

THE COUNCIL BACKS DOWN.

Fire Insurance Agents Win.

The chief business transacted at the meeting of the city council last evening was the retreat which the members of the council executed in the matter of imposing a tax upon the fire insurance companies doing business in this city. There were half a dozen local agents of the fire insurance companies present at the meeting. They said that they were averse to paying taxes and the council very considerably decided to suspend the collection of the same.

Finance Committee's Report.

The finance committee reported on a number of accounts recommending the same for payment. The report was received and adopted.

Took the Proper Stand.

J. Fred Hume had a communication before the council requesting the use of the fire hall for the purpose of holding political meetings during the present campaign, in which he offered to reimburse the city for that privilege.

Alderman Hillyer opposed the granting of the application. He held that the fire hall should not be used for any other than city purposes. The old council had refused the use of the hall to charitable societies as well as churches, and he did not think that politicians should receive any more consideration. He moved that the communication be received and filed, and the motion was agreed to.

The Government Wharf.

C. W. West & Co. had a communication before the council calling attention to the dangerous state of the city wharf. This started a discussion as to whether the corporation had jurisdiction over the wharf.

Alderman Thomson said that the state of the wharf was disgraceful. He thought that something should be done by the council to secure control of the same.

The city solicitor explained that he had had some communications from the deputy attorney-general of the province, concerning the wharf, in which the deputy denied any responsibility on the part of the government for any accidents.

Alderman Thomson asked whether the city solicitor would construe from the answer of the deputy attorney-general that the wharf was city property. The city solicitor replied that it was a question as to whether the wharf could be regarded as a continuation of the street. In such a case it might be regarded as city property.

Alderman Hillyer was opposed to taking over the wharf as he considered that it would cost the city about \$8000 to put the same in good repair. If the matter was left in abeyance the government would make the repairs and the city would save that amount. The communication was received and filed.

The report of Dr. D. LaBau, medical health officer, was read, in which a number of recommendations were made with respect to the health of the city. The report was received and laid over.

In this connection alderman Hillyer moved, seconded by alderman Kirkpatrick, that the mayor, medical health officer, and city engineer wait upon Hon. J. Fred Hume and impress upon him the desirability of securing some alterations in the regulations of the provincial board of health, so that the city would have the right to deposit its sewage in Kootenay lake. The motion was agreed to.

The Library Grant Goes Over.

The city solicitor in reply to alderman Thomson said he did not consider that a grant to a reading library could be considered as a charity and would therefore be inclined to think that it would be necessary to pass a bylaw in order to grant the money. The council decided to lay the matter over until the solicitor could look into it.

The Tax Comes Off.

The local insurance agents were on hand for the purpose of protesting against any tax being imposed upon their companies. Alexander Stewart was spokesman for the delegation. He said that the insurance companies opposed the imposition of the tax, because there were but two cities in the province where such a tax was imposed. In Victoria a tax of \$200 was collected, and in Vancouver the tax was \$100, but these cities were the general agencies for nearly all the companies doing business in the province.

He said, however, that the companies reimbursed themselves by extra charges, adding the tax to the insurance premiums. The second argument advanced in opposition to the tax was that the fire insurance rates in Rossland were much higher than those of Nelson, and in Rossland no tax was imposed upon the companies. As matters stood he said it was difficult to persuade many companies to write insurance in Nelson, and the effect of the tax would be that several companies already doing business in Nelson would be driven out. The disadvantage of this could be understood when it was explained that none of the companies would carry more than a limited amount of insurance in each block in the city, and if the merchants of the city were to have the advantage of fire insurance it would be necessary to have several companies in the city, so that the amount in excess which one company would take, be reimbursed in some other company. At present there are twenty-four fire insurance companies doing business in the city, many

being new arrivals, and in some cases the total of their premiums would not amount to \$200 per year. The premiums collected on fire insurance in Nelson amounted to about \$30,000 of which \$5000 was outside business, which was carried by companies who could not be reached by a tax. There therefore remained a business for the local agents of \$25,000, and if the proposed tax was collected from the 24 companies it would amount to \$4800 or 20 per cent of the whole income from fire insurance. If the tax was imposed it would not reach outside companies and they would escape to the detriment of the local agents who, were charged a personal tax of \$25 per year, which should entitle them to protection. The matter was then generally discussed, and in the end alderman Thomson moved a resolution that in view of the suggested reduction in fire insurance rates that the resolution of the previous meeting, enforcing the collection of the \$200 tax be rescinded and that the same be brought up for discussion six months hence.

This was seconded by alderman Beer and agreed to, alderman Hillyer and Kirkpatrick voting in the negative. This leaves the matter just where it was when the present council took up the tax. The tax of \$200 remains but continues to remain uncollected.

The New Fire Wardens.

Alderman Hillyer called the attention of the council to the fact that there were at present several violations of the fire laws by law and he thought that the city should take some action in the matter.

Alderman Fletcher, W. J. Thompson, chief of the fire brigade, and alderman Thomson were appointed fire wardens for the current year and will look into the matters complained of.

A Charity Vote of \$25.

The council decided to contribute \$25 to the fund which is being raised to get Louis Rouzerot back to Paris. The Frenchman is a little off but not sufficiently insane to secure admission to the provincial asylums. He has been a charge upon the city for some time, and the members of the council thought that the city would be getting rid of the Frenchman cheap at \$25.

A New Job for Bliss.

Alderman Beer called attention to the fact that James McPhee, who was the inspector of electric light wiring, was also the only person who did wiring in the city. He was therefore inspecting his own work. Alderman Beer thought that it would be a better arrangement if Mr. Bliss of the electric light station could be secured to inspect the wiring. No action was taken in the matter.

To Inspect Public Buildings.

Alderman Hillyer moved that the city engineer be appointed building inspector and that he send in a report to the council at the next meeting on the public buildings now being erected. As the corporation is in a measure responsible for public buildings alderman Hillyer thought it well that the council should have all possible information respecting the durability of the buildings. The motion was agreed to.

Chief Thompson Gets a New Job.

Mayor Neelands suggested that the council should take some action with respect to the appointment of a sanitary inspector. He thought that the duties of the inspector could be discharged by the chief of the fire brigade, and that the council might in consideration of the increased work vote the chief an increase of \$10 per month in his salary. A motion was moved to this effect by alderman Kirkpatrick, seconded by alderman Hillyer and agreed to.

Must Revise the Constitution.

London, Feb. 7.—The French republic still manages to postpone day by day its crucial test. There is no longer any doubt that the foundations of the republic must be rebuilt. Even the best friends of republican institutions now admit that the present structure is inadequate for the demands made upon it by a series of crises which have paralyzed national confidence and prosperity. So revision of the constitution is now the cry, with more power in the hands of central civil authority, especially the president. This seems to be the most available programme to offset the movements of pretenders or military dictators. There are some indications that M. Deschanel, president of the chamber, may become the leader of the movement for the revision of the constitution. He is a strong advocate of the American system. Meantime, the action of the cabinet in deciding to present a bill referring the Dreyfus case to the full court of cassation for final decision seems a sign of weakness as well as being a distinct violation of the principle which forbids retroactive legislation. It amounts, of course, to placing a direct stigma on the criminal branch of the court, practically endorses Beaurepaire's silly charges, and adds a fresh element of delay and confusion to the now hopeless situation.

