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CITY COUNCIL DECIDES ON

Question of Paving.

The city council met last night, the members in attendance being mayor Houston, aldermen Arthur, McKillop, Morrison, Wilson and Hall.

After preliminary business the report of the public works committee was submitted as below:

Public Works Committee's Report.

The public works committee reported as follows: "After due consideration we do not deem it advisable to report in favor of the city accepting the tender of Cannell Brothers for macadamizing Baker street. Both the city and the contractor would be required to purchase a plant, and on completion of the proposed work, the city would be in little better position to do additional work of the same kind than it is now, while the contractor would be in a fairly good position to shut out others competing for future work.

The tender for furnishing and setting curbing seems to us to be a reasonable one, and we recommend that a contract be entered with William Shackleton for supplying and setting 1500 feet more or less of curbing at the price named, that is $1.10 per lineal foot.

We further recommend that the council call for tenders for a complete up-to-date road-making plant, including a 15-ton steam road roller. That tenders therefor be in not later than noon on February 19th, and that the successful tenderer be required to deliver the plant f. o. b. Nelson, not later than April 20th next, and superintend its successful operation for thirty days before it is received and paid for by the city.

We also recommend that a force of men be at once employed to break rock in sizes suitable for machine crushing and for road making.

Alderman Morrison moved the adoption of the report.

Alderman Arthur considered a power drill should comprise part of the plant. He believed such a drill would pay for itself in a few months. If this were done the hard work could be disponsed with.

Alderman Hall supported the idea, but remarked that hand work could be carried on at various points to better advantage than a steam drill.

Alderman Arthur then seconded alderman Morrison's resolution, which was carried, and city clerk Strachan was instructed to take the necessary steps toward calling for tenders.

Mayor Houston remarked that present was an excellent time for removing stone in stoneboats if there was any work of this description to be done, such as that at the corner of Ward and Silica streets, where a rough retaining wall was desirable on the northeast corner. The rock could be handled 50 per cent cheaper now than would be the case later.

Aldermen Arthur and Hall moved that the city engineer make an estimate of the cost of such work and report at next meeting.

Report of Finance Committee.

To the mayor and council: An estimate of the probable revenue for the current year totals $76,980.38, derived from the following sources:

Real estate taxes	$14,000 00
Electric light rates	20,000 00
Water rates	12,000 00
Licenses	13,500 00
Police court fines	1,500 00
Sewer rates	1,500 00
Miscellaneous	3,000 00
Road tax	3,000 00
Dog tax	400 00
Burial permits and sale of cemetery lots	150 00
Health department	5,500 00
Weigh scales	100 00
Government grant	150 00
Difference between actual overdraft at Bank of Montreal on December 31st, 1899, and par value of debentures authorized but not yet issued	2,180 38

An estimate of expenditures for expenses that should be classed as fixed charges shows that the following sums will be needed, namely:

Fire department	$ 5,000 00
Police department	4,500 00
Legal expenses	1,000 00
Miscellaneous	3,500 00
Printing and stationery	1,000 00
Public buildings and grounds	750 00
Salaries	7,700 00
Health department	4,750 00
Sinking fund	6,300 00
Interest on debentures	9,125 00
Interest on overdraft	750 00
Sewer maintenance	500 00
Electric light maintenance	4,500 00
Water-works maintenance	1,000 00
Paid in January on account of expenditures made in 1899	7,447 25
Electric light material ordered in 1899, but not yet received	3,573 10
Balance due Armstrong & Morrison on account of pipe for water-works construction	717 48
Total	$62,112 83

Which leaves the council $14,867.55 with which to carry on needed public works, which we believe to be wholly inadequate.

We, therefore, recommend that money be raised by the issue of debentures for the following purposes:

1. For the building of the wharf.
2. For the purchase of a street-making plant.

We would further recommend that the debentures, which were authorized to be issued in December last, namely, $7000 for the electric light system and $8000 for the waterworks system, be not issued; but, instead, that authority be asked to issue debentures for sums sufficient to cover the total that may be expended on waterworks and electric light construction accounts during the year, including the sums that have already been expended on these accounts.

Alderman Wilson asked if any specific sum was asked for in the report, to which reply was made that this could not be arrived at accurately until it was known exactly what sum was required for the various essential work.

The mayor remarked that the matter would rest finally in the hands of citizens and if they declined to vote the funds, the council would have to struggle along as best it could with what revenue was in sight.

Aldermen McKillop and Arthur moved the adoption of the report which was carried.

Tenders for the city wharf work were opened as follows:

Vancouver Hardware Company, drift bolts, nuts, washers, $1000; washers 4½ cents per pound; 36 kegs of spikes at $4.80, $172; 3 kegs 5 inch spikes at $4.80; total $1187.20.

J. A. Honeyman, bolts, delivered on wharf, $915.

Lawrence Hardware Company, 5000 pounds bolts, etc. at $5.50 per 100; drift bolts, 3600 pounds at $4.40 per 100; 3028 pounds washers at $4.75 per 100.

Nelson Saw & Planing Mills, timber and lumber, $3292.50.

J. A. Dewar, timber and lumber, $3292.48.

J. A. Sayward, timber and lumber, $3244.40.

Nelson Saw & Planing Mills, construction material and labor complete, $9500.

W. C. McLean & Co., construction $3657.00.

D. McArthur & Co., construction, $3500.

Breckenridge & Lund, construction, $4937.40.

C. McAdam, 6½ cents per lineal foot for 11900 feet piling.

M. J. McGrath, 7½ cents per lineal foot for piling.

W. C. McLean & Co., 8 cents per foot for piling.

On motion of alderman Arthur and McKillop the tenders were referred to a special committee consisting of mayor Houston and Aldermen Hall and Wilson.

Chief Thompson of the fire department reported having suspended driver William Pfeiffer for breach of discipline, and appointed Arthur Pitchford in his place. He also recommended the purchase of a set of strong lanterns and the appointment of a fire and water committee.

Aldermen Wilson and Morrison moved that the suspension and appointment referred to be confirmed, which was carried.

Aldermen Arthur and Hall moved that chief Thompson be authorized to purchase twelve lanterns of the pattern he desired, and sixteen pairs of rubber boots. This was also carried.

Ward Brothers, representing the Hartford Insurance Company, wrote requesting the return of $100 on the ground that the insurance tax, for which this sum was paid, had not been collected from other companies doing business here. The mayor remarked that he thought the insurance companies had a club over the city, and that the tax only drove business away from local agents to Coast agents. Aldermen McKillop and Wilson moved that the $100 be returned to Ward Brothers, which was carried.

