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BOARD OF TRADE PAMPHLETS

Describing Resources of Valley and Possibilities Issued

The City and Board of Trade pamphlets, in which the resources and potentialities of the district are described in such a manner as to furnish all outsiders with all necessary information in regard to the Nicola Valley has just been received.

The cover is done in two colours on heavy paper, while the illustrations and descriptive literature are printed on heavy cream glazed paper. The whole is enclosed in a heavy manila wrapper on which there is an appropriate scene in two colours. The illustrations are numerous and remarkably clear and include many ranching scenes, as well as views of the city of Merritt and the public and private buildings.

Conservatism is the keynote of the pen pictures of the resources of the valley, in fact we may even say that it perhaps a little too conservative; however there is always the assurance that attractive as the booklet makes the valley appear from the investor's standpoint actual investor's will find more here than they anticipate.

Two pictures, illustrating Merritt of two years ago and today offer an excellent opportunity of appreciating the expansion which has taken place in that brief time.

The books may be obtained from officers of the Board of Trade and the Southern B. C. Lands and Mines Ltd.

REVISITS VALLEY

John Clapperton, one of the pioneers of the valley, arrived at Nicola last Wednesday evening from Victoria. His visit is a hurried one, being made for purely business reasons. He has been kept busy renewing acquaintanceships. He visited Mr. Grimmett at this city yesterday morning and will leave for the coast again on Saturday. He intends to pay a somewhat extended visit about a month hence accompanied by Mrs. Clapperton. Mr. Clapperton reports that the Nicola Colony in Victoria are all well and take an active interest in the valley, the fame of which is growing steadily, which fact is particularly noticed among arrivals at Victoria from the east. He brings news which will be of interest to many oldtimers regarding one of the pioneers of the valley. Wheeler Mickles, who took up a ranch at Lower Nicola, and left it to go to the Riel Rebellion campaign in '85, settled in Alberta. He has made a fortune there and has gone to join the Nicola colony in Victoria. J. B. Greaves is anticipating the pleasure of another visit to the valley in the near future.

Mr. Clapperton was enthusiastic on the development of the valley and expressed pleased surprise at the growth of this city. "There is one thing, however," he said "which I think this city should hasten as rapidly as possible. That is the installation of fire fighting apparatus." Mr. Clapperton is an enthusiastic Victorian and is decidedly optimistic for the future of that city. "The government which placed the capital there," he said, "showed shrewd foresight." He is as firm as ever in his conviction that the potentialities of the valley are not yet fully appreciated, and believes that the expansion of the development work here is just about to commence on a proper scale.

BRIDGE OVER NICOLA

The government have certainly implemented their promises to the residents of the valley this year. Already three bridges have been constructed and much improvement afforded to transportation in Yale. The latest bridge to be completed is one over the Nicola just below the junction with Petite Creek, opposite Joe Cleasby's farm. This was completed early this week and during the latter part a crew was busy painting it. It is a through truss bridge of a smaller type to that which has been put across the Nicola above Coutlee. It is located about forty yards higher up the river than the old bridge.

LICENSE COMMISSION

A regular meeting of the License Commissioners was held on Wednesday afternoon at the city hall, all the members being present. At this meeting the question of licenses for the ensuing six months came up for discussion and applications were received for renewals. The four hotel licenses were renewed and the license for the Star Cafe was refused. The commissioners based their refusal of this applibation upon the Liquor Act which requires now that a specific population be reached before a fifth license may be issued. The present license will not expire until the 15th of next month. If the stock is not disposed of by that time, however, it is probable that the commissioners will grant a permit to continue the sale until the stock is entirely disposed of.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Sunday School Association convention is being held in this city. It commenced with a session in the Presbyterian Church last evening and will conclude with a session in the Methodist Church this evening at 7:30. Last evening Rev. I. W. Williamson, general secretary of the B. C. Sunday School Association, delivered an exceedingly interesting address upon the work of the Association. He will again make an address this evening. All visitors are welcome and a large attendance is assured for the concluding session this evening. A collection will be taken to help defray the travelling expenses of the visiting speakers.

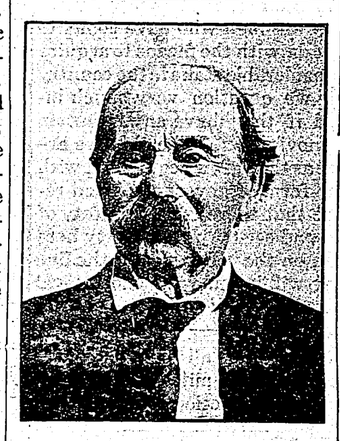
BYRON EARNSHAW PASSES OUT

Pioneer Passes After Fifty Years in Nicola Valley

"A better obituary than that of Byron Earnshaw could be penned by no newspaper man. He was a strong man, a true friend, a man to be proud of."—John Clapperton.