Silver Shows a Slight Advance.

New York, Feb. 7.—Yesterday's quotation for silver showed an advance of two-eighths of a cent over that of Saturday, the price being 50½c. Lead also advanced the brokers' price going up to 44.02½ and 44.07½ an advance of over 30 cents over Saturday's prices. The firm that fixes the selling price for miners and smelters quoted lead at 44.90 at the close.

GENERAL OTIS MAKES A REPORT

Washington, Feb. 7.—The war department today received the following despatch from general Otis: Manila, Feb. 7: To the adjutant-general at Washington.—The insurgent army concentrated around Manila from the Luzon provinces, numbering over 20,000 men and possessing several quick firing and Krupp field guns. A good portion of the enemy was armed with Mausers of the latest pattern. Two Krupp guns and a great many of the rifles were captured. Quite a number of former Spanish soldiers are with the insurgents.

The insurgents constructed strong intrenchments near our lines, mostly in bamboo thickets. These our men charged, killing and capturing many of the enemy. Our casualties will probably aggregate 250. Will send full reports today.

THE GOSSIP OF KASLO.

There was a report current on the streets on Monday afternoon that the qualification of one of the recently elected aldermen was to be attacked in the supreme court upon grounds that were mooted during the municipal campaign.

An effort is to be made to have sir Charles Hibbert Tupper deliver an address upon the Canadian political situation before the Kaslo Liberal-Conservative Association.

The reverend H. Beer held services in the English church Sunday morning and evening. He was formerly located at Juneau, and leaving there was slated for the Kaslo mission. He preferred however to try a change at Kamloops. There is not much news of him since he came back to his earlier destination.

John Keen, recently appointed registrar of the county court at Kaslo, has written his honor, judge Forth that the court room and adjacent rooms are now completed, and asking him how they should be furnished.

The cold weather is interfering to some extent with traffic upon the K. & S. railway. Sunday's train came in with only a combination coach attached to the engine.

During the past two or three days, the water commissioner has been giving particular attention to the hydrants throughout the city. He has utilized a portable engine to thaw them out most thoroughly, and now thinks he has them in first class condition.

The Electric Light Company is having trouble with its water power. In spite of strenuous efforts to keep the intake clear of ice the power supply is limited, only half the usual number of lights are supplied, and the streets are almost in complete darkness.

After landing her passengers this forenoon—the steamer Kokanee—returned to Balfour to assist the steamer Nelson to bring down the big barge with 15 cars of freight from Kootenay landing. The departure of the Kokanee for Kaslo will be delayed until 7 o'clock this evening.

P. J. Russell, Kootenay manager for the Parsons Produce Company, left this morning in company with R. A. Rogers, general manager of the company's business at Winnipeg, for a trip through the Boundary district. Branches will be established at Greenwood, Grand Forks and Cascade, the business of which will be under the control of the Nelson office.

Grand Forks Mining Dispute.

The session of the supreme court was occupied today with the trial of the case of Seattle vs McCallum, a dispute arising out of the sale of a mineral claim on the Kettle river. The history of the case is as follows: In 1897, Robert Clarke of Grand Forks, sold the Seattle mineral claim to Hay & McCallum of Grand Forks. Subsequently Cummings and Manly of the same place induced Clark to sell the property to them. Hay & McCallum brought suit to sustain their purchase and were successful. Now Cummings & Manly, who are represented by the Seattle Mining Company, are endeavoring in this suit to obtain whatever interest Clark may have in the claim after Hay & McCallum are satisfied. A large number of witnesses have been subpoenaed to give evidence and the case will likely last over tomorrow. Tupper, Peters and W. A. Macdonald appear for the plaintiffs, and E. V. Bodwell for the defendant.

Rossland Ore Shipments.

Shipments of ore from the mines of the Rossland camp for the week ending February 4th were very light owing to the shutting down of the Le Roi and were as follows:

Le Roi	304
War Eagle	18
Deer Park	18
Total	1,041

SLOCAN MINING NOTES.

Kaslo, Feb. 6.—J. R. Lindsay who has for a considerable period being doing development work on the Alice and Juno in Spring creek basin, came down from those properties on Saturday. He reports a promising outlook and will continue work as soon as possible in the spring. There is a great depth of snow on the trail between Sprout's and the basin. The difficulty of getting in supplies will render necessary the suspension of work on the Texas, which has been worked for some months under lease from the owners to J. M. Getson. The claim is reported as very promising and will ship, it is expected, at an early day.

R. E. L. Brown and J. R. Stephens, owners of the Whitewater Deep properties, are now at Whitewater making a thorough inspection of those properties. Mr. Brown has given out that no further development work will be done until late in the spring.

Chester Glass of Spokane has transferred to D. M. Linnard of Rossland a one-eighth interest in the Cariboo, North Slope, South Slope and Monte Carlo, situated at the head of Woodbury creek. The consideration mentioned is \$750.

For the sum of one dollar and other good and valuable considerations Charles Sampson has conveyed to Neil F. McKay an individual one-half interest in the Bismark, situated on the south fork of Kaslo creek. Sampson also conveys to McKay by the same instrument a one-half interest in the option of the property previously given to T. P. Sherwood of Spokane. A considerable amount of work has been done upon this property, and a part of the group to which it belongs has been the subject of litigation.

Matt. Oleo has mortgaged to James Matheson, his interests in the Kokanee on Bear creek, Duncan river, and the Sailor, Emphy and Mackay in Whitewater basin.

Dick Shea has retired from the management of the Rambler-Cariboo Consolidated Gold and Silver Mining Company and the position is now filled by W. H. Adams, formerly the acting secretary of the company in Kaslo. Mr. Adams returned on Saturday evening from Rossland where he had been in consultation with the president J. B. McArthur. Development will be actively prosecuted and shipments continued under the direction of W. E. Jones.

A certificate of improvements has been issued to William H. Mitchell for the mineral claim Vigilant in the Hot Springs camp.

Lace and Lace Making.

In the beginning all lace was "real" lace. Then came imitations and all lace could be divided into "real" (made by hand) laces and their imitations (made by machine). Now there are still the "real," or hand made laces, and the imitations of hand made lace, that are made by machinery, and also machine-made laces which do not imitate anything.

