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Interesting Article on the Local Coal Mining Development

The following article was written by E. Jacobs, a well-known authority on things mineral, and appeared in the Vancouver Province. It speaks authentically of the Nicola Valley Coal & Coke Company's mine properties at Middlesboro:

During recent months the Nicola Valley Coal & Company, which has its headquarters in Vancouver and its colliery at Middlesboro, first arranged to make large additions to its coal-handling plant and machinery and to carry out other important surface improvements, including an extension of its water supply system and facilities, and then proceded to carry out the plans adopted for the substantial increase in output capacity of its coal mines. Further, it was decided to drive a rock tunnel to connect Nos. 4 and 5 mines, so as to allow of coal from No. 4 being hauled out through No. 5 tunnel level. This now approaches completion. In addition a contract was let to the Sullivan Machinery Company to do diamond drilling in various parts of the property; in all some 4000 feet of holes are to be drilled taking out a two-inch core. The company also purchased a small Sullivan diamond drill, for use in prospecting underground. Summarized, the additions to plant and machinery authorized were:

1. New tipple and coal washery, complete, as described below.

2. Christy box car loader, model 2B, mounted on hand-operated portable truck.

3. Three Goldie McCulloch Co. horizontal return tubular steam boilers, 72 inch by 18 feet.

4. Ventilating fan, for No. 2 mine, with 15 by 14-inch Ideal side crank for driving same.

5. Compressor for No. 2 mine; 14 by 18, Class C2, simple steam, compound air. Air receiver, 42 inches by ten feet.

6. Three Flory double-cylinder steam hoists—one 12 1-2 by 15, 75 horse-power, and two 8 1-4 by 10, each 30 horse-power.

Other improvements include the erection of buildings in which to house new fan and compressor; making a new grade from No. 2 mine to the new tipple, with provision for hauling thereon by locomotive instead of by horse-power, and purchase of a steam locomotive, steel rails, etc., for use on this grade; a steam pump with a capacity of 800 gallons per minute, and about three-quarters of a mile of pipe for water supply extension; and installation of wagon weigh scales.

The estimate of total cost of all additions and improvements narrated above is $95,000 to $100,000.

New tipple and washery: The contract entered into with the Roberts & Schaeffer Co., Chicago, Ill., provides for the supply and installation of one complete coal-screening tipple with picking conveyors, slack conveyors and car hauls; and one 50-ton raw coal per hour Stewart coal-washing plant and storage bins of frame construction with the requisite foundations; and include all machinery in tipple and washery necessary to receive mine-run coal at the rate of 100 tons per hour; weigh and screen same; separate and wash the 2 1-2-inch small coal; rescreen the washed coal into slack, pea and nut sizes; pick the lump coal, loading same into the various storage bins, or combining the washed coal with the lump coal, thereby making run-of-mine; and all equipment necessary to load out the various kinds and sizes into box cars on the loading track.

The specifications cover all of the material and workmanship for the complete construction of a 1000 ton per day of ten hours, frame-constructed coal tipple with Stewart coal-washing plant and storage bins, plant being designed and built complete in connection with the storage bins and trestle already in place, and to be ready to turn over to the company in successful operation by October 1, 1911.

The method of handling the coal from the mine to the point where it is loaded into the cars for shipment is as follows:

The loaded pit cars from each mine are brought in in trips on the loaded track, where they are weighed on a platform scale and passed over a Phillips' cross-over dump (already in hand). The chute onto which the coal is discharged from the dump passes same to a pair of Roberts & Schaeffer Co.'s standard hanging screens. These screens are operated from a shaker screen shaft and the eccentrics are so arranged that the upper and lower screens work against each other, thereby preventing vibration as much as possible. The screens are to be six feet wide and are designed of heavy steel plate construction with 2 1-2 perforations.

The empty cars pass forward to the kick-back and then run by gravity to the haulage locomotive, where they are made up in trips and returned to the mine.

The coal passing through the shaker screens is gathered on a solid plate screen and discharged, or is fed into the slack conveyor to washery. This conveyor is 30 feet centers and has a capacity for fifty tons per hour, operating at a speed of 100 feet per minute, and consists of double strand 3-8 x 2 1-2 x 12 inch P steel bar link bushed roller chain with angle iron attachments every 24 inches for 16 x 8 inch steel flights, incline 20 degrees.

The lump coal passing over the shaking screens, which is over 2 1-2 inch perforations falls onto a 4-foot wide picking conveyor, 40 feet centers, incline 10 degrees, operating at a speed of 40 feet per minute, with a capacity of 70 tons per hour. This picking conveyor, from which the slate and rock are taken from the lump coal, consists of 1 1-2 x 3 3-8 x 6 inch pitch and 3-8 x 9 inch pitch steel bar link roller chain, made un in two equally matched strands, on which are mounted No. 8 steel beaded pans four feet wide, these pans being rivetted to chain; the moving machinery operating on the 5 1-4 x 4 1-2 in. flat steel track guides.