At the ripe age of eighty-two Byron Earnshaw, the pioneer of the Nicola Valley, expired at his home at Minnie Lake on Wednesday on almost the semi-centennial anniversay of his arrival in the valley. The news, though perhaps it should have been expected, came with a shock to more than one pioneer, and called forth expressions of sorrow from many of the later settlers on the valley. Sailor, prospector, miner, rancher, cattleman, farmer, sum up the different phases of an interesting and varied career. Mr. Clapperton's epitaph is an apt summary of his character.

The deceased leaves three daughters and one son. The former are Mesdames Baldwin and Paige, of this city, and Mrs. O. Smith. The latter is Harry Earnshaw, who resides at the home farm.



LATE BYRON EARNSHAW

N. J. Barwick prepared the body for burial and it will be interred according to the rites of the Anglican Church, of which deceased was a member, at Nicola today.

There were few men throughout the Nicola valley or contiguous districts who are better known or more widely esteemed than Byron Earnshaw, the pioneer of Minnie Lake. For almost half a century he has been associated with the life of the community and many are the thrilling tales he related of the early days in a district that was at one time given over almost solely to the men who first ferreted out the resources of a land that now bids fair to have a premier place amongst the districts that contribute most largely to the prosperity of the banner province of this broad Dominion.

It is true that Byron Earnshaw spent a large share of his earlier life in other parts but his coming to Nicola was concurrent with the coming of some of the earliest settlers. Blessed with a retentive memory there was no more interesting personality to commune with and many there are who sought out the recesses of his comfortable home to talk of the past and to get a peep behind the curtain that shields us from the days that belonged to the pioneer.

It was 82 years ago that Byron Earnshaw was born in Yorkshire England, and ten years later came out with his family to America. They located for a time in Philadelphia and afterwards took up their permanent home in Providence, Rhode Island. But the young lad was of a roving disposition and bent on seeing the world as best he could he ran away from home and taking passage on a merchant ship rounded Cape Horn and found himself at San Francisco. It was a beautiful morning when he landed in the southern city and lured on by the rush for gold, which held sway at the time, he was not long in seeking out the gold camps in Tulomne county in the southern part of California.

For four years he mined with a fair measure of success and then pressed forward in search of new fields for the famous rush up the Fraser had then become known and he amongst others decided to seek a fortune there. The old steamship, Pacific, was running between San Francisco and Whatcom on Bellingham bay and Byron Earnshaw booked passage. This same boat was wrecked a few years later just after leaving Victoria and there was a terrible loss of life—a tragedy that has long since become history.

Reaching Whatcom the prospectors built their own boats, improvised as they were, and sailed for the Fraser river. Byron Earnshaw got up as far as Texas Bar between Hope and Yale the first year and there he stayed to mine. That was in '58. Success was to fall to his lot and for a time his earnings averaged between $20 and $50 a day.

The next spring he came further up the river, reaching Bridge river up in the Lillooett country. Leaving there he came back as far as Van Winkle Bar across from Lytton and now given over to the celebrated Earle fruit farm. It was there he met the man who was to become one of his life partners, one who was to be to him a life friend—Thomas G. Earle. Friendship developed and the following spring the two men set out for the Cariboo gold fields. At Antler Creek they met Ned Stout, one of the pioneers of the gold fields and warm friendship resulted. For two years they mined in Northern parts and then came back to Van Winkle Bar. After working for a time with Mr. Earle, Byron Earnshaw constructed a ferry boat of his own and on New Year's day, '63, started the first ferry across the Fraser near Lytton and for seven years he followed this pursuit. Selling out the ferry business he came back with Mr. Earle. One of the men with whom he was closely associated at the time was Mortimer Cook who conducted a ferry across the Thompson river just back of the point now known as Spence's Bridge. It was known as Cook's Ferry. One of the treasured articles the late Mr. Earnshaw had was a letter from the late Mortimer Cook written from Topeka, Kansas. Mr. Cook was an officer of the first board of trade at Topeka and a circular descriptive of the board which he sent to Mr. Earle at the time tells in interesting words the story of early days in that well known city.

Early in '72 Byron Earnshaw came over the Nicomen trail and sought out the Nicola valley. For a time he farmed on the land now known as the Clemes ranch afterwards taking land at Lower Nicola which he subsequently sold to Marcus Woodward.

In '76 he set out for Minnie Lake where he took up land. He was the first settler in that district and shortly afterwards Mr. Kilroy came in and settled. William Voght, John Clapperton Edwin Dalley and John Douglas were amongst his first friends.

BASEBALL

Merritt defeated Middlesboro by amargin of one run in this city last Sunday afternoon. The both teams played good ball and for the loca team Cameron the catcher proved himself a first class man. Darknell pitched a good game for the home nine while Crisler was in good form for the visetors. Score:6—5.

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ENTERTAINED ROYALLY

Vernon Citizens Earn Enthusiastic Approval of all Militiamen.

Members of the 31st. Regiment Canadian Militia (British Columbia Horse) who attended the Militia camp at Vernon have nothing but satisfaction to record regarding the trip. The citizens of Vernon were generous to a fault, the officers and men of the sister Regiment, 30th, B. C. H. left nothing undone that could make for the pleasure and enjoyment of all ranks.