The most valuable laces are the exquisite hand made creations of times long since past, when each lace maker wrought her own fine fancies into her handiwork, and every piece of lace was an original and exclusive design. Modern hand made laces are duplicated many times save in the rare cases where a special piece is ordered for royalty or a multi-millionaire's bridal gift. Modern hand made lace is costly, but it is in the market, and any one can buy it or order it of the manufacturers who can afford to do so. The notable laces of past generations are mainly in museums and private collections, and are practically priceless, only occasionally changing hands at private sales of personal effects, etc. Modern machines produce many lovely laces, and people of moderate means, or those who do not desire above all else to wear what no one else can possibly copy, may secure charming dress effects by the use of laces that are really inexpensive in proportion to their beauty. However, women who appreciate the ultra refinements of dress

usually prefer to own one piece of valuable hand wrought lace to having yards of the machine made article.

NELSON'S HEALTH REQUIREMENTS.

Dr. D. LaBau Calls Attention to the Necessity for Sewers and Water Mains.

In his report as medical health officer which Dr. D. LaBau presented to the council last evening he impressed upon the members of the council the necessity for extending the sewer system of the city. He considers that immediate steps should be taken to place laterals in all the streets south of Baker street and east of Ward street. This at present is the most populous portion of the city and it is practically without sewer connection.

Both sewer and water mains should be constructed up Stanley street. There are he states about 40 families within one block of Stanley street above the terminus of the water main who are wholly dependent upon creeks and springs for their water supply. Two cases of typhoid fever developed in this district during the last 10 days, due no doubt to the soft weather during January, carrying infection into the creeks and springs used for drinking.

The health officer also recommended that all houses used as private hospitals should be connected with the sewer, or when not near a sewer that a suitable cesspool should be built, and every house owner on streets where sewers have been laid should be compelled to connect with the same within a reasonable time.

The health officer expresses the opinion that the methods employed by the present scavengers are a greater menace to the health of the town than the matter which they are required to remove. He recommended that the city take over the control of the scavenging work.

He also recommended the purchase of a lot and the erection of a suitable building for the treatment of infectious diseases such as diphtheria and smallpox.

IT HAD A GOOD EFFECT.

The Alien Legislation of British Columbia is Now Regarded With Favor in the East.

Ottawa, Feb. 7.—The cabinet ministers returned today from New York. A prominent supporter of the government stated tonight that if anything of a satisfactory nature in the way of a treaty is obtained from the United States, much credit will be given to the alien exclusion bill of British Columbia which had the effect of showing the Americans that Canada was well able to get along without them.

There is a growing feeling here against any more pandering to the United States, and everybody will be glad to see the Canadian commissioners return to Ottawa without any treaty. British Columbia's progressive government has given a lesson to the Dominion and for the first time in the history of the province the affairs of the Pacific are being discussed intelligently by the Eastern public.

He Swindled in Eleven Countries.

Paris, Feb. 7.—The Paris police have arrested a new variety of bank swindler, whose victims are scattered throughout Europe. He is a Greek of the name of Etienne Apostolides, and was accustomed to figure as a French Jew of the name of Jacques Levy. He has scooped in a million francs by means of ingenious forged coupons since October. Many minor banks on the continent and in England received instructions from Jacques Levy at a Paris address, to pay sums varying from 500 to 1000 francs to a person stated to be visiting in their locality. The latter contained coupons generally of the Egyptian unified debt to cover the payment. The person named was never found, and the bank would then write and ask Levy what to do with the coupons. He always replied to sell the coupons and send the amount by check.

Levy thus cashed valueless paper for hard cash, but the other day a Berlin bank, struck by the peculiar nature of the business, asked its Paris representatives to inquire into it. They found that the coupons were forgeries. Levy was arrested. He was astonished, he said, because he studied the French code and found that it did not include frauds committed outside of France. This proved true, but he was hulk, because eleven foreign countries demanded his extradition.

Senkler Takes Office.

The record offices in Dawson were thrown open to the public on January 1st. The new gold commissioner, E. C. Senkler, has made a decided change in the conduct of affairs. Immediately on taking gold commissioner Fawcett's place he announced that the books of the office would be free to all who wanted to see them. But there are some matters which will be settled by the old commissioner—disputes arising out of claims for locations. He has to hear all these cases, since he is more familiar with them than is the new commissioner. Fawcett is to become the crown surveyor. He took that position immediately upon leaving the office of gold commissioner. The people of Dawson expect now that there will be much more competent administration of public affairs, for the claim of every miner will be protected and every new district will be open to persons who choose to investigate.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS BY WIRE

Vancouver's News Budget.

Vancouver, Feb. 7.—Word came from Nanaimo by boat yesterday morning that William Allison of the Bank of British Columbia, formerly accountant at New Westminster and later at Kaslo, had hanged and stabbed a printer named Forbes into minced meat. Later a telegram was received which stated that the Allison case was only a common assault, supposed to be the result of a drunken row. W. T. R. Preston, late Liberal organizer, now superintendent of Dominion immigration agencies in Europe, is in the city. He is making a tour of the west, familiarizing himself with the condition of Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific before entering upon his new duties.

John J. Blake, Vancouver's first city solicitor, died yesterday morning. He came to Vancouver in 1885 and remained here ever since. The steamer Cutch sailed for Skagway yesterday afternoon with a very large freight and a considerable number of passengers.

Have Permission to Sell.

Vancouver, Feb. 7.—News has been received here from Ottawa to the effect that a Dominion order-in-council has been passed granting permission to the owners of timber berths within the railway belt of British Columbia to sell timber to mill owners.

Think the Trouble is Over.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Tonight the belief at the White House is that hostilities around Manila have ceased, and they do not look for a renewal. A Manila dispatch received at 7 o'clock this evening reports that the flagship Olympia steamed across the bay on Sunday while the fighting was in progress. She took up a position near the German cruiser Irene. The British cruiser Narcissus was off the mole, and is still there.

Burned to Death by a Lamp.

Toronto, Feb. 7.—Mary Hare, a young woman employed as a domestic in the house of John Bayley, 272 Sherbourne street, upset a lighted lamp which set fire to her clothing yesterday. She received injuries which caused her death in a few hours.

Raising the Siege in Spain.

Madrid, Feb. 7.—The queen regent will sign a decree tomorrow raising the state siege throughout Spain.

Rector's Daughter Shoots to Kill.

Biddenden, Kent, Ont., Feb. 7.—Bertha Peterson, daughter of the rector of this parish, on Sunday shot and killed John Wibley, a teacher in the church Sunday school. The shooting took place in the Sunday school room just after the regular church service; during which Miss Peterson played the organ and also took communion. The shooting is supposed to have been the result of a quarrel with Wibley, who had been attentive to the girl. The affair has caused an extraordinary sensation.

The Tonnage Increased.

