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FIERCE FIGHTING IS REPORTED

At Ladysmith on Sunday.

NEW YORK, January 7.—Reviewing the South African situation under Sunday morning's date, the London correspondent of the Tribune says: "General Buller's army was in readiness to move upon the enemy's works yesterday after systematic scouting all along the line from Springfield to Ilangwana. There were two strongly fortified positions south of the Tugela at each end of the defensive line, running 16 miles on the opposite bank with guns commanding every fording place. The Springfield districts had been explored by scouts earlier, but there was a reconnaisance in force Friday afternoon toward Ilangwana by a strong body of cavalry and riflemen, with two guns. There was a shell fire from the naval guns behind lord Dundonald's cavalry, and various attempts were made to draw the enemy's fire, but in the end the troops returned to camp without having learned where the new trenches had been laid. The lesson of the first battle at Colenso and subsequent futile reconnaisances and artillery practice was that an engagement was necessary in order to ascertain where the enemy was, and a series of battles, one after another in quick succession, might be required for the relief of Ladysmith.

While the loungers at the clubs were discussing the probabilities of the situation last night, and settling down to the conclusion that the first shot would be the signal for several days of desperate fighting, but that general Buller would wait for another battery and another regiment of Hussars, and not order the advance until Monday, the war office cleared the field of action for at least twenty-four hours by posting a short bulletin. It was from general Buller at Frere Camp, and contained a message from general White, stating that the Boers had attacked Ladysmith in considerable force toward 3 o'clock on Sunday morning. While general Buller was waiting for a few more guns and mounted troops or possibly for the water to fall a little lower in the Tugela or for the mule transport train to be put in better order, general Joubert had attempted to surprise the garrison by a midnight sortie and a spirited attack had been made. The Boers were everywhere repulsed, but the fighting was still in progress by 9 o'clock. The story was only half told by heliograph, for the retirement of the Boers was not announced, but so far as it went it had the right ring for British ears. White's men were holding their own and fighting gallantly after a long siege. They had not been taken by surprise, and even with their supply of ammunition, which there has been good reason to believe was failing, they had repulsed this belated attack in force. It was an inspiring story which brought a glow of enthusiasm to every Englishman's face. The war office had neither explanations nor comments to offer and kept what information it had received from general Buller respecting his plans a close secret. It was an easy inference that general Joubert, being well informed by his own scouts respecting Buller's dilatory tactics had taken advantage of a final opportunity for a desperate attempt to carry Ladysmith, with its fever hospital, by assault before the great battle of the Tugela could be fought. Possibly he had also hoped to entrap a part of the garrison outside and capture a few more battalions as he had done at Nicholson's Nek. If general White's reassuring story has no sequel with an adverse ending, the last attempt upon Ladysmith has failed, and the Boers, dispirited by their repulse after a long and tedious siege, will turn their attention to general Buller at Tugela river.

BIG FIGHT BEGUN AT COLENSO

A Decisive Action is in Progress.

LONDON, January 8.—A special dispatch from Frere camp, dated Saturday, January 6th, 7 p. m., says; "At 2 o'clock this afternoon the whole of general Clery's division marched out of camp to attack Colenso. General Hillyard's brigade was on the left, and general Barton's on the right, with cavalry on the extreme right. The attack was slowly developed, and at 4.30 the British field guns advanced on the center and commenced shelling the Boer positions on the flat land between Elangwand hill and Fort Emile. About this time a heavy thunderstorm raged over the enemy's positions. At 5.30 o'clock our troops were still advancing and had reached a point very near Colenso. The naval and field guns were busily dropping shells into the enemy's trenches along the line, and the forts of the enemy had made no reply."

LONDON, January 8—4:50 a.m.—The British public is at last face to face with a critical moment in the campaign. It may safely be said that at no previous time have there been such anxious hours of suspense as will be passed through until the arrival of further news regarding the fate of Ladysmith. The editorials this morning fully reflect the extreme gravity of the situation, with a painful undercurrent of ominous foreboding, mainly caused by the fact that, while the Boers have now changed their tactics and assumed the offensive, general Buller is apparently unable to do more to assist general White than by making a demonstration. As the heliograph ceased working yesterday (Sunday) it is presumed that general White's last message was sent by a pigeon or runner.

The Nominations to be Made Today.

Ex-alderman Madden has consented to make the race for alderman in the West ward. The nominations today will be: For mayor—Frank Fletcher, land agent, and John Houston, printer. For aldermen East ward—Hamilton Byers, merchant; G. A. B. Hall, physician; John A. Irving, merchant; Christopher Morrison, merchant; and W. J. Wilson, merchant. For aldermen West ward—E. C. Arthur, physician; Arthur Ferland, merchant; Thomas Madden, hotelkeeper; and A. L. McKillop, assayer. On Thursday night seven of these gentlemen will wear smiles and be in the procession. The other four, within a month, will be glad the other fellows won.

THE PRESS WAGES UNFAIR WAR

And Public Opinion is Down on it.

NEW YORK, January 7.—Cabling to the Tribune from London regarding the criticisms of the military authorities Mr. Ford says: "The wanton criticism of the military authorities by the black press has recoiled against it. The generals in the field have been spared, but snapping has been going on continuously against the ministers, the war office and the headquarters staff. This indiscriminating fusilade against officials who are laboring arduously at their posts and doing their best, even if some of them have blundered, and failed to forecast the magnitude of the struggle in South Africa, and the unique defensive tactics of the Dutch warriors, is beginning to give rise to indignation and contempt. Lord Lansdowne, who is the chief target for the Daily Mail quick firers, may have his faults as head of the overworked war office, but he has sent both his sons, lord Kerry and lord Charles Fitzmaurice to the front and has toiled unceasingly. Lord Wolseley, sir William Buller, sir John Ardagh and other military men, who have been under fire of the black press cannot violate official decorum and defend themselves. This kind of warfare is unfair and un-English, and is re-acting against those who are conducting it, especially when they are proved wrong in their own polemics over artillery and driven into a furious onslaught upon the military writers of reputable journals as official hirelings. The ministers may have made the mistake of working too steadily and delivering too few speeches; certainly there are many things to which they could direct public attention with a good grace. Whatever miscalculations were made at the outset of the war, the nation was as blind and infatuated as the ministers themselves. The largest English army ever put in the field has been carried to the ends of the earth with perfection of system and details, and the United Kingdom has not been denuded of battalions. The war office and headquarters staff clearly deserve credit for the systematic operation of the mobilization scheme, and old England, pulsating with patriotic ardor, is a long way from being at the end of her military resources.