H. D. Hume, manager of the Hotel Hume, objected to advanced rates for lighting on the ground that the light was very poor and inefficient, or at least until the meters could be installed. Mayor Houston remarked that the Hume had been paying on the scale of a special figure given them by the electric light company when the institution was erected. Aldermen Arthur and Hall moved that the regular hotel rate be collected from the Hume.

D. McFarlane drew attention to his desire for electric lighting, and this elicited the explanation that the wire it was proposed to extend was not heavy enough to carry the increased current necessary. The city engineer remarked that the Crickmay hospital and Mr. Painter's residence were poorly served owing to light feed wires. Aldermen Arthur and Ball moved that the clerk be authorized to make the necessary change.

C.A. Semlin, provincial secretary, notified the council of the appointment of alderman Irvine and J. A. Kirkpatrick as licence commissioners and E. A. Crease and W. J. Wilson as police commissioners.

By-law No. 62, to levy a road tax, was introduced for a final reading and passed. It was signed and sealed on the spot, as the mayor said "to avoid any doubt on the matter in the future."

Alderman McKillop introduced the fire limits by-law which was read a first and second times. It was referred to the next meeting of council for consideration in committee of the whole.

Alderman Arthur introduced a licence by-law, which was dealt with similarly. Copies of the by-laws were distributed in order that the members might become familiar with their contents before the matter was gone into clause by clause.

Alderman Arthur inquired if the Tramway company had been notified to repair the crossings referred to at recent meetings as having been left in bad shape. The city engineer replied that the notification had been served and the company had replied that the matter would have their attention.

Aldermen Arthur and Wilson moved that supplies necessary to make 200 water works connections, be ordered by the mayor.

The mayor was authorized to dispose of the damaged drain pipe at the depot.

The city engineer was instructed to box in any exposed water pipes, and the council then adjourned to Thursday evening.

GREAT BRITAIN INTENDS TO

Increase the Army.

LONDON, February 12.—Criticizing the government's scheme for the reorganization and increase of the British army in the house of commons today, the Liberal leader, sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, said he had heard of the great scheme for the administration of a great army, but he had not heard a single figure mentioned as to the cost thereof, nor even in regard to the particular vote. How much of the money required was due to the present war? To this question, Mr. Wyndham replied: "Four hundred and twenty thousand pounds." Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman said he could not be expected to pronounce an opinion upon the scheme suddenly, but, he added, he believed that nine-tenths of his hearers were ready to do almost anything for the purposes of the present war, but would like to regard it as a war measure alone, leaving the question of the future increase and rearrangement open for further discussion.

It was explained in the lobbies of the house of commons that Mr. Wyndham meant to convey that all the supplementary estimates asked for were due to the war, except £420,000 required for the new scheme to close the financial year of March 31st.

Sir Charles Dilke, advanced Radical member of the Forest of Dean division of Gloucester, said Mr. Wyndham's speech "seemed to support the heresy that Great Britain should rely upon home defences, while the truth was that the most powerful defence lay in the striking power of the fleet."

DOMINION COPPER COMPANY

Will Close Down.

GREENWOOD, February 12.—The Times tomorrow will announce the closing down of work on the Dominion Copper Company's properties in the Greenwood camp. Frank Robbins, engineer in charge, said:

"I got instructions from the east to follow the lead of the Kootenay mines on account of the eight-hour law, and have consequently closed down all work. We have already paid off 35 employees. I cannot say when we shall reopen."

The Dominion Copper Company owns in Greenwood camp the Brooklyn, on which the men employed were today discharged, and the Rawhide which is being developed by contract labor. The Idaho and Stemwinder were both closed down over a month ago, and the Montezuma and Standard have little work done on them. The company was capitalized for five million dollars. George E. Cox, Toronto, is president, William McKenzie, vice-president and Dann Man form the directorate, while Hugh Sutherland is managing director. Inquiries of the managers of the other big mining companies operating in the Boundary district were all answered by their saying that their properties would not close down.

Thre is a hopeful view that the labor troubles will not extend here generally.

MAY SHIP GOODS IN BOND

Through United States.

WASHINGTON, February 12.—The final week's discussions of the pending financial bill was begun in the senate today. The speakers were two Republicans, Mr. Elkins of West Virginia, and Mr. Wolcott of Colorado and one Populist, Mr. Butler, North Carolina. Mr. Butler closed the debate for the day advocating the adoption of his amendment providing for an issue of paper currency by the government.

An important bill was passed by the house today, which makes universally applicable the law that now permits the transit of goods in bond through certain ports in the United States. Under it goods in bond can be shipped through any port of the territory of the United States or foreign ports. It is principally designed to give the transportation companies of the United States a share of the transcontinental trade to the Orient. The bill also repeals the law of March 1st, 1895, prohibiting the shipment of goods in bond to the Mexican free zone. The latter provision was fought by Mr. Stephens of Texas.

RUMORS AND OPINIONS OF

What May Happen.

LONDON, February 13.—The Pietermaritzburg correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphing says:

"Despatch from Eshowe asserts that a large commando of Boers is encamped near Ngulu with 80 wagons and nine guns. It is rumored that this force intends to besiege Eshowe. The intention being probably to fortify the Insuzi hills in order to prevent the British traversing Zululand to relieve Ladysmith."

Great Britain, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Daily Mail, is placing large orders for Schwartzkorf torpedoes for the admiralty. The orders are ostensibly being executed for Italy.

Mr. Spencer Wilkinson, discussing the military situation in the Morning Post today, refers to a Cape Town letter, dated January 23rd, which asserts that lord Roberts will allow no movements until the transport organization is complete and says:

"It is probable therefore that transports are now ready and the arrival of lord Roberts at Modder river is the signal for action. It is possible that before the beginning of his movement he wishes to ascertain from lord Methuen how matters stand in his part of the theatre of war and this would account for a pause of a few days.

Pro-Boers Turned Down.

LONDON, February 13.—The socialists tried to hold a pro-Boer or peace meeting last evening. A hostile crowd invaded the hall shouting: "Down with the Boers" and singing the national anthem. Mr. Henry Hindman, the socialistic leader and others attempted to speak, but they were roughly handled and scattered. The utmost violence prevailed and the police were compelled to intervene and to clear the street in the neighborhood of the hall.

To Free Mrs. Maybrick.

NORFOLK, Virginia, February 12.—Efforts are again being made here to secure the freedom of Florence Maybrick now serving a life sentence in England for the murder of her husband James Maybrick.

Decision Reserved.

