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## THE FIRST CAMPAIGN MEETING IN MENZIES' HALL TONIGHT

### Coalmont Will Have Coke Ovens

#### Two Hundred Ovens to Be Installed Next Spring

On Monday W. L. Parrish, secretary of the Columbia Coal and Coke Company, a close corporation controlling a coal basin of sixty-four hundred acres, at Coalmont, near Granite Creek, arrived in the city en route to his home in Winnipeg. In conversation with the News Mr. Parrish gave some interesting details as to the progress of development work at Coalmont.

"Our main tunnel," he said, "is now in fourteen hundred and fifty feet. This tunnel is seven by eleven feet. It was started about fourteen or fifteen hundred feet above the level of the river, and we expect that by the time we are able to ship coal we shall be taking out two thousand tons every day from that tunnel. Then we contemplate starting another tunnel about six hundred feet lower down the hill into another seam. We have a diamond drill at work now prospecting west of the first tunnel. This is down about one hundred feet."

"Are you going to install a coal washer in your tippie?"

"The contract for the tippie, which should be ready by the time we are ready to ship, has been let to the Schaeffer Company of Chicago, the same people who have the contract for the installation of the new tippie at Middlesboro for the Nicola Valley Coal and Coke company. It will be an up-to-date tippie in every respect."

"Do you intend to install coking ovens?"

"Yes. They will be put in between the track of the V. V. & E. railway and the Tulameen river."

"How many do you think you will install for a beginning?"

"We shall probably commence with about two hundred ovens."

"How about transportation?" was the next question. "Will the steel be laid on the V. V. & E. into Coalmont very soon?"

"There are about one hundred men busy on that work now," Mr. Parrish replied. "I was informed before I left there that the steel will be completed into Coalmont by the fifteenth of next month."

"About what will be the expenditure involved by the time you commence shipping?"

"When the coke ovens and everything else is finished I expect we shall have expended about three-quarters of a million dollars."

The News man then asked whether or not any stock would be placed upon the market. Mr. Parrish replied that the company has no intention of issuing stock at present; but he did not state that the close corporation might be floated into a public company in the near future at all. We gathered from his remarks upon this matter that while it is not improbable that a stock issue may be made some time in the future the members of the com-

pany feel that they need not hurry in the matter.

As to the possibilities of success attending the company's activities, transportation to the Boundary country is assured by the completion of the V. V. & E. The seams of coal are large and generally of a high grade of bituminous, a large part making excellent coking coal. So conservative an engineer as Mr. Camsell, of the Dominion Geological Survey, estimated the coal in sight at one hundred and eighty million tons; and that estimate is much smaller than those by private engineers.

It is rumoured that a large smelter is to be installed in the vicinity of the copper claims around Princeton, and should this be correct there is a certain market for large quantities of coke right at the ovens almost.

The coal is easily mined and there is no doubt that under competent management a stock company should be able to make large profits. If floated into a public company the present syndicate could offer the public the inducement of a going concern.

### Smith-Clark At Kamloops

#### Well-known Local Residents are Married

On Wednesday last, at the St. Paul's Church, Kamloops, the Rev. Mr. Akehurst united in marriage Miss Hilda Smith and Thomas E. Clark. Both bride and groom are well-known in this city, where they have been residing for some time past; but it was not until the receipt of invitation to the wedding that their friends were apprised of their intention to get married.

The bride was attended by her sisters, Misses Lucy and Edith Smith, while the groom was assisted by Mr. Archer. The church was prettily decorated for the occasion, and a large number of friends of both parties assembled to witness the ceremony.

After the ceremony in the church the bridal party adjourned to the home of Mrs. Smith, on Battle Street. There a wedding breakfast was partaken of, after which the happy couple left on their honeymoon to Vancouver.

The gifts were both numerous and beautiful. Mr. and Mrs. Smith will make their home in this city.

#### Fish Ladder at Canford

The Nicola Valley Pine Lumber company have completed the installation of a fish ladder at their dam across the Petite creek. This was inspected by Fisheries Inspector Edwards during the week and approved by him. The salmon are now able to get up their spawning grounds without much difficulty.