It will be observed that while five countries, the United States notably, show a decrease, the preponderance of the empire has increased. One reason given for the present stimulus to shipbuilding is the cheapening of steel plates, which has caused a rush to substitute steel for iron ships. Last year exceeds any other in the annals of British ship construction. The total value of mercantile shipbuilding was \$100,000,000 and the value of warships was \$100,000,000 more. The aggregate tonnage last year exceeded all records—yet the present year promises to surpass it. Already British shipyards have nearly 2,000,000 tons on hand, an increase of half a million tons, compared with the same period last year, and four times as much as all the other shipyards of the world turned out in the whole of 1897. This has caused great activity in the engineering, electrical, iron, steel and all other related industries. In fact, the great mechanical industries are so rushed with home work that foreign orders have had to be refused with serious loss to the British export trade. The overwhelming maritime supremacy of the British empire is shown in the following statement of the tonnage of the merchant navies in 1880 and 1897:

	1880.	1897.
British Empire	8,417,000	10,110,000
Russia	1,020,000	577,000
Norway	412,000	98,000
Sweden	1,518,000	1,560,000
Denmark	219,000	313,000
Germany	270,000	1,520,000
Holland	328,000	294,000
France	390,000	881,000
Italy	238,000	785,000
United States	1,352,000	585,000
Totals	15,001,000	16,985,000

Mineral Claims Transferred.

The following transfers of mineral claims were recorded today at the Nelson office: Ida, Salmon Star, on Wild Horse creek—John Bergman to Charles W. Anderson, one-third interest, consideration \$700. Grand Butte, on Sheep creek—S. Lefebvre to Louis Levy of Rossland, one-half interest. Evening Star on Sheep creek—J. C. Cox to Louis Levy, one-half interest. Grand Butte and Evening Star, on Sheep creek, Louis Levy to E. S. Larsen, one-half interest. Tena, Mary Bell, on Seven Mile creek—Alex. Kennedy of Nelson, to Louis K. Larsen and H. A. Prosser of Nelson.

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LODGE MEETINGS.

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

K. G. JOY, C. C.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Nelson Lodge, No. 25, 1001 Broadway, meets in Castle hall, Macdonald block, corner of Josephine and Vernon streets, every second and fourth Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. All visiting knights are cordially invited to attend.

The Tribune.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1899

THE local insurance agents secured all they asked from the city council last evening. Two weeks ago when alderman Beer proposed to reduce the tax upon fire insurance companies from \$200 per annum to \$50, aldermen Fletcher and Thomson took issue with him. They were in favor of collecting the full amount, and as a result alderman Beer's recommendation that the tax be reduced to \$50 was rejected. Last night the men who two weeks ago considered \$50 too small a tax, voted for a resolution which practically relieves the fire insurance companies from all taxes whatever. Aldermen Hillier and Kirkpatrick were the only members of the council, who by their votes maintained, that the companies who derive the most benefit from the expenditures upon the fire department, should contribute a portion of the expense.

WITH respect to the agitation, for the division upon Dominion party lines of the contending forces in provincial politics, it is significant that those who are in office at present are not in favor of any such arrangement, while those who are out of office, and hope to attain the same by the assistance of political machines, are loudest in their cries for the new division. The political bosses who are out of a job, would like the people of British Columbia to shape the politics of the province in conformity with their individual necessities. In this they are likely to be disappointed.

THE statement issued by the relief fund committee at New Westminster shows that there was received in all, for the relief of the fire sufferers, \$51,790.00, which was \$20,837.98 more than the committee required to relieve the distress.

THE men who compose the present provincial administration do not give any indication of weakening in the matter of the threatened interference by the dominion authorities with the anti-Chinese and Japanese legislation. They are not such men as would sacrifice the interests of the white laborers to an unrestrained competition with Chinese and Japanese merely to curry favor with the government at Ottawa. They contend that so far as the province has gone with its restrictions upon Chinese and Japanese, it is within its rights, and they do not purpose to be cajoled or bluffed into any change of base to please the authorities at Ottawa.

OPENED ON DEuces.

A Jack Pot Won by a Risky Game and Afterward Restored.

(From the Washington Evening Star.)

"The man who opens a jackpot without holding the openers takes about the longest chance possible in card gambling," said a Colorado man who has seen some historic doings in the American game of draw. "It's risky work. It means bullets in a good many sections of this country, and even in peaceable communities the man who's caught at it has a heap of trouble in squaring himself, whether he has actually made a mistake or not. I only recall the case of one man getting away with that kind of a proposition, and he was on the level and made good afterward."

"This man was Byron McGregor, who, back in the swirling days of Colorado, ran the swiftest establishment for money-hazarding purposes in Denver. McGregor was a finely educated and polished man, and he was in a game with three of the most prominent citizens in Denver, one of whom afterwards became a United States senator. The game was served out in the private parlor of one of the players, and I was one of half a dozen witnesses of it. There wasn't a high grade man with a liking for draw poker out that way who wasn't content to sit into a game in which Byron McGregor was one of the players. All in all, McGregor was about the most perfectly honest man I ever met up with. He could beat any magician I ever saw at card tricks, but when it came to inserting any of 'em into a legitimate game, McGregor wasn't there. He played a magnificent game of poker, of course, although he was often a big loser after

long bouts at draw with heavy-playing friends."

"In this particular game McGregor was 'way loser after the first couple of hours—nearly \$1000 in the hole. He wasn't bothered a little bit over this, for he was a thoroughbred loser, and besides, the receipts from his rooms frequently netted him \$8000 or \$10,000 on nights of big play at the cases. But he didn't like the way the cards were running, and he finally pushed his chair back, remarking:

"This isn't one of my nights. Make it a triumvirate, you three. I think I'll stay out."

"Better hang on a bit, McGregor, and get some of it back, so you won't have to smoke a pipe, said one of the players, murmuring. 'Stay in awhile, anyhow. Such easy ones as you don't come our way very often.'

"Oh, well, we'll play a final jackpot," said McGregor. "But, win or lose, I've got chilblains so far as continuing play tonight, is concerned. One more jack."

"McGregor dealt the hand himself, and I was behind him as he did so. The best he gave himself was a pair of deuces. It was a \$100 jack, and the \$400 was in the center of the blaze in gold. It passed around, and none of the three opened it."

"Well, if I've got to smoke a pipe, I see my way clear for \$400 worth of smoking tobacco, anyhow," said McGregor, when it was up to him. "She's open."

"I couldn't believe that he'd do a thing like that, and maybe McGregor heard me gasp behind him, for, upon the pretence of coughing, he turned his head around and screwed up his left eye at me."

"The three of 'em stayed along and drew to their hands. They all filled, too. McGregor drew two cards to his pair of deuces and the eight spot he held up, and he caught another deuce and another eight—a comfortable looking full house, deuces atop of eights. When it came to betting McGregor poked them to a standstill, and the three of 'em had finally to look at each other and say:

"If anybody in the crowd's got 'em it must be McGregor."

"And so they called him. He showed down his full hand and scooped in \$5800. Then he yawned, put on his topcoat and stuffed his winnings into the pockets thereof and left. The three others played on for an hour or so, and then the game broke up, and they went down to the lobby of the hotel. When they made their appearance the night clerk of the hotel called them. He had three envelopes in his hand, one to each of the three players with whom McGregor had been pokerizing."

"Mr. McGregor left these for you gentlemen before he went out a while ago with instructions that they were handed to you when you came down," said the clerk, handing the envelopes to the gentlemen addressed.