CINCINNATI, February 12.—After hearing arguments, judge Taft reserved decision in the Kentucky injunction cases until Wednesday afternoon.

THE GOVERNMENT BARELY

Escapes Defeat.

VICTORIA, February 12—[Special to the Tribune].—Prentice made a straight bolt this afternoon, and the absence of James Dunsmuir alone saved the government from a direct defeat. In debating the Coal Mines Regulation bill, Prentice said that in his opinion the purpose of this measure is nothing more creditable than the promotion of litigation between two rival mining companies. He considered it a thoroughly bad bill, bad in intention, in principle and in detail. He did not believe it would have any effect if passed by the legislature, as it would be declared ultra vires, but he condemned the attempt to do by subterfuge what the judgment of the privy council declared this province could not do openly, that is forbid the employment of Asiatics. If it did succeed, the bill would not drive the Chinese out of the province, but simply from the mines of Comox into the cities and country generally to come into competition with white labor. He was confident that the electors of east Lillooet would commend him for voting to let these fifteen hundred Chinamen remain in Comox rather than have say two or three hundred of them removed to Lillooet.

To his mind the only effective way of dealing with the problem would be for all parties to unite to bring pressure upon the Dominion government, who alone have power to exclude the Chinese.

Prentice moved the adjournment of the debate for ten days and the house divided evenly, speaker Forster then declaring Prentice's motion lost. The debate continued, a suggestion thrown across the house by Higgins that the ministers should retire for consultation not receiving attention. There is a night sitting on the bill.

An amusing incident occurred just before the recess. Ralph Smith had moved the adjournment of the debate, when Semlin went hurriedly to join him and they had a whispered consultation, after which Smith asked permission to withdraw his resolution. This was refused, and he had to vote against it himself. This course and the speaker's vote again saved the government.

Martin's motion respecting Cotton is on the orders. He recites that the minister of finance has been charged with having falsified the minutes of the executive council, that having been left in charge of valuable property of one Gordon, through breach of trust, he converted the same to his own use, and was jailed for contempt of court in refusing to disclose what he did with the proceeds; that Cotton, having got into financial difficulties in Colorado, left that state clandestinely for the purpose of deceiving his creditors and escaping from proceedings; and "Whereas, it is important that no suspicion of wrongdoing should attach to the character of such an official," he moves that the speaker name a select committee to investigate these charges.

MODERN VACCINE.

There exists in certain quarters a rooted dislike to vaccination, partly based on ignorance and partly on the results which occasionally occurred in the earlier days of vaccination. The first need not be discussed, but it may well be pointed out how modern medical science has completely done away with the second objection. To begin with the "arm to arm" system of inoculation which sometimes resulted in the spread of syphilis and other diseases is no longer practiced anywhere. The old-fashioned "points," which frequently were germ infected thus sometimes causing ulcerations, inflammations and abscesses, have also been done away with. The vaccine which has been ordered by the city, and which is used by all the local practitioners, is so made that there is no possibility of it communicating disease. A healthy young heifer is chosen which is thoroughly lathered, washed and shaved, then scrubbed with sterilized water, washed with a disinfectant solution and scarified with sterilized instruments. After the seed vaccine is applied the part is covered with an aseptic and impenetrable cement which effectually excludes germs, and over this is laid a layer of absorbent cotton and a protective bandage. After a few days the animal is brought back and the pulp of the vaccine vesicles with exuding serum is carefully collected with sterilized spoon curettes and placed in sterilized containers filled with glycerine. The vaccine is examined bacteriologically and physiologically, and filled into sterilized sealed tubes which have been previously examined. It is thus evident that it is impossible for anyone innoculated with modern vaccine to suffer any bad result therefrom. "Bad arms," in the old sense of the word, are a thing of the past.

LORD ROBERTS EXPECTED

To Move at Once.

LONDON, February 13.—4:15 a.m.—Lord Roberts has gathered 35,000 men with whom, according to the best military opinion in London, he purposes turning the left of the Magersfontein lines near Jacobsdale entering the Free State, compelling general Cronje to raise the siege of Kimberley, and thus making his first step toward Bloemfontein.

Yesterday lord Roberts announced the appointment of general sir Henry Colville, hitherto the commander of the Guards' brigade, to the command of the ninth division, which is being formed and will consist probably to a great extent of colonial troops. General Colville will be succeeded by general Reginald Pole-Carew. Lord Roberts tells the correspondents that when he gets down to business they shall have ample opportunity to send news. His chief press censor yesterday issued new rules, and in future all written communications are to go unchecked. Only telegrams will be censored. For the next few days little news is likely to get through, but later there will be more freedom. Thus says the censor, and the last clause may be interpreted to mean that something is about to happen.

Kimberley, twenty miles away from the Modder river position, is in sore straits. Details of the December death rate show that in a population of 14,000 whites and 19,000 blacks the mortality was sixty whites and 138 blacks per thousand. The infantile death rate was 671 per thousand among the whites and 912 per thousand among the blacks. Fever was prevalent. The frightful state of things in December cannot have improved mrch, if at all, since, and the fighting power of the garrison must have been greatly diminished. Meanwhile the bombardment by the Boers has increased and there is imminent danger of the town falling. It is believed in circles close to the war office that lord Roberts will move at once.

A Rich Strike.

News has been received in town of a rich strike in Camp Mansfield on the Tony, one of the Laudi group of claims. The Kitchener glacier covers part of this claim, and, some time before leaving for England, Ernest Mansfield, M. Laudi's engineer, directed a tunnel to be driven under the glacier following one of several high-grade stringers of ore, which, it was thought, were offshoots of a considerable body of ore. His expectation has been realized. After the tunnel had been driven a little over 60 feet a body of high-grade ore two feet in width was struck. The walls are well defined, and a drift is now being run along the vein. This rich strike is considered to greatly enhance the value of the property.

Leyds Will Go to Russia.

LONDON, February 13.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Telegraph explains that the contemplated visit of Dr. Leyds, the Transvaal representative, has been postponed because the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and his family are the guests of the Czar, but he says that it is certain that the visit to St. Petersburg will be made at an early date.

The Negus Impressed.

PARIS, February 13.—Le Journal publishes an interview with count Leontieff, who says that emperor Menelik has been considerably impressed by the British defeats because the Abysinnians thought the British invincible. In the count's opinion the negus would make a demonstration if Italy sent troops to Egypt.

LETTERS FROM THE FRONT

About the Boers.