#### MARRIAGE

At Nicola, by the Rev. George Murray, M. A., on August 18th, Margaret Anna Watson to George Mathieson, both of Fifeshire, Scotland.

### Contract Has Been Awarded

#### For Construction of Kamloops Yellowhead Section

The contract for the balance of the Canadian Northern line from Kamloops to the British Columbia boundary line where the rail head from the prairies now touches was let on Tuesday to the Northern Construction Company. Sub-contracts will be awarded for the entire distance by the latter company within a few weeks and tenders are now being called. The announcement was made by Mr. J. M. Mercer, Vancouver manager of the Northern Construction Company, upon the receipt of a telegram from the headquarters of the Canadian Northern Railway Company in Toronto.

Roughly speaking the distance involved in this contract is in the neighborhood of 300 miles from Kamloops to the railroad west of Edmonton which is now at the boundary line between the provinces of British Columbia and Alberta. The contract for that part of the line from Hope to Kamloops was given over a month ago and has already been practically all subdivided among the railway constructing firms which have made Vancouver their headquarters for the past year. The long span to the Yellowhead Pass will now also be placed in the hands of the construction firms bids being at present invited by the Northern Construction Company.

This stretch linking up the two railroads east and west and thus connecting the Canadian Northern System from Ontario to the Pacific ocean is said to involve no great difficulties in the way of grading and steel laying, the work not being by any means so heavy as that through the Fraser River Valley, where heavy tunnel construction was necessary.

The contract calls for the completion of the grading from Kamloops to the provincial boundary in about two years. From Kamloops the route is along the North Thompson River to Tete Juane Cache and east through the Yellowhead Pass. For the greater portion of the distance northeast from Kamloops the railway will traverse almost unknown country, said, however, to be exceedingly fertile. The North Thompson Valley is wider than that of the Fraser for the most part and comparatively little tunnelling will have to be done, it is expected. There will be some rock work said Mr. Mercer, with steam shovel work and general team work.

#### NOMINATIONS

Saskatoon, Sask., Aug. 22.—E. N. Brunank of Dendurn, was yesterday afternoon nominated by the farmers of the constituency of Saskatoon as an independent candidate at the forthcoming election.

Winnipeg, Aug. 22.—The convention of Provincial Conservatives held at St. Boniface yesterday nominated Mayor J. A. F. Beau of St. Boniface to oppose Dr. J. P. Molloy.

Toronto, Aug. 22.—Rev. D. C.

Hossack, former minister of Deer Park Presbyterian Church, and Liberal candidate for the provincial riding of North Toronto, announced himself yesterday as an independent candidate in South Toronto against Mr. Claude MacDonnell (Conservative) and Mr. John J. Ward (Liberal). He opposes reciprocity and will advocate legislation to invalidate the Ne Temere decree. Dufferin Liberals yesterday nominated Mr. D. B. Brown of Orangeville to oppose Mr. John Best.

North Waterloo Liberals re-nominated Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King yesterday, while Dr. Sylvester Moyer of Preston was nominated in the south riding.

Montreal, Aug. 22.—The following list of Opposition candidates in Montreal district has been given out from Conservative headquarters here: Bagot, T. Marcell, Montreal; Beauharnois, J. C. H. Bergeron; Brome, H. G. Baker; Champlain, Vercheres, J. H. R. Rainville; Champlain, P. E. Blon-din; Grand Mere; Compton, F. Cromwell; Cookshire; Deux-Montains, A. Fauteux; St. Eustache; Drummond, Arthabasca, A. Gilbert; Stanfield; Hochelaga; Louis Godeere, Huntingdon, Dr. R. E. Walsh; Jacques-Cartier, F. D. Monk; Joliette, J. A. Cui-bault; Labelle, H. Achil; L'Assomption, J. L. Morin; Laval, J. E. E. Leonard; Ste. Rose; Maskinonge, A. Belmarre; St. Paulin; Missisquoi, Dr. Pichel, Sweet-burg; St. Ann's, G. J. Doherty; St. Antoine, H. B. Ames; St. Lawrence, G. F. Johnston; Pontiac, C. R. Brabazon; Portage Du Fort; Richelieu, A. P. Valais; Sorel; Richmond, M. Davidson; Grauby; Sherbrook, C. D. White; Soulanges, C. A. Lortie; St. Poly-carpe; Stanstead, C. W. Paige; Coaticook; Terrebonne, B. Nante; St. Jerome; Three Rivers; Dr. L. P. Normand; Vaudreuil, Delery MacDonald; Rigaud; Wright, L. Cousin Hill; Yamaska, Hon. J. A. Ouimet, Pierreville.

