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R. McGREGOR

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GUN CLUB SHOOT NEW YEAR'S DAY

Anyone With a Gun Eligible to Contest

The members of the Merritt Gun Club are to hold a big shoot at the traps for New Year's Day. The first events will commence at ten o'clock in the morning. The traps are located on the old Charters field, about five hundred yards southeast of the Diamond Vale stables.

The enthusiasm of the members of the club ensure that even without outside competitors the shoot will be a great success. The committee in charge of the shoot have been indefatigable in their efforts to procure prizes worth competing for, and a glance at the appended prize list will convince one that they have been successful.

There are many good gunmen in the valley who are not members of the club, but membership will be no bar to entry for any of the prizes. The members challenge all comers to compete. Following is the prize list:

Co-operative Society, Box of Cigars.

F. A. Reid and Co, Gents Tie.

G. B. Armstrong, Hunting Knife.

Capt. Stephenson, Pair Suspenders.

Simpson and Cranna, Cuff Links.

A. N. B. Rodgers, Pie Knife.

John A. Bland, Watch Fob.

J. S. Morgan, Pair Suspenders.

A. F. Rankine, Collar Box.

Alec. Hoggan, Two Boxes of Cigars.

Merritt Mercantile Co., Nut Crackers.

Mr. Galbraith, (Wood Vallance and Leggatt Traveller) Soup Ladle.

Diamond Vale Supply Co., Pipe and Case.

Mrs. N. J. Barwick came into town from Nicola this afternoon.

STOCKYARDS FOR MERRITT.

F. F. Busteed, general superintendent of the C.P.R., in a communication to G. F. Ransome states that an appropriation is to be included in this year's estimates providing for a stockyard to be built for local traffic. The superintendent did not state what amount would be asked for.

COSTLY SOUVENIRS.

The guests at the Coldwater hotel for Christmas dinner were presented by the manager, Murdoch McIntyre, as a souvenir of the occasion, with beautifully engraved and printed menu cards. The menus were made up in folder style. On the outside was a Christmas scene, engraved in green. Around the whole was an embossed ribbon, in which was set a sprig of holly, and beneath the ribbon, in gold, was the name of the hotel, with the name of the proprietor, and "Christmas, 1911," below. On the inside cover of the menu was an engraved Christmas bell, with a wreath of holly, beneath which, in scarlet, was the legend "May all your troubles of 1912 be no greater than your best moments in 1911."

The menu itself was printed in scarlet and black under the words "Christmas Dinner 1911" engraved in gold. The whole was bound in scarlet and green ribbons.

They were beautifully executed and costly souvenirs, the product of the News presses. The dining room was elaborately decorated for the occasion and a large number of guests partook of their Christmas dinner at the hotel.

K. V. INSPECTION

We wish to correct a slight error in our report of the inspection of the Kettle Valley Railway which appeared in our last issue. Mr. Forde's inspection was on the behalf of the Provincial government and had no connection with the C.P.R., having resigned from the service of the railway company a year ago to enter the Public Works department of the province.

S. & D. CLUB.

Last Tuesday evening a delightful surprise was prepared by the Dramatic committee for the club members. The surprise was in the form of a five-course dinner, the menu of which was written in French. The French name for toothpicks, for instance; caused some to order them under the impression that they were getting some delightful dish. Every dish was a "sell," so all were "stung." The members appreciated the humor of the thing immensely. The early part of the evening was spent in games and dancing.

COMMERCIAL CLUB.

R. J. McGregor has been busy this week on the interior decoration of the club quarters in the Eastwood block. The contractor's partitioning of the rooms was admirably done. It is improbable that the members will be able to take possession for at least another fortnight.

B.C. HORSE.

We are in receipt of a card of greetings from major Flick and officers of "D" squadron B.C. Horse. In the left-hand corner of the card are engraved the arms of the regiment. The officers are sending these to officers of other regiments in Canada and the old country.

SEPARATING CATTLE

Frank Jackson is busy today separating his cattle at the Hamilton ranch. He purchased the stock of the Tamerton ranch and will run them to his ranch at Stump Lake for the winter.

STOLE HORSE AND GOT SIX MONTHS

Too Late Willie Manuel Discovers The Error of His Ways

Magistrate Morgan sentenced Willie Manuel to six months vacation in the provincial hostelry at Kamloops, which is maintained for the morally sick, this week, and Willie was removed to the inland capital by Provincial Constable Vachon this afternoon. The cause of his downfall was a failure to see eye to eye with Max Eckar, of this city, in the matter of ownership of a certain animal, a horse to wit. In fact to state the facts baldly William appropriated a horse which was not his property, and has now received a six months rest in the Kamloops jail.