The lump coal passing over the head of the picking conveyor discharges directly into a lump coal distributing conveyor, over storage bins, or by the arrangement of a bypass the lump coal slides directly into cars on the track for shipment over a box car loading chute. The rock and slate from the picking conveyor flow by gravity through the chutes into the refuse elevator and chute in the coal-washing plant and go out

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Martin Burrell Arrives Late

But Those of Conservative Persuasion Awaited in Force to Hear Popular Member

Owing to an accident to the motor car which conveyed Martin Burrell and Alex. Lucas from Princeton to Merritt on Friday last, the party did not arrive until after 10 p.m. Even at that late hour, however, their staunch supporters turned out in goodly numbers at Menzies' hall.

Martin Burrell, it will be known as the candidate for re-election in Yale riding in the forth-coming Dominion elections, and Alex. Lucas is the present member in the provincial house for this constituency.

The meeting was not convened until about 11 p.m., but even at that quite a number of supporters turned out and a fairly good house was present.

The meeting was opened by H. S. Cleasby, president of the Merritt, Middlesboro and District Conservetive association, who, after a few introductory remarks, introduced Mr. Lucas. Owing to the lateness of the hour, and in order to give Mr. Burrell all the time available, Mr. Lucas cut short his remarks, which were of a general character, but expressive of the cause upon which the present campaign is based.

With his customary jocular good nature, Mr. Burrell started off his speech by extolling the good qualities of Harold Greig's touring car and the manner in which that gentleman handled it.

In his usual concise and impressive manner the Yale candidate handled the questions at issue in the coming contest without gloves. Always consistent in his oratorical efforts, he fought the case out as in the best interests of Canada and his constituents. Reciprocity was the featured subject of the address, which had of necessity to be brief owing to the lateness of the hour. He dwelt particularly upon the effect which would result in British Columbia were a 'free trade" bill allowed to pass. The various industries were thoroughly gone into and intelligently diagnosed. Also in connection with the prairie provinces, Mr. Burrell spoke explicitly upon the wheat and flour questions and the general situation as regards the prairie provinces and the attitude prevailing there. He had not much time to dilate upon the various subjects, but, especially after a trying drive, handed his speech with a tone that bespoke an experience in statesmanship that has been acquired during the years in which he has held office. Mr. Burrell referred with regard to the import of President Taft's speech upon "The Parting of the Ways."

After the closing of Mr. Burrell's address, he and Mr. Lucas were entertained at a small supper at the Star restaurant and a very enjoyable aftermath it was, subsequent to their long ride and natural fatigue in having to speak at such a late hour.

RE-OPENING OF SCHOOL

School re-opened last Monday with a large attendance, many new pupils being present. The third and fourth divisions are filled almost to their limit, and it seems imperative that a fifth will be necessary before the end of the term. The first and second divisions are also well filled and a very promising High School class takes up the course. In this connection the principal wishes to inform all those concerned that only those pupils who join the entrance class early in the term may hope to be prepared for the examination next June. Those who understand the difficulty and extent of the course of studies will know that it requires every day of the school year to master the work, and half attendance with half interest and application must surely mean "half success or complete failure."

The teaching staff for the new term is as follows: First Div., Malcolm MacKenzie; Second Div., Miss C. Murray, Nicola; Third Div., Miss McNeill, Vancouver; Fourth Div., Miss B. Cousins, as supply till permanent teacher is secured. Miss Cousins taught in one of the minor divisions during the last term.

Knights' Lodge Is Doing Well

Camp of the Local Knights of Pythias Have Made Excellent Record

Since the organization of the Merritt Lodge of the Knights of Pythias, on May 31st last, this very popular and strong secret society has been going ahead by "leaps and bounds," to use a rather hackneyed expression. At the inaugural meeting just twenty members were enrolled upon the charter paper. The charter was kept open until last night, with the result that since the 31st of May thirty-three new members have been initiated into the mysteries of the Pythian Order. Below will be found a list of the new members "put through" lately:—

Captain Stephenson, Wm. Strang, James Thornton, J. LeBelle, Ralph Hebron, A. McKendrick, J. E. McNeil, W. Henderson, Robt. Brown, E. Elbin, Robert Bone, W. E. Johnson, Neil McMillan, Andrew Kay, John Kay, R. Edwards, T. E. Clark, Alex. Ewart, T. McKinney, G. Matthieson, D. Brown, J. McDonald, John McMillan, George Pryde, W. Bone, Jas. Bevis, H. W. Sutcliffe, Wm. Service, L. Midgley, W. Cumberland, R. Wilkinson, Charles Medley and H. Hughes.

The almost phenomenal success which has attended the local lodge of Knights of Pythias during their brief existence is due largely to the enterprising and untiring work of the officers, of whom Wm. Cranna is the head, being Chancellor Commander. F. A. Reid, as Master of Finance, and his brother R. B. Reid, as Secretary, have also contributed much to the success. Of course, the work of the other officers and lay members must not be overlooked. All take an active part and the result is heartily appreciated.

FOREMAN ARRESTED

Fred Seward, government road foreman for the Otter Flat section, arrived in town Tuesday evening on the 6.35 train. Ten minutes previously Chief Brown had received a wire to apprehend Mr. Seward on a charge purporting that he had supplied intoxicants to an interdicted person at Lytton, where he had recently been on a visit to his wife, who is lying ill with typhoid fever. Special police from Lytton arrived and took Seward into custody, departing with him on Wednesday. His trial was expected to come off on Thursday.