Lieut-Colonel C. L. Flick makes no secret of the fact that the Regiment under his command did very well considering the short time that has elapsed since organization commenced and the fact that 16 of the Regimental Officers had had no previous experience with mounted infantry. Major Lipset, General Staff Officer for Western Canada also stated that while the 31st Regiment had a lot to learn in the Regimental lines their ability to ride over very rough country was worth coming a long way to see.

We give a short account of some of the Vernon gaieties:

Evening motor excursion among the magnificent orchards which cover the Vernon end of the famous Okanagan Valley.

Then a trip down Long Lake by launch, a trip that for scenic beauty has the world skinned to the bone.

Next an impressive Divine Service in Vernon park which was attended by the citizens of the valley en masse, an eloquent militant sermon was preached by Captain Rev. James Thompson.

The Mayor and Aldermen of Vernon entertained the Officers of the 30th and 31st regiments to a magnificent ball in the local Opera House at which were present the youth and beauty of the Okanagan. The ball room was splendidly decorated and the exquisite music rendered by the Vernon Fire Brigade Band added to the enjoyment of a perfect evening. Next on the pleasure programme was a smoking concert of colossal proportions also given by the Mayor and Aldermen of Vernon, this took place in the Curling Rink which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. Songs, recitations and a short sketch together with pipes cigars, tobacco and beer rendered the concert very enjoyable.

The Wednesday prior to the break up of the camp was devoted to a half day parade in the forenoon the afternoon being given up to gymkhana sports at which the 31st Regiment bore off the palm. We give a few winners below.

Officers race, Lieut. Tennant, Walhachin Squadron; N. C. O. and men, Sergt. Edwards. Kamloops Squadron; Relay race, Walhachin Squadron; Victoria X race, Walhachin troop first, Nicola Squadron second; Boot and saddle race, Walhachin troop first and Kamloops second; Cigarette race, Nicola first, Walhachin second; Wrestling on horseback, Walhachin first, Kamloops second; Inter-Regimental Tug of War, M 31st Regiment; B. C. Horse vs. Permament Force Tug of War, M 31st Regiment.

During the training tactical schemes were set by Colonel Macdonnell, Camp Commander, the solutions being worked out by Colonels Bott and Flick; also a final scheme to test the ability of Major Matthews.

The Salmon Arm and Walhachin Squadrons made up for lack of numbers by untiring zeal and energy, Capt. Pangman, Lieuts. Allen and Grell doing good work.

We must however take exception to one serious defect that occured during the training and that is the defective rifles issued to the new squadrons. That it should be necessary for militiamen to have to borrow screw drivers to alter the rifle sights while actually on the

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POLICING THE PROVINCE

The chase after the two Indians, who are guilty of three particularly atrocious crimes, is involving an immense tax upon the ratepayers of the province. We understand that there are approximately seventy men employed at great expense to hunt for these outlaws. So far they have been unsuccessful. For over a year these two Indians have been at large, and now, even though there is a large force on their trail, there is every possibility that they will evade capture for months.

They know the country in which they are operating. It covers thousands of square miles and is rough and hard to travel. The outlaws are familiar with every bridle track, with every deer trail, with every highroad. How many of the police are as familiar with the country?

This episode, which may drag out for months, is interesting in that it affords an opportunity for the consideration of what may be done to prevent a recurrence of conditions in the future. The attorney-general, Hon. W. J. Bowser, has been busy for some months formulating plans for a reorganization which will be of immense benefit to the people of the interior. A force is to be organized along semi-military lines which will give to the constabulary of British Columbia a reputation second to none in the world. Details of this plan are not yet ready for publication, but the public may rest assured that when announced it will receive the enthusiastic approval of the people of the province. These papers which have heretofore criticised the attorney-general for the present conditions will be effectively silenced. Plans have been under consideration at various times, but the question of expense is one that must be carefully considered in such a programme. The new scheme will demonstrate marked efficiency in the provincial police and at the same time be hardly felt by the taxpayers.

FARMING IN B. C.

The time has come when we must begin to pay more attention to farming in this province than we have hitherto. We import altogether too much produce that we could as well grow at home. We grant at once that it is much easier to say this than it is to suggest a means whereby people can be induced to till the soil more extensively than they now do, and perhaps the only course from which good results can be expected is to keep on talking about it. When it gets well into the minds of every one that we are paying out a lot of good money for what we might just as well grow at home, perhaps more people will give attention to the cultivation of the soil. It is said that we send abroad $20,000,000 every year for farm produce, and if we were not the richest people in the world this sort of thing would soon bankrupt us. Just think about this a little. If it were announced that a railway company was about to expend $20,000,000 next year in an undertaking not now anticipated, we would all do a good deal of talking about it. Now here is $20,000,000, most of which we can get next year and the year after and the year after and so on ad infinitum, only the amount will increase year after year. It is necessary to think this over a little to appreciate just what it means.