Constable Vachon also took with him, presumably for company, Messrs Johnny Hopper and Jimmy McLeod. The former will receive a certain amount of instruction in oakum picking. The course will occupy four months, and will be given under the immediate supervision of a government official, resident in the same boarding house as Johnny.

The latter will also take an undergraduate course in the same study. James' novitiate will extend over a period of four months also. His error was in supplying Johnny with the booze.

A fourth member completes Mr. Vachon's personally-conducted party. This gentleman will also become apprenticed to a trade in the government university—the Kamloops, not the Point Grey one.

NEW STATION IN VALLEY

The manager of the Nicola Pine Lumber Company is negotiating with the C. P. R. for a station to be put in at the point where the spur to the mill connects with the main line of the valley branch. Already quite a large townsite is growing around the mill and the increase in traffic should justify the railway company in locating a station at that point.

TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

The C.P.R. line men have completed the double-wiring of the line between Merritt and Spence's Bridge, and the latter point and Vancouver. An extra operator has been put on at the Bridge and it is now possible to get into immediate touch with the terminal city.

XMAS DANCE AT MIDDLESBORO

As predicted in these columns last week the Christmas dance given at Middlesboro on Saturday was a decided success. The members of the club spared no effort to make the evening as enjoyable as possible, and that they were successful was made fully apparent by the many complimentary remarks passed by the numerous guests.

The dancing room of the club was elaborately decorated in flags and bunting; the walls being covered with evergreens, and across the rooms being strung ropes of greens and Christmas ribands. In the centre of the room, suspended from the ceiling, hung a huge Christmas bell, done in scarlet.

At the end of the room on a scarlet background was the legend "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Middlesboro Society." By the entrance was a huge "Welcome" in imitation snow upon a crimson field.

Dancing commenced about nine o'clock and lasted until eleven thirty, when the first intermission for supper occurred. Supper was served in the boarding house. This showed the same careful preparation as in the hall, everything that could possibly be desired being supplied without stint. After supper dancing was resumed and lasted until the small hours. A feature of the dancing was a "flirtation two-step" which provided a great deal of amusement to all. The music was excellent and showed evident care in preparation by Messrs Smith, Brown and Bullen.

Those who had the pleasure of attending the dance are grateful to the club members for the most enjoyable evening of the season.

Among those present were :

Mesdames Graham (2), Bullen, A. Jones, Myers, McPhail, McKenzie, Kay. Welfare, Archibald, Brown, Smith, 2, McIhulty, and Misses Lina Baldwin, Edith Irvine, Jean Clark, Donegan, 2, McKenzie, McInulty, Smith, Macpherson, Jackson, and Sherwood. Messrs. Graham, Sherwood, Phillips, Elmore Thomas, A. Little, Fairfoull, Sharpe, 2, Bullen, Smith, 3, Donegan, 2, King, Bradley, Vincent. Griffiths, McKenzie, Frank M. Coffee, W. Clapperton, Perdue, Laird E. Pierce, Quinville, McPhail, 2, Brown, Leechman, Ross, Spears, Macpherson, and McInulty.

TRAIN WRECK AT LYTTON.

Canadian Pacific train No. 3 ran into a small rock slide seven miles west of Lytton at 1.20 o'clock Saturday morning. Due to heavy rain of Friday the rock and mud on the embankment slid down on the track. An inspector had passed over the track just before the slide occurred, so that he knew nothing of it until he heard from the train crew. Engineer Fee of No. 3 suffered a broken collar bone in the accident, but no other person on the train was injured. The train was eight hours late because of delays in the mountains.

FREEMAN—GREGORY

Last Sunday morning Rev. Father Wagner united in marriage Miss Mary Freeman and Walter Gregory, both of Princeton. Miss Angela Freeman and Maurice Gregory, sister and brother of the bride and groom, were witnesses. The party arrived from Princeton, where the bridegroom is employed as a surveyor, last Friday evening. After the ceremony they left for Vancouver on their honeymoon.

REALTY DEAL.

Messrs. Bert Smith and Nels Welch, proprietors of the O.K. Transfer, have purchased the ground and building occupied by their business. This property was formerly owned by Mr. Geo. Riches. The growth of the firm's business has necessitated an extension of their stables and to this end they have purchased the entire property from mr. Riches.

SKATING RINK.

Messrs. Gibbs and Vanhear, proprietors of the new skating rink, have been busy making ice during the cold snap. They are offering season tickets at reduced prices, which many are taking advantage of. It is to be hoped that local hockey enthusiasts will be able to open the season with a game on New Year's day.

MR. LUCAS COMING

Alex Lucas, M. P. P. for Yale, in a communication to Frank Coffee this week stated that he expected to arrive in this city on Thursday evening and wished to go into some matters of interest to his constituents. Unfortunately he was detained at the coast and it is uncertain whether he will be in town tonight or not. Mr. Lucas has just returned from Ottawa, where he interviewed the Dominion government on matters affecting his constituency, and it is understood that he was successful in his mission.