Several others arrived in town with foreman Seward, who were under his employ, namely: H. B. Seale, W. B. Knox, G. Hamilton, T. Gillespie and P. Cavino.

BANK CHANGES

Several changes are being made in connection with the staffs of Merritt and Nicola branches of Bank of Montreal. G. B. Tandy, of the local branch, will leave for Vancouver, and C. T. O. Rush, of Nicola, will enter the Greenwood branch; W. J. Tainson will come from Nicola to Merritt; E. B. Smythe, accountant at Greenwood, will assume a similar position here; H. B. Matthews, of Vancouver Main Street branch, will also come to this city. The local staff will now number six. It will be remembered that the Nicola branch is from today only open two days a week—Tuesdays and Fridays.

PRICE ELLISON HERE

An automobile party, consisting of Hon. Price Ellison, minister of finance and public works, of Vernon; B. Featherstonhaugh, of Summerland; G. H. Broughton and F. Jackson, of Penticton, arrived in town early Sunday morning. Mr. Ellison had little time to spare, but made an early morning inspection of the new school building and other public works going on in and about the city. The party left by the 12.35 train. S. E. Van Hise drove the party over and left town Friday for home.

MARRIED IN VANCOUVER

Robert Fairfoull, pit boss at No. 2 mine, Middlesboro, returned on Tuesday evening, after a fortnight's trip to the coast. Mr. Fairfoull, who has been a boarder at the Grand Hotel for a considerable time, did not journey to Vancouver in vain. While away he was married to a most estimable young lady. Mrs. Fairfoull did not accompany her husband to Merritt on Tuesday, as she had quite a number of friends and relatives to visit. She will join him at an early date. The newly wedded couple have many well-wishing friends here. They intend to take up their abode in Merritt.

SHOOTING OUT OF SEASON

Before Magistrates Cleasby and Boyd, on Tuesday morning last, Thomas Brown was found guilty of shooting a partridge out of season and was fined $5 and costs. Brown stated that he mistook the partridge for an owl.

The case against J. S. Morgan for having the bird in question in his hunting-bag was dismissed.

Provincial officer Vachon was the complainant. The provincial police are determined to lessen the too common practice of shooting out of season.

[Query: Should a man who cannot distinguish between an owl and a grouse be permitted to carry a loaded gun?

CHURCH NOTICES

ANGLICAN CHURCH

On Sunday, Sept. 3rd, services will be held at Nicola, 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.; in the St. Michael's Parish Hall at 3 p. m. The Rev. J. Thompson will officiate.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

On Sunday, Sept. 10th, at 10 a. m., Mass, with first Communion of the children; at 2 p. m., Catechism and Holy Bible; at 7 p. m, Benediction and Rosary.

Rev. JAS. WAGNER, O.M.I.

Govt. Appoint Fair Judges

For the Live Stock, Poultry and Fruit Classes

President Strickland, of the Nicola Valley Agricultural and Horticultural Assn. received word yesterday, that the goverment had made appointments of judges for the live stock, poultry and fruits.

The appointment of judges by the goverment is deemed advisable so that there can be no doubt as to the fairness of decision.

Thursday next will be a gala day for Merritt. It will be the day of the second annual fall exhibition of the Nicola Valley Agricultural and Horticultural Asson. Last year the exhibition was a pronounced success. This year it will be a much greater success, as is evidenced by the general interest throughout the valley which is being taken.

The show last year created so much enthusiasm that this year's production is bound to succeed.

The entries will far exceed those of last year in all lines, and the numerous and variegated items upon the prize list are expected to greatly outstretch, numerically, and also qualitatively, those of September, 1910—and for a first fall exhibition it was generally conceded that Nicola Valley did herself proud in her "baby" attempt to encourage the industrial virtues of the section,

One of the special prizes that is attracting much interest and competition is that offered by the Nicola Valley Meat Market—a magnificent cup for the best garden display grown within a radius of one and a half miles of their store. Good prizes are put up for fancy work, etc., and the ladies are taking much interest. The little ones are not forgotten either; the News is giving good prizes for the best essays on "The Possibilities of the Nicola Valley."

The local band will be in good form—and, all in all, a perfect day of educational enjoyment may be looked for.

NARROW ESCAPE

Sidney Mearon had a narrow escape from drowning upon Sunday last. Sidney carries considerable excess baggage with him in the way of avoirdupois, and while wading in the stream of Ten-mile creek and casting his fly line about forty feet at a crack became so excited at the way the trout were jumping that his bare feet become in hostile contact with the small rocks of the stream, and, when endeavoring to get back to the shore, Mr. Mearon found the task absolutely impossible. His life was saved however, by his partner, Frank Barnes, of known athletic tendencies, who waded out and managed to carry Mr. Mearon safely to the shore.

Mesdames Barnes and Mearon also were in the party and the former — although upon the opposite bank, hurriedly brought Mr. Mearon's socks and shoes in order that he might not contract an undue attack of cold.

The party had as pleasant outing and bagged some 39 fine specimens of jrout.

Mrs. A. W. McVittie is leaving on Sunday on a visit to friends at Victoria.