Hon. S. Fisher was renominated by Brome Liberals yesterday afternoon.

Vancouver.—Ald. H. Steuens was nominated as the Conservative candidate this evening.

R. G. Anthony, of the Willow Grange ranch at Canford, was in the city on business today.

Dr. T. V. Ctrtin paid a visit to mamette Lake during the latter part of the week. Early in the he was at Pike monntain.

H. W. Sutcliffe has been appointed returning officer for the Coutlee polling station.

Mayor Eastwood has been appointed returning officer for the elections in this city on September 22nd.

Walter Blake, a Nelson business man, is visiting Charles Falconer this week. He may decide to locate here.

L. Thompson was severely injured at his ranch up the Coldwater last week. While mowing hay the horses became frightened and bolted throwing him under the machine.

W. H. Armstrong, general manager of the Nicola Valley Coal and Coke company, arrived in the city accompanied by his secretary last evening. This morning he inspected the work being done on the new tippie and returned to the coast on this afternoon's train.



Alexander Lucas, M. P. P., who will speak at tonight's meeting in Menzies' Hall.

### Fall Exhibition Final Meeting

#### Directors to Complete the Final Plans on September 1st

President A. W. Strickland, of the Nicola Valley Agricultural and Horticultural Association, has called the final meeting of directors of the association, to complete the plans for the exhibition to be held here on the 7th of next month, for the afternoon of the 1st, which is this day week.

It is probable that some new special prizes may be submitted for consideration at the meeting. Strangely enough there appears to be a lack of interest evinced by the members of the various ladies' aids in the offer of the association to grant refreshment privileges to the highest bidder. There should be a considerable profit in this privilege for the highest bidder and it should be well worth the trouble of making a bid for. All bids must be in the hands of President Strickland by Sept. 1, at three o'clock.

A correction has been found necessary in respect to the special prizes offered by the Nicola Valley News. The interest aroused by the announcement of the competition has convinced the management of this paper that it will be desirable to divide the competition into two classes, viz.:—One prize for persons seventeen years old and over, and two for children sixteen years and under. For the elders the prize offered is \$7; and for the juniors a first prize of \$5 and a second of \$3. That the winning essays will be published in the News will enable local residents to familiarise themselves with the various aspects of agricultural industry throughout the valley; at the same time it will stimulate competition.

#### Telegraph up Coldwater

Messrs Purdne and Hayward, of this city, have taken the contract from Macdonell, Gzowsk & Co., for the construction of thirty miles of telegraph line up the Coldwater river to Brookville, the new town site, which is to be put on the market either this fall or early in the spring.

The contract stipulates that the telegraph line must be completed by December 1st; but the contractors have expressed their belief that they will have finished the work before the middle of November.

The members of this firm are well known locally, Mr. Hayward having been for some time superintendent of government telegraphs between this city and Summerland; while Mr. Purdne has been acting as his assistant for the past few months. Both are experienced men, and quite capable of handling large electrical contracts.

George Irvine went down to Spence's Bridge today to commence work on the contract he has taken for the finishing of the improvements which Mr. Clemes is making to his buildings.