The foregoing from the Victoria Colonist touches a matter in which the Nicola valley is interested, particularly because it offers the solution of the matter which so exercises the imagination of the editor of that paper. Down at the coast there is a great demand for potatoes (to take but one possibility of this valley) and there the people have been fully posted on the value of the best potatoes on the continent, which are grown in the vicinity of Ashcroft. We take this opportunity of informing the editor of the Colonist that the Nicola valley product are even slightly superior to the Ashcroft potatoes. The soil is almost exactly the same (but slightly better) than that at Ashcroft, and if he would take a tour through here just now he would see potatoe patches which would put any others in the province to shame. And these patches are very small, compared with what might be done in the valley if the truck farmers would realise it. Any tuber may be grown in the two hundred thousand acres of land immediately available of better quality than anywhere else in the province.

The Colonist will materially aid the development of the province if it will, through its columns, draw the attention of complainants about the high cost of living to the excellent opportunities of this section of the country.

We have seen the gigantic pens of the chicken ranchers in Potaluma, Cal., but we wish to say that poultry of equal—and as far as the coast is concerned, of better quality—are very easily bred in the valley of the upper Nicola.

The agricultural potentialities of B. C. are not fully realised. Will the Colonist hasten the realization by giving publicity to the resources of this valley?

SELF-DEVELOPMENT

A town is in some ways like a person. If it amounts to anything it must be largely self-made. The town that drifts, like the person that drifts, or the ship that drifts, is not likely to come to the right harbor. If prosperity is the haven desired it will not be reached without determination and self-guidance. This truism has been applied to human conduct so often as to become commonplace, and would not be repeated here except to emphasize the fact that it applies to communities quite as much as to individuals.

A town is a problem like a child. It should not be left to grow up by itself. Its destiny should be guided by the wisdom of its elders. There is no lack of elders in any town who have opinions as to what is wrong with it. They are to be found at the grocery store, the cigar store and every common meeting place. If these wiseacres would exercise their perspicacity in figuring out what would be good for the town and then would all pull together in trying to bring that good about, the result would be such a matter of local pride that nobody would want to talk about anything else. The destiny of a community, like that of an individual, can be controlled; the possibilities of development and improvement are almost unlimited; and it is not only wisdom but money in the pocket for citizens to take their town in hand and try to make it amount to something.

THE AMERICAN "INVASION"

The Pacific Northwestern Development Congress is the latest organization to become alarmed at the influx of American farmers into the Canadian prairies. One of the speakers at a session held in Seattle yesterday comforted himself and possibly his fellow-members, with the assertion that the men who were going to Canada were not genuine homesteaders. They were only going across the border, he said, to stay long enough to make money and then they would move on. We question very much if this gentleman is right in his theory. The experience of Saskatchewan and Alberta is that the newcomers from the United States are amongst the best settlers that the provinces have. They are men who have come to Canada with the means to acquire a considerable stake in the country and we question very much indeed if they have any intention of moving on. The chances are that as they grow acquainted with our form of government and realize that there is more safety of life and security of property here than on the other side of the line they will become the most loyal Canadians of us all.

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NOTES OF INTEREST

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Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

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FORESTRY CONVENTION IN B. C.

Ottawa, June 13.—Victoria, B. C. is the place, and Sept. 4, 5 and 6, the time selected for holding the next convention of the Canadian Forestry Association. The Secretary, Mr. James Lawler, of Ottawa, is now engaged in arranging the details with Hon. W. R. Ross, Minister of Lands, and Mr. John Hendry, of Vancouver, the President of the Asssociation. The Convention is being held this time upon the invitation of the Government of the Province, and Hon. Richard McBride is enthusiastically forwarding the project. It will be one of the largest conventions of the kind ever held in Western Canada.

FOUND AT YALE

YALE, June 8.—Mr. P. J. D. de Lautour who is investigating water records in the Railway Belt for the Water Rights branch of the Provincial Department of Lands presided over by J. F. Armstrong, has made a valuable historical find here. In the lock-up is an old black box full of papers that have lain undisturbed for years. Examination showed them to be records of mineral claims, water rights, land and timber locations, dating from 1858, of many of which the departments in Victoria had no record at all.

From the records Mr. de Lautour is able to made an almost complete list of the water rights granted in the Yale district. The original grant of the water right at Hope known as the Mill Lead, which forms the southern limlt of the sown, was issued to John Coe, H. White and Daniel C. Patterson on November 5, 1858.

WANTS NEW CALENDAR

The Royal Society of Canada desires a reform in the Calendar and advocates thirteen months in the year of 28 days each.

The Fruit Magazine, Scientific Farmer and Canadian Citizen for June has a splendid literary bill of fare and a most beautiful frontispiece in colors, showing "A Summer Camp in British Columbia." Besides the editorial matter, some of the leading articles are: "Raspberry and Blackberry Culture," "Practical irrigation," "Influence of Chlorinated Water," "Prairie Farming," "The Ottawa Letter," "The Spirit of Canada," "Progressive Forestry," "Alfalfa the Forage Crop of the Future," and the other regular features of interest to the home circle.