LONDON, January 30.—Writing from Frere on January 4th, the Times correspondent says:

"Despite their activity, the condition of the Boers does not seem to be very prosperous. The week after the battle, 120 Kaffirs, men, women and children, who had been working for the Boers deserted and came over to us, many of them being in a starving condition. They complain of getting neither food nor money and above all of the loud lamentations of the Boer women in camp for their husbands and relations who had been killed in the battle. All Kaffirs have a superstitious horror of illness or mourning in any form. They said the Boer loss had been heavy, almost entirely owing to the effective lyddite in the trenches. The power of those shells, they said, was terrific. Several of them stated that they had been knocked down by the force of an explosion 200 yards away. The following week some more Kaffirs came in, telling the same story. On January 3rd twelve Boer deserters came in. They, too, complained of lack of food and ill usage, and said that the Boers were short of both food and forage.

All this points to the fact that the long waiting is telling heavily on the Boers. Many of them are without tents, a serious hardship now that the heavy rains are beginning, and the supply of rations to a constantly moving force must be exceedingly difficult."

LONDON, January 30.—The Daily News correspondent at Cape Town reviewing the campaign up to January 8 says: "I would like to mention an incident showing the wanton cruelty of our captors. On leaving our camp at Gras Pan I took the precaution of taking my water bag with me and after I had covered some little distance a Boer riding beside me offered to carry it on his horse. I asked him for it later. Judge of my dismay to find that he and his fellows had completely emptied it, consequently we had no water or food during the entire distance. Our feet were a mass of blisters and one of the men gave out about 15 miles from our destination, which necessitated us carrying him between us for the remainder of the distance. I would add that this march was made at the tail of a herd of 42 cattle and four horses. The flies, dust and absence of water, made our condition almost unbearable."

LONDON, February 12.—Speaking of the reorganization of the British army, lord Lansdowne said there were about 170,000 reservists between the ages of 25 and 45 who had served with the colors, and whom the government proposed to ask to join the army for a year, for home service only.

MINE MANAGERS REFUSE

To Confer With Mine Workers.

An adjustment of the existing differences between the mine managers and mine workers has not yet been effected. It seems that while the mine managers in the Slocan refused to confer with the mine workers, individual managers met the mine workers as individuals. The mine workers were willing to sign an agreement to work for the compromise scale for a period of twelve months or longer; but the mine managers were unwilling to sign any agreement at all. They claim that they were not acting as members of the Silver-Lead Mines Association, but as individuals. They said they would not discriminate against union mine workers and would pay the compromise scale, but would make no more definite promises. The mine workers say they do not care for recognition of the union; all they want is an agreement that will be binding and lasting for a period that will be sufficiently long to place the business of the country on a stable footing. The mine managers, after all their professions to the contrary do not appear to want anything other than the downfall of the Semlin government and the restoration to power of the Dunsmuirs. The executive of the local miners' unions have not adjourned their meeting, and before they adjourn action may be taken that will result in placing union men in every mine in the Nelson and Slocan districts.

$5-Spring Suits-$5

Now is a good time to select your spring suit or overcoat. It may seem a little early, but better buy early than wait until lines are broken. We have just received a large shipment of suits and light overcoats, and will sell you serge and tweed suits for men from $5 up.
See our Regent Street suits for young men, the newest thing out.

Baker Street, Nelson, B. C. **J. F. WEIR, Men's Outfitter.**

The Tribune.

THE report of the finance committee which was submitted to the council last evening is an interesting document. It sets out plainly just how the municipal finances stood, and what the present council had to come and go upon during the current year. It is satisfactory to note the increase which the committee estimates in the revenue for the current year, and not the least pleasing is the estimate which the committee shows upon the corporation's receipts from the electric light plant. Although this plant has cost the city much less than the waterworks system its earning capacity is very much greater, being $20,000 as against $12,000 for the waterworks. These figures emphasise the advantage of municipal ownership of the public utilities. The members of the finance committee know within a few dollars what the city's revenue from the electric plant will be, and when they estimate it at $20,000 they are probably well within the mark. This means that by its ownership of the electric light plant the corporation will be able this year, after deducting the cost of maintenance, to provide the whole sum necessary to pay interest and sinking fund upon the whole of the city's bonded indebtedness. If the electric light plant were owned by a private corporation, the service would not be as cheap as it is, and Nelson would be obliged to raise by direct taxation over $15,000 more each year than under existing circumstances.

THE report of the finance committee throws a side light upon the methods of the previous council. About the last act of the council of 1899 was the issuance of a statement which showed an overdraft at the Bank of Montreal of $10,829,62. The attempt was made, upon the strength of this statement, to create the impression that this sum represented the excess of expenditures over receipts. Nothing could be more misleading. If the given total were multiplied by two it would not represent the amount which the previous council expended over and above its revenue. During January the present council paid, on account of 1899 expenditures, $7,447.25; there is still to be paid $3573.10 on account of materials purchased; this, with $717.48 of a balance due upon the waterworks extension, makes a total so far of $11,737.83 which must be added to the given overdraft to arrive at the over expenditure. It totals up just $22,567.15.

A Handsome Block.

The Madden block at the corner of Ward and Baker streets occupies a conspicuous position and is one of the handsomest brick blocks in town. The large basement is occupied by T. B. May's barber shop, and on the ground floor are three stores. The front store has been leased by Kerr & Maher, who will shortly start a dry goods business here. The store is 30 x 67 feet. The two other stores front on Ward street, and their diminsions are 30 x 22 feet. One of these was recently occupied by Montgomery & Co., and negotiations for the lease of both these stores are now proceeding. Upstairs there are 16 rooms, and Dr. Stoddart has rented the four front ones and has fitted them up very handsomely as dental parlors and a work shop. The appointments of these rooms are not to be surpassed anywhere in the interior. Davis & Ward have opened a law office in the block, and Mrs. Horton, a millinery establishment. Several of the other rooms are already occupied by private parties for residential purposes. The block was designed by captain A. E. Hodgins.

Americans Cannot Get Pulp.

MONTREAL, February 12.—The Grand Trunk today issued a circular announcing the abolition of the special rates on pulp wood shipments to United States points and the substitution of the regular tariff. This move completes the shutting off of American pulp mills from the Canadian raw material supply which the recent legislation at Quebec, imposing a stumpage tax of $1.90 per cord on all pulp wood not manufactured in the province, was intended to effect.

CIVIL CASES TO BE TRIED

Before Supreme Court.

The supreme court opens in Nelson at 11 o'clock today, Mr. justice Martin presiding. His lordship arrived in the city last night from Victoria, and is registered at the Hotel Phair. The court is purely civil, and the docket contains no jury cases. The list of actions entered for trial is as follows:

Alexander vs. Kaslo & Slocan Railroad; E. V. Bodwell, Q. C., Galliher & Wilson for plaintiff; E. P. Davis, Q. C., and A. Whealler of Kaslo for defendants.

