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NICOLA WINS FIRST BOUT

Defeated Merritt Three Games out of Five at Tennis Last Saturday

The first round in the competition for the Strickland Tennis Cup was played at Nicola last Saturday afternoon under good weather conditions. Messrs Boyd, Costigan, Petrie, Round, Smythe and Coffee represented the local club, while Captain Leader and Messrs F. and H. Heyland, Rev. Thompson, Beadle and Murray played for Nicola. Nicola won two single and one double while Merritt was successful in two doubles. The court was rather loose on account of the early forenoon heat, but at that it was as even for one club as the other, with possibly the very slight difference in favour of Nicola.

Messrs Leader and Beadle were easily the stars of the Nicola club, demonstrating a nice mastery of cuts and drives, and good control in volleying. They played in the singles against Boyd and Costigan, whom they defeated handily by good margins. The best set in the singles was the opening one between Boyd and Leader, the former winning the first game only. Time after time there were splendid rallies with now and then sensational saves by each player. Boyd was up to his opponent in drives, though not so good in receiving and long volleys. Leader showed an inclination to lob the ball back a great deal, having good control of such as were directed to the back of the court. Leader won: 6-1 and 6-1.

The singles between Beadle, of Nicola, and Costigan, of Merritt were briefer than the first singles as there were not so many long rallies. Beadle is wicked on returned serves, generally finding the far corners with low, swift cuts which breakly about a foot. He has a happy knack of keeping all his balls low, many barely skimming over the top of the net. It may be said in justice to Costigan that he was not playing to his usual form, being weak at volleying and inclined to be a bit wild on backhand atrokes, at which his opponent excelled. Beadle won: 6-1 and 6-1.

Leader and Beadle in the doubles won handily from Boyd and Costigan. Score: 6-1 and 6-0.

The closest set of doubles was the second between Smythe and Round against F. and H. Heyland. Both Smythe and Round brought rounds of applause from the spectators by sensational saves at critical moments, their opponents coming in for a good share of approval. The latter would make an excellent team had they had a little more practise; but they have not played for a long time and naturally were a little out of form. Merritt won: 6-2 and 6-4.

Rev. Petrie and Coffee of the local club, won the first set of the doubles with Rev. Thompson and G. Murray by a good margin, and were successful in the second set by a smaller margin. Rev. Petrie played in excellent form and made many nice cuts which drew applause from the spectators. His serving was also first-class. Both Mr. Thompson and George Murray played good games, but were weak at returning swift serves, though good at volleying. Score 6-2 and 6-3.

The ladies of the club were charming hostesses and remarkably keen on good plays. Afternoon tea was served by them at about five o'clock, and was a delightful break in the sport.

Among those present were: Mesdames J. Leader and J. Leader jr., S. Kirby, A. E. Howse, H. H. Matthews, S. Beadle F. Slough, J. P. Boyd, W. Pooley, Lodwick, and Misses I. and M. Seaton, Murray (2) and Leader, and Messrs Lodwick, Rowlands, Wood-Lee, Thompson, Rev. Murray, Rev. Thompson, G. Murray, Rev. Petrie, Dr. Perry, F. and H. Heyland, Beadle, J. Leader, Smythe, Round, Boyd and Costigan.

The next round will be played on the local court tomorrow afternoon.

Editor F. M. Coffee Leaves.

Frank M. Coffee left on Monday morning to join the Seymour survey party now working down the Coquahalla from the Coldwater summit to Hope. Frank has been pushing the pencil on The News for the past year and a half and the arduous duties of a country editor with the long hours from early morn till late at night will in the course of time tell upon the most vigorous constitution, so to get outdoor action, live next to nature, breath the cool bracing air from the snow-capped peaks, drink the pure icy waters from the mountain streams, live for a while where there is no such a thing as the rush and hustle in the publishing of a newspaper—banish it from his thoughts entirely—is the life Frank has longed for for the last while and has finally become a reality. In the rush to get away he did not inform us what his particular part on the survey was to be, but we take it that it must be either chief or back flag-man. However, we wish you ever luck in your new field of activity Frank, and that upon your return you will tip the scales five stone heavier, be hard of muscle and be full of vim and vigor.

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Constable Takes a Holiday

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On November 20th the local branch of the Bank of Montreal will move from their present quarters, corner of Nicola Ave., and Voght street, to their new home at the corner of Garcia St. and Quilchena avenue.

A contract was signed on Tuesday last by the contracting firm of Davis & Saunders of Vancouver, with the Bank of Montreal, to erect and have ready for occupancy on the above mentioned date a fine modern two storey building, and work upon which was started yesterday. The contract priceis $10,000.

At this corner the bank owns 108 feet facing on Quilchena avenue with a depth of 120 feet on Garcia street. The present structure is being built on the inside of the lot adjoining the McDonald block. The reason the bank is building on the inside of the lot is to leave this valuable corner for more permanent premises.

It is the intention to level off this corner, seed it down and erect a neat fence all the way around.

The building will cover a ground space of 33 x 65 feet and will have a concrete foundation. The basement in which a modern heating plant will be installed, will be 33 x 30 feet in size. The building itself will be a frame one.