Miss A. Vair went up to Nicola last evening to visit friends.

A regular meeting of the W.A. N.V. General Hospital will take place at Mrs. Phillips' residence at 3 o'clock on Tuesday next, January 2. A full attendance is requested. Business: Nomination of officers, etc.

CONTEST CERTAIN FOR MAYORALTY

Two to Strive for Honors on Election Day.

With the announcement of Dr. Tutill that he will be a candidate for election as mayor of the city of merritt at the municipal elections on January 11th, 1912, a little vigor is injected into the local political situation. For some time it appeared that Ald. F. A. Reid would be elected by acclamation. Now there will be a refreshing change.

Unlike our contemporary the News never tries to straddle both sides of the fence at the same time. For this reason we are announcing that we shall support Alderman Reid at all times. Having had ample opportunity of observing the two men in their official capacity we find that Ald. Reid is the more efficient as a public servant. Hence, believing that the public demands efficiency in those who would serve it, we support the man who is better able to care for the business of the people.

Both candidates and their records are familiar to the electors. It is for them to decide.

For ourselves, we have no hesitation in stating that Ald. Reid, aside from his record as a business-man, appears to be the logical successor to mayor Eastwood. During the past nine months, as chairman of the finance committee of the City Council, he has not had an opportunity to show his ability as a chief executive. He has, however, clearly demonstrated that he is able to grasp the essentials of every question, to analyse it and suggest a means of solution. The city, owing to a defect in the Act under which it is incorporated, as stated some time ago, has been placed in a peculiarly difficult position during the past year. The finance committee by skilful adjustment of the ratios of expenditure have made it possible for the city to close its first fiscal year with a slight balance on the right side of the ledger.

Next week we shall analyze and compare the two candidates' records.

In the aldermanic field five names have been mentioned, of which the following are sure candidates: George Irvine, D. Crawford, Alec Gordon, Alderman Menzie. The first two will be candidates in East Ward and the latter two in West Ward. All of them are men in whom the electors may place the utmost confidence. The name of George Riches has been mentioned for the East Ward also, but he is as yet undecided as to whether he will run or not. It is to be hoped that he will definitely decide upon becoming a candidate, as he is well qualified for the office of alderman.

The News regrets to report the death of the little sister of Mrs. Elliott. wife of the deputy postmaster in this city, at the home of her parents in Salmon Arm on Thursday. Mrs. Elliott will receive the sincerest sympathy in her sad bereavement.

N. Peterson's new stable on Voght street is completed and he is commencing busicess immediately. He has purchased a complete stock of entirely new buggies, sleighs and vehicles of every description and is able to satisfy any customer. He will call his stables the "City Livery and Feed Stables."

Miss Whitmore, who is well known here, hopes to be able to enter the new hospital to train as a nurse. While here before, as a member of the local teaching staff, she made herself very popular, and it is to be hoped that the matron and board of directors will make it possible for her to again become a resident of this city.

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TARIFF COMMISSIONS.

Pending the appointment of a permanent Canadian tariff commission, and in connection therewith, it is interesting to see what is now taking place with regard to similar action by the United States. Recently the Democratic majority of the committee of the national House of Representatives, having the matter under consideration, voted for the indefinite postponement of a bill offered by a Republican member for the creation of a permanent tariff commission. It is reported in Washington despatches, however, that President Taft and Republican leaders in sympathy with him will not let the matter end here.

It is said to be the intention of Republican friends of Mr, Taft to offer amendments to the appropriation bill making provision for the continuance of the present so-called tariff board or for the creation of a new tariff commission. According to reports the Democratic majority of the House will refuse to make any appropriation of money for the President's tariff board, so that the body will be forced to go out of existence next June for lack of funds.

The Democrats might be justified in opposing the continuance of the President's tariff board if they made provision for a properly constituted tariff commission to take its place. The President's tariff board hangs on a very slender thread. The tariff act merely authorises the President to appoint "such persons as may be required" to gather information for his use in connection with that section of the Act which contains the maximum and minimum features. These persons are responsible solely to the President whereas a properly constituted tariff commission would be representative of Congress as well.

Tariff revision is one of the principal issues in American politics at the present time. The people appear to be tired of the continual juggling of this issue. they want intelligent action. The Democratic majority of the national House of Representatives made a favorable impression upon the country at the special session because it met in a frank and public-spirited manner the subjects arising for consideration. Thus far in the regular session, however, the Democratic majority and its leaders appear to be more intent upon playing politics than upon serving the American public.