The female house fly lays from 120 to 150 eggs at a time, and these mature in two weeks. Under favorable conditions the descendants of a single pair will number millions in three months. Therefore all housekeepers should commence using

WILSON'S FLY PADS

early in the season, and thus cut off a large proportion of the summer crop.

WHY MERRITT LOST!

At Belfast a football match was played between Ireland and Scotland. One of the home supporters, who was getting excited kept shouting out: "Sit on 'em, Ireland!" An old Scotchman in the crowd, unable to stand it any longer, cried out: "Ye might be able to sit on the leek, mon, an' mebbee on the rose, but I tell ye mon, ye canna sit on the thistle."

DISPENSER OF CHARITY

London, May 29—The tragedy of the Titanic has turned the limelight on an American society woman whom the gossipers had hitherto left in peace. Outside her own immediate circle Mrs. Bruce Ismay, daughter of George Schieffelin of New York has always managed to escape the wide publicity extended to many of her countrywomen in England.

This is not because she holds herself unduly aloof or in any way poses as a superior person, but because she dislikes display and has always condemned what Marie Coreilli calls the vulgarity of wealth.

While she possesses every facility for coming into the spotlight she prefers to remain absorbed in her domestic responsibilities. But the poor around Liverpool and Birkenhead tell how she dispenses charity with a liberality always free from ostentation.

Although she spends part of the season in London, she prefers the quiet seclusion of her home on the banks of the Dee near Birkenhead. While her husband is devoted to all forms of sport automobiling, golf, shooting and racing, she prefers a quiet day's fishing in the well-stocked waters near her residence. She dislikes the racetrack and is an ardent crusader against gambling.

BUNCH OF MORALS

Philadelphia Inquirer: D. W. Stockwell, who died last week had one great claim to fame, albeit a rather insidious one. He never advertised. During the civil war he made what was considered a vast fortune for his times in his general store at Aurora, Ill. His idea was that whatever had been good at one time was good enough for all time. So he never had any bargain sales never lowered the price of anything. After the war came a great fall in values, but Stockwell kept up the prices. When he bought goods they were always of the vintage of the late fifties and early. He stood still.

For ten years he managed to weather the gale by such additions as he made to his stock, but the old stuff still remained on the shelves. Then his place became known as the morgue, and though he kept it open daily, it is said that a customer never entered it in the last twenty years. Women in search of clothes had no use for the hoop skirts, balmoral stockings and cloth gaiters of long ago. Men who are less particular than women, would rather have gone naked than wear the apparel offered. The old man had the courage of his convictions and died a conservative to the last—and in poverty.

There is a moral here—a whole bunch of morals. The man who stands still goes backward. The man who doesn't advertise goes into bankruptcy. The man who thinks he knows what other people want better than they do themselves pays for his folly. The keynote of business today is quick sales on a small margin. Enterprising merchants want to turn over their stock at least four times a year this is done by advertising, and in no other way. It is noteworthy that most of the effective advertising is done in the newspapers. The best asset a newspaper has is its band of readers. The merchants know it and profit by it.

There are a good many men in the country who are more or less like the late Stockwell and none of them lets people know what his wares are and who stands behind his advertisements.

NEWS ADS GET RESULTS

Electric Restorer for Men

Phosphonol restores every nerve in the body to its proper tension; restores vim and vitality. Premature decay and all sexual weakness averted at once. **Phosphonol** will make you a new man. Price $3 a box, or two for $5. Mailed to any address. **The Scobell Drug Co., St. Catharines, Ont.**

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EXCELLENT CUISINE
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Best of Furnishings. - - Spacious Rooms.
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Special attention to commercial trade.
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Meat Market

Dealers in

Prime Beef, Mutton Lamb
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Poultry, Ham and Bacon.

Manufacturers of

Strictly High Grade Delicious

SAUSAGES

Fresh Fish always on hand. Orders receive prompt attention. Cattle bought and sold by the carload.

I. Eastwood
Manager

SPECIALS

We have just received a large shipment of Ladies, Gent's and Children's Boots and Shoes in blacks and Tans and will offer for the coming week 20 per cent. discount on all lines. Real Bargains.

Ladies Summer Dresses and Waists at very low prices. Up-to-date goods. Call and see them and be convinced.

Men's Summer Shirts, regular $1.50 to $2.50
Sale price this week $1.00 to $1.75.

Fishing Rods, Lines, Hooks, Nets and Tents. Boys don't buy your fishing outfits till you look over our line. We are there with the goods.

The "Carhartt"

Not Like Other Gloves
Sewed with Wax Thread

HEAT WATER PROOF

No Outseams
To Rip
Good as the
Carhartt
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Reinforced Where the Wear Comes. The Service of Two Pair for the Price of ONE.

STRAW HATS

See the assortment in our window and take your pick for 50c.

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Blood Purifiers. Sasparilla. Blood Bitters. Saline Salts. Sulphur and Cream Tartar Lozenges. Spring Tonics. Orange Quinine Wine.

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Druggists. MERRITT, B. C.

LOCAL AND DISTRICT

Colonel Flick was in town on business during the week.