When the war opened there were seventeen infantry battalions in South Africa and seventy at home. There will be at the end of this month, apart from cavalry and artillery, seventy-six battalions of infantry regulars in the field and seventy-three in the United Kingdom. This astonishing result has been secured by calling out the reserves, by leaving linemen under age at home and by stiffening detachments with militia. The barracks are as full as they were when the war opened, and the third line of defense has hardly been drawn upon. If a dozen battalions of militia have volunteered for foreign service fifty more remain in reserve; if 70,000 volunteers and 3000 yeomanry cavalry have been allowed to enlist for the war, there remain 125,000 citizen soldiers for a future emergency."

Outcome of Freight Business.

During the past week the C. P. R. yard has been filled up with empty freight cars, the natural outcome of the heavy freight business to the Boundary during the holiday season. The empties are coming in in long strings and are being forwarded to the Landing rapidly. An engine with fifty cars attached attracted considerable interest Sunday morning, and many citizens were at a loss to understand how the string could have been pulled over the grades. The explanation was that the cars had been gathered at the far end of the yard and had not come in from an outside point.

PRENTICE'S VOTE WILL SUSTAIN GOVERNMENT

VICTORIA, January 7.—(Special to the Tribune.)—Prentice arrived last night and will take his seat in the legislature tomorrow. He will vote with the government against Turner's motion, but cannot be counted upon as stalwart, and if the opposition are discreet they may have his vote before long. A reliable explanation of MacPherson's attitude is now given. It is that while he is firmly pledged to the Deadman's Island committee to vote against the government on that issue, he has asked to be released from his pledge on the plea that Joe Martin has made an alliance with Dunsmuir and thus so altered the position of affairs that MacPherson feels justified in breaking his promises.

GENERAL FRENCH IS MODEST

But His Tactics Are Successful.

LONDON, January 7.—General French's official account of Thursday's engagement has confirmed previous press reports without exaggeration. He allows the correspondents to give their own versions of his manœuvers and then has the credit himself for modesty and for not getting excited over his own exploits. It is evident from his report that the Dutch in attacking his position with an inferior force hoped to draw him on toward another position five miles north of Colesburg, where they had a stronger body of troops in reserve. The Dutch tactics were the same as in the first battle of the war, when general Symons hit the advance guard, reserves being behind where they could capture the hussars. French has adapted himself to Dutch tactics, and makes a point of never doing what his enemy expects him to do. He did not attempt to occupy Coleburg prematurely when there was a chance of being held there by the enemy while a superior force cut in behind and blocked his retreat by obtaining possession of the two bridges over the Orange river. He is demonstrating that tactical successes can be gained without a heavy butcher's bill. This is a new view of the art of war for the English public, which has been trained for fifty years to use bulldog tactics and frontal attacks as the highest achievements of military science. If French perseveres in his cautious and effective campaign and, without meeting with a reverse, succeeds in opening the way for lord Roberts into the Free State, he will impart to manoeuvering some of the virtues of the blessed word "success."

There were premature rumors from several sources that Colesburg had been occupied by French yesterday, after a vigorous artillery fire at daybreak and a persistent assault by batteries west of the town.

The situation at Modder river and in Gatacre's district has not been materially altered by the dispatches during the evening.

NEWS FROM BOTH SOURCES

Of Colesburg and the Fighting There.

LONDON, January 7.—General French reports that the Boer command which made the attack on January 4th lost 50 killed besides wounded and prisoners. The command was dispersed.

PRETORIA, January 4—(Thursday) via Lorenzo Marquez.—Field cornet Visser, under date of Tuesday, January 2nd, reports as follows: Kuruman, British Bechuanaland.—Commenced a bombardment of Kuruman yesterday morning, aiming at the police barracks. The fight lasted until six in the evening, when the garrison surrendered, issuing from the forts and yielding up arms. We took 20 prisoners, including captains Bates and Dennision, Mr. Hilyard, the magistrate, and eight other officers. We also captured seventy natives, a number of rifles and revolvers and plenty of ammunition."

LORENZO MARQUEZ, January 4.—A dispatch from the Boers' headquarters near Dordrecht says: "The British have been compelled to retreat from Dordrecht. Fighting continues around Colesburg, where the British occupy some of the outside kopjes. Bullets are dropping inside the town. Fifteen were wounded. They are being attended by us, with the help of Dr. Bearne, an English physician. The horses, oxen, meats and flour taken from the prisoners have been sent to Pretoria by way of Vryburg."

THE NEWS FROM GREENWOOD

A Joint Hockey Club Formed.

GREENWOOD, January 7.—[Special to the Tribune].—At a meeting of the Camp McKinney Hockey Club and the Greenwood Hockey Club, held in this city, it was decided to form a new hockey club to be known as the Boundary Hockey Club. The new club will join the British Columbia Hockey League and participate in the games for the championship. It was recognized by the members of both clubs that neither club had a team sufficiently strong to enter the league on its own account, and as it is most desirable to have the Boundary district represented, the outcome was the formation of the new club. The meeting elected the following officers: President, F. J. Finucane, Greenwood; first vice-president, major R. G. Edwards-Leckie, Republic; second vice-president, Clive Pringle, Greenwood; secretary-treasurer, A. G. Fry, Greenwood; and an executive committee composed of L. C. Newlands, Camp McKinney; W. F. Macpherson, Greenwood; E. G. Warren, Camp McKinney; Angus Davis, Republic, and C. W. Chesterton, Greenwood. The club colors will be green and black.

A movement is on foot to hold a big concert in the Alhambra variety theatre for the purpose of raising funds for the widows and orphans of the soldiers of the queen who may die in the Transvaal. A long list of local talent has been secured and, aided by some of the best performers in the vaudeville line, the evening's entertainment will doubtless draw a big crowd. Wednesday, January 31st, is the date set. The boxes at the Alhambra will be sold by auction.

The government has appointed K. C. B. Frith postmaster, his appointment dating from January 1st. J. P. Vroom arrived here tonight, and will act as assistant to H. McCutcheon, customs inspector for the port of Greenwood. The government has also appointed Mr. McCutcheon a quarantine inspector and an inspector of fruits.

For the month of December the receipts for the port of Greenwood amounted to $6,806.38, divided as follows: Inland revenue, $1,886.29; customs returns, $5,009.09.

CITY VOTERS' LIST REVISION

Several Names Were Added.

