in Dominion Exhibition at Regina, Sask.

The Dominion Exhibition at Regina will give visitors an opportunity to see what the union printers have done in respect to the stamping out of the great white plague. Arrangements have been made by the Regina Typographical Union whereby a miniature exhibit will be shown of the home in Colorado, replete with information as to the part being played by the men of type to alleviate the sufferings of the human race in this and other respects. The results of experiments made by the Union are open to those interested in the work, and are considered by the highest and foremost medical authorities of the day to have been of inestimable value. Research work, experimental work, all have done great good, and today this home is looked upon as one of the most important factors in the fight. The hospital building at the Union Printers' Home is located just south of the main structure, covering a space of 50 x 90 feet, and three storeys in height. The experimental stage in open air treatment for tuberculosis has long since been passed. Fully 50 per cent of the patients who have had the advantage of tent life and the regenerating rays of the Colorado sun have recovered their health and strength, and have been enabled to again resume business duties. There are many tent colonies in Colorado, but few can compare with the tuberculosis sanitarium at the Printers' Home. Since the original gift of Messrs. Childs and Drexel, the home has received but one endowment, that being from the estate of Julia A. Ladd, of Shirley, Mass., amounting to $1,045. With this one exception, all the expenses, including cost of maintenance, have been paid from money contributed by the members of the International Typographical Union. And so, whether it be for the bettering of conditions under which men work, or whether it be the better education of the men in their art, or whether it be the care of their sick and feeble, the Union printers stand in the front rank of those looking to the assistance of mankind. In their fight against the white plague they ought to have the sympathy and practical support of every right-thinking man and woman, and the exhibit at the fair will give some idea of the great value and stupendous efforts put forth by the Union printers in defence of their brothers for the right to live.

Are Your Kidneys Working Properly?
It Will Pay You Well to Make Sure
There's been a lot of "guessing" about rheumatism and rheumatic pains generally, but you can be dead sure that little pain across your back came from decreased kidney action.
The kidney's duty is to filter the blood—take out the impurities collected by the returning blood stream—do it just like absorbent cotton in a funnel filters the impurities from polluted water.
When the kidneys are not working you are bound for one of two courses—Diabetes and Bright's Disease or Rheumatism, Lumbago and Sciatica. The former course is usually fatal, and the latter always painful, but you need not have either, as they both can be easily prevented.
The very best prescription for all kidney troubles is Nyal's Stone Root Compound. It is no "patent" medicine, but a scientific prescription composed of Stoneroot, Buchu, Juniper and other remedies of proved value. More than that, it has been proved by thousands who have had glad relief from its use.
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WATER NOTICE

I, Frank Porter Patterson, of Vancouver, B. C., physician, give notice that on the 17th day of August, 1911, I intend to apply to the Water Commissioner at Nicola, in his office, for a license to take and use fifteen cubic feet of water per second from Canyon Creek, a tributary of Trout Creek, in Nicola Division of Kamloops District. The water is to be taken from the stream about five miles above the mouth, and is to be used on lots 1151, 1150, 1149 and 3755, and pre-emption records number 5434, 6093 and 5867 in Osoyoos District.

FRANK PORTER PATTERSON
By his agent J. D. Anderson,
of Trail, B. C.

PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.

PROVINCE of BRITISH COLUMBIA

NOTICE is hereby given that all Public Highways in unorganized Districts, and all main Trunk Roads in organized Districts are sixty-six feet wide, and have a width of thirty-three feet on each side of the mean straight centre line of the travelled road.

THOMAS TAYLOR,
Minister of Public Works.
Department of Public Works,
Victoria, B. C., July 7th, 1911. -35

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Election Items

McBRIDE WILL CAMPAIGN

"I shall take an active part in the forthcoming Dominion elections, and shall devote my efforts to the districts in which they will be most likely to be productive of good results," said Hon. Richard McBride, premier of British Columbia when passing through Golden on Wednesday, on his return to Victoria from the Old Country. Mr. McBride said that so far as he new the rumor that the attorney-general, Mr. Bowser, would run in Vancouver was entirely false.

THE GRAIN GROWERS

In its issue this week, "The Grain Growers' Guide," the organ of the Grain Growers' Association, declares that the policy of the association will be hostile to the selection of independent party candidates, and calls on members to attend their respective old-party conventions and exert their influence to have candidates named favorable to the farmers' interests.

PLANS AT HEADQUARTERS

Ottawa, August 4.—Some significance attaches to the reluctance of the Government to oppose the two anti-reciprocity Liberals, Lloyd Harris and William German, who are offering themselves for re-election. Government emissaries succeeded in inducing Mr. German's convention to pass a pro-reciprocity resolution, but both men are running as anti-reciprocity candidates, and no official pro-reciprocity Liberals are being put up against them. It is probable that they will get acclamation.

R. L. Borden was at his office this week, having returned from his visit to Montreal. He will be at Toronto tomorrow (Saturday), where he will meet Hon. Robert Rogers, Hon. Frank Cochrane, and the Ontario Conservative members.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has once again postponed the opening of his campaign tour. The date of the opening is now put in the week after next.

CANADIAN PARCELS POST

In the House of Commons last week W. F. MacLean, in an address on state ownership of telegraph and telephone lines, called for a system of parcel post. He declared that the only way to bring express companies to time was to establish a parcel post system. That, in his opinion, would soon cut the express rates in two.

The postmaster general replied that Mr. MacLean's plea almost made him a believer in telepathy.

"I have been for several days working on a plan to establish a parcel post system," said Mr. Lemieux. "It has proved a boon in England, France and Germany. It costs more money to send a parcel from one Canadian town to another or from one province to another than it does to send the same parcel across the Atlantic."

Mr. Lemieux could not say whether the scheme was opposed by the railways, as charged, "but," he said, "the moment that it was announced that we would establish a parcel post system in Canada, this department was simply flooded with petitions against such a system. These petitions did not come from the cities, but were signed by farmers and country store keepers, and the argument which they used against the establishment of that system was that the departmental stores would get the benefit of it. One peculiarity which struck me at the time was that all these petitions from every province were couched in the same terms. They were all either printed or typewritten and the language was the same. There is apparently an organization against the establishment of a parcel post. In my judgment the parcel post system would benefit the farmer and benefit outlying districts, and I was surprised to find these objections coming from farming districts and from storekeepers."

Mr. Lemieux added that a good preliminary to a parcel post was the establishment of a rural mail delivery, which has proved very successful all over the country.

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