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EXPRESS and DRAYING

Having purchased the express and draying business of J. W. Cowan, we are prepared to do all kinds of work in this line, and solicit the patronage of the people of Nelson. Orders left at H. McArthur & Co's store, northwest corner Baker and Main streets, will receive prompt attention. Telephone 25

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check signed by Byron McGregor for the amount each of the players had involved in the phony jackpot together with a note reading:

"I didn't want to get shot to pieces, so I employ this method of stating that deuce-opened jackpots are vicious in principle and dangerous to the peace of society, especially in these parts. Never mention a tobacco pipe to a loser. It vitiates his sense of squareness. Check enclosed."

New Brunswick Elections.

St. John, N. B., Feb. 7.—Notwithstanding that the nominations take place on the 11th and the polling on the 18th, both sides are yet unable to announce with any definiteness the names of their candidates in the various counties. The government starts out with one decided advantage; its preparations for the short campaign are more advanced than the opposition arrangements. The opposition, too, is finding it difficult owing to complications that have arisen, to secure candidates in some of the constituencies. This is especially so in Northumberland, where L. J. Tardieu, John H. Burchell, John O'Brien and Charles E. Fish will be the government candidates. The ticket has the strong support of Mr. Robinson, Conservative M. P. The opposition selected a ticket, but some of the men declined to run, and it is doubtful if there will be any opposition in this county. In Madawaska county the opposition candidates will not likely offer. However, conventions are now in order, and calls have been sent by both sides for party meetings to choose candidates. By Tuesday next all will probably be announced. George E. Foster has reached Fredericton to take part in the campaign on behalf of the opposition and it is expected A. G. Blair will pay a visit to New Brunswick to help the government side.

Silver-Lead Shipments.

Last year Denver, Colorado, obtained from British Columbia and Mexico 18,865,125 pounds of silver-lead ore, worth \$214,502. During 1897 Denver's similar importations were 200,000,000 pounds, valued at \$200,000. During the last half of 1898 such importations fell off because of the great increase of silver-lead ores received by the Denver smelters from Colorado, Idaho and Utah.

TO THE ELECTORS

OF THE NELSON RIDING OF WEST KOOTENAY.

Gentlemen: Having been compelled to resign my seat in the legislative assembly, owing to an infraction of the "Constitution Act," I again have the honor of offering myself as a candidate to represent you in the legislative assembly.

"It will be my aim to further, as far as in me lies, the best interests of the Nelson riding and the province generally."

I very much appreciate the valuable services of those who labored so actively and successfully in the July campaign and would ask a continuance of that support, being now in a position where I can render good service to Kootenay.

My time being so fully occupied, it will be impossible to see all the electors before election day, but will visit as many places in the district as possible.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen, yours, etc.

J. FRED HUME.

Nelson, February 1st, 1899.



Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax Act

WEST KOOTENAY DISTRICT, NELSON DIVISION.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the statutes, that provincial revenue tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act, are now due for the year 1898. All the above-named taxes collectable within the West Kootenay district, Nelson division, are payable at my office, Kaslo.

Assessment taxes are collectable at the following rates, viz:

If paid on or before June 30th, 1899,

Three-fifths of one per cent on real property.
Two and one-half per cent on assessed value of wild land.

One-half of one per cent on personal property.
On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars, the following rates, namely: upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one per cent; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

If paid on or after 1st July, 1899,

Four-fifths of one per cent on real property.
Three per cent on the assessed value of wild land.
Three-fourths of one per cent on personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars, the following rates, namely: upon such excess when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.

Provincial revenue tax, \$3 per capita.

JOHN KEEN, Assessor and Collector.

Kaslo, B. C., 23rd January, 1899.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the powers of sale contained in a certain mortgage, which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be offered by public auction by Charles A. Waterman & Co., auctioneers, at their office, West Baker street, Nelson, B. C., on Tuesday, 21st day of February, A. D. 1899, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon, the following property, viz:

That certain parcel or tract of land and premises situated, lying and being in the town of Slooan City, and being described as lot number three 69 in block twenty-four (24) as shown on a map or plan of subdivision of lot 292, group 1, West Kootenay district, deposited in the land register office at Vancouver, and as amended.

On the property is erected a two-story frame building.

Terms of sale: Ten per cent (10%) of the purchase money to be paid at the time of sale, and the balance, without interest, to be paid within thirty (30) days thereafter.

Further terms and conditions of sale will be made known on day of sale or on application to Macdonald, McMaster & Geary, 51 Yonke street, Toronto, solicitors for the vendors, or to

CHARLES A. WATERMAN & CO., Auctioneers, Nelson, B. C.

OUR ANNUAL SALE IS STILL ON

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BUT IN ADDITION TO THIS WE ARE OPENING

CALL FOR BARGAINS NEW GOODS CALL FOR BARGAINS

Such as Gingham in nice soft colorings of pink, blue, green, etc., in checks and stripes. All good washing colors.

White Pique in fine, medium, and wide cords. The new Crepon Stripe in these goods will be the proper thing for the coming season. Now is the time to get them before the stock is picked over.

Fred Irvine & Co.

Victoria Block, Baker Street,

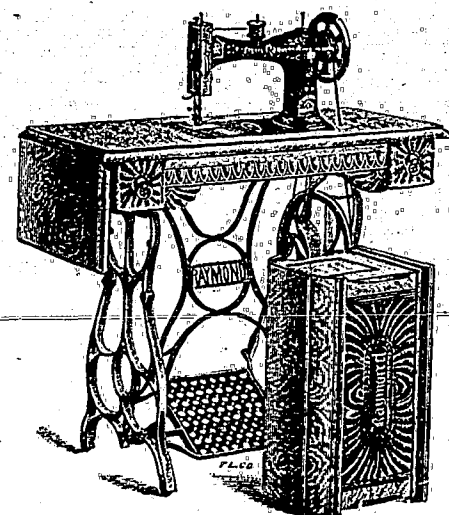
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Prices as low as same can be obtained in Canada

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Cabinet, Drop Head and Seven Drawer is finished in Black Walnut and which is not surpassed in the market.



WHEELER & WILSON

Cabinet, Mirror Cabinet, Library Cabinet Drop Head and 7-Drawer is finished in Oak has Rotary Shuttle and Ball Bearing.

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7-Drawer furnished in Quartered Oak and Walnut.

If you are thinking about buying a machine call and see them and be convinced that I mean what I say.
There is no necessity for sending out of Nelson when you can see what you are buying and get it for the same money.

The Jeweler JACOB DOVER The Jeweler

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Notice of Application for Certificate of Improvements.

BERLIN L. 3251 G. I. BUREKA L. 3255 G. I. O. V. G. FRACTION L. 3251 G. I. BUREKA L. 3255 G. I. GRAND L. 1840 G. I. MAC FRACTION L. 3255 G. I. MINERAL CLAIMS, SITUATE IN THE NELSON MINING DIVISION OF WEST KOOTENAY DISTRICT, AND LOCATED BETWEEN SANDY AND EAGLE CREEKS, ABOUT FIVE MILES WEST FROM NELSON.