Police magistrate Crease held a court of revision yesterday for the purpose of adding such names to the voters' list as were either improperly omitted, or have qualified as voters since the preparation of the list by paying arrears of taxes or licenses. There were but two or three omissions, which were corrected, while upwards of thirty qualified by paying arrears. The interests of candidate Houston were looked after by S. S. Taylor, while W. A. Macdonald performed a similar service for candidate Fletcher, the revision being accomplished without any friction whatever.

The following names were added in the East Ward: Mrs. James McPhee, assessed owner; George C. Tunstall, assessed owner; H. R. Cameron, license; E. W. Matthews, assessed owner; Mrs. Jacob Dover, assessed owner; George Wesley Taylor, assessed owner; W. E. McCandlish, householder; Harry Wright, assessed owner; Robert E. Lemon, license: T. Leo Peel, assessed owner; Murdoch McKay, assessed owner; James A. McDonald, assessed owner; A. Pfeiffer, assessed owner; William H. Gardiner, assessed owner; T. H. Hewitt, license; William G. Lillie, license; Thomas L. Lillie, license; L. Ernst, assessed owner; John McLeod, license; William McDougall, assessed owner; Mrs. D. O. Lewis, assessed owner; and W. E. McCandlish junior, license.

The names added in the West Ward were: E. T. H. Simpkins, assessed owner; William Stormer Smith, license; H. F. McLeod, license; John R. McLatchie, license; E. A. Cordingly, license; Eli Sutcliffe, license; Mrs. Andrew Lay, assessed owner; F. E. Morrison, license; Thomas B. May, license.

The application of James O'Reilly, to be changed from the East to the West Ward, was granted.

Applications from the following to be placed upon the list, were refused; Robert Ince, George W. Hall, Robert Madden, H. W. F. Pollock, George Burns, V. C. Coxhead, and W. J. McMitchell.

A few typographical errors in the printed copies of the voters' list were corrected, the most important of which was the changing of one name from Alfred McCrae to Alfred Manuel, in conformity with the declaration filed with the city clerk.

COUNTY COURT IS ON TODAY

Numerous Cases on the Docket.

Judge Forin will hold a sitting of the county court at the court house commencing this morning. The docket contains a number of cases among which are the following:

Queen vs. Keefe, appeal from summary conviction. Defendant David Keefe, was sentenced at Ymir to three days' imprisonment for assault and now appeals against the committing magistrate's judgment, Taylor & Hannington for defendant.

Sturgeon vs. Hawley, action to recover $185 due by defendant's employees to plaintiff and alleged to have been guaranteed by defendant, who is the contractor for the supply of stone at the Nelson Coke & Gas Company's new works. Plaintiff is proprietor of the Sherbrooke hotel and claims that defendant became responsible for the workmen's board bill. This claim is denied. Taylor & Hannington for defendant.

Maslonka vs. Maslonka, action to recover value of 50 cords of wood. The litigants are brothers, Albert and Joseph, and the suit arises out of a business deal. Taylor & Hannington are acting for defendants.

Jones vs. Ince, action to recover $25. The defence in this case alleges that the matter was a gambling transaction, and therefore the liability is not binding. Plaintiff claims that the sum in litigation was a loan to defendant.

Hunnex vs. Collet.—In this case a point of law remains to be argued, the evidence having been taken at a former sitting of court. Taylor & Hannington for plaintiff.

Ames vs. Knags, argument of law. Defendant's solicitors, Taylor & Hannington, will move to set aside judgment on the ground, among others, that it was signed a day too soon.

A Good-Natured Campaign.

So far the civic campaign has been a good-natured one, barring always the growls of the disgruntled newspaper that is giving candidate Fletcher a half-hearted support. The mayoralty candidates are working hard, but it is evident that candidate Houston has the better organization, having profited by his defeat last January. His supporters claim that he will have a hundred majority in the East ward, and that he will hold candidate Fletcher more than even in the West ward. Houston has the support of 95 per cent of the business houses, all the hotels that do not look upon nickle-in-the-slot machines as a necessary adjunct to their business, and 90 per cent of the men who work for wages. Fletcher has the support of the wide-open, nickle-in-the-slot saloon element, 90 per cent of the members of the Mine Owners' Association, and the Neelands push. It is not likely that over 625 votes will be polled for mayor.

Last Meeting on Wednesday.

The city council meets on Wednesday afternoon when the present aldermen will bid adieu to their official duties for the year. The chief of police will present his annual report, which contains the following figures: Cases tried 229, convictions 194, fines $1,334.55, charges, 127 drunk and disorderly, balance miscellaneous; increase in cases over 1898, 40; increase in fines, $224.45. The police anticipate a busy year, as a number of railroad laborers will be here in view of the improvements at the depot and the extension to Balfour.

Another Reverse and More Prisoners.

LONDON, January 7.—General French reports a "serious accident" to the First Suffolk regiment. From reports the regiment attacked a Boer position. Lieutenant colonel Watson in command was wounded and a retirement was ordered. Three quarters of the British reached the camp, but the others were overpowered and compelled to surrender. Seventy were taken prisoners including several officers.

JAPAN HOLDS THE TRUMPS

Russia Checked France Cannot Move.

NEW YORK, January 7.—"No responsible person talks now of European intervention in the Anglo-Boer controversy," says the London correspondent of the Evening Post, "but the embarrassing condition of things at Delagoa bay is the gravest cause of anxiety in official quarters here and in Berlin. Delagoa bay, indeed, has become the key of the European situation, and ridiculous at first sight though the assertion may seem, the issues of European peace or war lie very largely at this moment with little far-off Japan. In Germany the seizures have excited the normal anti-British feeling to such a point that the kaiser, ready as he is just now to support England, cannot neglect it. Lord Salisbury either must risk embroiling England with half of Europe by saying the word which will give England control of Delagoa bay, German public opinion being appeased by the announcement of Germany's substantial quid pro quo elsewhere, or he must keep his Delagoa bay card in reserve till the German furore over the seizures of German ships has lost its power to drive the German government into alienation from England. The belief in authoritative quarters here is that he will take the former risk and let the public into the long guarded Delagoa bay secret, just as soon as certain details have been arranged with Portugal. For that purpose a high British diplomatic official, in whose hands this matter has largely rested, for several years, left London on Friday of last week, and is still at Lisbon. Unless, therefore, an entirely new aspect is given to the question it is probable that before the prize court at Durban has given judgment on the seizures Europe will be in the throes of a Delagoa bay crisis. That, at least, is the present expectation in English official circles.

