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NINTH YEAR. NELSON, B. C., FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 12, 1901 PRICE FIVE CENTS

NEW COURT HOUSE WANTED

BOARD OF TRADE ASK FOR AN APPROPRIATION.

And Denounce the Present Building as Inadequate and Unhealthy---Condemned by Judges and Juries.

The first meeting of the board of trade in the new building was held last night, president Holt occupying the chair. The new quarters are very comfortable, neatly furnished and afford ample accommodation for meetings. Two long tables extend from one end of the room to the other, and at the head is a smaller table at which the president and secretary sit. The presence of stationery was agreeably conspicuous last night, as in the old rooms such accommodation was not provided.

Those present were mayor Fletcher, W. A. Macdonald, J. C. Crofts, T. G. Procter, Dr. Arthur, R. Robertson, A. R. Sherwood, P. Lamont, J. M. Lay, T. Allen, J. W. Holmes, J. McPhillips, W. W. Beer, and G. Nunn.

The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed, the president said he wished to remove an impression which appeared to prevail that H. E. Croasdaile went to Ottawa as the representative of the Mine Owners' Association, and that the board contributed to his expenses as such. He did not think that a better man could be appointed as a delegate from the board of trade, and as such Mr. Croasdaile went to the capital. The president regretted that Mr. Taylor was not present, as that gentleman had just returned from Ottawa and was in a position to give them information on several points of interest. While the government did not seem inclined to appoint a minister of mines, they had decided to create a department of mines, which was practically what the board of trade requested should be done.

A letter was read from the trades committee of Trout Lake asking the assistance of the board in opposing any extension of time to the charter holders of the Arrowhead & Kootenay railway.

The chairman announced that the government had taken action in the matter on the lines suggested, and the communication was tabled.

A letter was read from John Houston, M. P. P., acknowledging receipt of the board's communication re refinery, and stating that he would further the project.

Secretary Swannell remarked, on the authority of G. O. Buchanan, that it would take from $1,000,000 to $2,000,000 to establish a refinery. Not alone would the plant have to be put up, but it might take considerable time to establish a market.

A letter was read from minister of finance Fielding acknowledging receipt of the board's letter re refinery, and stating that the subject would receive attention.

R. H. Williams and Turner, Beeton & Co. were added to the roll of members.

A communication from the Northwest Mining News, asking for a subscription towards a special number of the publication, was read and tabled.

W. A. Macdonald moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Dr. Arthur, and carried unanimously:

"Resolved, that this board of trade learns with dissatisfaction that a report exists that the government may not include in the estimates for the current year an appropriation for the erection of a court house in Nelson, and desires once more to impress upon the government of this province that the present court house is inadequate and unhealthy, and that these facts have been repeatedly reported upon by all the judges, grand juries and others, and would urge the necessity of erecting forthwith a new court house at Nelson, the assize city of South Kootenay."

In moving the resolution Mr. Macdonald said that for the past three or four years the impression prevailed that Nelson was to have a new court house. How this impression originated he was not aware.

Mr. Allen—When Hon. Joseph Martin was here he promised that a new court house would be built. His attention was called to the inadequacy of the present building.

Mr. Macdonald said that he had spoken to Mr. Houston on the subject, and that that gentleman was anxious that his hands should be strengthened when he brought the subject to the attention of the local legislature. Rossland had got a new court house—a very respectable building—and Nelson was entitled to some consideration. The present court house was rotten, unhealthy and unsuitable, and altogether unworthy the assize town of Kootenay.

Mr. Robertson, a member of a special committee appointed to enquire into complaints as to the inconvenience caused by custom house regulations with goods coming from the United States, reported that having investigated the matter it was found that arrangements had been made by which the express company could clear goods at Port Hill. For the present this arrangement worked satisfactorily.

Some routine business was disposed of and the board adjourned.

A FRIEND OF DOUKHOBORS

SAYS THEY HAVE BEEN MALICIOUSLY PERSECUTED.

And That They Form a Highly Desirable Type of Settlers for Canada.

There arrived in Nelson last night in the person of John Ashworth of Manchester, England, one of the principals in the movement which resulted in the installation of some 7400 Doukhobors in the Northwest. By profession John Ashworth is a mining and civil engineer, but it was as a member of the Society of Friends of England that he first became acquainted with the malicious persecution suffered by the Doukhobors in Russia. It was mainly due to the efforts of the sect with which John Ashworth is identified that the Doukhobors, or "Spirit Wrestlers," as they are termed, were induced to bring the burden of their wrongs from inhospitable Russia to Canada. While it is true that the Canadian settlers in Manitoba and the Northwest did not at first take kindly to the newcomers time has resulted in a change of feeling toward them, till now it is generally conceded that as a class they form a highly desirable type of settlers.