The whole of the lower floor will be used for banking purposes and will be finished inside with panneled effect with large beamed ceiling.

An extraordinary large vault, to be built of brick and reinforced with steel, the walls of which will be about two feet in thickness, is only one of the modern and up-to-date conveniences which are to be installed.

The second story will be divided into seven rooms, as well as bath room and toilet, and are to be nicely furnished throughout, they will be used for the accommodation of the staff employed at the local branch. The walls and ceilings on this floor are to be lathed and plastered with a hard finish.

The building will be heated throughout by hot water heating plant and lighted by electricity.

Speaking to a News man Mr. Earnest Saunders who is looking after the work here for his firm, stated that all materials used in the construction would be purchased from local dealers, and that no help would be brought in in from the coast, with possibly the exception of a foreman.

Much credit is due, and every citizen in the town appreciate the successful efforts of the local manager, Mr. A. W. Strickland in helping to build up Merritt by the erection of this new home for his bank as well as the large bank manager's residence which the bank had erected here a short time since.

Fire Investigation

As a result of two fires within three days on the block of buildings in Voght Street occupied by the Star Restaurant, Brunswick Pool Room and Brown's barber shop, the Provincial Supt. of Fire Insurance, Mr. E. F. Gunther, arrived on Wednesday evening and on Thursday morning began an official inquiry into the causes of these fires at the city police building. J. A. Maughan, represented interested parties.

The following witnesses were examined: Night Watchman Smith and Constable Smith, Jas. Fairley who was in charge of the pool room when the fire occurred there, H. S. Cleasby and Isaac Eastwood, who held a chattel Morgage on the contents of the Star Cafe, C. J. Vanhear proprietor of the Brunswick pool room, Mrs. A. C. Falconer, John Warren, B. Dixon, Alex. Archibald, Yone, a Chinese kitchen man and H. Greig.

The inquiry tended to show that the first fire on the morning of the 16th resulted accidentally from an explosion of gas or gasoline around the coffee urn in the Star Cafe.

The fire in the pool room on the 18th remains a mystery as it started in the inside of a store room which was locked up and the whole place had been securely locked and vacated by everyone at 1.30 the evening before. When the alarm was sounded at 3 a. m. the pool room was still locked up and two doors had to be broken before the fire could be reached.

It developed that on the 20th of June, insurance to the extent of $2200.00 had been placed on the contents of the Star restaurant, but there was no evidence to connect this fact with either of the fires, although the policy appeared to be an excessive amount. The insurance was placed by Chas. Falconer through H. Greig, as agent of The Ontario Fire Insurance Co.

Take up Freight Rates With Commission

President G. B. Armstrong of the local Board of Trade and who was appointed a delegate by the Board to take up the question of cheaper freight rates before the railway commission which will hold its first sitting in Vancouver tomorrow, left yeterday for the terminal city. Rates on coal shipments from the valley both east and west as well as incoming shipments of goods coming from the coast, are the most important questions Mr. Armstrong will take up with the commission with a view to having a reduction on these rates made.

Gun Club Shoot

At the weekly shoot of the Merritt Gun Club there was a better turnout of trigeretts than usual and in addition to the Gun Case event, 2 10-bird events were shot off. The shooting on the whole was very promising and all those desiring to have a little practice before duck shooting season opens, should join the club at once. Weekly shoots are held every Wednesday evening commencing at 6.30 at the traps situated at the rear of the Merritt hotel.

Scores in Gun Case event, 25 targets;

Chas. Graham,	22
H. Priest,	21
W. Fowler,	16
G. Harrisson,	16
H. Armstrong,	16

Events Nos. 2 and 3, 10 targets each.

	No. 2	No. 3
H. Priest,	10	—
W. Fowler,	9	7
H. Armstrong,	8	8
G. Harrisson	8	6
P. Ransom,	6	6
Geo. Ransom,	7	—
C. Graham,	7	—
C. Laurenze,	7	4
A. Tarrant,	6	—

Collision on C. P. R.

In a rear-end collision between two freight trains which occurred last Sunday night at about 10 o'clock at Toketic a small station on the C. P. R., five miles east of Spences Bridge, three trainmen were injured.

An east bound freight hauled by No. 1601 in charge of Conductor B. Johnson with J. Adams as engineer crashed into another freight which was standing between switches derailing several cars and tearing up the track. Seeing danger imminent engineer Adams jumped and in his fall his head struck a rail with sufficient force to cause concussion. E. Bushlein, fireman suffered several fractured ribs as well as internal injuries while C. Alban, breakman got off with severe bruises. Auxiliary trains were despatched from North Bend and Kamloops to clear the wreckage while the injured men were taken to the hospital at Kamloops where their wounds were attended to. Engineer Adams died there on Wednesday.

K. V. CONTRACTS SOON TO BE LET

Settlement of Right-of-way Down Coquahalla in Sight.

A despatch from the coast says that within the next two weeks the contract will be awarded by the Kettle Valley line for the construction of a twelve mile section from Coldwater Junction westward to the summit of the Hope mountains. In that district the clearing of the right of way has been going on for the past month.