I asked my authority what, in diplomatic circles, was expected to be the result of this move in Europe. He said that it was understood that France, anticipating such an Anglo-German step, had come to an arrangement with Spain, by which France should claim Ceuta as the price of her complaisance. "That, of course," he said, "is absolutely impossible unless we mean to make Gibraltar and Malta of no effect, and hand over our highway to India, which we do not mean to do. England must and will fight rather than yield to any such demand." "And what of Russia? The papers have been suggesting that she told lord Salisbury that the future of Delagoa bay is really no business of hers." "Oh, dear no," replied my informant, "that is absolutely untrue. France counts on Russia, and if the Franco-Russian alliance is half as effective a bond as France claims she should not count in vain. Yet, despite all that, and, although of course England is forced by her position in South Africa to run the risk of grave European complications, war will not come. That is the firm belief of those whose opinions count for most in England. Russia, you see, dare not attack England, or indeed attack anyone just now, for Japan is only awaiting such an opportunity of Russian preoccupation to pounce upon Corea and Port Arthur, which she counts her legitimate spoil from the Japo-Chinese war. Japan will keep Russia quiet in Europe, and without Russia France can only growl. Meanwhile, England, holding Delagoa bay, has a ring around the Transvaal."

Meat is Scarce in Glasgow.

GLASGOW, January 7.—There is a great scarcity of fresh meat here owing to the disorganization of the trans-Atlantic trade by the withdrawal of steamships for transport service. No cattle or sheep from the United States have reached Glasgow in a week, and the butchers are unable to supply their customers. There is a substantial rise in prices.

WHITE DEFEATED THE BOERS

Repulsed a Determined Attack.

LONDON, January 8.—A special dispatch from Frere camp, dated Sunday, January 6th, 7.20 p. m., says: "General White heliographs that he defeated the Boers this morning. They crept so close to the defending forces that the Gordon Highlanders and Manchesters actually repulsed them at the point of the bayonet."

A dispatch to the Daily Chronicle from Frere camp says: "Saturday's bombardment of Ladysmith was the heaviest yet recorded. All the heavy guns were working, and the Boers seemed to be pouring in shell from every available gun."

The Daily Telegraph has the following from Frere camp, dated Saturday, January 6th; 10.35 a. m.: "A very heavy bombardment went on at Ladysmith from daybreak until 8 o'clock this morning. It is believed that an action was in progress, for musketry firing was also heard. It is possible the garrison was making a sortie, for the Boers at Colenso hurriedly left their trenches and rode toward Ladysmith."

A Dawson Pioneer.

S. Clement, of St. Jerome, Quebec, is at the Sherbrooke hotel, having just arrived from the east. He was one of the first few hundred to reach Dawson after the Klondike boom opened in the palmy days when labor commanded $20 a day. When

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A. MACDONALD & CO.—Corner Vernon and Josephine streets, wholesale grocers and jobbers inblankets, gloves, mitts, boots, rubbers, mackinaws and miners' sundries.

KOOTENAY SUPPLY COMPANY, LIMITED—Vernon street, Nelson, wholesale grocers.

JOHN CHOLDITCH & CO.—Front street, Nelson, wholesale grocers.

COAL.

CROW'S NEST PASS COAL COMPANY.—Wholesale dealers in coal and coke. Charles St. Barbe, Agent. Baker street, Nelson.

HARDWARE AND MINING SUPPLIES.

H. BYERS & CO.—Corner Baker and Josephine streets, Nelson, wholesale dealers in hardware and mining supplies. Agentsfor Giant Powder Co.

LAWRENCE HARDWARE COMPANY—Baker St., Nelson, wholesale dealers in hardware and mining supplies, and water and plumbers' supplies.

VANCOUVER HARDWARE COMPANY, LIMITED—Baker street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in hardware and mining supplies, plumbers and tinsmiths' supplies.

ÆRATED AND MINERAL WATERS.

THORPE & CO., LIMITED.—Corner Vernon and Cedar streets, Nelson, manufacturers of and wholesaledealers in ærated waters and fruit syrups. Sole agentsfor Halcyon Springs mineral water.

ASSAYERS' SUPPLIES.

W. F. TEETZEL & CO.—Corner Baker and Josephine streets, Nelson, wholesale dealers in assayers supplies. Agents for Denver Fire Clay Co. of Denver, Colorado.

LIQUORS AND DRY GOODS.

TURNER, BEETON & CO.—Corner Vernon and Josephine streets, Nelson, wholesale dealers in liquors, cigars and dry goods. Agents for Pabst Brewing Co. of Milwaukee and Calgary Brewing Co. of Calgary.

COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

H. J. EVANS & CO.—Baker street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in liquors, cigars, cement, fire brick and fire clay, water pipe and steel rails, and general commission merchants.

FLOUR AND FEED.

BRACKMAN & KER MILLING COMPANY LTD.—Front street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in flour, oatmeal, etc., and hay and grain. Mills at Edmonton, Victoria, and New Westminster.

CIGARS.

KOOTENAY CIGAR MANUFACTURING CO.—Corner Baker and Hall streets, Nelson, manufacturers of "Royal Seal" and "Kootenay Belle" brands of cigars.

PAINTS AND OILS.

NELSON HARDWARE COMPANY—Baker Street—Wholesale dealers in paints, oils, and brushes of all kinds. Largest stock in Kootenay.

FRESH AND SALT MEATS.

P. BURNS & CO.—Baker street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in fresh and cured meats. Cold storage.

POWDER, CAPS AND FUSE.

HAMILTON POWDER COMPANY—Baker street, Nelson, manufacturers of dynamite, sporting, stumping and black blasting powders, wholesale dealers in caps and fuse, and electric blasting apparatus.

PROVISIONS, PRODUCE AND FRUITS.

PARSONS PRODUCE COMPANY—Vernon street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in provisions, produce, and fruits. Agents for Swift & Co. bacon and hams.

J. Y. GRIFFIN & CO.—Corner Vernon and Josephine streets, Nelson, wholesale dealers in provisions, cured meats, butter and eggs.

F. R. STEWART & CO.—Warehouses on C. P. R. track, foot of Stanley street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in provisions, produce and fruits. Cold storage. Agents Armour & Co.'s bacon, hams, lard and other products.

MANITOBA PRODUCE AND COMMISSION CO. Ltd. — Nelson branch, Hall street. Wholesale dealers in butter, eggs and cheese.

SASH AND DOORS.

NELSON SAW AND PLANING MILLS, LIMITED—Corner Front and Hall streets, Nelson, manufacturers of and wholesale dealers in sash and doors; allkinds of factory work made to order.