Persons holding opinions to the contrary, however, may rest easy in the assurance that John Ashworth's present trip is not for the purpose of locating a home for the highly religious Doukhobors in this vicinity; he is merely passing through Nelson on his way to the Saskatchewan settlements of the voluntary exiles. He expresses the opinion that he will find a vast improvement in the conditions surrounding the Doukhobors' existence in the Northwest as compared to their manner of life when he last visited them in the fall of 1899. Upon the completion of his tour of inspection of the various settlements, John Ashworth intends returning to England, where he will publish a report upon the progress of the exiles, as noted by him since their settlement in Canada.

There is a movement now on foot to secure the release of some 110 Doukhobors who are political exiles in Siberia. Should this be accomplished these people will join their friends in this country, but there is no desire to bring in any more from Russia, at least at the present time.

John Ashworth has gone on to Fernie, where he will inspect the coal mines before proceeding east over the Crow's Nest Pass road. While he does not consider mercantile conditions on the Coast as very encouraging, he is more than enthusiastic over the air of prosperity which pervades the interior and Nelson in particular.

Public Meeting Tonight.

Tonight at 8 o'clock there will be a public meeting in the opera house, the object being to have an expression of opinion on the subject of a new court house for Nelson. The present building is altogether inadequate, and it is hoped that a public demand for a suitable court house will have the desired effect.

ONE THOUSAND MILES OF RAILWAY

Should Be Built By the People For the People.

There are, roughly speaking, 225,000,000 acres of unoccupied crown lands in the province of British Columbia. These lands are, in the main, unoccupied and unproductive because they are inaccessible. They are known to contain great resources of iron, coal, oil, silver, lead, gold, copper, and to be covered with limitless quantities of fine timber, besides containing many million acres of diversified farming and grazing lands. They only require population, capital and means of transportation. The basis of all industry, the natural resources of the soil, is already there. The problem, therefore, is to provide population, capital and means of transportation for the unoccupied portions of British Columbia.

The basis of the following proposal is that the natural resources of the unoccupied lands, made intelligently available to the surplus population and surplus capital of other parts of the world, may themselves be made to supply the means necessary to supply the railroads, which can alone make them productive. The methods of stimulating railroad construction, so far in vogue, have never gone beyond the idea of burdening the already productive resources of the province with taxation to open up new districts. It is quite clear that if the natural resources of unoccupied lands could be made the means of building railways to open up these lands, the already productive resources of the province would not only be relieved of a heavy burden, but the work of development by means of railway construction could be carried on much more rapidly. Such a proposal may be considered from two points of view: its advantages and its feasibility. But before it is discussed in either respect it is necessary to state what the proposal is.

The proposal is that the province of British Columbia should issue 25,000,000 acres of land scrip, carrying with it the right of location on any of the crown lands which are unoccupied. This scrip should carry with it the right to everything that is in the land or on it; in other words, entitle the locator to surface rights, mineral and timber. It should be issued in denominations of 40, 80, 160, 320 and 640 acres, at the unform price of $1 per acre. The proceeds should be used to construct railways through undeveloped portions of the province, the railways so built to be leased to companies making the best offer to the province.

There are various considerations which, although they are not inherent in the principle of the proposal, are essential to the successful working of the scheme. Before an actual plan for its promotion is elaborated, they would require to be discussed more carefully than is necessary at present. They may, however, be indicated now:

1. A time would have to be set, during which no other lands would be sold, or rather no land sold by any other method. This would be necessary to give the scrip the progressive value making it an attractive investment. A period of ten years might be set as ample for this object.

2. The time for which land could be tied up by scrip location before survey and crown granting would have to be limited. The scrip, however, would only be cancelled by issue of crown grant.

3. The lands when crown granted would become taxable as other lands so held are.

4. The sale of scrip would be required to take place on the same date in all places at which the scrip is offered.

5. A certain percentage would require to be allowed for brokerage and commission and advertising.

Advantage of the Proposal.

1. The first and greatest advantage of the proposal is that it would transfer from the productive resources of the province the burden of opening up unproductive resources, and lay upon the latter the cost of their own development.

2. It would have the same effect as authorizing a loan of $25,000,000, but the province would have to pay no interest on the money thus raised. The interest would come out of the land which the province is alienating as it is from year to year without commensurate benefit. The revenue derived from land sales would of course stop during the time specified above. But the increased population and industry thus tempted into the province would bring in revenue to more than counterbalance the revenue from land sales. Revenue from the sale of lands is obnoxious in principle. Under the above proposal the province would capitalize the value of the land it proposes to alienate and turn it into productive assets in the shape of railways, besides receiving the taxation from alienated lands as at present. It would be a step in the direction of government ownership of railways, but one free from the embarassments of government ownership. The lines so constructed could be leased for a term of years to private companies. If a comprehensive scheme of government ownership and operation of railways is ever adopted in Canada, the province would reap the benefit of the appreciation of roads so constructed in value as profit earners.

3. Every broker and holder of this scrip would become an active immigration agent for British Columbia, The surplus wealth and population of other parts of the world would be immediately attracted to this province by the unique opportunity afforded to share in its growth. The scrip holders would be the largest joint-stock development syndicate in the world, and the government of British Columbia would be its board of directors.