It is also intended as early as possible to proceed with the work of construction a section similar in length from the summit in a westerly direction down the Coquahalla river.

It is also reported that through the officials of the provincial government an arrangement whereby the Great Northern and Kettle Valley lines, the latter being the Canadian Pacific railway will jointly build and jointly operate a single line of track from the summit of Hope mountain to Hope is being arranged. This will mean a friendly settlement of the dispute between the rivals which for months past have had applications before the Dominion railway board for approval of their respective routes down the Coquahalla River. It will obviate the building of two separate lines and thus save millions of dollars as the construction work is of a very expensive character. Both roads are desirous of building separate lines, the Kettle Valley line having priority of location leaving the worst sid of the river to its rival. The carrying out of this programme however, would involve several sections on the lower reaches of the Coquahalla, a serious drawback on a mountain line from an operating standpoint. The Great Northern was willing to make a compromise by building its own line parallel to and on the same grade as the Kettle Valley line. The belief is expressed that the single track line will answer all traffic requirements for many years to come. The basis of settlement now about effected will probably be ratified by the railway commission during its coming western tour.

Census Returns

The official returns of the 1911 census of Canada, gives the population of the federal constituency of Yale-Cariboo as 56,382. Of this number the males are 37,167, and the females 19,215. The total land area is given at 111,956,530 acres or 174,932.08 square miles. The number of persons to the square mile is 0.32. The population of the whole of Canada per square mile is computed at 1.93 and of British Columbia 1.09. The population of the sub-districts of the Yale-Cariboo riding is given as follows: Kamloops 8362: Cariboo 5993; Grand Forks 2814; Greenwood 1557; Kamloops (c) 3277, (although the police census taken during last winter gave the city of Kamloops well over 4000 people.) Lillooet 2898; Okanagan 11,275; Similkameen 4134; Yale (part.) 6588; Enderby (c) 1577; Greenwood (c) 778; Kelowna (c) 1663; Merritt (c) 703; Phoenix (c) 662; Vernon (c) 2671.

In the Kamloops district there are 1729 dwellings with 1743 families inhabiting same; it does not include Kamloops City which is given at 699 dwellings with 715 families, this being considerably below the mark given at the police census. The areas of the rural sub-districts of the Yale Cariboo riding are: Kamloops 6,709,970 acres or 19,484.35 sq. miles. Kamloops City 760 acres or 1.19 sq. miles. Cariboo 83,667,680 acres or 130,730.75 sq. miles. Lillooet 11,698,240 acres, or 18,278.50 sq. miles. Merritt 1615 acres or 2.52 sq. miles.

Walter Harmer left today for the coast.

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CANADA'S PULPWOOD

Ever since the Province of Quebec forbade the export of pulpwood cut from Crown lands, considerable interest has been taken in the question as to how the price of pulpwood would be affected. A leading paper trade periodical estimated that the price of pulpwood had advanced one dollar per cord. This is corroborated by the bulletin on pulpwood lately compiled by the Forestry branch of the Department of the Interior.

According to this bulletin, the average price of pulpwood in Quebec province during 1911, was higher by ninety-seven cents than during 1910. In Ontario the price actually fell twenty cents per cord, while in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick increases of twenty-nine and twenty-two cents respectively are announced.

A question that is just beginning to come into notice in the Dominion is the utilization of saw-mill waste as material for pulp making. A very small quantity of such waste is so utilized by three firms which own both sawmills and pulp-mills.

The establishment of a prison farm near New Westminister is an entirely new departure on the part of the Provincial government, which will allow of the prisoners being kept at work during the time they are serving their sentences. The Provincial government is desirous of instituting a system which will tend to elevate rather than deteriorate the minds of prisoners, believing that many men who spend time in the various jails in Nelson, Kamloops, New Westminster and elsewhere in the province to which prisoners are at present sent do not allow of this to the extent at which the government aims, hence the establishment of the prison farm.

The provincial police have been asked to institute a search for Edgar Parsonage, aged 22 years, who was last heard of working with a construction gang employed on the C. P. R.

Provincial News

The pay roll of the British Columbia division of the Canadian Pacific railway during the last month amounted to $640,000.

Government officials estimate that 25,000 men will be required to handle this year's crop in the northwest.

The Canada Gazette contains notice of prorogation of parliament until August 31. As there is no possibility of the house meeting before November, the notice is certain to appear at least once more before the date of the sitting is definitely fixed.

One hundred thousand young trout, which were being shipped by the Dominion Government for the stocking of the southern end of Okanagan Lake, died in transport owing to a delay of six hours at Sicamous, where the water was not fitted to preserve them.

In an interesting article on gambling in outside real estate, Col. Lowry says in the Greenwood Ledge: "It is much safer to play poker, for in that kind of a gamble you can at least have fun, and get a few drinks before the kitty swallows all the chips. In the real estate game it is a hundred to one shot that you never get anything but a piece of paper, and your own dreams about easy money."