Oppenheimer vs. Brackman & Ker Milling Company, Limited; Charles Wilson, Q. C., and Elliot & Lennie for plaintiff; Taylor & Hannington for defendant.

Thurston vs. Tattersall; Elliot & Lennie for plaintiff; Macdonald & Johnson for defendant.

Bigelow vs. LaBau; Elliot & Lennie for plaintiff; Galliher & Wilson for defendant.

Slocan vs. Gormely, J. H. Bowes for plaintiff; Galliher & Wilson for defendent,

Blundell vs. Muir, J. H. Bowes for plaintiff; Galliher & Wilson for defendant.

Jones vs. Davenport, C. W. McAnn, Q. C., Kaslo, for plaintiff; A. Whealler, Kaslo, for defendant.

Grutchfield vs. Harbottle, Galliher & Wilson for plaintiff; Taylor & Hannington for defendant.

Lawrence vs. Hall mines, action to recover damages to plaintiff sustained through alleged negligence of the defendants, was set down for this court but will not be proceeded with through lack of prosecution.

At 10 o'clock this morning Sullivan and Gannon, the confessed burglars will be brought before Judge Martin for trial.

The regular sittings open at 11 o'clock and will continue to 1 o'clock when an adjournment for an hour is made for lunch. The sessions will close nightly at 5 o'clock unless other arrangements are made.

An Ingenious Apparatus.

CAPE TOWN, February 12.—Major Seymour of the volunteer railway pioneers has planned an ingenious apparatus for transporting heavy material over fordless rivers. It will be built on the principle of an aerial tramway, and will be completed within a week. After that it will be subjected to practical tests, and, if found to work satisfactorily, will be sent to the front.

Postal Receipts Increased.

WASHINGTON, February 12.—A statement prepared at the post office department of the gross postal receipts for January, 1900, as compared with the receipts for the same month of the preceding year, shows an unusually large per centage of increase. The total receipts were $4,047,919, an increase of $389,653 or 1.6 per cent.

Depew in His Element.

NEW YORK, February 12.—Senator Chauncey Depew presided over and delivered the principal address at the fourteenth annual Lincoln dinner of the Republican club held at Delmonico's tonight. The dinner was attended by over 300 members of the club and their guests.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

AT THE PHAIR.—J. H. Gray, A. Whealer, G. Alexander, R. Crow, Kaslo; P. Massey, Chicago; H. P. Kirkpatrick, Rossland; A. D. Wheeler, A. G. Wheeler, Armsworth; E. Sandilands, Sandon; W. G. Mackenzie, Vancouver; J. Dougall, Nakusp; Mr. Justice Martin, Victoria.

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BLACK JACK IS GAMBLING.

Vancouver Province.

The full court has affirmed the decision of Mr. justice Irving in the gambling case of Regina vs. Petrie, giving judgment against the defendant.

The judgment of chief justice McColl is very brief. His lordship defines a common gambling house according to the code, and refers to the slight advantage the banker has in a game of black jack, and states that this is just what is forbidden in the code. The chief justice concludes his judgment as follows:

"It was urged that the persons aimed at are only those who are bankers by some arrangement outside the game, but these are provided for by the clause preceding the one under discussion. That clause relates to a house in which a bank is kept by one or more of the players exclusive of the others. The language of the particular clause in question has not any settled technical meaning nor is it of any uncertain import, and therefore applying to it the rule applicable to the construction of the code as stated by lord Herschell: 'To examine the language of the statute and ask what is its natural meaning,' I have no doubt the conviction ought to be affirmed."

Mr. justice Drake's decision, which is of greater length is as follows:

"The defendant was convicted of keeping a common gaming house. There is no evidence that the defendant kept the room for gain and this part of the case was abandoned. The code, by section 196, sub. (b), defines a common gaming house as a place kept or used for playing games of chance, or a mixed game of chance and skill, in which a bank is kept; or any game played not alike favorable to all the players, and in which a banker manages the game.

"The game played in the defendant's room, to which the public were admitted indiscriminately, was called black jack.

"From the above description black jack is in my opinion a game of chance, and the dealer, or manager of the game, is a banker for the time being. The defendant admitted that there was an advantage in having the deal."

The game of black jack is then described in full, and from justice Drake's description black jack is identical with the well known and much more "innocent" game of "21 or bust," and very similar to the game of baccarat made popular by the prince of Wales. Mr. justice Drake referred to the similarity between baccarat and black jack and continued:

"Baccarat is declared unlawful in the case of Jenks vs. Turpin. In black jack it is true the deal may pass very speedily, but the dealer while in that position falls within the language of the code bearing on the case.

"Under the code the room occupied by the defendant becomes a common gaming house, because it is a place used or kept for playing therein at a game of mixed chance or skill, in which the players stake, play, or bet against the manager of the game and in my opinion the conviction should be affirmed."

Mr. justice Martin concurs in confirming the conviction.

FAMOUS WAR HORSES.

Few horses have been more honored and admired than Vonolel, the beautiful little gray Arab which carried lord Roberts on the marvellous march from Cabul to Candahar, and which bore its master so proudly in the last jubilee procession. Vonolel came in for a large share of the honors distributed at the close of the Afghan campaign.

The queen herself gave him the Cabul medal with four clasps, and the bronze Candahar star, which lord Roberts proudly hung around his neck; and, later, he received from the queen the coveted jubilee medal. He was also made immortal in the equestrian statue of his master by Mr. Bates, A. R. A.

Vonolel survived his battles and adulation for twenty-nine years, and now lies buried in the rose garden near the Royal hospital, Dublin, honored in death as in life.

Vonolel recalls, in many ways, the still more famous Copenhagen, the splendid little chestnut which carried the "Iron Duke" for eighteen hours on the day of Waterloo. Copenhagen was a spirited thoroughbred from Denmark, who carried his master safely through all the dangers of the Peninsular war. When his fighting days were over he was sent to "Strathfieldsaye," the duke's beautiful seat in Berkshire, and there he spent his last years in dignified comfort.

Like his master, however, he paid some of the penalties of fame. Thousands of his admirers went to see him in his paddocks, and pestered him so much with their attentions (which took the unpleasant form of cutting "locks" from his mane and tail) that the duke was compelled to put him in an iron cage, where his peace was assured. His funeral was attended by a large crowd of his admirers, and an imposing tombstone marks his last resting place.