### The Conservative Platform

Ottawa, Aug. 16.—Before leaving the city to begin his campaign on the hustings, Hon. R. L. Borden issued a statement pledging the Liberal-Conservative party to carry out the following policy if returned to power:

- 1.—A thorough reorganization of the method by which public expenditure is supervised. Increase in what is known as ordinary controllable expenditure from \$21,500,000 in 1896 to nearly \$74,000,000 in 1911 is proof of extravagance beyond any possible defence.
- 2.—Granting of their natural resources to the prairie provinces.
- 3.—Construction of the Hudson Bay Railway and its operation by an independent commission.
- 4.—Control and operation by the state of terminal elevators.
- 5.—Necessary encouragement for the establishment and carrying on a chilled meat industry.
- 6.—Establishment of a permanent tariff commission.
- 7.—Granting of substantial assistance towards the improvement of our public highways.
- 8.—Extension of free rural mail delivery.
- 9.—Extension of civil service reform.
- 10.—Granting of liberal assistance to the provinces for the purpose of supplementing and extending the work of agricultural, educational and for the improvement of agriculture.
- 11.—An improvement in the administrative policy.



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### A SHAMELESS CONTEMPORARY

But for the reflection which the publication of an article in the latest issue of the Phoenix Pioneer casts upon the Press of the province we should hesitate to drag from its mired obscurity that pamphlet. There is at least the satisfaction that we are pointing out to the public that such scavengers are rare in British Columbian journalism.

The editor of the Pioneer is evidently depressed by financial difficulties, and he ejects the following:-

"Dear Mr. Millar, we love your lawn tennis, but O you payroll! And where is that government advertising we were promised for our support?"

It seems incredible that anyone could have the audacity to advertise to the world that the editorial policy of his paper, which, however obscure, to a certain extent has an effect upon public opinion, and hence has certain obligations to its readers, could be moulded by the highest bidder. Surely the Press would be a pitiful spectacle were such conditions common!

Here is confirmation of Bruce's scathing indictment of C. H. Gibbons with a vengeance! We sincerely hope that the provincial government was not a party to the disgraceful offence alleged in the ungrammatical revelations of the editor of the Pioneer! The cause of Conservatism in Canada is too important to be injured by traffic with petty scavengers.

### SEEK AND YE SHALL FIND

Strange, is it not, how peculiarly ignorant the Liberal papers become when the effect of Reciprocity upon Old Country trade is mentioned? We append an instance, in which the News-Advertiser was forced to enlighten the World:-

"The World asks:

'Will the morning paper please show which items in the reciprocity agreement are hostile to the British preference?'

Why does the World persist in seeking from this journal information which can be obtained from the records? The names of articles in the reciprocity list on which the treaty reduces or destroys the British preference would fill a column or more. Here are some of them:

Brass bars, rods, strips, sheets or plates.

Iron and steel plates of many varieties.

Crucible steel wire.

Biscuits of many kinds, sweetened and unsweetened.

Pickles, sauces, etc.

Printing ink.

Cutlery—pocket-knives, pen-knives, scissors, shears, table-knives and forks and table steel, plated or not.

Bells, gongs and printers' rules. Bathroom fixtures and plumbers' wares.

Clocks, watches and their movements and parts.

Surgical dressings and appliances.

Plate glass of various kinds.

Motor vehicles, automobiles, etc.

Portland cement.

Fruit trees.

Canned fruits.

There are scores of articles besides these whereof we import more or less from Great Britain that are included in the schedule. In all these cases the margin is either reduced or destroyed."

Over twenty years ago Senator Sherman, of the U. S. Senate, announced his sincere conviction that one day Canada and the United States would sail under one flag, and that the Stars and Bars. His attitude was unanimously applauded in the States and he was hailed as a prophet. He wanted reciprocity as a means to annexation of the Dominion. Now, when the blustering Clark and Taft reiterated the same sentiments, and thus earned the approval of the American press, they "did but jest." Roosevelt is authority for the statement that Canada has the whip hand of the U. S. in natural resources, and yet when the President and Speaker expressed their convictions they hastily retract for fear of injuring their own cause in the Dominion.

Ralph Smith appears to be the only Liberal who has the honesty and courage to announce that he regards Reciprocity with favour because it is a step in the direction of complete Free Trade. Perhaps he has not yet gained the courage which characterized Sir Robert Cartright's attitude in 1891. But there is hope yet.

The news of the death of A. L. Belyea, K. C., who succumbed to a severe hemorrhage in office in Vancouver this week, will be received with great regret throughout the interior, where he was so well known and liked.

How can anyone reconcile Laurier's new attitude upon the question of trade with the United States with his attitude of three years ago, not to mention the stand he took in 1896?