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EVENING STAR AND HAPPY JACK MINERAL CLAIMS, SITUATE IN THE NELSON MINING DIVISION OF WEST KOOTENAY DISTRICT, AND LOCATED BETWEEN SANDY AND EAGLE CREEKS, ABOUT FIVE MILES WEST FROM NELSON.

Reward! \$50!

To the persons giving information leading to the discovery of the whereabouts of ROBERT S. QUACKENBUSH, will be paid the above reward. Robert S. Quackenbush left this vicinity March, 1888, going to the Pacific coast, and has not been heard from since February, 1890. He has money here due him which will be paid to him at once, when found. The parties are anxious to hear from him very soon. He is 29 years old. He formerly lived at Pine Hill, town of Manchester, Jackson County, Wisconsin. Address G. M. PERRY, Black River Falls, Wisconsin.

The Tribune will buy Old Rags

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Capital, all paid up, \$12,000,000
Reserve, 6,000,000

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SAVINGS BANK BRANCH.
CURRENT RATE OF INTEREST PAID

ABIG-FOOT, THE PLAYHOUSE BEAR.

(Some distance after Kipling.)

Whenever I go to the playhouse I sit in the endmost chair.
So little I rock of the rubber neck, or the girl with the
Biff hair.
But, oh! at full fall of the curtain, ordained by some
law accurate,
A portly wretch on the quarter stretch is seized with a
racing thirst.
He walks all over my Tribby's; he jumps on my cherished
corn.
His lumbering tread would arouse the dead far better
than Gabriel's horn.
By his shoes will you know the monster, box-toed,
brutal, and square.
And make ye no truce with Abig-foot, the man that
walks like a man!

I'd rather be hit by the trolley, tho' it rained me
flung from limb.
Yea! let be caught 'neath the juggernaut, but 'keep
me away from him.
One night at the fall of the curtain, he took me by
surprise:
I was reading ads in the program; I did not lift
mine eyes.
Near and nearer he tottered; he hoisted his hoof
and then—
I have not waltzed with women; I probably won't
again.
So mark, when the orchestra tooteth; then is the
time to beware!
Take ye no chance on Abig-foot, the man that walks
like a bear!

One of the Secrets of Dressing.

There are a lot of women as well as men who do not understand that one of the secrets of dressing well is to pay very careful attention to the many little details of one's clothing. This is especially true in the matter of boots and shoes. Probably it has occurred to many readers that there is very little difference, so far as appearance goes, between a pair of shoes at two dollars and a half and a pair at thrice that price. Such people should not lay any such flattering unction to their souls. One of the chief differences between cheap shoes and good shoes is that the latter fit closely to the instep, whereas cheap shoes are made in such a way that there is too much room in the shoe where room is not wanted. The maker of cheap shoes never considers that if a shoe is to be smart, it should fit closely to the curve of the foot, and so there is always a slipshod appearance about the goods. Curiously enough the is, often niggardly with his leather at the very place where half an inch would be really useful. It will generally be found that a pair of cheap shoes won't admit of their being laced up so that the two sides join in the centre. Shoes that are not laced up tightly give one a very slovenly appearance.

The care one takes of one's clothes is another little thing which adds to do with appearance. Well dressed people are of two kinds: those who take care of their clothes—and others. The person who does not take care of his or her clothes is necessarily extravagant as otherwise he or she could not exist. To be careless with one's clothes—and yet always look well dressed is to spend three times more money in a year than is otherwise necessary. The smartness of the person who takes care of clothes is a much better kind of smartness than that of the person who spends upon newness for the effect. The well preserved suit or dress is to the new suit or dress what the person of good family is to the parvenu. A suit should be well-bred as well as well-made.

It Pays to Advertise.

Those who have tested it—and they number hundreds of thousands—assert, and that in the most unequivocal terms, that no investment in which they have ever placed money yields such satisfactory returns as advertising does. John Wanamaker, the merchant prince of Philadelphia and New York, is possibly the largest single individual advertiser in the United States—if not in the world. He utilizes the columns of the Philadelphia and New York press very extensively, sometimes whole pages being occupied with his announcements. He keeps a staff of men, whose whole and sole duty it is to write advertisements, and these, to the general reader of newspapers, as well as the people of New York and Philadelphia, are about as interesting reading as any portion of the newspapers published there. Mr. Wanamaker has stated that his balance sheet for the year just ended shows that his net profits for the Philadelphia store slightly exceeded \$1,750,000, and those for the New York establishment within a few thousand of the same figures. He says that the Saturday before Christmas the receipts of the New York store exceeded the enormous sum of \$500,000, and that the New York establishment, which formerly was the property of the great A. T. Stewart, and afterwards managed by his executors—and which resulted in failure because it was run by incompetent men—has paid him from the day he opened it. He assigns his whole reason for this success to skillful and extensive advertising. His limit for advertising in Philadelphia newspapers

THE BANK OF BRITISH COLUMBIA NELSON

Are now prepared to issue
Drafts and Letters of Credit on
Dawson City, Yukon District.

and magazines, annually is \$350,000, and about the same for New York. It will thus be seen that Mr. Wanamaker by no means hides his light under a bushel.

Woman Walked From Dawson.

Mrs. Porp of Stockton, California has just returned from the Klondike. Her northern experience cost her \$5000. When starting out she was intent upon entering the restaurant business in Dawson. She took with her what would furnish and stock a restaurant, and looked forward to doing a lucrative business. The first misfortune came at St. Michael, something happened the river steamer, carrying the freight up the Yukon. The voyage was long and tedious, and Mrs. Porp found on arrival at Dawson that her plans had been upset; that her freight had been in part lost, and that the golden city of the north was not what she had dreamed to find it. Some time afterwards she went to live with some California friends and remained with them until the 7th of last December, when despite their entreaties and the severe cold, she determined on crossing the trails. It was then 60 below zero. A party of four men with a dog team of nine were coming out at the same time, and Mrs. Porp took advantage of this. She paid \$300 for the passage, and, though having the privilege of riding, found that walking was preferable. Consequently of the 600 miles of trail she walked 400 miles. Nearing Tagish the cold was felt severest, and one day for three miles she walked through water, walking for 20 miles afterwards. This was the hardest of the whole tramp. There was a cutting wind blowing and from being in the water the woman's toes were frozen. Her eyelashes were like icicles; her forehead and several parts of her face were frost bitten. At Tagish the mounted police compelled the leader of the party to renew his dog team, but these poor beasts proved to be of little use and the members of the party had themselves to break the trail. Mrs. Porp has a different impression of life in Dawson to many who have recently arrived from there. She says hundreds are there who will never be well enough to leave the country. They are dying from actual want, and the bodies of scores are to be found about nearly every hospital, wrapped in sacks but not interred, the benevolent societies having insufficient money at their disposal to give them proper burial. A short time before she left Dawson a prospector was found dead in his cabin on Bonanza creek, a note being found on his person which told a sad story of his wretched struggle for life.