WINES AND CIGARS.

CALIFORNIA WINE COMPANY, LIMITED—Corner Front and Hall streets, Nelson, wholesale dealers in wines (case and bulk) and domestic andimported cigars.

The Tribune.

THE speaker of a parliament or chairman of any deliberative assembly is supposed to be governed by a set of unwritten rules embodied more or less in precedents established by former action in similar circumstances. All these precedents are derived from and referable to certain principles, and the only use of precedent is that it enables those principles to be quickly applied; so that it is not necessary upon every occasion to refer the matter back to the first principles governing the speaker's action. But when new and unforseen circumstances arise, then a speaker must himself set a precedent which will be good or bad according as it is in harmony, or at variance with the principle by which his conduct must be tested. The most difficult matter in which it falls to a speaker to give a decision is where his casting vote is necessary to determine the action of the assembly over which he presides. It is obvious that in his official capacity he must not consider himself as the partisan of one side or the other; it is not so obvious, but it is equally true, that, whatever his private opinions may be, it is outside his office to exercise his judgment on the subject matter on which a decision is to be reached. If that were not so, then the personal predilections and party affiliations of one man would be the governing force of the country, and at that, a man who was supposed, when he entered the speaker's chair, to have left those personal predilictions and party affiliations behind him, so far as his official actions were concerned. What then is the speaker to do? According to sound constitutional practice it is his duty under such circumstances to maintain the status quo, in other words to leave things as they were. This is, or ought to be, the test of his action at any time he is called upon to give a casting vote. Judged by this principle, speaker Forster's action in using his casting vote to support the government was constitutionally perfectly correct. The motions brought forward were purely technical ones dealing with the internal machinery of the house. In such a case the government represents the status quo. The speaker has no choice in the matter. Whether in private life a supporter or opponent of the government he cannot use his vote to turn the government out on such a question. But that does not mean that government by the speaker's vote is either right or possible. It is a nice question whether he might or might not use his vote to support a government in bringing down necessary estimates. He would certainly be wrong in using it to authorize any special expenditure. In short where any new matter is brought forward it is his duty on a tie to vote against it no matter what it is. Suppose for instance a motion was brought forward, to take an instance not likely to be considered otherwise than in the abstract, to levy war against Manitoba, and that the legislature was evenly divided on the expediency of so doing. It would be the speaker's duty to vote against it. He might be very desirous of war personally and his party might be solid for war. Nevertheless it is his duty to maintain the status quo and not permit by his vote the initiation of any new legislature or course of action whatever. As it is put in the technical language of parliamentary procedure, "The chairman, on a tie, must always vote for the previous question." It is a narrow interpretation of this rule that has led some of the constitutional wiseacres of the province into error regarding speaker Forster's action. He voted for the adjournment motion and not for the previous question. But if his action be referred to the principle of maintaining the status quo from which this rule is derived it will at once be seen that it was constitutionally necessary and correct.

IN 1894 Canada bought from Great Britain $38,717,000 worth of merchandise, in 1899 $37,000,000 worth. In 1894 Canada bought from the United States $55,034,000 worth of merchandise; in 1899 $91,000,000 worth. Imports from the United Kingdom are remaining stationary or going down, while imports from the United States are increasing rapidly and continuously. Proximity and a similar currency have something to do with it. But the main cause is that the manufacturer of the United States is out after business; while the manufacturer of the United Kingdom expects business to come to him.

THE cases of typhoid fever which crop up in Nelson are, almost without exception, among people who do not use the city water supply. This is the experience of the doctors who minister to the health of the citizens. People are foolish to run this extra risk for themselves and their families, even if they overlook the fact that typhoid fever is a contagious disease.

THE Miner sets itself as a judge of refinement, morality and sociality. Balaam set himself up as a prophet, and it required a four-footed beast to find words before he recognised that he did not practise what he preached. It is doubtful whether the Miner would make a similar discovery even if the whole universe became articulate.

DURING an armistice at Mafeking complaints were made to the Boers about the use of explosive bullets. We cannot complain, so long as we use dum-dum bullets against people, of other people using dum-dum bullets against us.

For Ten Years Past and So Forever.

To the Editor of the Tribune.

Sir: What is the reason that registered mail between Greenwood and Nelson has to go to Victoria before it can be forwarded to its proper destination? What is the matter with sending it to Ottawa; or, to make the thing more interesting, South Africa? Another objection, the train for Greenwood leaves Nelson at 8 o'clock, a.m.; the mail closes at 12 o'clock the night before. Why not close this mail at 7 o'clock in the morning, or, if we cannot get better mail service, why not close the postoffice and send our letters through the express companies? Would it be a criminal offence to kill off a few incompetent postoffice officials? There seems to be no other solution of the inconveniences the public must put up with. Yours truly

JOHN N. MALONEY.

Nelson, January 6th, 1900.

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"MNNICIPAL ELECTOR'S ACT."

Take notice that I shall on Saturday, the 6th day of January, instant, at 10 o'clock, a. m. at the City Hall, Nelson, B. C., hold a court of revision to hear and determine all questions of voters complaining that their names have been improperly omitted from the voter's list of the Municipality of the City of Nelson.

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LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF

A mild epidemic of la grippe prevails in the city. During the past fortnight a number of cases have been treated at the general hospital, and most of the city physicians have a few cases among their patients. In all instances the attacks have been unattended by serious results. The unusual weather is blamed for the outbreak.

Registrar Wright issued a marriage certificate on Saturday to Joseph Roche and Emily Amy Clementson.

The steam heating apparatus for the addition to the general hospital is now on the way from the manufacturer in Ontario. The officials anticipate that it will be installed and in running order by February 1st, when the new wing will be opened for hospital purposes. The increased facilities will necessitate a larger staff of nurses, and the directors have decided to open a training school for nurses to meet the demand. A number of applications for vacancies have already been made, some of these being filed before the training school was projected, so that the only difficulty the directors will encounter is the task of choosing the most desirable applicants. The hospital year closes on March 1st, when annual reports, etc., will be submitted.

It goes without saying that the opening match of the hockey league did not come off on Saturday night. Mild weather has prevented the rink officials from getting ice, and a cold snap is much to be desired from the hockey enthusiast's standpoint. The Lacrosse hockey club is scheduled to play the Victorias at Rossland on Saturday next, and the city team is billed to visit Greenwood. The next scheduled game here is on January 20th, when Rossland plays the Lacrosse hockey team.