Organs of public opinion in the United States are expressing the hope that the subject of a permanent tariff commission will be forced to a vote. The Democrats in control of the House will apparently make a serious mistake if they prevent the creation of such a commission at the present session of Congress.

The Italians of Montreal have bitterly resented the showing of moving pictures depicting the alleged cruelties of Italian soldiers in Tripoli. In one place where the films were on view, a crowd of young Italians rushed the theatre, tore down all the advertising signs depicting scenes of the war, routed the ushers, and fought their way to the proprietor, forcing him to stop the performance. The indignant Italians are asking the Italian consul to take the matter up, and they threaten to return and wreck the theatre if the pictures are again exhibited.

The first train on the new line to Port Alberni was due to run yesterday.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MERRITT

BY-LAW No. 10.

A By-law to raise Twenty thousand dollars, $20,000, for the purpose of purchasing land and erecting thereon a building for the purposes of a Fire Hall and for other Municipal purposes, and for the purpose of equipping such Fire Hall.

Whereas a petition has been presented to the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Merritt, signed by the owners of at least one-tenth of the value of the real property of the said City of Merritt [as shown by the last revised Assessment Roll] requesting the said Council to introduce a By-law to raise the sum of Twenty thousand dollars [$20,000] for the purposes of purchasing land and erecting thereon a building to be used as a Fire Hall and for other Municipal purposes, and for equipping such Fire Hall.

AND WHEREAS it is deemed necessary and expedient to grant the prayer of the said Petition.

AND WHEREAS for the purposes aforesaid it will be necessary to borrow the sum of Twenty thousand dollars [$20,000] and to issue debentures of the City of Merritt for the purpose of raising said amount.

AND WHEREAS the whole amount of the reteable land and improvements or real property of the City according to the last revised Assessment Roll is Nine hundred and forty two thousand four hundred and fifty three dollars.

AND WHEREAS it will be requisit to raise annually by rate the sum of One thousand six hundred and forty-four dollars and thirty-two cents [$1,644.32] for paying the said debt and interest.

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Merritt enacts as follows:—

1. It shall and may be lawful for the Mayor of the Corporation of the City of Merritt to borrow upon the credit of the said corporation, by way of the Debentures hereinafter mentioned, from any person or persons, body or bodies corporate, who may be willing to advance the same as a loan, a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of Twenty thousand dollars [$20,000] and to cause such sums to raised to be paid into the hands of the City Clerk of the said Corporation for the purpose and with the object hereinbefore recited.

2. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the said Corporation to cause any number of debentures to be made, executed and issued for such sums as may be required for the purpose and object aforesaid, not exceeding however the sum of Twenty thousand dollars [$20,000) each of the said debentures being of the denomination of One thousand dollars [$1,000] and such debentures shall be sealed with the Seal of the Corporation and signed by the Mayor thereof.

3. The said debentures shall bear date of the first day of March, 1912, and shall be made payable in twenty years from the said date, in lawful money of Canada, at the Office of the Bank of Toronto in Merritt aforesaid, and which said place of payment shall be designated in the said Debentures and which said Debentures shall have attached to them coupons for the payment of interest, and the signatures to the interest coupons may be either written, stamped, printed or lithographed.

4. The said debentures shall bear interest at the rate of Four and one half per cent. [4 1-2 per cent.] per annum from the date thereef, which interest shall be payable semi-annually at the said office of the Bank of Toronto in Merritt aforesaid, in lawful money of canada, on the first day of September and the first day of March respectively in each year during the currency thereof; and such interest shall be expressed in said debentures and coupons to be so payable.

5. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the said Corporation to negotiate and sell the said debentures or any of them for less than par, but in no case shall the said debentures or any of them be negotiated or sold for less than ninety per centum of their value including the cost of negotiating the sale, brokerage and all other incidental expenses.

6. There shall be raised and levied in each year during the currency of said debentures the sum of Nine hundred dollars [$900] for the payment of interest and the sum of Seven hundred and forty-four dollars and thirty-two cts [$744.32) for payment of said debentures by rate sufficient therefore on all the rateable land or improvements or real property in the said Municipality.

7. It shall be lawful for the said Municipal Council to re-purchase any of the said debentures upon such terms as may be agreed upon with the legal holder or holders thereof, either at the time of sale or any subsequent time or times, and all debentures so purchased shall forthwith be cancelled and destroyed and no reissue of debentures so repurchased shall be made in consequence of such repurchase.

8. This By-law shall before the final passage thereof receive the assent of the Electors of the City of Merritt in the manner provided by the 'Municipal Clauses Act' and Amendments thereto.

9. This By-law shall take effect on or after the twentieth day of January, 1912,

19. This By-law may be cited for all purposes as The Fire System By-law, 1912.

Done and passed in Council this day of 191 .