J. Leechman has rejoined the staff of our contemporary.

H. W. Sutcliffe was in town from Coutlee during the week.

Mrs. William Pooley paid a visit to the city during the week.

Alex. G. Irvine will return from Spence's Bridge next Saturday.

R. Whitaker came up from Lower Nicola on business during the week.

Monte Winny came down from Nicola with John Clapperton yesterday morning.

D. F. Broome and Brewer Charles were visitors from Canford during the week.

Don't forget the dance in Menzies hall next Wednesday evening at eight thirty p. m.

Dr. Curtin was taken to the hospital on Sunday suffering from an affection of the eyes.

Laurent P. Guichon, of Quilchena, has been appointed a justice of the peace,

Mr. and Mrs. Blair Reid have taken up their residence on Granite avenue, West.

W. B. Jackson was in town from the Lazy L ranch on eight-mile creek during the week.

Jimmy Harnden has again taken his position with the Nicola Pine Lumber Company,

S. J. Solomon and a party of friends went up to Mamette Lake for the fishing last Sunday.

G. F. Ransom and Roy Thomas drove down to Canford on a fishing expedition last Sunday.

Major H. H. Matthews came down to the city from Nicola on Wednesday afternoon's train.

Mr. Dason, Christie, Dawson and Heywood, of Kamloops, arrived here last Wednesday evening.

J. E. Walker returned from a brief visit to Vancouver during the latter part of last week.

R. Z. Chandler returned from Del King's ranch on Tuesday. He expects to return next week.

Major E. C. Conant, of the Lazy L ranch, on Eight-mile creek, was in town on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Manning, of Dot, were visiting S. J. Solomon during the latter part of last week.

Otto Hytien, employed at No. 4 mine, had both legs broken on Wednesday morning and is now in the hospital.

Captain and Mrs. John Leader accompanied by Miss Leader went up the Coldwater river on a trip on Thursday.

Rev. Fr. Wagner, O. M. I., was up at Mamette Lake over Sunday as the guest of Messrs. Bamfield and Quinville.

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

J. F. Seymour, of the Kettle Valley Railway Company, was in the city on business during the latter part of last week.

Murdoch McIntyre returned on Tuesday evening from Lillooet where he went with his brother on business last week.

J. Taylor, of the local office of the Bank of Montreal, left Sunday for San Francisco where he will spend about ten days.

A. W. McVittie and a party went out to Tulameen on a survey early Sunday morning. They expect to be out for three months.

Captain H. G. Forster was severely injured at Nicola on Wednesday when he was kicked by a restive horse.

Mr. C. Tyner, who recently purchased the Lindley homestead at Lower Nicola, returned from the encampment last Friday. Accompanied by his wife he went to Vancouver on business last Sunday.

Haying Contract

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up Thursday June 27th for the cutting and stacking of the hay on the Tamerton Ranch at Nicola. Lowest or any tenker not necessarily accepted. For full particulars apply to

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Lake View Ranch,
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T. HESLOP, Prop.

R. G. S. Anthony, of the Willow Grange Farm at Canford, returned from a business trip to Vancouver last Wednesday evening.

Miss Laura Archibald, of New Westminster, is spending a few weeks here as the guest of her sister Mrs. R. J. McGregor.

Mrs. Leech, sister of Mrs. Kerr, is spending a month in the city as her guest. She arrived here from the coast last Saturday evening.

Frank Jackson, of Nicola, returned to the latter city last city last Wednesday evening after having spent a month in Vancouver and Victoria.

Andrew Bryden, superintendent of the Inland Coal and Coke Company, returned from attending a session of the Examiners Board at Nanaimo on Wednesday accompanied by his daughter.

Rev. J. A. Petrie visited Nicola last Saturday afternoon. He reports that the Nicola tennis club is very prosperous and that there are some fine racket wielders there.

Mesdames Boothroyd, Thornton, Fyall, Coutlie and Chapman, and Messrs Fyall, Boothroyd, Chapman, Thornton and Coutlie made up a party which picnicked on Ten-mile Creek on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Thomas will entertain a number of their friends at a whist drive at their home this evening. Invitations have been issued for a large number.

Dominion Fisheries Inspector John Edwards was in the valley on his usual inspection trip this week. Wednesday he visited the Canford Mills and inspected the fish ladder which has been placed there.

Mrs. A. N. B. Rogers left on Saturday for an extended vacation in the east. Her husband accompanied her as far as Spence's Bridge. A number of her friends assembled at the station to bid her goodbye.

George Robson left today for Victoria. He received a wire from Philip McLean informing him he was given a sub-contract on a new building there.

Donal' Cameron had a narrow escape from drowning this morning when his horse on which he was crossing the river slipped and went under pinning him. As Donal says: "I swallowd twa gude mouthfulls before I came up.

T. Mercer, of Markdale, Ont., was in the valley during the week. On Thursday he drove up to Nicola in H. Greig's car, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. McGruther and their son. Mr. Mercer is well known as a breeder in a large scale of heavy draught horses.