To Get More Water For Cities.

Representative Calvert of Whatcom has introduced a bill in the legislature in the state of Washington which is intended to give cities additional powers in securing water supplies. The bill amends the existing laws by adding the following provisions:
"It shall be lawful for any city or town in said state to take and appropriate water from any public or navigable lake or watercourse within the state, and by means of aqueducts or pipe lines conduct the same to said city or town; and such city or town is hereby authorized and empowered to erect and build dams or other works across, or at the outlet of any lake, or watercourse in said state, for the purpose of storing and retaining water therein in up to and above high water mark; and for all the purposes of erecting such aqueducts, pipe lines, dams, water works or other necessary structures, and storing and retaining water as above provided, such city or town shall have the right to occupy and use the beds and shores up to high water mark of any such watercourse or lake; Provided, That no such dam or other structure shall impede, obstruct, or in any way interfere with public navigation, or other public uses of such lake or watercourse; Provided, That should private property be necessary for any such purpose, or for storing water above high water mark, such city or town may condemn and purchase, or purchase and acquire such private property."

H. D. Ashcroft

**BLACKSMITHING
AND EXPERT
HORSESHOEING**

Wagon repairing promptly attended to by a first-class wheelwright.
Special attention given to all kinds of repairing and custom work from outside points.

SHOP: Hall Street, between Baker and Vernon, Nelson

R. REISTERER & CO.

BREWERS AND BOTTLERS OF

**Fine Lager Beer
Ale and Porter**

Prompt and regular delivery to the trade. **Brewery at Nelson.**

IMPERIAL BANK OF CANADA

Capital, Paid Up - - \$2,000,000
Reserve - - - - 1,200,000

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A general banking business transacted.
Savings bank department.
Deposits of \$1 and upwards received and interest allowed.
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ALWAYS ON HAND

One of the best and most popular hotels in Nelson.

QUEEN'S HOTEL

BAKER STREET, NELSON.

Heated with Hot Air and
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Large comfortable bedrooms and first-class dining room. Sample rooms for commercial men.

RATES \$2 PER DAY

Mrs. E. C. CLARKE, Prop.

Late of the Royal Hotel, Calgary.

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The finest hotel in the interior.
Large sample rooms. Steam heat and electric light.
CORNER OF WARD AND VERNON STS., NELSON

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OPEN DAY AND NIGHT

The only restaurant in the city employing only white cooks.
Merchants' lunch from 12 to 2 o'clock, 25 cents. Dinner from 5 to 8. Short orders at all hours.

Madden House

BAKER AND WARD STREETS, NELSON

The only hotel in Nelson that has remained under one management since 1880.
The bed-rooms are well furnished and lighted by electricity.
The dining-room is not second to any in Kootenay.
The bar is always stocked by the best domestic and imported liquors and cigars obtainable.
THOMAS MADDEN, Proprietor.

The Victoria Hotel

REVELSTOCK

Renovated and decorated throughout. First-class sample rooms. Free bus meets all trains. The Revelstoke Street Car Company run hourly street car service between Victoria hotel and station.

J. V. PERKES, Proprietor.

Application for Liquor License.

Notice is hereby given that I will, thirty days from the date of this notice, apply to the government agent at Nelson for a license to sell liquor at retail at my hotel, known as the Florence Hotel, situated three miles east of Nelson, on the outlet of Kootenay lake, in West Kootenay district, British Columbia.

Dated February 3rd, 1899. WILLIAM ROBERTS.

Kootenay Railway & Navigation Co.

LAKE AND RIVER DIVISION

ST. INTERNATIONAL
Daily except Sunday. Pacific standard time

KASLO TO NELSON
South Road Head North
bound down up bound
Leave 6:30 a.m. Kaslo 7:10 a.m. Arrive
Due 7:30 " Ainsworth 7:50 " Due
Due 8:15 " Pilot Bay 8:50 " Due
Due 8:15 " Balfour 9:00 " Due
Due 9:15 " Five-mile Point 9:50 " Due
Arrive 10:30 " Nelson 10:40 " Leave
Connects with N. & P. S. Ry. train for Spokane, leaving Five-mile Point at 10:45 a.m.
Steamers leave Kaslo for what at foot of Third street.
ROBERT IRVING, Manager.

Bar Glassware...

We are now carrying a most complete line of Bar Supplies, including all the latest styles of Whisky, Wine and Beer glasses. Our prices are low and the quality the best procurable

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY AND SOO LINE

Fast and Short Route to and From Kootenay Country.

First-class and Tourist Sleepers Operated from PACIFIC TO ATLANTIC
Tickets issued through and baggage checked to destination.

CONNECTIONS

Rossland, Trail and Robson.

Leave 6:10 p.m. DAILY Arrive 10:30 p.m.

Main Line and Intermediate Points via Slocan Lake.

Leave 6:30 a.m. DAILY Arrive 8:30 p.m.

Kootenay Lake-Kaslo Route-Steamer Kokoan.

Leave 1:30 p.m. Daily Except Sunday Arrive 11:00 a.m.

Kootenay River Route-Steamer Moyle.

Mon., Wed., Fri. Nelson Tues., Thurs., Sat. 8:00 a.m. Leave Nelson Arrive 6:30 p.m.

Makes connection at Pilot Bay with steamer Kokoan in both directions.

Steamers on their respective routes call at principal landings in both directions, and at other points when signalled.

Ascertain times and full information by addressing nearest local agent or

C. E. BEASLEY, City Ticket Agent, Nelson, B. C.

R. W. DREW, Agent.

W. F. ANDERSON, Traveling Passenger Agent, Nelson.

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The only all rail route without change of cars between Nelson and Rossland, and Spokane and Rossland.

DAILY TRAINS.

Leave 8:00 a.m. Nelson Arrive 3:55 p.m.

12:05 a.m. ROSSLAND Arrive 12:30 p.m.

8:30 a.m. SPOKANE Arrive 3:10 p.m.

The train that leaves Nelson at 6:30 a.m. makes close connections at Spokane with trains for all Pacific Coast points.

Passengers for Kettle River and Boundary Creek connect at Marcus with stage daily.

C. G. DIXON, G. P. & T. A.

Kaslo & Slocan Railway

GOING WEST

Leave 8:00 a.m. Kaslo Arrive 3:55 p.m.

8:30 " South Fork Arrive 3:30 "

9:45 " Sprules Arrive 2:25 "

9:45 " Whitewater Arrive 2:00 "

10:12 " Bear Lake Arrive 1:45 "

10:25 " McJannet Arrive 1:34 "

10:30 " Cody Junction Arrive 1:23 "

10:35 " Saulton Arrive 1:15 "

Arrive 11:00 a.m. SLOKANE

Leave 11:15 " SLOKANE Arrive 11:25 "

G. F. COPELAND, Superintendent.

ATLANTIC STEAMSHIP TICKETS.