Take notice that the above is a true copy of the proposed By-law upon which the Vote of the Electors of the Municipality will be taken at the City of Merritt Court House, Nicola Avenue, on the eleventh day of January, 1912, between the hours of nine o'clock a.m. and seven o'clock p. m. for both the East and West Wards of the City of Merritt.

HARRY PRIEST,
City Clerk.

Election Notices

Corporation of the City of Merritt.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Merritt that I require the presence of the said Electors at the City Court House, Nicola Avenue, on the eighth day of January, 1912, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Mayor and Aldermen. The mode of nominating candidates shall be as follows:—

The candidates shall be nominated in writing; the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the municipality as proposer and seconder and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of this notice and 2 p.m. of the day of the nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary such poll will be opened on the eleventh day of January, 1912, at the City Court House, Nicola Avenue, for both the East Ward and the West Ward, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The qualifications for Mayor are: Such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of land or real property in the city of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of one thousand dollars or more over and above any registered judgment or charge and who are otherwise duly qualified as municipal voters.

The qualifications for Aldermen are: Such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years and are not disqualified under any law, and who have been for six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of land or real property in the city of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of five hundred dollars or more over and above any registered judgment or charge and who are otherwise qualified as municipal voters.

Given under my hand at Merritt, B.C., the twenty-seventh day of December, 1911,

HARRY PRIEST,
Returning Officer.

Nomination papers must be accompanied by the consent in writing of the person nominated

Corporation of the City of Merritt.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Is hereby given to the Electors of the Merritt School District that I require the presence of the said Electors at the City Court House, Nicola Avenue, on the eighth day of January, 1912, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of electing a School Trustee for the term of two years.

The mode of nominating candidates shall be as follows:—

The candidate shall be nominated in writing; the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the School District as proposer and seconder and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of this notice and 2 p.m. of the day of nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary such poll will be opened on the eleventh day of January, 1912, at the City Court House, Nicola Avenue, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The qualifications for Trustee are: Any person being a householder in the School District and being a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years and otherwise qualified by the School Act to vote at an election of School Trustees in the said School District shall be eligible to be elected or to serve as a School Trustee in such School District.

Given under my hand at Merritt, B.C., the twenty-seventh day of December, 1911,

HARRY PRIEST,
Returning Officer.

N.B.—The persons whose names are on the Voters' List of the City of Merritt and on the supplementary list of additional voters for the School District are persons qualified to vote or be elected as School Trustees.

Nomination papers must be accompanied by the consent in writing of the person nominated.

Corporation of the City of Merritt.

FIRE SYSTEM BY-LAW 1912, being a a By-law to raise Twenty-thousand Dollars for the purpose of purchasing land and erecting thereon a building for the purpose of a Fire Hall and for other Municipal purposes, and for the purpose of equipping such Fire Hall.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Merritt that a vote will be taken on the above By-law at the City Court House, Nicola Avenue, on the eleventh day of January, 1912, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

The persons qualified to vote on the said By-law are such persons as are registered property owners and whose names appear on the revised Voters' List of the City of Merritt as such.

Given under my hand at Merritt, B. C., this twenty-seventh day of December, 1911,

HARRY PRIEST,
Returning Officer.

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Eric Munroe, of the crew of H. M. C. S. Rainbow, spent Xmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Munro, of Nicola.

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Frank Jackson was in town on business during the week.

Del King spent Xmas with his father-in-law, J. Garcia.

Jerry Milne was in the city for the Xmas holidays.

Mrs. Shuttleworth, of Coutlee, was in the city during the week.

Charles L. Betterton returned from the States, via Victoria, on Wednesday and registered at the Victoria Rooms. He left for his ranch on Thursday afternoon.

Bob Wilkinson returned from Vancouver, where he spent Xmas, on Thursday's train.

Dr. C. S. Williams returned from the coast last night. He spent Xmas there.

Miss Zella Palmer returned to the city on Thursday afternoon. She spent Xmas with her mother.

C. Meeker, manager of the Nicola Pine Lumber company, was in the city on business during the week.

Duncan McPhail spent Xmas at Middlesboro as the guest of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Donald McPhail.

Dr. Curtin went down to Canford on Thursday.

A. B. Kennedy went down to the coast to spend Christmas. He left here last Sunday afternoon.

Miss B. Cousins left for Vancouver on Sunday's train. She will take up her studies in the Normal School and expects to return to this city after completing her course of study.

Mr. D. F. Broome and Captain Charles, of Canford, were in the city on business during the week.

E. G. Walker was in town for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George McGruther entertained Mr. and Mrs. Courtney at Christmas dinner on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Frank Hoy returned to their home up the Coldwater last Wednesday.

Perry Brooks returned to Lytton on Wednesday's train. He has been staying here for the past two weeks.