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SPORTS

It is regrettable that such a laxity of interest is displayed in sporting circles in Merritt. Our desire is not to censure extremely but to suggest extremely. Why, with so many young men of athletic ability in our midst, should sports not be indulged in to a much greater extent? Why did Merritt allow the baseball cup to go over to Middlesboro by default on account of a not sufficient number of local players being present a week ago last Sunday to protect the interests of the holders of the trophy? The Middlesboro players were present in full force. All credit to them! They showed no cold feet; and we do not believe that it was cold feet on Merritt's part—simply lack of interest and enthusiasm in the sacred cause of sporting games, which condone so much towards upbuilding of the youth of land.

Why did not the meeting for the building of a skating and curling rink transpire? Apparently it was wanton lack of interest. These things should not be. When we, as a progressive community, encourage legitimate sports we at the same time are encouraging manhood—and, therefore, morality.

We understand, and with a grateful sentiment, that some of the young men of the town are determined to have some kind of a skating rink for the coming winter, even if they have to put up all the expenses themselves. This is a spirit which sounds good. The News heartily endorses such a sentiment, and sincerely hopes that the project will not fall through, as have so many others fallen in the past.

Election Items

SLATED FOR DEFEAT

It is generally believed that Hon. Wm. Templeman. Minister of Inland Revenue, is slated for defeat. Hon. Richard McBride when at Ottawa said without hesitation and without boasting that British Columbia would send a solid Conservative delegation to the next Parliament. What will become of Mr. Oliver is a question still in the lap of the gods, but he has been certainly discredited before the country by the recent hasty dissolution evidently decided upon for the express purpose of preventing any examination into the serious charges pending against the Minister of the Interior. —Prince Rupert Empire.

IN A TIGHT BOX

There is not much use of wasting powder and shot upon Dr. Macdonald, Liberal canditate in Yale-Cariboo, for he is as good as defeated already: but it may be of general interest to know that this staunch advocate of reciprocity was present at the meeting of the Vernon Board of Trade, when on January 19th of this year it passed the following resolution unanimously:

"That the Vernon Board of Trade views with alarm the movement recently advanced by the grain growers of the prairies for reciprocity in natural products with the United States as such adjustment of the tariff would be a material disadvantage to the fruit growing industry. which is still in its infancy in this province. This meeting is strongly of the opinion that no reduction in the tariff should be permitted by the Dominion Government.

And it is further resolved that copies of this resolution be wired to Sir Wilfred Laurier, Hon. W. S. Fieldeng, Hon. Sidney Fisher, Senator Bostock and Martin Burrell.

And it is further resolved that in the opinion of this meeting the tariff on lumber should be left unchanged."

It is only fair to Dr. Macdonald to say that he stated at the meeting that he was in favor of the principle of reciprocity as a general proposition. The value of the incident is that it affords proof out of the mouth of a Liberal candidate that the admission of fruit into British Columbia free of duty would be injurious to the fruit industry in this province.—Victoria Colonists.

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

President Warren of K. R. V. railway prophesies that trains will be running into Coalmont by November.

The minister of the interior has recommended the granting of s suitable tract of land near Kamloops for the purposes of a military rifle range.

A particularly delicate operation was recently performed at Nelson, when Drs. Rose and Hartin succeeded in removing from the throat of a ten-months-old baby a safety pin which it had swallowed opened.

Arrangements have been completed by the Provincial Government for the shipment from England of 23 red deer, which will form the nucleus herd from which it is proposed to stock Vancouver Island and a portion of the mainland coast district.

The Hope News and Gold Trail has been purchased by the publisher of the Hope-Steamboat Nugget, who has changed the name to the West Yale Review, which will be a district weekly newspaper covering all the field between Agassiz and North Bend

Of ten men drowned in the Fraser between Saddle Rock and Hope within the last month three bodies have been recovered to date. Inquests have been held by Dr. Stewart, coroner, of Mission. In each case the verdict was accidental drowning.

The C. N. R. will have steel laid into Hope before Dec. 1. The end of the rails is now at Mount Lehman. All the bridges west of here are built except at Silver Creek. The pile-driver is now at St. Elmo, ten miles west. There ore 12 construction camps between here and Yale, one belonging to McGillivray. Brothers, sub contractors, of Vancouver all the rest under the contractors, Palmer and Henning, of Spokane.

C. Camsell, of the Dominion Geological Survey Department, is in Hope. His staff is at present in the valley of Siwash Creek. A geological map of both shores of the Fraser, from Hope to Yale is to be made. No such map has been made for many years and the old ones have been found inaccurate.

Spences Bridge is enjoying a good sized boom just now and will soon be a hive of industry. Grant Smith & Co. have been rushing in materials for construction work for the past month and the actual work will begin there this week. Saturday a poweeful steam shovel was ferried across the river and placed in position.

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LOCAL AND DISTRICT

Mrs. J. Hutchison leaves Sunday on a trip to Victoria.

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Ragular meeting of the city council upon Monday evening next.

F. G. Paige left Thursday morning on a business trip to the coast.

Mrs. Alfred Collett paid a visit to friends at Lower Nicola on Friday last.

BORN: — On Sunday, August 27th, 1911, to Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Harrison, a daughter.

F. A. Reid & Co. have just received a full shipment of the famous Stanfield underwear for men. All sizes and weights.

Mrs. R. M. Woodward and Mrs. Brown, of Lower Nicola, visited friends in the city on Monday.