An almost equally famous charger, Napoleon's Marengo, which was found wandering riderless on the field of Waterloo after his master's flight, ended his days in England. He came into the hands of an English general, who made his last years of comfort, if not of absolute luxury.

In the library of the Soldiers' Home, Virginia, may be seen Stonewall Jackson's famous horse, Sorrel, looking under his glass case as spirited and life-like as when he bore his master through the smoke and lead-hail of battlefields. Sorrel took part in ten of the most terrible battles of the Civil War, and survived until thirteen years ago, when he died of extreme old age.

The end of Traveller, general Robert E. Lee's historic charger was tragic. Traveller had survived a score of battles from which he had emerged unscathed; he had followed his brave master's body to the grave, only to die a few months later from lock-jaw, induced by a nail which had entered his foot while peacefully grazing in his paddock.

General Fitzhugh Lee's thoroughbred mare, Nellie Gray, the most beautiful horse in the Confederate army, fell in the thickest of the fighting at the battle of Winchester; while general Sheridan's black war-horse, Rienzi, survived all the perils of war until 1876, and his body is mounted in the museum of Governor's Island, in New York bay.

The favorite chargers of general Grant and Washington survived to honored old age, and died lamented by many beside their masters.

It must not, however, be assumed that it is the fate of all famous war-horses to live thus to days of retirement and dignity. Very many fall in battle, as a brave horse would wish to die; and for a few, happily a few, an ignominious and unmerited fate is reserved.

THE SLEEPING GIRL.

Sleeping her life away, Eva Roch, the famous French-Canadian "sleeping girl," is watched and adored by hundreds of people daily. They look upon her as a sort of saint, and the very fact that the commencement of both her long sleeps came just before Christmas, in addition to the fact that she always has led a most austere life, and that when she was very young she was relieved from a most severe and painful illness by our Lady St. Anne of Beaupre, are responsible for this.

Last year, she slept continuously for twenty-eight days. This year, she fell asleep again just as the vesper bells began to ring on Christmas eve, and remained continuously asleep for fourteen days. A hemorrhage awoke her then. She called her mother in an almost inaudible voice, asked for a drink of cider, and fell again into a lethargy, from which she has not awakened since, and from which the doctors say she will in all probability never awaken. The doctors for that matter have given her up, and say they can do nothing for her. Her internal organs are simply played out, and she is bound to gradually die, like a candle which is slowly burning down. They feed her a teaspoonful of cold water and another of soup every day, and that is all the sustenance she gets. The priest visits her frequently, and the last sacrament of the dead has been given to her several times. Her mother is laboring under the hallucination that she is not asleep now, and says the girl is able in some way to manifest to her, but to her alone, her wants. To all purposes she is asleep, however. Her breathing is even so light as to be almost unnoticeable, but by listening to her left ear one can hear the pulsation of the blood through her body. She is propped up against the pillows all the time. To lie upon her back or side seems to cause her unspeakable agony. Smells and hissing noises also distress her.

Last year she was awakened forcibly by the application to her spine of brushes, the bristles of which consisted of needles, the points of which were brought to a white heat, but this year it was thought better to let her awaken naturally if she could, and her mother absolutely refused any artificial means to bring her to, saying:" God, who has put her asleep, will awaken her in His own good time."

The family are French-Canadian and well-to-do, and her mother, father and two other children, a young man and woman, are strong and exceptionally healthy. The "sleeping girl" is 21 years old and, though never strong, has been very healthy since she was about 10, but always very religious. When she was five she was troubled with softening of the bones, and as the doctors did not seem to do her any good her mother took her on pilgrimages for three successive years to St. Anne de Beaupre down the river, the Lourdes of America. On the occasion of the third trip she was miraculously cured, and since that time has never suffered from any malady till her first sleep began.

Her bed is put in the parlor of the Roch home. Visitors feel instinctively as if they were in the presence of the dead. Conversation is immediately subdued, heads are bowed and women kneel. This is the first impression, but it is quickly followed by the thought that the girl might have been bodily stolen from a waxwork museum and not look a bit different. Her skin has a sort of a yellowish tint, but she does not look particularly thin. The strange malady of this young woman attracts large numbers. The doctors state that she may live for a year yet, as her weakness increases only very slowly, but that an unforeseen change in her condition may kill her at once. Since she asked for cider on the 6th day of January she has not spoken, and with that exception she has now been asleep longer than last year.

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Notice is also given that from and after the fifteenth day of February instant, no child will be allowed to attend any public or private school in the City of Nelson, unless such child shall produce to the principal or teacher of the school a certificate showing that the child has been successfully vaccinated.

A physician will be in attendance at the public schools daily, from 3 o'clock p. m. until 4 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of vaccinating children. Every child presenting itself for vaccination should be accompanied by one of its parents.

Children where parents are unable to pay the vaccination fee payable to the medical practitioner, will be vaccinated free of charge on application to the physicians attending at the public schools, or to Dr. LaBau the city medical health officer. By order,

J. K. STRACHAN, Secretary.
Nelson, B. C., February 7th, 1900.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next meeting of the Board of License commissioners for the City of Nelson, held after the expiration of thirty days from the date hereof, for a transfer of the saloon license now held by me, dated the 15th day of January, 1900, for the Bodega saloon, situate on the east half of lot 9 block 1, Nelson, B. C., to W. G. Robinson of Nelson, B. C.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1900.
Witness: H. F. MACLEOD. R. E. SMITH.

CHAIRS(?)

Well, rather. We received an entire car, (1300) of chairs last Tuesday, containing fancy diners (in suits or otherwise), fancy rockers in cobbler seat or wood, cheaper dining chairs finished in golden oak and cheaper ones still suitable for either dining room or kitchen. There are a few office tilters in the lot. So you can'tstick us on chairs, either in design, quantity or price.

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FEELING IN BASUTOLAND.

Cape Argus.

The latest news reaching Matatiele, East Griqualand, from Basutoland, under date December 15th, is that the natives remain quiet and well disposed to listen and adhere to the advice given to them by sir Godfrey Langden and the magistrates in the several districts. At the same time, it is a matter of common knowledge that, while the country is, practically, hermetically sealed against the entry of Free State Boers, a considerable number of Basutos pass over the border into the Free State, and, it is said, are engaged in reaping the over-ripe crops. The Boers also, both colonial and Free State, have commandeered several hundreds of "loose" Kaffirs to perform this work, not only across the Orange river, but in colonial districts which have earned the unenviable claim to be disaffected towards the British government. However, this is a proceeding which cannot very well be stopped, but those venturesome natives who have wandered afar from the safety of their kraals have been given emphatically to understand that they do so at their own risk and peril. This deliverance comes not only from the British resident and his subordinate officials, but from Lerothodi and other chiefs.