The board of trade meets tonight. A variety of matters of interest will come up, the election of officers and the question of changing the name of the board being on the docket.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church will hold special prayer meetings on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

C. P. R. barge No. 15 is drydocked at the shipyard for the purpose of being sheathed with sheet-iron to withstand any ice which may form on the lake during the winter. No. 16 has already been sheathed and No. 18 will undergo a similar operation when No. 15 leaves the shipwright's hands. The sheathing will be removed when the danger of meeting ice is passed.

Another 600-pound drag arrived on Saturday at the C. P. R. depot from the car shops at Trail to be used in the effort to raise the Kaslo & Sandon barge sunk in fifty feet of water near the C.P.R. docks. Contractor Mitchell has the undertaking in hand.

New Year's services were held in St. Paul's Presbyterian church yesterday. The Rev. R. Frew delivered appropriate discourses, and the choir, under the direction of George Kydd, rendered several special selections.

Rev. Thomas Crosby, the pioneer missionary to the Indians of the west, will be a visitor to the city this week. He will deliver missionary sermons at the Methodist church on Sunday next.

A new class for ladies has been organized by Rev. Mr. Robson, pastor Methodist church The first meeting takes place on Wednesday next at 3:30 o'clock.

At the present time there are four typhoid fever patients at the general hospital. Dr. Rose, house physician, learned by inquiry that each of the four patients had been using water from the lake or from mountain streams for drinking purposes. This fact, coupled with his knowledge from general practice that few typhoid patients are found among those who use city water, he regards as a very significant indication of the probable source of the disease.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned until 12 o'clock noon Friday, January 5th, for the erection of a frame warehouse on Front street for Messrs. Brackman & Ker. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. EWART & CARRIE, Architects.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

All persons having accounts against the estate of the late Margaret McLeod will please send same to me within the next ten days. Accounts sent after that date will not be recognized. R. G. McLEOD.
Nelson, January 5th, 1900.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NELSON:

I will be a candidate for the office of mayor at the election to be held on Thursday, January 11th next.

December 20th, 1899. JOHN HOUSTON.

THE MAYORALTY CONTEST.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NELSON:

In asking for your support for the office of mayor at the coming election, it is only fair that I should state my views, briefly, on what are considered public questions or issues. No doubt, during the campaign you will have an opportunity to hear these questions and issues discussed, for they are important to thepeople of this municipality.

1. The public utilities owned by the city should be maintained at a high state of efficiency, and the revenue therefrom collected closely and promptly. The rates should be so adjusted that a fair profit over and above fixed charges can be realized, for the city can no more sell water and light at cost than can the merchant the commodities in which he deals.

2. Direct taxation can only be kept low by limiting the issue of debentures. No debentures should be issued except for the construction of revenue-producing public works.

3. A beginning should be made this year at making permanent street improvements. The main business streets should be macadamized and the main residence streets graded. Sidewalks should be laid with some uniformity, and not according to the different ideas of different officials.

4. The steamboat interests centered at Nelson are second only in importance to the railway interests, and the city should provide modern dock and warehouse facilities at which this business can be handled. The docks and warehouses should be built on plans approved by practical steamboat men, as the future growth and prosperity of the city depend, in a great measure, on the cost of transhipment of merchandise.

5. I am opposed to saloon expansion. There are already a sufficient number of places in Nelson at which liquor can be obtained at retail, and the number should not be increased until the city has a population of ten thousand.

6. Public gambling is looked upon as an evil in civilized countries, and whilst gambling cannot be prevented, there is no good reason why the sound of gambling machinery should equal that from the team traffic on our main business thoroughfares.

7. None but general by-laws should be passed, and when passed they should be enforced.

8. Corporations that have secured franchises from the city should be made to live up to the letter and the spirit of their agreements; but in adjusting differences that may arise there should not be any unnecessary friction.

9. The fire department should be efficiently maintained. The best apparatus should be procured, and the number of men in the volunteer brigade kept at themaximum, for without men, mere apparatus would be useless in times of danger.

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MAYORALTY CONTEST.

TO THE CITIZENS OF NELSON:

In response to numerous requests from business men, property owners and ratepayers, I offer myself as a candidate for Mayor of the City of Nelson at the approaching Municipal Elections.

Briefly stated, my platform is as follows:

If elected it will be my earnest endeavor to assist in more firmly establishing Nelson as the wholesale distributing centre of the Kootenay country—the position for which she has been so admirably designed by nature.

In furtherance of this idea, I will continue my consistent advocacy of the construction of a wharf which will meet present and future requirements of thewholesale and other business interests.

I believe that the city has reached that stage when permanent street improvements have become an absolute necessity and that the cost should be met, as far as feasible, from current revenue and should the citizens see fit to entrust me with the office of mayor, it will be my aim to carry out a well-devised system of street improvements.

It will be my policy to oppose the borrowing of money unless the same be used for the increase or establishment of public works producing a revenue to the taxpayers.

I am opposed to any increase in the salary of mayor, which would necessarily involve a reduction in salaries now paid an efficient staff of officials, or an increased burden to the taxpayers.

I am strongly in favor of maintaining the fire department in a position of thorough efficiency and would advise the adoption of modern equipments, including a fire alarm system and the purchase of a chemical engine, which would effect a reduction in all fire insurance.

It will be my consistent policy to safe guard the taxpayers against any attempts on the part of corporate bodies, carrying on business in Nelson, to encroach upon the rights of the citizens.

In my opinion a sufficient amount of money should be expended upon the parks of the city so that they will provide the citizens with recreation grounds and opportunities for healthful enjoyment.

On all municipal works my policy will be to employ bona fide residents of Nelson and to maintain the public standard rate of wages.

I believe that the public schools in Nelson should be under the control of the city, and that every effort should be made to establish a high school in our midst.

In concluding I wish to say that in the event of my election I will consider it my duty to share with the council the responsibility of the civic administration, believing, as I do, that the assumption of entire authority by one individual is subversive of all constitutional government, whether municipal or otherwise. Yours respectfully,

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NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT.

Pursuant to "Creditors Trust Deeds Act" and amending Acts.

Notice is hereby given that Thomas Stanley Humphreys and John Whistance Pittock, trading under the firm name of Humphreys & Pittock as merchants onBaker street, Nelson, British Columbia, have by deed bearing date the 12th day of December, 1899, assigned all their personal estate, credits and effects (both partnership and private) which may be sold under execution and all their real estate (both partnership and private) to Webster Foreman Traves of the City of Nelson, British Columbia, contractor, in trust as trustee for creditors (both partnership and private) for the purpose of distribution amongst the said creditors according to law.