Following the murder of an Italian laborer at the C. N. R. construction camp near Ashcroft on Monday, Barney Mulligan, an Irish foreman, is held on a charge of wilful murder. A corner's jury found him directly responsible for the deed, at a preliminary hearing. It is alleged by the authorities that the laborer, Vincenzi, who was twenty-seven years of age, returned, after being dismissed for his time cheque. Vincenzi was terribly slashed with a butcher knife.

A dispatch from Golden states that W. G. McMynn who arrived there recently from Greenwood to assume the duties of government agent, has received further promotion and will leave Golden about August 1. Mr. McMynn, who is well and favorably known throughout the interior of British Columbia, has been appointed to the superintendency of the provincial prison farm on Burnaby lake, near New Westminster. The prison farm contains 192 acres, upon which the sum of $225,000 is available for the construction of buildings this year. Temporary buildings are now being erected on the farm and in the near future quarters for the accommodation of 600 prisoners will be built.

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Sporting News

Lacrosse Notes

To all persons following the Lacrosse game, and not prejudiced one way or the other, it will be hard for them to understand the reason for Westminster defaulting last Saturday's game to Vancouver.

Allowing that Westminster could not place a winning team in the field, it would have been more sportsman like to have played the game than to let it go by default.

The question of referees has always been a cause of dissatisfaction to both clubs and it is a wonder that an impartial man could not have been hired for the series. The loss to the Vancouver Club occasioned by the defaulting of Saturday's game, would have paid a dozen referees for some few seasons.

There surely must be many men capable of looking after the Coast games, and giving entire satisfaction to all concerned, and to most followers of the game it no doubt is a strange thing that some outsider was not hired for the series and a good deal of the present trouble would have been eliminated.

As to the decisions of the Lacrosse Commission it seems unreasonable for either club to take exception to them. As we understand it, the three members are appointed, one by each club, and the third man appointed by these two, and on that basis it seems to us, their decisions should be quite impartial.

The race in the Big Four Lacrosse Series in the East, is a tie between Torontos and Nationals each having won seven games and lost three. Next Saturday's game at Montreal between these two teams will practically decide the series, and in our opinion the Frenchmen are the one best bet. According to the total goals scored by each team Torontos lead by two, but the number of goals scored against them is fourteen more than against the Nationals. From this it would seem as though the Nationals home was practically as strong as Toronto, while their defence is considerably superior.

Should Nationals win out, the team they will bring to the Coast for the Cup Series will be the same as played there two years ago, with the exception of Newsy who is replaced by Jack Laviolette and considered one of the best home men playing the game. Laviolette was not eligible to play in the Cup games two years ago, but was seen in action in the exhibition games at Vancouver and New Westminster after the Cup series.

The Nationals have been playing the same team for three seasons, and should they win out in the East we believe the Cup series will certainly be worth going to see.

Charles Mink the great trick and trap shooter representing the Dominion Cartridge Co., who is well known here, won high honors at the Seattle trap shooting tournament, held at Seattle this past week. Competing against 12 of the best professional trapshooters in the Pacific Northwest and against a field of seventy of the leading amateurs. Mr. Mink broke 288 out of 300, an average of 96 per cent. As the conditions for shooting were exceedingly difficult, a sandstorm which was blinding and a strong wind which made the targets very eratic in their flight on both days of the shoot, Mr. Mink's shooting, all things considered was simply wonderful. Mr. Posten of San Francisco was second with a score of 285, and Mr. Le Barclay representing the Winchester Repeating Arms Co., was third with 284.

This is surely enough evidence to convince all those contemplating hunting game, birds and ducks this fall that there is no ammunition made to exceed Dominion manufacture.

Refusing to desert his determination not to fight again before Thanksgiving Day, Ad Wolgast continued his preparations to start for Portland the first of the week in spite of another two hours session between his manager, Tom Jones, and Joe Levy, who directs the business affairs of Mexican Joe Rivers.

Almost tearfully Levy reasoned with Jones, while Promoter McCary sat by and importuned Jones to consent to a Labor Day battle. Jones has taken refuge behind Wolgast's statement that there will be no fight despite McCarey's contention that both practically had accepted his terms.

Levy on Tuesday announced that on behalf of his charge he would claim the world's lightweight title, and that Rivers will be prepared to meet any of the aspirants to the title in Los Angeles on Labor Day. McCarey may promote a fight for the Mexican but says there is nothing in Rivers' claim for the title.

"Send us Another Ingersoll"

"O God, send us another 'Bob' Ingersoll to arouse people," was the plea made by Rev. Charles B. Mitchell, pastor of St James' Methodist Episcopal church at the Desplaines Camp meeting in Chicago last Sunday.

"They sit in the pews with dull, dead indifference that breaks our hearts. It would be better if they threw bricks at us as they did at Wesley, but they don't even talk back. This is an age of doubt.

"We ministers need more than apostolic succession in this scoffing, indifferent and godless age. The pendulum, I believe will soon begin to swing back again."