I have gleaned a few facts concerning internal dissensions is Basutoland which, so far as I am aware, have not hitherto been published in concrete form, and which may prove interesting to your readers at the present time.

The dispute between Jonathan and Joel, two of the Basuto chiefs, is of long standing, and the details are not without interest. Molapo was succeeded, on his death by Jonathan, but Molapo's rightful heir, according to the native law of succession, was Motsueni, who has a small following of reckless and lawless Basutos—the scourge of the country. Motsueni being declared ineligible for the chieftainship, Jonathan was formally appointed by Molapo his successor, being a younger brother of the first-named. There was a division in the council, however, many of the older men objecting to the elevation of a younger son of Molapo, and maintaining that the selection should fall upon Joel, as the eldest son of the second wife; but Molapo adhered to his choice with determination even when struggling with the throes of death. Then came the memorable Gun War, or the Sprigg Disarmament War, in which Jonathan, knowing on which side his bread was buttered, remained strictly loyal to British authority; and, sure enough, when the hostilities terminated, as a reward for his fidelity, his succession to Molapo was confirmed by the imperial government, and there were murmurs and threats, as of an angry sea, in the kraals of Joel. It should be stated that Joel had sided with the anti-Sprigg Basutos during the Disarmament war, and with unfilial ingratitude, included amongst his acts of spoilation the burning down of his own father's kraal at Leribe. There was therefore no chance for this unregenerate son of Masupha (by the second wife) and when the ground was parcelled out, the loyal Jonathan was given the enjoyment of expansive acres amounting to many English counties, while Joel had to be content with a strip of country no bigger than Middlesex, and, of course, not nearly so rich! Hence these tears and heart-burnings. Squabbling has gone on ever since the unequal but just apportionment of the vineyard, and it is alleged that Joel, as the discontented and truculent person in the drama—the person with a grievance—has been listening to the voice of Free State charmers, having sent many flocks and herds into the republic as a proof of his confidence. Scandalous rumor has gone even farther, and affirmed that Jonathan has threatened to invade the Free State with the object of capturing Joel stock; and one valiant warrior of the O.F.S., named commandant Fick, is somewhat curiously mixed up in these inter-territorial communications. Perhaps the true inwardness of the negotiations between Basuto Chiefs and Republican Boers will be discovered some day, but in the meantime Lerothodi, it cannot be denied, continues to exercise all his power in favor of neutrality or quiescence on the part of his nation.

Big C. P. R. Dividends.

MONTREAL, February 12.—At a meeting of the directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company today, the usual half-yearly dividend of two per cent on the preference stock was declared. A dividend of three per cent was also declared on the ordinary stock, making with the dividend already paid, five per cent for the past year. The results for the year were: Gross earnings $29,230,000, working expenses $16,999,872, net earnings $12,230,165. Income from other sources $1,150,198. Total net income $13,380,364, less amount applied against ocean steamships $155,000, less fixed charges including interest on land bonds $6,816,676. The net revenue available for dividends is $6,408,687. After the payment of all dividends declared, the surplus for the year carried forward is $2,203,847.

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She was so hot, you see.

De Gouvrement she's feed us fine
Oh! yes, I don't think so;
One small checken mong tirteen men,
How you lak dat, mon Joe?

De fruit she's libral, too, also,
If every compagnie
Would give hees fruit to one small boy
She's maybe get plentee.

Dere's one good ting dat we was get,
And dats de plum pudeen:
Tanks for dat precious leetle bite,
We geeve our gracious Queen.

At four o'clock dey cry "fall in,"
To get your Criesmees beer,
And so we bring our pannikin,
Dere's no one missing here.

Jus one small pint, dat's all you get,
For fear you get en fete;
To-night you'll get a glass o' rum,
Eef you can all walk straight.

So pretty soon we go to bed,
And dream of "soup au pois,"
And hope next Creesmees day we spend
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CHARLES PROSSER, Secretary

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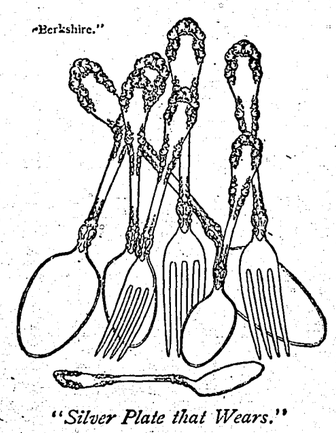

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Our Overshoe Sale

Is still on, and as the season is late we are offering them at slaughter prices. Here are a few prices: Ladies' Alaskas, at 85c; ladies' button overshoes, at $1.50; men's buckle overshoes, at $1.50; lumbermen's rubbers, at $1.50, $1.75 and $2.00.

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CITY LOCAL NEWS

Forty-five pairs of leggings for the Nelson Rifle company have been received and will be issued to the members on Thursday night at the regular drill. The leggings are of tan leather to match the belts and rifle slings now in use. They come almost to the knee and are fastened by an ingenious arrangement of loops.

His honor judge Forin left last night for Fort Steele where he will hold court.

Goshill, the Finlander who has been held by the police for several days, was discharged this morning. A charge of assault made by Goshill against a bartender at the Club named Greenless was dismissed.

The members of the Tamblyn and Rae rinks left for Rossland last evening to take part in the bonspiel which opens today. The Tamblyn rink is made up of Messrs Stanley, T. Fox, J. H. Wallace and F. A. Tamblyn, and the Rae rink of D. Porter, Thomas Lillie, Alex. Carrie and John Rae. The two rinks are entered in the grand challenge, Walkerville and all comers contests. The Rae rink is also entered for the Hudson Bay Company's trophy, and the Tamblyn rink for the Tuckett trophy, while a combination from the two rinks will be made up for the Parsons Produce Company's trophy.

Provincial constable Wilson of Creston has brought in a man named N. W. Smith to the provincial jail, sentenced for three months for indecent exposure of the person by justice of the peace Mallandaine.

John Elliot returned from California on Sunday evening, after an absence of about three months. He is now sound and fit.

F. J. Bradley & Co. have decided to go into the paperhanging business extensively this spring. They have laid in a complete stock of papers, mouldings and borders, and when their fixtures are completed will be able to show the same to advantage.

J. L. Porter will open a new butcher shop on Thursday in Turner, Beeton & Company's building on Josephine street. The new shop will be known as the Palace Meat Market, and as Mr. Porter understands the business thoroughly the Palace will be strictly up to date.