### A GLORIOUS COUNTRY

Is What Colonization Agent Says of Northern B. C.

R. C. W. Lett the colonization agent of the Grand Trunk is preparing for another trip with a view to gaining further information in reference to the northern interior.

In connection with the former tour of the central portions of British Columbia. Mr. Lett set out from Edson and followed the surveyed line if the G. T. P. to Jasper Park, situated just northeast of the Yellowhead Pass. This beautiful natural park is 5400 square miles in extent. The scen-

ic grandeur of the magnificent territory is beyond the comprehension of the uninitiated, according to the agent who has made such exhaustive research. In the opinion of Mr. Lett, Mount Robson, the highest mountain on the B. C. side within a few miles of Jasper Park, should be included in this natural playground of central British Columbia. Within a few years this mountain district will be the mecca of mountain climbers and tourists. Just north of Tete Jaune Cache the party came across one of the most beautiful lakes in existence, and Mr. Lett named this mirror-like sheet of water Lake Helena. The mountain streams in this part of the province are literally teeming with fish, making that part of the country an angler's paradise. Five years ago the North Pacific coast was unknown land, except for the fleeting glance of a gold hungry traveller to the Yukon, and still less known was the interior of the central portion of British Columbia. Since the G. T. P. surveys, however, were pushed through, and vast areas of the very richest soil, with splendid climatic conditions, were revealed to the explorers, the prospects for a very large traffic through the settlement of this territory would seem alone to justify the construction of the steel highway now nearing

completion. Land seekers and mineral and timber prospectors are flocking in, and they add their tribute of praise for the marvelous possibilities of the country through the development of its agriculture and other natural and diversified economic resources.

M. L. GRIMMETT, LL. B.

Barrister and Solicitor  
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Solicitor for the Bank of Montreal

## FALL FAIR September 7, 1911

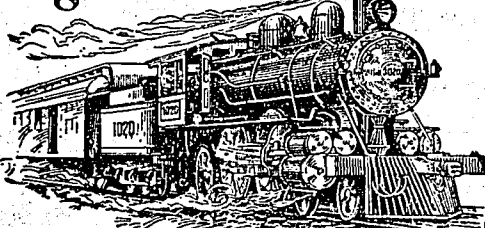
To the Citizens of Merritt and Whom it May Concern.

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.

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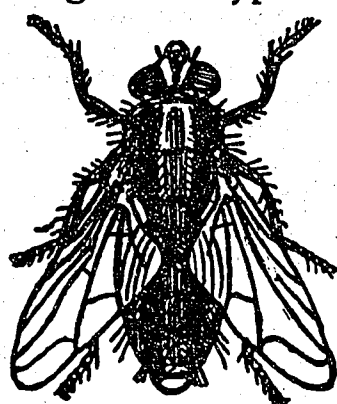
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### LOCAL AND DISTRICT

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Alderman F. A. and Mrs. Reid drove up to Quilchena for a holiday last Sunday.

Mr. Cooper was a visitor to the city from Canford on Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Slaugh went down to Vancouver on a holiday trip last Tuesday.

Mesdames Archibald McVittie and John Hutchison are staying at Nicola for a few weeks.

William Schmuck contemplates the purchase of a two-ton Kelly auto truck. He will probably place it in service between this city and Princeton should it arrive here in time.



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Mrs. J. A. McDonald returned from a visit to coast cities on Sunday evening. While away she visited Vancouver, Seattle and Victoria, in which latter place she was the guest of Mrs. James Lawler, who returned to this city with her on Sunday.

A. T. Horswell returned from a business trip to the coast, where he had been purchasing stock for the Coalmont Mercantile Company, which will be opened up next week in the new coal town on the Tulameen. He and his partner W. Abson leave for the south at the end of the week.

Last Sunday evening Edgar Vachon, chief of the local corps of provincial police, returned from his annual vacation. He witnessed the blast which destroyed the hopes of Vancouver for the lacrosse championship last Saturday afternoon. Vachon is a sadder but a wiser man.