Forms Too Various

The district road superintendent whose office has to handle all bills connected with government work in the district, has addressed the following circular to the district road foremen:

"Several firms in this district have developed a curious practice, viz.: that of sending in their monthly statements on the first scrap of paper available. Your co-operation is requested to discourage this as far as possible. Of course it is quite on the cards that some of them have not got proper bill-heads printed, but as these statements have to be kept on file for an indefinite period, a word from you to those whom you find are inclined to be lax in such matters would be appreciated.—Yours truly. D. G. SUTHERLAND, Road Superintendent."

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Best of satisfaction in all departments. Prices are right.

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Nicola --- Merritt

NOTICE

COAL AND PETROLEUM ACT.

Within ninety days from date I intend to apply to the Commissioner of Lands for the Nicola Land District for a Licence to prospect for Coal and Petroleum over the following described area:

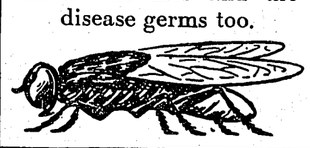
Commencing at a post placed 20 chains South of North West corner of lot 1303, Nicola Land Diatrict, Kamloops Division and marked G. Murray's N. E. corner, thence South 60 chains, thence West 40 chains, thence North 60 chains, thence East 40 chains to starting point.

GEO. MURRAY,
Nicola, B. C., 20th July, 1912.

American and Canadian Scientists tell us the common house fly is the cause of more disease and death than any other agency.

WILSON'S FLY PADS

kill all the flies and the disease germs too.



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Notice to Contractors.

NICOLA SCHOOL.

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tender for School-house, Nicola," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to 12 o'clock noon, of Friday, the 26th day of July, 1912, for the erection and completion of a large one-room frame school-house at Nicola, in the Yale Electoral District, B. C.

Plans, specifications, contract and forms of tender may be seen on and after the eighth day of July, 1912, at the offices of A. R. Carrington. Esq. Secretary of the School Board, Nicola, B.C.; the Government Agents, Ashcroft and Nicola; and the Department of Public Works, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C.

Each proposal must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Honourable the Minister of Public Works for the sum of $250, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied, signed with the actual signature of the tenderer, and enclosed in the envelopes furnished.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

J. E. GRIFFITH,
Public Works Engineer.
Department of Public Works,
Victoria, B. C., 5th July, 1912. 22-25

DEPARTMENT OF LANDS

WATER RIGHTS BRANCH

TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Investigation, acting under Part III, of the "Water Act", will meet at

PRINCETON

on the 9th day of August, 1912, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to hear and determine claims to water rights existing on the 12th day of March, 1909, on:

Similkameen River and tributaries, Wolf Creek, Nine-Mile Creek, Coldwater Creek, Bromley Creek, Steevenson Creek, Five-Mile-Creek, Lu-la-w la-uh Creek, N-Kan-se-ko Creek, Akspe-papts-in Creek, Chu-chu-way-ha Creek, N-kam-a-he-nat-co Creek, Jim Creek, Granite Creek, Cedar Springs Creek, Deer Lake, Summer's Creek, Graveyard Creek, One-mile Creek, Otter Creek, Boulder Creek, Strong Meadows, Deep Lake, Small Beaver Lake, Elliott Creek, Cedar Creek, Six-mile Creek, Three-mile Creek, Collins Gulch Stream, Big Kid Lake, Red Deer Creek, Gordon Creek, Ashnola River, Kingston Creek, Eighteen-mile Creek, Brohagen Creek, Sixteen-mile Creek, Fifteen-mile Creek, Stirling Creek, Tom Creek, A-che-ghip-flat Creek, Snit-hse-tse-pas-kan Creek, Stray-horse Lake, Clearwater Lake, Henry Creek, Crystal Springs, Cold Creek, Thirty-two-mile Creek, Smith Creek, Gold Creek, Schumaker Creek, Bear Creek, Twenty-mile Creek, Shoemake Creek, Tom Mark Creek, Murphy Creek, Sunset Creek, and their tributaries and two unnamed streams in the vicinity.

Dated at Victoria. B. C., the 18th day of June, 1912.

By order of the Board of Investigation.

J. F. ARMSTRONG,
Acting Comptroller of Water Rights.

LAND ACT

Yale Land District, District of Yale.

Take notice that Albert Weber of Cobban, Wis., occupation farmer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at north-west corner of Lot 301 on banks of Coldwater River. Thence north 25 chains, thence west 20 chains, thence south 25 chains, thence east 20 chains to point of commencement and containing 50 acres of land more or less.

ALBERT WEBER.
R. Z. Chandler, Agent.
June 24th, 1912. 20-29

Synopsis of Coal Mining Regulations.

Coal mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

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.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy Minister of the Interior.

N.B.—Unauthorised publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

"WATER ACT"

ALL PERSONS who have any water rights within the Nicola Water District are required to file claims with the Comptroller of Water Rights, at the Parliament Buildings, on or before the 30th day of July next. Parties who have already filed claims will be notified in a few days whether further information is required. The Board desires to have all claims examined and compared with the departmental maps and books before the hearing of evidence.