G. M. Gemmill returned by Sunday evening's train from a couple of weeks' visit to his parents at Pilot Mound, Man.

The Sunshine Theatre was closed down a couple of nights last week, owing to the absence of electrical power.

James Netherton, employed on the K. V. Railway, is building one of the finest houses on the Diamond Vale Townsite. He expects to have it completed in about a month.

Otto Nitze returned on Wednesday evening from a week's holiday at the coast.

C. S. Silverton, of Trail, was in town Wednesday and Thursday. He is looking for a ranching site in the valley.

Principal Malcolm McKenzie of the local school returned last week, after his six weeks' vacation spent at coast points.

Messrs. Pervue and Hayward, the telephone and telegraph experts, have got started upon the thirty-mile contract they have received from the Kettle Valley railway.

Robert Nixon and Wm. Green left on Monday for Coalmont, where they intend investigating the coal mining possibilities of that section.

Bert Goodisson, who, in partnership with Frank Mansfield, controls the up-to-date hostelry at Granite Creek, has been on a trip to the coast and through the Boundary country.

Miss Evelyn Brown left for Lower Nicola Thursday morning to take up her duties as teacher in the school there. She was accompanied by her mother who will spend a few days at Lowar Nicola. —Summerland Review.

E. Elliott and wife and Mesdames Miller and Piper made an automobile visit to Quilchena Tuesday. They were the guests of F. Brady of Victoria, who has been here for the past few days advancing the interests of his firm of soda water manufactnrers.

Teddy Mayhew left on Friday for Granite Creek, and does not contemplate returning until the winter's stake is corraled.

Alex. Hoggan and son Johnnie are spending a couple of days duck hnnting at Lumlum lakes now that the season has opened.

A. W. McVittie returned on Wednesday from a surveying trip up Coyote valley way. He was accompanied upon the trip by Frank M. Coffee. Mr. McVittie will survey other prorerties in the district within the next few weeks.

Messers T. J. Behan and J. Staunton of merritt, were in town on Saturday, in connection, it is understood, with the contracts for the Kettle River Valley Railway. They went up the lake Monday morning.—Penticton Herald.

John E. McNeil is laid up with a slight attack of pneumonia. Mr. McNeil. who has been a resident of the valley for five or six years is at present employed at Middles boro. His numerous friends will be pleased to know that his condition is not considered at all serious.

R. J. McGregor has completed a fine sign on each side of the McDonald block for the F. A. Reid Co., which firm occupies the whole of the lower floor. Mr. McGregor has also completed the painting and decorating of the Eastwood block on Quilchena Ave. Both are creditable pieces of work.

J. G. Lotious, of Chicago, and interested in the Stock Exchange there, passed through the town on Tuesday on his way to inspect some mining properties throughout the Nicola and the Similkameen in which he and his American associates are interested.

Dan Sutherland, road superintendent, was in the city a couple of days early this week. He reports work progressing favorably and rapidly, and that the provincial works department have several projects in view for the construction and repairing of roads that will be a great benefit and convenience to the general public.

The Merritt brass band will be present at the Fair on Thursday next, and will certainly make itself heard to good advantage. The band will have a full corps, and is in excellent form. Leader R. S. Brown has arranged an excellent programme, which will be printed and distributed.

Best Electric Massage always on tap at Brown & Durham's barber shop. 25tf

J. W. Power, who is connected with the Nicola Valley White Pine and Lumber Co., of Canford is spending a few days on a holiday trip to Vancouver and Victoria. He reports that the work at Canford is progressing nicely and that 1,000,000 feet of lumber is already cut, even though the new mill—of which H. C. Meeker is manager—is not as yet completed

G. D. Turner, who has opened up a real estate office here in connection with the new Coalmont townsite, left yesterday for the home office at Coalmont. Mr. Turner is a member of the firm of Williamson & Turner, which company has placed the Coalmont townsite upon the market. Lots are going rapidly and quite a number have been purchased by local investors. There are only a limited number upon the market.

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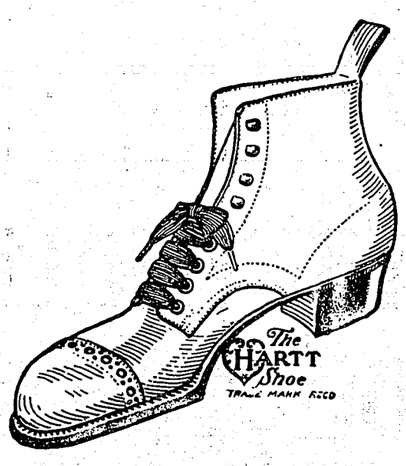
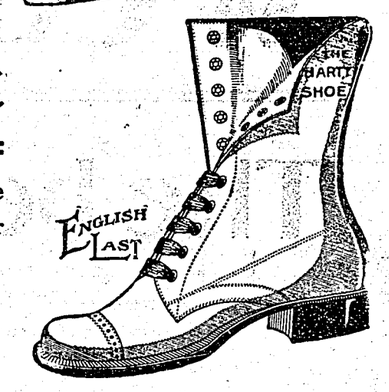


But they also have style and WILL wear

Many Shapes Any Style



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A customer of the News, who is entirely satisfied with the work of this office, wanted a job turned out quickly, and up to requirements, this week, and remarked, (over the phone) that if he could not get it done immediately, he would have to send it to the coast. The News has the equipment for turning out almost any job and entirely satisfied this customer; the job in question was one which few small offices can deliver. Without undue boasting, it may truthfully b e stated that this office can turn out any piece of job work to meet the requirements of any business man of the city.