Though his friends will regret his departure from the valley they will be pleased to hear that J. F. S. Gillum, formerly manager here for the Bank of Montreal, and latterly acting sub-agent at Nicola, has been promoted to the New Westminster office of the bank. Mr. Rush takes his place at Nicola.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Parrish, of Winnipeg, stayed in the city for a couple of days this week. With them were three daughters and two sons. The party have been spending two months at Coalmont. They left for Winnipeg on Wednesday's train. While in this city they stayed at the Victoria Rooms.

Dr. Schumaker, who purchased the gypsum claims of Robert Henderson recently, has been kept busy superintending the development of the deposits. Gypsum has been shipped from the property at the rate of a car a day—from twenty to thirty tons to the carload—for the past few weeks. The doctor states the prospects improve as development progresses.

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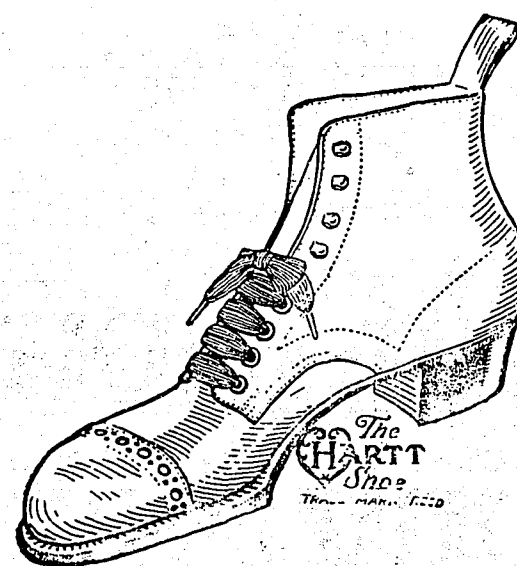
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QUILCHENA AVENUE

Robert Clark and Frank Jackson were in town on business during the week.

James Chapman, a pioneer of Lower Nicola, who has been in the city visiting his son Jack and renewing acquaintanceships for the past week, left for Lower Nicola on Wednesday. Today he left that town for Victoria, where he stays with Mr. and Mrs. Dan McInnes. In spite of his years Mr. Chapman looks hale and hearty, and expects to return to the valley some time in the near future.

Dr. K. C. MacDonald, Liberal candidate in Yale-Cariboo in the coming election, is in somewhat of a predicament over the Reciprocity question. When the proposed tariff changes were announced first, some months ago, he was one of the members of the Vernon Board of Trade, who passed a resolution denouncing Reciprocity as a menace to the development of the Okanagan. Now he is stumping the country for Laurier and Reciprocity.

Last Friday, at Nicola, Rev. George Murray consummated an interesting romance when he united in marriage Miss Margaret Watson, of Kirkcaldie, Scotland, and Mr. George Mathieson, of this city. The bride arrived here from her home last week. That the ceremony was performed at Nicola was due to her desire for a quiet marriage. She was attended by Miss Kate McKeating, while the groom had the support of Thomas McKinney. After the wedding the happy couple left on their honeymoon trip to Quilchena. Upon their return to this city their numerous friends treated them to a charivari. Mr. Mathieson is well known here, having been a resident for a year and a half.

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## Listen Girls! Plain Hobbles!

Autum Sees the Fall of the Ban  
From Fashionable Freak

Who may understand a woman's ways, or follow the whims of Fashion?—Not the News, 'faith! Though we know how the ladies—poor things!—devour such items as will contribute to their maintenance of the spirit of modernity. Of course, we know that they look charming in anything; and that the most ultra freakish modes become them all; still in these quick changing days Dame Fashion's modes are ever-changing and tax tired brains to understand and weary eyes to follow. We are nothing if not chivalrous, so we proposed to follow the course adopted in the spring and post our ladies upon the prevailing styles.

It was therefore but natural that we should watch for the return of Miss Marriott and learn the latest, and the worst. We found her on Monday evening, shortly after eight, seated in her sanctum, before her eight bonnets—which resembled nothing so much as soup tureens reversed—and beside her three young ladies, all gazing in rapture at the head-gear and listening to a soliloquy upon the modes of the moment. We hated to disturb the picture, but Duty compelled an interruption. So we took the plunge.