Mr. C. H. Dunbar, a barrister, has been appointed by the Minister of Lands to assist the holders of water rights in the preparation of their statements of claims, and will be at the different places mentioned below on the date fixed. He will be provided with the necessary forms but the claimants should bring a sketch showing their land and the streams with the point of diversion shown; this sketch may be drawn roughly. They should bring all the papers they may have in the way of deeds, records, and entries that Mr. Dunbar may see them. Mr. Dunbar will also prepare any objections which may be made.

When the claims are all in, the Board will examine the claims and objections, and a list will be sent to the Government Agent at Nicola, who will show it to any person who applies.

Mr. Dunbar will be at:—

Aspen Grove: From 2 p. m., on the 16th, and on 17th and 18th July.

Merritt: From noon on the 19th and on 20th July.

Nicola: On 22nd July.

Quilchena: On 23rd July.

Dated at Victoria July 8th, 1912.

J. F. ARMSTRONG,
Acting Comptroller of Water Rights.

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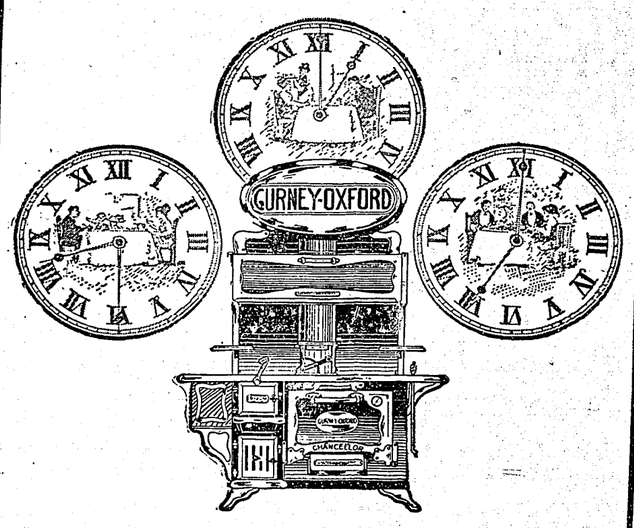

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The preparation of meals comes round three times a day.

Every housewife wants to know that she can depend on her stove absolutely; she wants to know that there is no element of chance or likelihood of mishap in her cooking arrangements; that meals will be ready promptly on time.

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Water Notice

I, William Swanson of Speous Creek, Canford, B. C., by occupation a farmer, give notice that I intend on the 23rd day of July, 1912. next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to apply to the Water Commissioner at his office at Nicola, B. C., for a licence to take and use one (1) cubic feet of water per second from a creek known as Richardson's creek, a tributary of Speous Creek.

The water will be used on Lot S. W. Quarter Section 35, for irrigation purposes.

Objections may be filed with the said Water Recorder at Nicola, B. C., or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Building, Victoria, B. C.

WILLIAM SWANSON.
Dated this 15th day of July, 1912.

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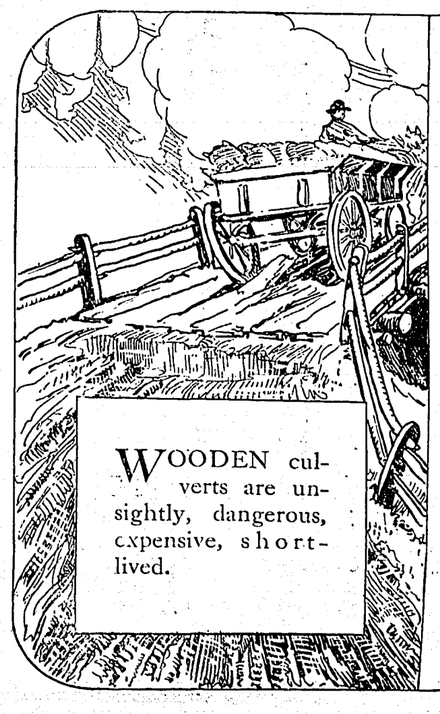
Phosphonol restores every nerve in the body to its proper tension; restores vim and vitality. Premature decay and all sexual weakness averted at once. Phosphonol will make you a new man. Price $3 a box, or two for $5. Mailed to any address. The Scobell Drug Co., St. Catharines, Ont.



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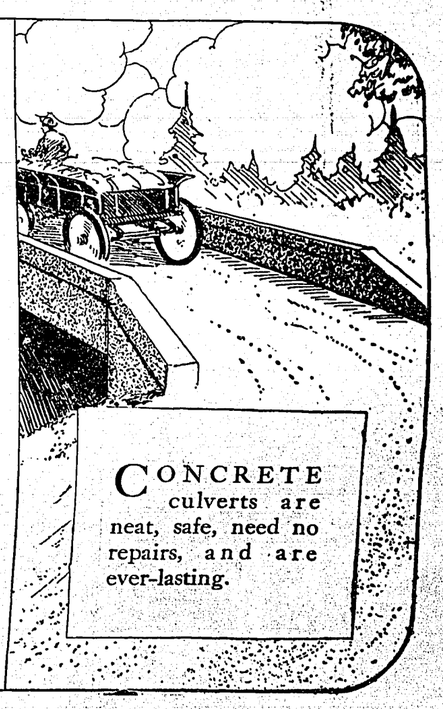

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MERRITT, B. C.