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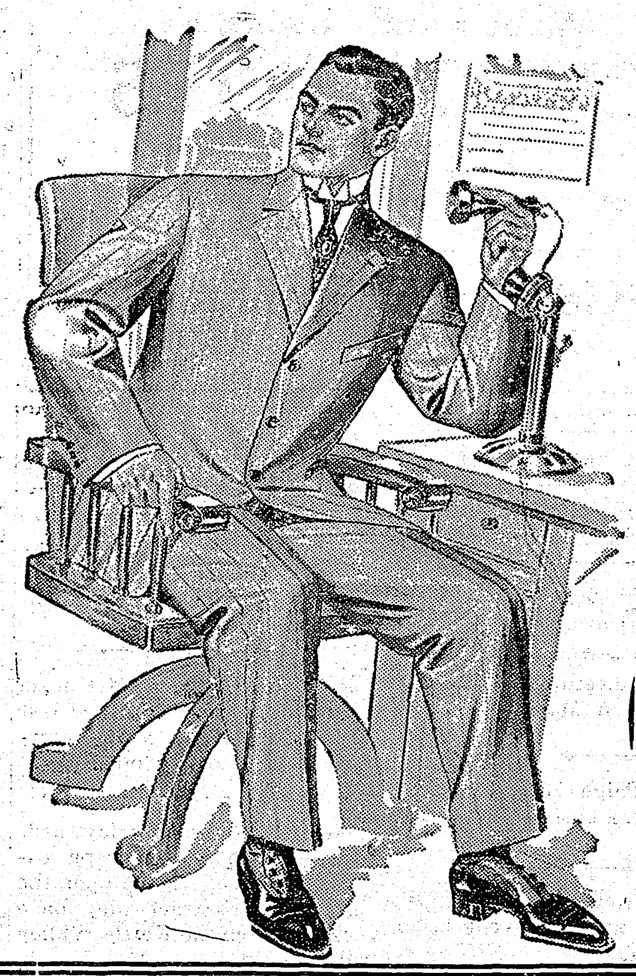

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MERRITT, B. C.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Messrs. Manson & Dryborough, of Merritt, have been appointed Scavengers for the City of Merritt, and no other person or persons are authorized or licensed to be Scavenger.

The prices fixed for Scavenger work by the Public Health Bylaw, 1911, are as follows:

(a) Raking or clearing up a city lot 30c per hour.
(b) Cleaning chimneys 50c each.
(c) Emptying cans or other receptacles 25c each.
(d) Emptying dwelling-house closets 50c per closet when not containg more than two receptacles.
(e) Emptying hotel or boarding house closets, when the average number of guests is 10 or less 50c per closet, and 25c additional for every additional five guests.

H. PRIEST,
City Clerk.

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FALL FAIR September 7, 1911

To the Citizens of Merritt and Whom It May Concern.

Having been requested by a large number of the prominent business men and citizens of the City of Merritt to proclaim a half holiday on September 7th, to further the success of the Nicola Valley Fall Fair, 1911, and believing that such half holiday will benefit the Nicola Valley in general and the City of Merritt in particular,

His Worship Mayor Eastwood is pleased to proclaim the afternoon of Sept 7th a Half Holiday, to be observed by the closing of all city stores between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 6 o'clock p. m., and hereby enjoins such Storekeepers to faithfully observe the said half holiday.

(Signed) I. EASTWOOD,
Mayor.

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Progress of N. V. C. & C.

(Continued from page one)

with the refuse from the washer.

The horizontal lump or run-of-mine distributing conveyor over the storage bins is 75 feet centres and has a capacity of 100 tons per hour, operating at a speed of 100 feet per minute. It consists of 312 feet of double strand steel roller chain having angle flights attached every second link. The conveyor trough consists of No. 10 steel trough in which are placed eight 36 x36 inch standard slide discharge gates, complete with operating mechanism.

By the above described plant the lump coal may be distributed into the various storage bins or loaded directly into cars from the head of the picking conveyor, the lump coal to be let down carefully into the cars.

The slack coal through 2 1-2 in. holes is discharged from the head of the slack conveyor into the raw coal feeding bin in the coal-washing plant, and from this bin the coal passes into a standard Stewart Jumbo jig, from which it is gathered into a standard No. 4 Luhrig perforated bucket elevator having a capacity of 10 tons per hour, operating at a speed of 20 buckets per minute. From the head of the refuse elevator the refuse flows directly into a refuse chute or hopper on the outside of the building, whence it is distributed as desired.