"The latest news from the bargain counter battle line, please." We commended and were stopped with a glare. We have a hazy recollection, of four indignant pairs of eyes boring us, flashing scorn, contempt and many other things disconcerting and humiliating. Tongues hissed knowledge at us. Bargain counters; Gentlemen, out of our bitter pain let us warn you never to suggest a bargain when styles are to be discussed; for it is not until the dog days that new styles become "bargains." We have a faint recollection that indignant ladies talked together, vying with each other to impress us with the fact that only "creations" come with the advent of the season. However, even the worst storm blows over some time, and though badly scotched we returned to the attack; but delicately, tactfully and with magnificent courage. "Pardon, ladies," we suavely begged, "I did but jest." Then blundered on. "What's the latest? How's the hobble, the harem and the horrah?"

"I presume you wish to learn something of the latest modes prevalent in the States? 'The words dropped like icy crystals from a refrigerator at forty below. As they struck our ears we froze, and when she had concluded just our lips could move to frame the words 'I do.'"

Chilled, we listen to the monologue, catching such words as pouce cafe, salmon pink, monssalains de soie, scrape the chin-or crape the chin—sequins, voile, melton jackets, reverses, gathered at the sides and trimmed with chiffon"—and so on. And as she talked the modiste warmed to her subject. She became alive with the enthusiasm of the artist, and sympathetically we thawed, until at last our brain was working and we bethought our pencils and our pad. If you but knew the "cult of the gown creator" is most fascinating. Take the most ingenious little thing apart, speak quietly and easily upon new styles recall creations you once have seen. Picture dresses trimmed with innumerable flounces, frills and furbelows; gaily discuss Dame Fashion's whim; and soon your tongue-tied vis-a-vis responds. Adroitly induce her to commence a dissertation, and soon, when you have to leave for the next dance, she thinks you charming, interesting and so nice. "Take our tip and the Ladies' Home Journal. Try this out

and become a lady-killer—not!

But we digress. Soon we actually became interested in the subject. And as we talked and talked we almost began to understand what it was all about. However, we did get news and submit it with our apologies for not getting more. We'll do better next time:—

Aeroplane hats are the rage. Some are broad and have low crowns. Others are narrow and have high crowns. Still others, of medium width, have no crowns. Now as to dresses: Reverses are wider than ever; collars are like capes; lots of buttons on the dresses, but none on the gowns; even buttons on the shoes to match those on the dresses; the favourite colours are myrtle green and brown, with a piping of red; No rats are worn in the hair, fringes are again a fad.

This season the hobble skirt is the predominant style. The skirt is improved by foot pleats. The gathering at the bottom is done away with, the skirt being now perfectly straight and plain and very short. For evening dresses the gathering at the bottom is retained.

Overcoats for ladies fit like kimonos? They have sleeves cut in the kimono style coming from the neck full width. The cuffs reach up to the elbows. Serges and tweeds are the commonest materials. The coats are buttoned with a large single button with a big braided frog, or loop. Shirt-waists have sleeves like men's shirts. They fit occasionally in spots.

Suits have rows of buttons on them, reaching from the head to the heels; even hats are trimmed with buttons, and shoes, to complete the general effect. Dresses, however, are trimmed with various braids. It may be added that braids and velvets as a trimming for dresses appear to be about equally popular. Velvet gowns are very popular for evening wear, so is mousseline de soir covered with chiffon.

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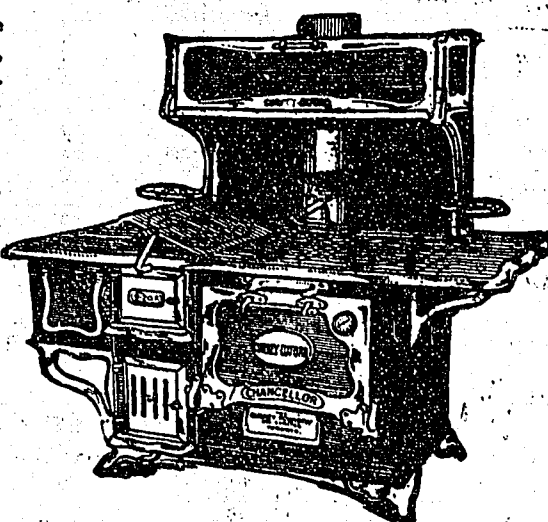
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CERTIFICATES OF MILITARY QUALIFICATION.—The following certificates are granted:

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"	Jack Smith	"	"	"
Corporal.	Murray, G. L.	"	"	Corporal.
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(Signed) CHARLES FLICK, Major,  
Commanding "D" Squadron, B. C. H.