LOCAL AND DISTRICT

Haying is in full swing at the Garcia ranch.

J. H. Bland, of Vancouver arrived in the city on Wednesday night.

The regular meeting of the city council will be held next Monday evening.

E. Vachon, provincial constable here is spending the week at Vancouver.

J. Brenton of Middlesboro went over to Kamloops for a few days this week.

Dr. Gillismade a professional trip to Tulameen going via Auto stage on Monday.

H. B. Armstrong with the real estate firm of Gillespies Ltd., Vancouver, is a visitor to the town this week.

Jas. Innis who is running several freight teams out of Lytton was in the valley this week purchasing more stock.

B. C. Dickson, H. C. Greig and B. B. Conklin of this city paid Kamloops a visit last Friday and Saturday.

T. Heslop proprietor of the Metropolitan Meat Market, Nicola, was a visitor to the city this week.

A. N. B. Rodgers, manager of the local branch of the Bank of Toronto, returned the first part of the week from a business trip to coast points.

Jas. Bamfield and Fritz Stiffins of Mamette Lake were visitors to Kamloops the first of the week and were registered at the Grand Pacific hotel.

Jos. Graham manager of the Inland Coal and Coke Co., has been at the coast during the week and is expected home tomorrow.

Mrs. N. J. Barwick who has been visiting friends at Chilliwack for the past week left the latter place on Tuesday for Vancouver. She is expected home tomorrow night.

Jos. Collett returned to the city the first of the week from a week's visit to his ranch in the Aspen Grove district. He reports the hay crop in that section the best for years.

Parties returning from a day's outing back of Coal Hill report the wild strawberries so plentiful at the McInnes ranch that people are gathering them by the gallons.

The Ethel Tucker company held the boards down at the local opera house Monday and Tuesday nights. They drew a fairley good house both nights. On Monday evening the bill was "Are You a Mason", and on Tuesday evening "Baby Mine."

Ice Cream Parlors

The Cosiest Place in Town

Next door Sunshine Theatre

Louis Masuret, who is now with the Seymour survey party, spent the week end with his mother and sister here.

Mrs. A. W. Strickland, accompanied by her sister Mrs. E. G. Warren, arrived home from Greenwood on Monday evening.

Charles Tyne of Lower Nicola, is having a fine large residence erected on his ranch at that place. It is a two storey structure with a concrete foundation. In size it is 30 x 50 feet.

Mr. G. D, Reid arrived here this week from his home in New Brunswick, on a visit to his sons Mayor F. A. and Blair Reid. After seeing the Nicola valley Mr. Reid will go to Victoria for a short visit with two of his sons who are successful real estate men in the Capital city.

S. Gerrard, engineer at the Nicola Valley Ice and Cold Storage plant has been laid up with an attack of appendicitis.

Wm. McIntyre spent the first of the week as the guest of his brother Murdoch at the Coldwater hotel. Mr. McIntyre whose home is at Lillooet had been on a business trip to Vancouver and before returning to Lillooet came up to spend a few days in the valley returning to his home on Wednesday.

Arthur Oats was the only one to greet the police magistrate when court opened Monday morning. Arthur appeared on a charge of drunkness. After listening to a little fatherly advice from the magistrate he promised to follow closely the straight and narrow path henceforth, so was let off without a fine.

Complaints have been received at the office during the past week that several past masters of the "I Won't Work" society have been in town begging from door to door as well as in one instance badly frightening the lady of the house. We just wish to remind the police that these undesirables should be handed a move on ticket without delay.

Mrs. A. Falconer and daughter of Chicago, arrived in the city last week and will spend the summer here. This is not Mrs. Falconer's first visit to Merritt as she spent several weeks here last summer. "I notice a wonderful change in you town, it has made remarkable progress since my visit here last summer" remarked Mrs. Falconer after being shown the new hospital, city hall, school, and the many new residences which have been erected the past year. Mrs. Falconer and her danghter are staying at Collettville. They are old acquaintenances of Mr. L. R. Leyrer of this city.

Tuesday Mrs. J. H. Graham, mother of Mr. Chas. Graham of the Nicola Valley Coal and Coke Co., accompanied by the latters wife and daughter, left for the Harrison Hot Springs, where she will stay for the next two months. Mrs. Graham, since the severe attack of rheumatism which she had last spring, has never as yet fully recovered her strength, and it is hoped that a few weeks at the springs will fully restore her to her former health. Mrs. C. Graham will see her mother-in-law comfortably settled at the Springs and will then proceed to the coast on a short visit with friends before returning home.

Mr. Arthur Carrington, the Nicola merchant, was in town this week.

Mrs. J. A. McDonald underwent an operation on Tuesday last at the General Hospital- It is reported today that she is recovering nicely.

Miss Russell, who recently underwent an operation at the General Hospital has sufficiently recovered to be out again, and will return to her home in Vancouver during the coming week.

Elmor Thomas who has been on the staff of the Diamond Vale Supply Co., for the past six months has resigned his position with that company and accepted one with the Kettle Valley railway s brakesman.