To and from European points via Canadian and American lines. Apply for sailing dates, rates, tickets, and full information to any Canadian Pacific railway agent or C. F. R. City Agent, Nelson.

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Will wire buildings for electric lighting, electric bells, electric burglar alarms, electric annunciators. Will contract to install fire alarm systems in towns and cities. Full stock of wire and fixtures on hand.

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Situate on the Crow's Nest Railway is prepared to deliver lumber of any description in any quantity at any place within the district of Kootenay.

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FLOORING, LINING, MOULDINGS, DOORS, AND SASHES IN STOCK.
EVERY DESCRIPTION OF JOINERY, DOORS AND WINDOWS
MADE TO ORDER.

Office and Mills Corner Hall and Front Streets, Nelson

Lumber! Lumber! Lumber!

Kootenay Lake Sawmill, G. O. Buchanan, Prop.

First class lumber at right prices Also a full line of Sash, Doors, Turned Work, etc., constantly on hand.

Yard: Foot Hendryx Street. **JOHN RAE, Agent.**

TODAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Frederic & Co.—Boy Wanted.
 Poundkeeper's notice—Horse impounded.

LOCAL NEWS AND GOSSIP.

D. W. King, late of the Kaslo Kootenai but now ore buyer for a Montana smelter, is in the hospital at Revelstoke.

Woodcutters want \$1.75 a cord for sawing wood at Revelstoke.

Louis Rougerot, the Frenchman, who was examined last week as to his sanity by Dr. LaBau and Dr. Arthur and said to be weak minded, will be sent back to his friends in France. Paul Nipou and A. Lapointe interested themselves in the case and collected by private subscription in Nelson the sum of \$62.75, which with the \$25 voted by the city council, will be sufficient to send him to Marseilles, France.

A game of lacrosse on skates was played last night at the Crystal rink between two picked local teams. The game was a live one from start to finish and was greatly enjoyed by the spectators.

The location of the mineral claims Myrtle, on Copper mountain by D. M. Clark and D. A. McLennan, and the Chihuahua, on the east side of the south fork of Porcupine creek, formerly Fidalgo, by John Breen and Frank Grantham, were recorded today.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company has let the contract for the construction of the plank walks along the sides of the new transfer wharf at Nelson.

Captain Robertson, of the steamer Illecillewaet, plying between Robson and Brooklyn, is in Nelson today. He reports that the ice on the Columbia river between these two points is over seven inches thick. The Illecillewaet is kept busy keeping the river clear of ice for the transfer of passengers at Robson.

BOSTOCK MAKES A TALK

On Federal Matters Which Concern the People of the Pacific Provinces.

Hewitt Bostock, M. P., addressed a meeting of his constituents in the Hume hotel hall last night. Dr. Forin acted as chairman, and on the platform were Fred Peters and E. V. Bodwell of Victoria, John A. Turner and S. S. Taylor.

Mr. Bostock was well received. He explained that his visit to Nelson had no connection with the provincial election now being held. During the recess of parliament he had visited as many parts of his constituency as possible in order to obtain information regarding the requirements of the people. Prior to the general election in 1896 it was the fashion of the Conservatives to say that the Liberal party could not run the business of the country, but the record of the past two years showed that on every question they had taken hold of they had a good grasp of the country's business. On the tariff the Liberals recognized that extreme measures would be injurious to the business interests of the country, and adopted a policy of gradually eliminating the elements of protection, and reducing the duty wherever the requirements of the revenue would permit. A preferential clause had been introduced for the purpose of helping the trade between Canada and Great Britain. The effect of this had been to bring the relations between the different parts of the British Empire closer, and Canada is looked upon as the leader in the movement for Imperial federation.

It had been charged against the government that the expenditure had increased since the present ministers took office, but this was quite natural since the trade of the country was increasing rapidly. For the year ending June 30th, 1898, the surplus of revenue over expenditure was \$1,575,000, and for the six months ending December 31st, 1898, the revenue increased \$2,855,000 over that of the same period of 1897. The government, he said, was perfectly justified in increasing the expenditure to a reasonable extent when such increase is made for the purpose of developing the country. The progressive railway policy of the government he considered had been of great benefit to Kootenay district, and also to Nelson. With regard to the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass railway, the government after a great deal of deliberation concluded that the best way to secure its construction was to grant a subsidy to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. Clauses were introduced in the contract to safeguard the interests of the people, and prevent the corporation from securing absolute control of the Crow's Nest Pass. By these terms any other railway company, by applying to the government could obtain running rights over the road, and compete for a share of the Kootenay trade. The government had also reserved the right of inquiring into and regulating the freight rates on the Crow's Nest Pass railway and had secured substantial reductions in the rates on the main line.

In regard to the postal service of the country, the postmaster general had done a great deal in the way of reducing expenditure and providing better postal facilities. He had hoped that a mail service would have been established connecting Nelson with East Kootenay points as soon as the line was opened. On his arrival in Nelson last week he had telegraphed to Hon. William Mulock in the matter, and received a reply that instructions had been issued to forward mail over the Crow's Nest Pass railway line.

Mr. Bostock expressed himself in favor

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of a redistribution of the British Columbia constituencies, whereby East and West Kootenay would have a member in the house of commons and Yale-Cariboo one. The question of a government building for Nelson would receive his careful attention, and he hoped to be more successful this session than he was last session, in securing an appropriation for the purpose. In reply to a question as to his position in regard to the senate he said that personally he thought that the members of the upper house were perfectly justified in throwing out the Yukon railway bill or any other bill, which they considered was not for the advantage of the country. Before anything could be done in the way of senate reform it would be necessary to show to the imperial parliament that the people of Canada desired a change. He did not think the people of British Columbia cared very much about the senate.

Fred Peters, ex-premier of Prince Edward Island, was the next speaker, and

expressed himself as being strongly in favor of party lines being drawn in British Columbia, on the same lines as in Dominion politics. Every man did himself good, his province good and his country good who studied the public questions intelligently, and gave his allegiance to one of the great political parties.

E. V. Bodwell briefly addressed the meeting, claiming for the policy of the Liberal party the credit in a large measure for the prosperity of the country. He discussed the Kettle River Valley railway bill and argued that the people of Eastern Canada had lost sight of the real issue on the question and thought that the construction of the road should have the effect of diverting the trade of the Boundary district to the United States. This was a mistaken idea but the people of the Eastern provinces were only awakening to a realization of the great resources and possibilities of British Columbia.

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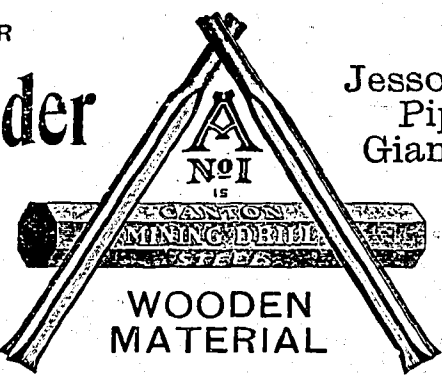
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