The said deed of assignment was executed by the said Thomas Stanley Humphreys and John Whistance Pittock and by the said Webster Foreman Traves on the said 12th day of December, 1899.

And further take notice that a meeting of the said creditors will be held at the office of Galliher & Wilson, solicitors, Baker street, Nelson, B. C., on Friday the 22nd day of December, 1899, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon.

All creditors are required on or before the 30th day of December, 1899, to file their claims with the trustee, duly proved as provided by the said act stating the amount and nature thereof, the nature of any security held by them and the character of liability thereof, and the valuation placed thereon.

In default of the said trustee receiving satisfactory proof thereof any creditor is liable to have his claimbarred.

WEBSTER FOREMAN TRAVES,
Trustee.

GALLIHER & WILSON, Solicitors.
Dated at Nelson, B. C., this 13th day of December, A.D., 1899.

COURT OF REVISION.

NELSON DIVISION, WEST KOOTENAY.

Notice is hereby given that a Court of Revision and appeal under the Assessment and Amending Acts will be held in the following places:

At the court house at Nelson on Wednesday, the 10th January, 1900 at 11 a. m.

At the court house at Rossland on Thursday, he 11th January, 1900 at 11 a. m.

W. J. GOEPEL,
Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal.

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LODGE MEETINGS.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Nelson Lodge, No. 25, Knights of Pythias, meets in I. O. O. F. Hall, corner Baker and Kootenay streets, every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting Knights cordially invited to attend.
T. LILLIE, C. C. R. G. JOY, K. of R. & S.

NELSON LODGE, NO. 23, A. F. & A. M. Meets second Wednesday in each month. Sojourning brethren invited.

NELSON I. O. I., No. 1692, meets in I. O. O. F. Hall, corner Baker and Kootenay streets, 1st and 3rd Friday of each month. Visiting brethren cordially invited.
JOHN TOPP, W. M. F. J. BRADLEY, Rec.-Sec.

NELSON AERIE, Number 22, Fraternal Order of Eagles, meets every second and fourth Wednesday in each month in Fraternity Hall. Visiting brethren welcome.
J. IRVING, President. J. R. WRAY, Secretary.

NELSON MINERS' UNION NO. 96, W. F. of M.—Meets in miners' union rooms, northeast corner Victoria and Kootenay streets, every Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting members welcome.
JAMES WILKES, Sec'y. CHAS. A. MCKAY, Pres.

THE regular meetings of the Carpenters' Union are held on Wednesday evening of each week, at 7 o'clock, in the Miners' Union hall corner Victoria and Kootenay streets.
G. ROBINSON, President.
JAMES COLLING, Secretary.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that we the undersigned formerly carrying on business as Saloon Keepers in the City of Nelson in the Province of British Columbia, under the firm name and style of Johnson & Smith, have this day by mutual consent dissolved the said partnership. The said business will be continued by the undersigned, Robert E. Smith, who will pay all outstanding liabilities of the said firm and to whom all accounts due the said firm are payable to.
Dated at Nelson, B. C., this 23rd day of December, 1899.
A. N. JOHNSON.
Witness: W. A. GALLIHER. R. E. SMITH.

NOTICE.

The British Columbia Southern Railway Company will apply to the parliament of Canada at its next session for an act authorizing the company to complete at any time before the end of the year 1901, its western section as described in the act of the said parliament (60-61 Victoria, chapter 39) and a branch line from a point on its main line at or near the forks of Michel creek, thence by way of Michel creek to Martin creek and for other purposes.
By order of the board.
H. CAMPBELL OSWALD, Secretary.
Montreal, 17th November, 1899.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned until 12 o'clock noon, Wednesday, January 3rd, 1900, for the erection of a two-story warehouse and cold storage building on Front street, for J. Y. Griffin & Co. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
EWART & CARRIE, Architects.

Dissolution of Copartnership.

The partnership between Dr. D. LaBau and Dr. Alex. Forin has been dissolved, the dissolution to date from December 1st, 1899. All debts due the firm are payable to Dr. D. DaBau, and he will pay all debts of the firm.
Dated Nelson, December 1st, 1899.

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SMALL SHOES for little chaps
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They are made in such a way, from such stock, that there is no excuse for anything but satisfaction
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If you would enjoy a fresh and fragrant smoke don t forget the Cabinet keeps them

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LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

Engine No. 502, a Baldwin compound mogul, came into Nelson yesterday running light and was shipped aboard barge No. 18 to Kootenay Landing. The locomotive has been transferred from the Columbia & Western branch to the Crow's Nest division. Engineer Hart, who is taking No. 502 to her new run, will bring back No. 109, a six-wheel coupler, which will probably be used for switching in the Nelson yards.

The Granite stamp mill is in running order again. The apparatus was temporarily shut down to permit of repairs, but resumed last week. The shutdown led to ten men being laid off at the Granite and Poorman properties respectively, but it is not stated whether or not these men will be taken on again at once.

THE TRIBUNE business office is now in the Burns' block on Baker street.

The business premises which Mrs. C. F. Colwell is erecting on the corner of Silica and Josephine streets are about ready for occupancy. It will be occupied by Messrs. Patton & Emmons as grocers and provision merchants about the first of the week.

H. H. Avery is busily engaged in putting up street numbers that are at once easily distinguished and attractive.

The supporters of John Houston, candidate for mayor, are requested to be in attendance at the committee rooms on Josephine street tonight at 8 o'clock.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

AT THE PHAIR.—A. E. Bailey, San Francisco; Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Arthur, Montreal.

AT THE GRAND CENTRAL.—C. Desmond, Kuskonook; B. Brickley, Cheapside, Ontario; W. Oliver, Hall; G. A. Faulkner, Ainsworth; K. M. Kaskill, Rossland; J. E. Enos, Spokane; W. H. Underkuk, Greenwood; W. H. McLaren, Vancouver.

AT THE MADDEN.—J. Kniewasser, Slocan City; C. H. Chapman, Calgary; F. F. Daly, D. Herb, Greenwood.

AT THE TREMONT.—L. Howe, Silver King; J. J. Klukow, Tacoma.

AT THE QUEEN'S.—A. A. Clark, Burton; D. M. Hamilton, Minnedosa, P. W. Irving, Moyie; Alfred DeLeon, Rossland.