M. E. Carey, who has been connected with the tramway company since construction was commenced, has been appointed engineer in charge. The track brakes for the cars have been completed, and when the new machinery is in shape the hill division of the line will be operated.

W. R. MacInnes, general freight agent of the C. P. R. west of Winnipeg, is spending the day in Slocan City, and will leave tomorrow for the east. Mr. MacInnes has been in Nelson for several days on business in connection with his department.

An important deal in Venus stock has been recorded. In consideration of 575,000 fully paid shares of Venus stock L. H. Merrifield and W. H. Pearson, junior, have transferred to the Venus Gold Mining Company their interests in the Venus, Cosmopolitan, Saturn Fraction, Jupiter, Astral and Cambridge claims, situated on Morning mountain. W. H. Pearson, junior, has transferred the Jupiter Fraction and P. E. Doolittle the Orion Fraction to the company. The consideration was nominal in the latter deals.

W. E. Lindsay and Charles Brown of Ymir have sold a seventh interest in the Empress of India, Empress of China and Empress of Japan mineral claims to J. McLeod of Ymir. The claims are located on Hidden creek. Lindsay, one of the vendors, has gone to South Africa with the Strathcona Horse.

There are a number of military enthusiasts in Nelson whose desire for active service remains ungratified despite the three contingents which have already been raised for South Africa. They are anxiously enquiring about the British Columbia contingent, but no particulars are to hand as yet.

Mike Kealy of Nelson has sold the Turcoise claim on Bird creek to Frank Fletcher. W. Feeney, Nelson, and J. Harrison, Spokane, have transferred the Rustler and Antonio claims on the north fork of the Salmon river to J. Campbell of Erie.

The Rossland city team is claiming the game which was postponed on Saturday night through the inability of the lacrosse-hockey boys to secure seven players to take the trip. Secretary Archibald wrote and wired the Rossland management explaining the unfortunate circumstances existing here, despite which the Rossland fellows insist on claiming a default. All of which is neither generous nor sportsmanlike.

The team which will represent the Lacrosse-Hockey club on their visit to the Rossland carnival this week includes the following players: Nunn, goal; Archibald, point; Joe Thompson, cover; Blackwood, Perrier, Wetmore and Greenlees, forwards. The city teams meet in a practice match tonight, and a close game is anticipated as the players are beginning to show the excellent effects of practice.

Morris O'Connor, who shot his brother at Greenwood recently, is known to the Nelson authorities. On June 15, 1896, he was tried here for using an axe on the head of a man named Langton with serious results. O'Connor was acquitted on the plea of insanity, but was confined in the criminal ward of the asylum at New Westminster for a year and a half. He was afterwards sued here by his counsel to recover $300 for fees and costs incurred in the trial.

Arnt Olsen has recovered $800 which was the face value of a number of post office orders destroyed in the fire which burned the old bunkhouse at the Athabasca mine recently. The notes were issued in the United States and were payable at Spokane, which made their recovery a somewhat tedious undertaking. Taylor & Hannington acted for Olsen in the matter.

Lieutenant Beer has received a check for some $300, the annual drill pay for officers and men of the Rifle company. It is worthy of note in this connection that the militiamen only receive 12 days pay at the rate of 50 cents per day for a private, one night counting as half a day. The pay thus earned is, by resolution, pooled and devoted to rent, light, heat, extra uniforms and equipment and the other necessities of the company.

Chief Thompson has received an invoice of the helmets for the fire brigade, dated February 3rd, so that the headgear may be expected along shortly. As these helmets have been on the way for many months their receipt will be most welcome.

The first train was run through the Bulldog tunnel yesterday, and the big cut will be used exclusively in future. The tunnel saves six miles of track, the length of the length of the switchback being three miles to the summit and an equal distance down the slope. As the tunnel is only about a quarter of a mile in length a clear saving of 70 minutes is made. The change makes no difference in the running time of Nelson trains.

E. M. Sandilands has come into town in connection with the sittings of the supreme court. He is registered at the Phair.

The new 10 stamp mill at the Yellowstone mine has been running for several days now, and is giving complete satisfaction. The machinery was supplied by Fraser & Chalmers.

The J. Montgomery Company, Limited, which has conducted a grocery and confectionery business in the new Madden block has assigned to John Cholditch & Company. The firm had only been in business for a short time.

Philip W. Thomson has arrived in the city from Victoria to open a manufacturers' agency and general commission business.

A change has been made in the personnel of the fire department by which driver Pfeiffer retires and is succeeded by Arthur Pitford, who will take charge of the team and handle the reins during the brigade's runs.

Captain Troup spent yesterday at Robson and Nakusp. The steamer Rossland is on the quays at Robson undergoing repairs. Certain changes are under contemplation and the captain is going over the ground.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Pappleton Hebden and Miss H. E. Batchel. The happy couple will be united on wednesday evening at the residence of the bride in the Hume addition.

The regular meeting of the south Kootenay board of trade was scheduled for last night. It did not materialize, however, owing to the failure to secure a quorum.

COMPULSORY VACCINATION

For Everybody

Compulsory vaccination was decided upon by the board of health last night at a meeting held after the city council adjourned.

Alderman Hall expressed the opinion that some place should be arranged in event of a smallpox case being discovered in Nelson.

Alderman Arthur thought a few hours work in event of such a contingency would suffice to erect a shelter. He suggested that the mayor procure working plans for a shelter, and if a case should crop up the building could be proceeded with at once. If no case occurred for a month or six weeks a tent could be utilized to advantage.

The question was asked if vaccination was proceeding in the private schools, and the clerk was instructed to notify the heads of such schools to carry out the board's regulations in this respect.

Alderman Arthur asked what could be done in regard to having Chinamen vaccinated. The mayor and various aldermen thought the celestials and Italians should be operated upon, and a general vaccination regulation was suggested as a means of reaching these parties.

Aldermen Wilson and Morrison moved that the board authorize the issuance of a proclamation making vaccination compulsory within the jurisdiction of the board. This was carried.

Aldermen Arthur and Hall moved that the secretary be instructed to order 500 vaccine tubes. Carried; which concluded the docket of business.

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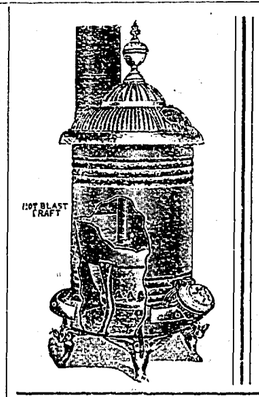

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