Captain and Mrs. J. Leader left for Vancouver on Wednesday. They expect to visit Victoria and Portland before returning.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. Priest had as their guests for dinner on Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. C. Hooper.

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Archie Little and Charlie Howse left on Wednesday for Los Angeles, where they expect to spend the winter. Charlie had to make a run of it to catch the train from this city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. McIntyre left for Nova Scotia on Wednesday. They will spend some time with Mr. McIntyre's parents and then leave for Scotland and Europe.

Invitations have been issued for a Leap Year ball to be given by the Merritt Social and Dramatic club in Menzies' hall on Monday night, January 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Harrison had Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Lobsinger and Mr. and Mrs. John Collett as guests for dinner on Christmas evening.

Misses I, and M. Seaton and Mrs. Kerr entertained a number of friends at a Christmas dinner at their home on Quilchena Ave. last Monday night. Those present were Mesdames Leitch, Kerr, Boyd and Misses I. and M. Seaton and Messrs Boyd, Costigan, Chapman, Phillips and Coffee.

At Nicola Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Howse entertained a large number to Christmas dinner at their home. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Howse (Princeton), Mr. and Mrs. F. Slough (Merritt) Magistrate and Mrs. J. P. Shaw (Vancouver), Capt. and Mrs. J, Leader and Mr. Stephen (Princeton.

Mrs. Albert Jones entertained a number of friends at her home on Nicola avenue last Wednesday evening in honour of Miss Edith Irvine, who has been her guest for some time past. The evening was passed in cards and games, a light supper being served at midnight. Among those present were Misses E. Irvine and Doris and Pertha McGoran; and Messrs. Parkinson, Phillips, Edwards and Coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. C. List returned from Revelstoke last week.

The Misses Erskine, of Nicola, went down to Vancouver during the week.

Magistrate Shaw, of Vancouver, was the guest of A. W. Strickland on Wednesday afternoon.

Beginning on Sunday, Dec. 31, service in the Presbyterian church will be held at 7 p.m. instead of 7.30 as formerly.

Among the rumors current lately is one to the effect "that HORNET of THE WEEK is a frizzle as an epigrammatist." The efficiency of an epigram depends upon the concentration of truth in it. His remarks anent the meeting which Mrs. Pankhurst addressed in Victoria were positively humorous—they were so inane.

CHURCH SERVICES.

ANGLICAN CHURCH.

Sunday, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve

Merritt—3 p.m., Evensong.

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Peck has resolved (now ain't it queer)
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Live a model life all the year;
Not taste stuff that'll create an inward fire—
Still, like others, you will find Peck a LIAR.

OUR LETTER BOX.

The Editor,
The Nicola Valley News,
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Dear Sir,—

In your issue of December first we notice the report of an interview with Mr. J. J. Warren, President of the Kettle Valley Railway company, in which the facts are so distorted that we cannot allow the report to stand without stating the true position of our town in its relation to the Kettle Valley Railway Company.

We enclose herewith a copy of their advertisement in the Penticton Herald which speaks for itself. You will note that it states —"railways and branches which it has been heretofore authorized to construct," which would plainly indicate that more than branches was meant.

The following peculiar statement is credited to Mr. Warren in the interview referred to; "We asked the Penticton city council for an approval of an application to extend the time allowed us to construct branch lines to Vernon and other points. This statement is wholly in error. No such application was ever made. On the contrary an application was made to the Penticton council to pass a resolution providing for permission being granted to the Kettle Valley Railway Company to apply to the legislature for a Private Act to validate certain by-laws in connection with an agreement between the town of Penticton and the Kettle Valley Railway Company. This resolution, after an amendment had been inserted for the protection of Penticton, was finally passed at a special meeting of the council on Wednesday November 30th, at which members of the Board of Trade and a number of the most prominent citizens were present.

We contend that under the circumstances the action of our Board of Trade in protesting against an extension of time was the only logical proceeding. We were guided by the statement of the Railway Company over the signature of their secretary.

Trusting that you will find room for this letter in the next issue of your paper, and thanking you in advance for the publication of same,