This clean or washed coal passes over the top of the Stewart jig and is flumed in the washed coal sluice to a 5-foot diameter by 8-feet long. revolving draining screne. This screne is made up of 1-4-inch steel plate with 5-16-inch round perforations and designed with pully arm cast iron spiders, mounted on 3 15-16-inch solid steel shaft complete with heavy rigid pillow blocks, special hanger box, with shrunk thrust collar and 45 degree No. 10 steel receiving cone. This draining screen is the de-watering screen of the coal washing plant and takes out the fine coal and water from the washed coal product. The material and water passing through the draining screne, drops into a Roberts & Schafer Co.'s standard, frame-constructed settling tank, approximately 20 feet square at the top and 14 feet high. The fine coal from this tank is gathered or hoppered into a standard No. 7 Stewart washed-coal perforated bucket elevator. This elevator is 49 feet centres and has a capacity of 40 tons per hour, operating at a speed of 20 buckets per minute, the moving parts being mounted on a trussed elevator frame of wood construction and the chain sliding on 3x4x3-8-inch angle iron chain guides.

The washed slack discharges from the head of this elevator directly on to a washed slack bin, from which it passes over box car shutes into box cars for shipment on the loading tract. The over-size coal passing throngh the draining screne, that is the material passing over 5-16-inch and through 2 1-2-inch holes, discharges directly by gravity into a No. 7 Stewart perforated bucket, nut coal elevator; 47 feet centres, this elevator operating at a speed of 20 buckets per minute, having a capacity of 40 tons per hour. The washed nut coal discharges from the head of the elevator into a 6 foot diameter by 4 feet diameter by 12 feet long heavy, conical revolving screene with 1-4-inch perforated plate jacket, having 3 1-4-inch round holes. The screne is mounted on a 4 1-2-inch screne shaft with four cast iron spiders, complete with thrust collar bearings, No. 10, 45 degree receiving cone, etc., with 90-inch diameter, 2-inch P driving gear. This screne makes washed pea and nut and discharges each into separate bins, telegraphing the nut coal to the bottom on spiral telegraphs of cast iron to prevent breakage.

All the washed coal slack, pea and nut may be by-passed into lump conveyor which, with the picked lump, would make mine-run and place same in bins, or load out into cars from the head of picking conveyor.

The coal-washed plant is equipped witn a No. 6 American Well Works centrifugal pump and the necessary piping circulating the water in the washery, drawing same from settling tank and pumping this water into the water tank back of the Stewart jig.

The power for the tipple and washery machinery is to be 10x 1-inch twine-coupled heavy-duty throttling steam engines, capable of 90 horse-power, operating at a speed of 175 revolutions per minute at 40 pounds mean dffective pressure.

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Good accomodation for horses. Express meets all trains. Buggies for hire.

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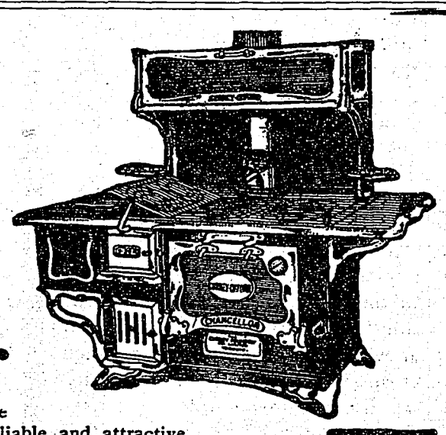

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The Broiler Top—the strong oven door, are excellent features—and these all combine with attractive designs in wide variety of size and price.

You are earnestly invited to come and inspect the Gurney-Oxford line—for the good of your purse, your health, and "all the comforts of home."

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Nicola Valley Agricultural & Horticultural Association

Second Fall Exhibition Thurs., September 7

At MERRITT, B. C.

LARGELY INCREASED PRIZE LIST.

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MERRITT CITY BAND WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE.

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Most people, in looking for an investment, want to place their money where they are reasonably sure of a good return.

If the investment is to be made in Town property there are several things to be considered, viz., the situation of the town; the climatic conditions; transportation facilities, and primarily the monthly payroll.

When questions are asked regarding Coalmont, they may all be answered to the credit of the town. The situation and climatic conditions are ideal. We all know that so far as climate is concerned, "Similkameen Valley" is a name to conjure with. The main line of the V. V. & E. Railway runs through the town on its way to Vancouver. Tracklaying from Princeton is in full swing.

And what about the payroll?

The Columbia Coal & Coke Co. operating here have a veritable storehouse of high-grade bituminous coal, which will be extracted by the most economic methods known to the mining world. They are installing immediately a plant which will handle 2000 tons in eight hours. Will it not take between 800 and 900 men to handle such an output? Figure out the amount of money which such a payroll will circulate monthly. Remember also that the size of the townsite is limited, necessitating a centralization of business. Only a few hundred lots are to be sold and they are being placed rapidly. Take the opportunity now of getting in at the beginning; a few weeks more and the chance may have slipped by.

Prices range from $175.00 to $550.00. Quarter cash and balance over a year and a half. If you wish to make a reservation send a deposit. We will make allotments in the order they are received.

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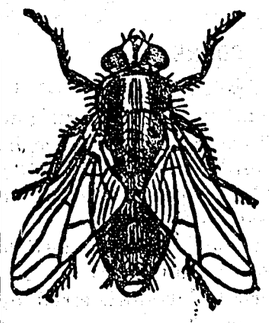

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are hatched in manure and revel in filth. Scientists have discovered that they are largely responsible for the spread of Tuberculosis, Typhoid, Diphtheria, Dysentery, Infantile Diseases of the Bowels, etc.