By the accidental discharge of a rifle in the hands of his brother, Leslie Cook received a nasty wound, the bullet entering his foot near the instep and having had to be cut out. He is now a patient at the hospital as a result.

The Nicola Valley Meat Market this week installed a new motor to run their sausage machine and also put in electric fans in their meat market, power being supplied from the new storage batteries recently installed.

Mr. C. H. Dunbar, a barrister, who was appointed by the Minister of Lands to assist the holders of water rights in the Nicola Water district in the preparation of their statement of claims was in the city last Friday and Saturday. He visited Nicola on Monday and was at Quilchena on Tuesday.

H. C. Miles who has been acting as assistant manager at the Nicola Valley Steam Laundry Co., has resigned his position and intends leaving the city. Accompanied by Mrs. Miles they will leave in a few days on a trip through the Okanagan, after which they will go to Spokane, Wash.

The secretary of the local gun club wishes the News to state that he has information as to the party who broke open the trap-house at their shooting grounds the first of the week and stole a quantity of ammunition. The trap house will be left open until Monday next to give the said thief a chance to return same when if it is not retvrned legal proceedings will be taken.

Ed. N. Clark, editor of the Coalmont Courier, who was arrested last week upon the charge of carrying concealed weapons came up for hearing on Wednesday at Coalmont. The case was dismissed.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, July 28, 1912.
2.30 p.m., Sunday School.
Nicola—11 a. m.
Communion Service at 11 a. m.
Rev. J. A. Petrie,
Pastor.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday, July 28th.
10 a. m. Mass.
2.30 p.m. Catechism and Bible.
7.30 p.m. Rosary and Benediction.
Jas. Wagner, O. M. I.
Pastor.

Private Sale of Furniture.

For sale; furniture, stove and kitchen utensils. Practically all new. Will sell part or whole of same very cheap as they must be sold at once:—

1 round dining table, 1 rocking chair leather seat, 1 arm chair leather seat, 5 dining chairs leather seats, 1 dresser round glass, 1 iron bed stead, 1 mattress and spring, 1 kitchen table, 1 kitchen stove, 2 window shades, 1 toilet set, 1 water pail, dish pan, wash dish, 3 cups and saucers, 6 plates, tea pot, tea kettle, 2 frying pans, 2 saucepans, & etc.

Apply at residence of H. C. Miles, rear of school house.

WATER NOTICE

For a Licence to Store or Pen Back Water

Notice is hereby given that Charles Loewen of Vancouver, B. C., will apply for a license to store or pen back 360 acre-feet of water from an unnamed Creek, a stream flowing in a westerly direction and emptying into 10 Mile creek, near Mammette Lake Road. The water will be stored in a reservoir of 360 acres capacity, built or to be built at a lake, source of creek, and will be used for irrigation purposes as authorized by Water Record No. 98, Water Licence No...., or under a notice of application for a licence to take and use water, posted herewith, on the land described as Lot 1916.

This notice was posted on the ground on the 23rd day of July, 1912. The application will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Nicola.

Objections may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C.

CHARLES LOEWEN, Applicant,
24-29 by Eric Conant, Agent.

WATER NOTICE

For a Licence to Store or Pen Back Water

Notice is hereby given that Charles Loewen of Vancouver, B. C., will apply for a licence to store or pen back 360 acre-feet of water from Tom Peter Creek, a stream flowing in a southerly direction and emptying into Eight Mile creek, near Indian Corral. The water will be stored in a reservoir of 360 acres capacity, built or to be built at a lake source of creek, and will be used for domestic purposes as authorized by Water Record No...., Water Licence No....., or under a notice of application for a licence to take and use water, posted herewith on the land described as Lot 747.

This notice was posted on the ground on the 23rd day of July, 1912. The application will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Nicola.

Objections may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings Victoria. B. C.

CHARLES LOEWEN, Applicant.
by Eric Conant, Agent.

WATER NOTICE

For a Licence to Take and Use Water

Notice is hereby given that Charles Loewen of Cotton Building, Vancouver, will apply for a licence to take and use 100 inches of water out of Tom Peter Creek, which flows in a southerly direction through Crown Land and empties into Eight Mile creek, near Indian oCrral. The water will be diverted at a point 1 mile east of lot 747, and will be used for domestic purposes on the land described as lot 747.

This notice was posted on the ground on the 23rd day of July. 1912. The application will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Nicola.

Objections may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliamemt Buildings, Victoria, B. C.

CHARLES LOEWEN, Applicant.
by Eric Conant, Agent.

SPECIAL SUMMER SALE

Children's Rompers

Splendid variety at special prices to clear. Regular $1.25 for $1.00, 50c for 40c, 75c for 60c.

Children's Dresses

New and up-to-date, splendid for hot weather. Regular $2.25, 2.00 and 1.50. Special $1.65, 1.30 and 1.10.

Ladies White Waists.

Real bargains. Be sure you get in on this. Regular $1.75 and $1.50. Special $1.00 each.

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Must be sold now, so we are going to give them away at 50c each. Regular $1 and 75c.

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