Harry Ruark, C. P. R. agent at Yale, was in the city on Tuesday evening to attend the meeting of the Masonic Lodge. He returned on Wednesday's train. He states that Yale is particularly flourishing and is becoming quite a tourist resort since a first class hotel was built there, many people coming from Vancouver to wander through the trails along the canyon.

H. Wood Lee and A. R. Carrington and King Dodd were visitors from Nicola during the week.

S. J. Solomon, of Coutlee was in town during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bate of Aspen Grove and maid are registered at the Cold water Hotel.

E. B. Tingley, the popular road superintendent of the Otter Valley, reached town last evening. He reports that the roads are in excellent condition for automobiles and teams.

MR. DUTCHER HERE

Mr. Dutcher, of Dutcher Maxwell & Co. the engineers in charge of the installation of electric lighting and waterworks plants in this city, arrived here from Kamloops last evening. He has been busy with the mayor all morning, going into several matters in connection with the plant. Tenders for the waterworks construction are already being called for in the coast papers.

C.P.R. STATION

M. M. Shore, agent at Spence's Bridge, has been given this station in succession to P. H. Puffer, who goes to Barnet on or about the twentieth of the month. The position at Spence's Bridge is thus left open and it is expected that there will be some lively bidding for it.

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

Two parties of government surveyors are in the field in the vicinity of Spence's Bridge completing work originally undertaken under Mr. de Lantour some months ago.

RAILWAY INSPECTOR HERE

Inspector McCall of the Department of Railways of the Dominion Government came into the valley Wednesday evening on his annual inspection trip. He proceeded to Nicola and returned the following day to the mainline.

POST OFFICE

W. R. Langstaff took over the local post office from T. Clarke during the week. He has been busy familiarising himself with the details.

POLICE COURT

Befire J.S. Morgan, S.M., an Indian was sent up for a month and fourteen days for beiug drunk atd refusing to tell whom he got the liquor.

DOMINION DAY

For the first time in the history of the valley a polo match will be played. It is scheduled for the morning of July 1st, at Nicola. Negotiations are pending by which it is expected that a team will be brought in from the interior towns, but exactly what town is not yet settled. There are some first class players in the valley, the best perhaps being Major Conant and Captain Charles, but at Nicola there are several old players and there is no doubt that a strong team can be picked on short notice.

Last Sunday afternoon Misses whitworth, Whitmore and McLaughlin and Messrs Edwards, Howse ann Coffee visited the Lazy L Ranch up 8 Mile Creek. Major Conant is having a handsome residence built at a point from which there is an excellent view of the whole estate. Under the mangement of W.B.Jackson sanfoin, alfalfa, wheat and oats have been planted and are all thriving exceedingly well.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, June 16, 1912.
2.30 p.m., Sunday School.
Evening service 7.30 p.m.
Rev. J. A. Petrie,
Pastor.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday, June 30th.
10 a. m. Mass.
2.30 p.m. Catechism and Bible.
7.30 p.m. Rosary and Benediction.

Jas. Wagner, O. M. I.
Pastor.

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Sunday, June 16th.
Merritt—11.15 a.m. Holy Communion.
Merritt—3 p.m. Evensong.
Nicola—8 a.m. Holy Communion.
Nicola—7.30 p.m. Evensong.
Sunday School.
Nicola—9.30 a. m.
Merritt—2.30 p. m.

J. Thompson,
Vicar.

ENTERTAINED ROYALLY

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range is a disgrace and scandle to Canada, and it behoves the Minister of Militia to get busy and find out who is doing crooked work at the government arsenal.

Since the return home of the militiamen we regret to state that a resident of Lower Nicola has made it his business to spread false reports ro the effect that men in the valley had lost their jobs through attending the militia training. Each report has been sifted personally by Lieut-Colonel Flick and found to be solely due to the slanderous tongue of the gentleman aforesaid. We also wish to point out to our readers that while in camp Colonel Flick had a telegram rom the Provincial government at Victoria stating that all militiamen in government employ attended camp with the approval and permission of the government.

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Corporation of the City of Merritt

By-Law No. 11.

"The City of Merritt Chimney and Stovepipe By-law 1912."

WHEREAS it is expedient to pass a By-law for the prevention of Fires within the City limits.

Be it therefore enacted by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Merrit as follows :—

1. The Council may from time to time appoint by resolution an Inspector whose duty it shall be to inspect all buildings and premises contiguous thereto, within the City limits, whenever required by the Council so to do, and to see that the provisions of this By-law are carried out.

2. Every chimney or flue hereafter built within the City shall be constructed of Brick or stone and good mortar or of cement concrete, and shall have walls at least four inches thick, and when resting on woodwork the chimney or flue shall have a base at least eight inches deep, and also have a properly constructed soot pan.

It shall be plastered on the inside throughout, and where passing through or along woodwork, on the outside of such chimney or flue adjacent to such woodwork also. The Chimney or flue shall be well secured, and the top thereof shall be at least three feet from any woodwork, and every such chimney or flue shall be so constructed as to admit of its being easily and properly cleaned.