Every packet of

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will kill more flies than 300 sheets of sticky paper.

NOTICE

The BANK OF MONTREAL begs to announce that on and after Sept. 1st, their

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will be open

Two Days a Week Only--Tuesdays and Fridays

LOCAL AND DISTRICT

A Board of Trade meeting is scheduled for tomorrow evening.

The young Misses Armstrong have returned to school at All Hallows' College, Yale.

A special meeting of the Knights of Pythias will be held in the Reid building on Sunday afternoon next.

Wm. Henderson of Vancouver, has arrived in the valley to undertake some government road contract.

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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Victoria - - - Sept. 14

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Agent - Merritt, B. C.
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H. W. BRODIE
General Passenger Agent
Vancouver, B.C.

Mrs. J. W. Boyes and daughter, of Vancouver, are spending a few days in the town.

Wm. McIntyre returned Wednesday evening from a few days' visit to the coast.

Messrs. Boyd, Wm. Brown, and Chas. Graham left yesterday on a hunting trip up in the Mammette lake section.

Fowler & Larson, the contractors, are progressing rapidly with the new hospital. The structure will be a decided credit to the community.

Mrs. A. F. Rankine and child returned on Wednesday evening, after a two weeks' trip through the Okanagan country.

Jas. Mulligan. of the Kettle Valley railway line steel gang, arrived in town from the road on Wednesday. He goes over to the Pentieton end today.

T. H. Patterson passed through town Monday with a bunch of horses which he is taking into the Peace River country. Mr. Patterson came through overland from the Boundary.

Dr. Curtin, George McGruther and a party of friends are out trying to capture a bag of feathered game, now the duck season is opened. Several other noted nimrods have also disappeared.

Lieut.-Colonel Wadmore, D. O. C. the B. C. Horse was in the valley this week, inspecting the grounds and location of the new rifle ranges, which are proposed to be located upon the bench lands above Coutlee.

Considerable interest is being taken throughout the valley in the lacrosse game tomorrow at Westminster, between the champions and Vancouver. The local betting is strongly in favor of the Westminster aggregation.

Wm. Cooper returned last night from a business trip to Cloverdale, Vancouver and Victoria. While at Vancouver he visited Mrs. Hygh and G. N. Bennett and wife, who are well-known locally, besides numerous other friends. Mr. Cooper, who is rapidly progressing with the work of building the fine new local school, also has the contract for school at Cloverdale, upon which good progress has been made.

CORRECTION

In the Special Prize List of the Nicola Valley Agricultural and Horticultural Society, the special prize given by the Nicola Valley Clydesdale Horse Association should read as follows :—

The Nicola Valley Clydesdale Horse Association offers the following prizes for stock sired by Rose Emperor :

For best colt foaled in 1911, $5 ; $2.50.

For best filly foaled in 1911, $5 ; $2.50.

For the best group consisting of colt or filly foaled in 1911, yearling and two-year-old, either geldings or fillies, $10 ; $5.

TAKES IN PARTNER

Owing to the stress of business which has been occupying the undivided attention of Andrew Hoggan of the City Hotel, he last week came to the conclusion that it would be advisable to take in a partner. This he has done, the name of the partner, who has bought out a half interest, being Toins Johnson. Mr. Johnson has been connected with the mines at Middlesboro for over a year and is very popular with all who have made his acquaintance.

Messrs. Hoggan and Johnson are certainly assured of making an unqualified success of the City hostelry.

VAUDEVILLE SKETCH

The Sunshine Theatre will put on an extra vaudeville sketch next week. The sketch will be of the up-to-the-minute order and ought certainly tend to increase the patronage of this popular amusement resort. As soon as the individual dynamo is installed the "Sunshine" will show as good pictures as can be seen anywhere.

DYNAMITING AT BLAIRMORE

After experiencing the coal miner's strike of nearly five months' duration, the first disturbance to occur in any part of the district affected by cessation of work at the mines took place at one o'clock Saturday morning when a cottage occupied by Austrian miners was dynamited. The explosion was caused by dynamite placed on the window sill on the outside part of the house and the end of the building was badly shattered, but fortunately the other end of the house, where the miners' families were sleeping, was not damaged.

The explosion is believed to have been the work of miners who bitterly opposed the working of Austrians at the mines until the operators agree to the terms of the union. Hundreds of apectators surrounded the wrecked building. Four mounted policemen were added the the force there Saturday, and every effort is being made to bring the guilty persons to justice.

WATER NOTICE

We, the Kettle Valley Railway Company, incorporated by Act of the Dominion of Canada, with head office in British Columbia, at Penticton, give notice that on the 26th day of September, 1911, it intends to apply to the Water Commissioner, at his office in Nicola, in the County of Yale, for a license to take and use four cubic feet of water per second from Summit Creek, a tributary of the West Branch of Otter Creek, in the Yale Division of Yale District.

The water is to be taken from the said Creek about its mouth, about four miles East of the Coldwater River, and is to be used on the pre-emption claim of Henry Brooks on the said West Branch of Otter Creek and on the applicant Company's right-of-way, for industrial purposes.

THE KETTLE VALLEY RAILWAY COMPANY,
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A.F.&A.M.

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