We beg to remain,
Yours very truly
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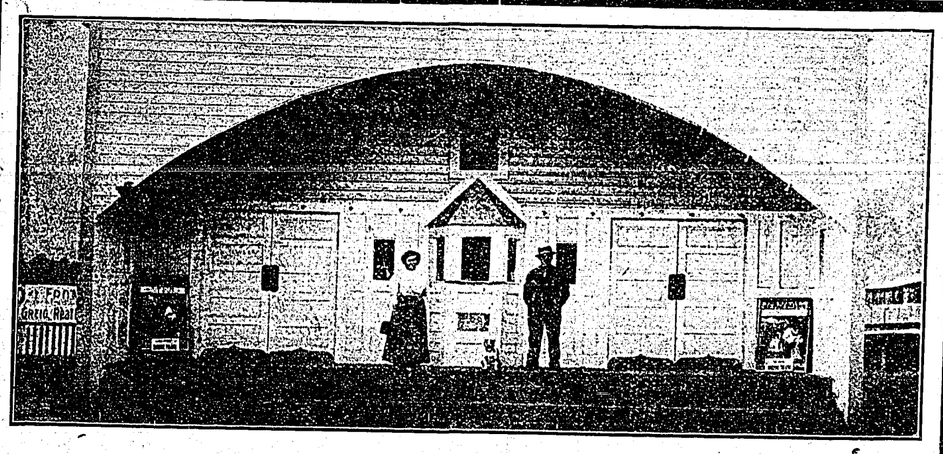

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LOCAL AND DISTRICT

Ronald Campbell spent Xmas in the Aspen Grove section.

C. M. Perfect of Aspen Grove went to Vancouver on business this week.

Major Charles Flick was in the city on business yesterday morning.

H. B. Armstrong, who was in town last week, spent Xmas with his parents in Vancouver.

Eric Munroe, of the crew of H. M. C. S. Rainbow, spent Xmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Munro, of Nicola.

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Howard Lawes is again in the city on business.

Frank Jackson was in town on business during the week.

Del King spent Xmas with his father-in-law, J. Garcia.

Jerry Milne was in the city for the Xmas holidays.

Mrs, Shuttleworth, of Coutlee, was in the city during the week.

Charles L. Betterton returned from the States, via Victoria, on Wednesday and registered at the Victoria Rooms. He left for his ranch on Thursday afternoon.

Bob Wilkinson returned from Vancouver, where he spent Xmas, on Thursday's train.

Dr. C. S. Williams returned from the coast last night. He spent Xmas there.

Miss Zella Palmer returned to the city on Thursday afternoon. She spent Xmas with her mother.

C. Meeker, manager of the Nicola Pine Lumber company, was in the city on business during the week.

Duncan McPhail spent Xmas at Middlesboro as the guest of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Donald McPhail.

Dr. Curtin went down to Canford on Thursday.

A. B. Kennedy went down to the coast to spend Christmas. He left here last Sunday afternoon.

Miss B. Cousins left for Vancouver on Sunday's train. She will take up her studies in the Normal School and expects to return to this city after completing her course of study.

Mr. D. F. Broome and Captain Charles, of Canford, were in the city on business during the week.

E. G. Walker was in town for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George McGruther entertained Mr. and Mrs. Courtney at Christmas dinner on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Frank Hoy returned to their home up the Coldwater last Wednesday.

Perry Brooks returned to Lytton on Wednesday's train. He has been staying here for the past two weeks.

Captain and Mrs. J. Leader left for Vancouver on Wednesday. They expect to visit Victoria and Portland before returning.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Strickland entertained Messrs. Taylor, G. B. Armstrong, Chubb and Lainson on Christmas evening.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Priest had as their guests for dinner on Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. C. Hooper.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. B. Rogers entertained Mr. and Mrs. L. Frank Hoy and C. H. Parkinson on Christmas day.

R. S. Morrisson returned from Vancouver last Tuesday evening. He spent Xmas at the home of his parents.

Andrew McGoran left yesterday for Oregon. He will visit relatives at Salem, in the latter state, and will probably make a tour through western Oregon before returning to this city.

J. E. Walker, manager of the Vancouver Lumber company, returned to the city from Vancouver on Wednesday's train.

Archie Little and Charlie Howse left on Wednesday for Los Angeles, where they expect to spend the winter. Charlie had to make a run of it to catch the train from this city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. McIntyre left for Nova Scotia on Wednesday. They will spend some time with Mr. McIntyre's parents and then leave for Scotland and Europe.

Invitations have been issued for a Leap Year ball to be given by the Merritt Social and Dramatic club in Menzies' hall on Monday night, January 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Harrison had Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Lobsinger and Mr. and Mrs. John Collett as guests for dinner on Christmas evening.

Misses I, and M. Seaton and Mrs. Kerr entertained a number of friends at a Christmas dinner at their home on Quilchena Ave. last Monday night. Those present were Mesdames Leitch, Kerr, Boyd and Misses I. and M. Seaton and Messrs Boyd, Costigan, Chapman, Phillips and Coffee.

At Nicola Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Howse entertained a large number to Christmas dinner at their home. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Howse (Princeton), Mr. and Mrs. F. Slough (Merritt) Magistrate and Mrs. J. P. Shaw (Vancouver), Capt. and Mrs. J, Leader and Mr. Stephen (Princeton.