AT THE HUME.—Mrs. Weir, Lardo; H. J. Sims, Nelson; Thomas Anderson, Rossland; W. N. T. T. Peard, Medicine Hat; W. P. Acton, Medicine Hat; George H. Lawson, Toronto; H. Lyon, Winnipeg; C. G. Duncan, Toronto; G. C. Guire, Westbridge; E. C. Kingsmill, New Zealand; H. M. T. Pym, Birdseye Camp; F. S. Clements, Nelson; James Cowan, Rossland; C. C. Farrell, Moyie; G. McMillan, Rossland.

AT THE SHERBROOKE.—Joe Joly, Greenwood; J. Gabrich, P. Trottier, Ymir; S. Clement, St. Jerome, Quebec.

AT THE SILVER KING.—R. C. Wilson, Chicago; W. F. Sage, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa; C. H. Chapman, Calgary; E. Pumpelly, Cranbrook; J. Matheson, Silver King mine; P. Surffen, Winnipeg.

BUSINESS MENTION.

Furnished room, with or without small sitting room, to rent, with use of bath. Pleasantly situated. Inquire at this office.

Two furnished rooms to let at the corner of Vernon and Cedar streets.

Typewriter wanted—Must be well recommended and proficient. Apply to Taylor & Hannington, Barristers.

For rent—Five-roomed house, also furnishings in same house for sale. For terms apply Cabinet Cigar Co.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE WEST WARD:

In compliance with the request of a large number of citizens, I have consented to offer myself as a candidate for alderman in the West ward. If elected I shall do my utmost to protect and further the interests of the city. Owing to unavoidable circumstances I shall not be in Nelson during election week, and consequently will be unable to make a thorough personal canvass. Hoping to receive your support, I remain, Yours Obediently,

A. FERLAND.

NOTICE.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE EAST WARD:

A large number of electors of the southern half of the East Ward have requested me to come forward as a candidate for alderman in the East Ward. I have consented to do so. If elected an alderman I shall endeavor to serve the city to the best of my ability in that capacity. I hope to receive your support. Yours sincerely,

J. A. IRVING.

FOR GOOD CIVIL GOVERNMENT 1900.

At the request of a large number of citizens, I have consented to become a candidate for Alderman for the East ward at the election to be held on January 11.

Your vote and influence on my behalf will be appreciated.

GEORGE A. B. HALL, M.D.

TO THE ELECTORS

At the request of a large number of the electors, I have consented to offer myself as a candidate for the office of alderman for the East Ward of the city. If elected I shall endeavor to discharge faithfully the duties of the office. Soliciting your support I remain, Yours Sincerely,

W. J. WILSON.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE EAST WARD:

In response to the request of a large number of citizens I have offered myself as a candidate for alderman in the East Ward. If returned I shall endeavor to serve the city faithfully in that capacity. Hoping for your vote and assistance, I remain Yours Obediently,

HAMILTON BYERS.

NOTICE.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE EAST WARD:

In response to numerous requests I have consented to offer myself as a candidate for alderman for the East Ward, at the forthcoming municipal election. My policy will be to work for the general interest of the people. Yours truly,

C. MORRISON.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The undersigned, a resident and taxpayer of the West ward, offers himself as a candidate for alderman for the ward at the coming election. The votes and support of the electors resident in the ward are respectfully solicited.

THOMAS MADDEN.

Nelson, January 6th, 1899.

MEN'S FURNISHING GOODS

Our friends and customers appreciate the values we are giving them in clothing. We propose to give them equal values all this week in furnishings.

UNDERWEAR.

All-wool ribbed underwear, per suit, $2.00
All-wool fancy neat stripes, per suit, 2.50

HOSIERY.

All-wool black hose, worth 40c. for 25c.

Shirts at greatly reduced prices. Neckwear of all kinds at special low prices.

Baker Street, Opposite Queen's Hotel. BROWN & CO.

NELSON LICENSE DISTRICT.

Notice is hereby given that Robert Wood has made application under the provisions of the "Liquor License Act, 1899," for an hotel license at Woodville, near Nelson, and that a meeting of the Board of License Commissioners of the Nelson License District will be held to consider such application at the Provincial Police office, at the City of Nelson, on Saturday, the twentieth day of January, 1900, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon.

WM. H. BULLOCK-WEBSTER,
Chief License Inspector.

Provincial Police Office,
Nelson, B. C., January 6th, 1900.

Christmas and New Years Gifts

AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

Nothing more appropriate for a present than a nice Fur Coat, Muff, Cape, or Cap.

A large assortment of ladies' Silk Blouses for Xmas trade. We have a few fancy blouses to clear at 80 cents.

A Large Assortment of Ladies' and Gent's Silk Handkerchiefs

A few children's coats to clear at $1.50.

We are going out of ladies' and childrens' footwear, and are selling the balance at cost.

See our $8 and $10 Mens' suits.

A. Ferland & Co.

ELLIOT BLOCK, BAKER STREET, NELSON.

Men and Young Men

Do not spend every evening of the week in search of amusement, but give a little time to your own social and mental improvement.

NIGHT CLASSES

For all grades of scholars will be opened at the Business College.

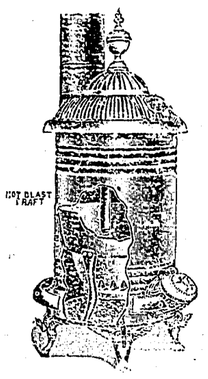
Victoria street on January 3rd, 1900.

Avail yourselves of this opportunity.

RATTRAY & MERRILL

Miss Palmer Will open her Kindergarten and primary school in THE ENGLISH CHURCH school room on the 2nd of January, 1900. For terms and all particulars apply to MISS PALMER, At residence of Mrs. J. R. Robertson, Baker Street West.

Stoves! Stoves!



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But while we are waiting for the cold weather we would draw your attention to our line of

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Including Tea and Coffee Pots (several designs), Enamelled Handle Dippers, Pudding Dishes, Tea Kettles, etc., and the only place you can get them is

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Wishing you all a very Happy New Year, you will know us as

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Removal Notice

We beg to announce to our many patrons that we have removed to our new quarters in the Houston Block, the big increase in the volume of our business forcing us to seek larger premises. Thank the people for the patronage accorded us in the past, in anticipation of an increase of this custom in the future, we remain, theirs to command in all lines of groceries.

Houston Block, Baker Street *John A. Irving & Co.*

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Carload Canadian Whiskies

Including Segram's 2, 4, and 7 year old Rye in Barrels. Gooderham & Worts' Rye in Cases. Segram's Star, '83 Rye and White Wheat Whisky in Cases. Walker's Club Rye in Cases.

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