3. When a stovepipe passes through a ceiling or partition the opening for it shall be at least six inches larger than the pipe and the pipe shall be protected by built in brick or cement, and no stovepipe shall pass through any roof, window or outside wall.

4. All pipes from stoves, ovens or furnaces shall be jointed, stayed and supported to the satisfaction of the inspector.

5. When in any building any chimney or flue constructed or stovepipe placed prior to the passing of this By-law, shall by the inspector be deemed unsafe, the owner or occupant of such building shall forthwith remedy the same and put it in a condition satisfactory to the Inspector.

6. All persons using fire in stoves shall keep and place under such stoves a hearth or pan of brick, metal other incombustible material sufficient to protect the floor, and where any such stove shall stand within two feet of any wooden or papered wall such wall shall be protected with sheet metal or other incombustible material and to such an extent as shall afford full protection against fire from such stove. And the pipes of such stoves shall be placed at least twelve inches from any wood or papered wall or ceiling unless the walls or ceiling are protected by some incombustible material to the satisfaction of the Inspector.

7. Every Chimney must be cleaned as least once in every six months when in use, or whenever ordered by the Inspector, by a person appointed and licensed by the Council, and stovepipe holes not in use must be closed by a stopper of metal or other incombustible material; provided always that any owner, occupant or agent of any property may, upon obtaining the written consent of the Inspector clean any chimney belonging to such property himself, but such must be cleaned within one week after such consent is obtained and to the satisfaction of the Inspector, and the onus of proof that such chimney has been cleaned shall be upon the owner occupant or agent.

8. It shall be unlawful for the owner, or occupant of any building where fires are kept to allow any hay; straw, shavings or other combustible material to remain in or adjacent to such building except livery stables, carpenter shops and manufacturing establishmhnts, and in such places, no hay, straw, or other combustible material shall be kept within six feet of any stove, chimney flue or stovepipe.

9. All buildings must be supplied with sufficient ladders to reach from the ground to the ridge of the roof, or have scuttles with stairs or other approaches to the roof.

10. The Council may from time to time appoint by resolution a chimney sweep who shall upon the request of the owner, occupant or agent of any building, or upon the order of the Inspector, clean such chimneys within the City limits, as he may be requested or ordered to clean, and shall charge and collect a sum not exceeding fifty cents for each chimney, or at the rate of fifty cents per hour, should it take longer than one hour to clean any such chimney, which charge shall be recoverable from either the owner or occupant in any court of competent jurisdiction.

11. The Inspector shall have the right to enter any building within the City at all reasonable hours for the purpose of inspecting such building with a view to ascertaining whether there is any violation of this By-law.

12 If the inspector finds any chimney, flue or stovepipe in or about any building, in a dangerous condition, or not constructed or placed as required bp this Bylaw, he shall give notice in writing to the owner or occupant of such building of the defect therein, and by such notice require such owner or occupant to make such alteration as he shall specify and within such reasonable time as he shall appoint.

13. No person shall within the City limits, place, keep or deposit ashes in a wooden receptacle or within twenty five feet of any building, unless the same are contained in a depository constructed of brick or other incombustible material.

14. No person shall use a lighted candle or open light in any place within the City limits where hay, straw, gunpowder or other combustible material may be stored or kept, or in a carpenters or cabinetmakers shop, unless the same is well secured in a lantern.

15. No person shall keep or have in any building within the City at one time more than fifty pounds of gunpowder or dynamite.

16. In the event of the owner or occupant, of any building refusing or neglecting to comply with the provisions of this Bylaw or any order made in pursuance thereof, or in the event of the infraction of this Bylaw by any other person, such owner, occupant or person shall upon summary conviction before the Mayor, Police Magistrate, or any Justice of the Peace having jurisdiction within the City, be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty five dollars and costs for each offence, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding thirty days or to both, and every such fine may, with costs, be levied by distress of the goods and chattels of the person so convicted of violation of this Bylaw.

17. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "City of Merritt Chimney and Stovepipe Bylaw, 1912."

Passed by the Municipal Council the thirteenth day of April, 1912.

Reconsidered and finally passed the Sixth day of May, 1912.

F. A. REID,
Mayor.
HARRY PRIEST,
City Clerk.

DOMINION DAY
Race Meeting at Nicola

Polo Match in Forenoon.
Horse Races in Afternoon.

PROGRAMME

Quarter mile dash for Ponies 14 hands and under — Purse value $40.00
Half-mile Dash - - - - Purse $50.00
One Mile Race - - - Purse $125.00
One and one-eighth mile Sweepstake of $5.00 for Lodwig Cup and purse of - - $25.00
Half-mile dash for members of B. C. Horse (horses to have been at training camp at Vernon, 1912, and to be property of Canadian militiamen]. Challenge Cup and purse of 10.00.

Entries 10 per cent of purse to be in the hands of S. Kirby not later than Saturday, June 29.

Indian Races, Hurdle Races, Etc.

PICNIC

Annual Picnic, Lower Nicola

July 1st, 1912

Foot Races, Jumping Games, Etc.

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