Mrs. Albert Jones entertained a number of friends at her home on Nicola avenue last Wednesday evening in honour of Miss Edith Irvine, who has been her guest for some time past. The evening was passed in cards and games, a light supper being served at midnight. Among those present were Misses E. Irvine and Doris and Pertha McGoran; and Messrs. Parkinson, Phillips, Edwards and Coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. C. List returned from Revelstoke last week.

The Misses Erskine, of Nicola, went down to Vancouver during the week.

Magistrate Shaw, of Vancouver, was the guest of A. W. Strickland on Wednesday afternoon.

Beginning on Sundav, Dec. 31, service in the Presbyterian church will be held at 7 p.m. instead of 7.30 as formerly.

Among the rumors current lately is one to the effect "that HORNET of THE WEEK is a frizzle as an epigrammatist." The efficiency of an epigram depends upon the concentration of truth in it. His remarks anent the meeting which Mrs. Pankhurst addressed in Victoria were positively humorous—they were so inane.

CHURCH SERVICES.

ANGLICAN CHURCH.

Sunday, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve

Merritt—3 p.m., Evensong.

Nicola—11 a.m., Holy Communion (only). 7.30 p.m., Evensong.

J. Thompson,
Vicar.

PECK McSWAIN'S XMAS CARD

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Peck has resolved (now ain't it queer)
Not to drink booze throughout the year
To stear clear of whisky, gin and beer,
Live a model life all the year;
Not taste stuff that'll create an inward fire—
Still, like others, you will find Peck a LIAR.

OUR LETTER BOX.

The Editor,
The Nicola Valley News,
Merritt, B. C.

Dear Sir,—

In your issue of December first we notice the report of an interview with Mr. J. J. Warren, President of the Kettle Valley Railway company, in which the facts are so distorted that we cannot allow the report to stand without stating the true position of our town in its relation to the Kettle Valley Railway Company.

We enclose herewith a copy of their advertisement in the Penticton Herald which speaks for itself. You will note that it states—"railways and branches which it has been heretofore authorized to construct," which would plainly indicate that more than branches was meant.

The following peculiar statement is credited to Mr. Warren in the interview referred to; "We asked the Penticton city council for an approval of an application to extend the time allowed us to construct branch lines to Vernon and other points. This statement is wholly in error. No such application was ever made. On the contrary an application was made to the Penticton council to pass a resolution providing for permission being granted to the Kettle Valley Railway Company to apply to the legislature for a Private Act to validate certain by-laws in connection with an agreement between the town of Penticton and the Kettle Valley Railway Company. This resolution, after an amendment had been inserted for the protection of Penticton, was finally passed at a special meeting of the council on Wednesday November 30th, at which members of the Board of Trade and a number of the most prominent citizens were present.

We contend that under the circumstances the action of our Board of Trade in protesting against an extension of time was the only logical proceeding. We were guided by the statement of the Railway Company over the signature of their secretary.

Trusting that you will find room for this letter in the next issue of your paper, and thanking you in advance for the publication of same,

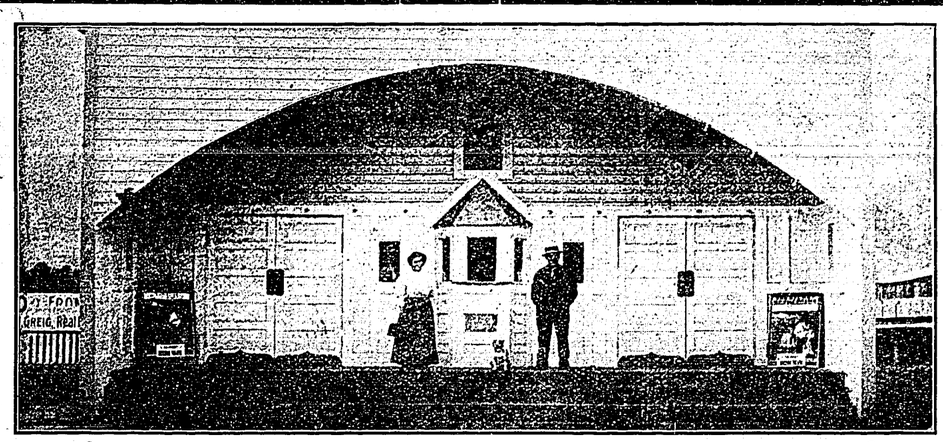
We beg to remain,
Yours very truly
THE PENTICTON BOARD OF TRADE
Edward Camsell, Secretary.

NOTICE

The Kettle Valley Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act authorizing it to construct a branch from a point at or near Vernon, in a southerly and southeasterly direction to a point at or near Penticton, B. C., and extending the time within which it may construct the railways and branches which it has been heretofore authorized to construct to increase its bonding powers, and for other purposes.

Dated at Penticton, B. C., this 4th day of November, 1911.

C. B. Gordon,
Secretary.



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