## PUBLIC NOTICE Funeral at Lower Nicola

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:

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## Large Crowd Attends Obsequies of Harvey Woodward

The funeral of the late Harvey Woodward, brother of Marcus Woodward and father-in-law of Thomas Carrington, of Nicola, took place at Lower Nicola last Saturday afternoon, in the presence of a large crowd of residents from various valley points.

The service was conducted by Rev. George Murray, M.A., and Rev. C. F. Connor. The body was interred in the burial ground on the hillside above the church.

With the death of Mr. Woodward another pioneer has passed. Last spring William Voght died; then Mrs. Chapman, and now Harvey Woodward has gone. Deceased had been resident of the valley since his thirty-first year, and was well-known and liked not only throughout the valley but also along the Thompson Okanagan and Fraser.

## ASQUITH'S VICTORY

The Greatest Achieved by a Liberal Minister for a Century

London Aug. 24.—The report of the proceedings at Friday's session of the House of Commons, contains the announcement in formal official terms that a message has been received from the

House of Lords stating that the Lords would not insist on the amendments to the Parliament Bill which the House of Commons had refused to accept. The message further stated that the Lords agreed to the amendments to the bill proposed by the House of Commons.

In this way is recorded in the documents of Parliament the greatest victory achieved by a Liberal Prime Minister in a century. for although the Unionist voters passed the bill in the upper chamber last night, history will give the credit to Premier Asquith's audacious policy.

## CONSTITUTIONAL STRUGGLE ENDED

The great constitutional struggle ended when the House of Lords, by a vote of 131 to 141, adopted Viscount Morley's motion not to insist on the Lords' amendments to the Veto Bill, the purpose of which is to restrict the powers of the Upper Chamber over legislation originating in the Lower House, and which may result, among other things, in Home Rule of Ireland.

The Veto Bill virtually limits the authority of the House of Lords to two years.

The measure could not possibly have passed the House of Lords had it not been made known that its rejection would be followed immediately by the creation of sufficient new peers to enforce the will of the Lower Chamber, which the government asserts, is the will of the people. The victory was all the greater because it was achieved with a composite majority in the House of Commons over which the government whips had no control.

## SATISFACTION IS GENERAL

While there is a strong public opinion against radical change in the constitution, even many Liberal peers believing that the government was going too far, satisfaction is general that the end of a situation which has kept political in a turmoil so long has been reached. Press and public discussed the result today with moderation and already interest is turning to other matters. Certainly the recent riot has not done the Unionist party any good and in the future there will be always the possibility of discontent breaking out should the leaders show any weakness on a question of natural importance. However a strong effort is being made to bring the two sections together on a strong platform, among the chief planks of which will be the repeal of the Parliament Bill and the reform of the House of Lords bill.

The Earl of Selbourne, the only possible leader of the Unionists outside of Mr. A. J. Belfour, will rejoin the leaders under this policy and a majority of his followers and the bulk of the Opposition party will fall in line. The Earl of Halsbury, the most unrelenting of the "die hards," is now too old to take up the leadership of even a section of the party, and he probably will retire from active politics.

## HOME RULE QUESTION

The Irish leaders are confident that the way is now open to Home Rule, and from the statement of Home Secretary Churchill in the House of Commons, that the government intended to pass a Home Rule measure during the present Parliament, their confidence appears to some extent justified.

It must be remembered, however, that the Lords will still be able to delay the passage of such a bill two years, and they can be depended on to delay Home Rule as long as it is possible for them to do so.

At the earliest, the bill could not be introduced until next spring, and it will be strongly fought in the House of Commons. The Lords will then throw it out, and many months must elapse before it can become law.

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