4. If, say, ten per cent of the issue were allowed for advertising and brokerage, it would give a fund of $2,500,000 available for advertising the province. Applications for the scrip could be made through banks and brokers, to whom a commission on receiving them of five per cent might be allowed. $1,250,000 would be left to be spent in bringing home to investors the opportunities afforded by British Columbia. This amount spent in advertising the province would not only make a success of the issue, but attract the whole tide of immigration from rich and densely populated countries to British Columbia.

5. It would do away with the present very dangerous condition of land titles in which there is a divided ownership of timber, mineral and surface. This is yearly causing serious complications and restrictions to industry. The present means of locating mineral land need not be altered. Anyone possessed of a valuable mineral claim (or claims) would immediately cover it (or them) with scrip in order to secure the surface and timber. In fact, a great deal of scrip would be utilized to secure the mineral locations already in existence by these advantages.

6. An apparent disadvantage is without validity. It might be argued that this scrip would enable speculators to blanket large portions of territory. They could not do so any more than under the present system. The acquisition of land would be made easier certainly, but the acquisition of land without the intention to develop and utilize it would not be any easier than at present. This apparent disadvantage could only be argued on the ground that because speculators might get hold of the land it was better the land should remain unappropriated and barren, a reductio ad absurdum which has been advanced before in British Columbia by people who refuse to carry out what they say to its logical conclusion. The resources of taxation would still remain as they do now to prevent the monopolization of land without its utilization.

7. The foregoing points do not exhaust in detail the advantages of the proposal. It is likely to meet with the opposition which anything new and practical arouses in a certain order of intelligence, but the more it is analyzed in all its bearings, the more advantageous it will appear.

The Feasibility of the Proposal.

The feasibility of the proposal depends upon two considerations.

1. The actual and progressive value of the land represented by the scrip. This scrip would represent one-ninth of the unoccupied crown lands of the province, one-ninth, however, to be chosen at will by the holders of the scrip out of all the unoccupied crown lands of the province. If a comparison be taken between the southern portion of British Columbia opened up by means of railways during the last ten years and the portions to be opened up by railways under this proposal, it will be found that one-ninth of the acreage unoccupied ten years ago in the portions opened by railways has increased in value to many times the average value of $1 an acre. This comparison might be carefully elaborated and would require to be brought out in advertising the issue of land scrip. But to those familiar with the last ten years' developments sufficient has been said to indicate that the scrip proposed to be issued can be proved to have an actual value of $1 per acre and a progressive value of much more than that. In other words, that the scrip now sold for $1 an acre would during ten years appreciate very considerably in value. Also, that if a further issue were made in ten years for more railways it could be sold at a much higher price.

2. The second consideration is the most important of all. Because upon its thorough appreciation depends the success of the whole proposal.

It is not enough that the scrip proposed to be issued should have actual and progressive value. It is necessary that those expected to subscribe to it should know that it has actual and progressive value. They can never know unless they are told. The ignorance of the world regarding British Columbia must be broken down before either the money or the people will be forthcoming. Under the present proposal, a fund of $1,250,000 is provided for that purpose. Suppose the issue is authorized, a six months' educational propaganda would be necessary for its successful subscription. The adoption of such a scheme by the province would draw attention to the fact that British Columbia had this vast acreage of rich undeveloped territory. The unique and attractive feature of the scheme would set the world talking about British Columbia. The interest thus excited would have to be followed up by organized effort. The reviews would have to be set writing about its economic features; the newspapers illustrating and discussing the vast resources of the province; and every center of wealth and population in England and America deluged with literature. The great exhibitions at Buffalo, St. Louis and Glasgow this year would afford specially advantageous centers for this work.

The expenditure of $1,250,000 in this way would guarantee the successful issue of $25,000,000 in scrip, enable the construction of 1000 miles of railway and draw a stream of population, capital and enterprise into this province in some degree commensurate with its latent resources. JOHN HOUSTON.

Nelson, April 2nd, 1901.

Scales Will Have to Move.

When contractor Le Moine drove his stakes for the new postoffice building the other day, his string was cast outside the wooden shack which does service as the weighmaster's office. The shack will have to be removed, and so will the weigh scales. The latter is to be in position on Baker street, nearly opposite the Sherbrooke hotel, and to receive it the pit will today be dug. It is suggested that in its new quarters the scales be housed in, so as to protect it from rain, mud and snow, and incidentally to spare the complexion of the weighmaster, whose weather-beaten countenance is attributable to exposure under existing circumstances.

Foundationless Report.

A rumor current on the streets yesterday was to the effect that the properties of the Granite Gold Mines, Limited, situated on Eagle creek, had been closed down and work would not be recommenced for an indefinite period. Enquiry at the offices of the company brought forth a denial—development work is still proceeding and will so continue in so far as the mine officials are aware at the present time. It is altogether probable that the discontinuance report spread owing to the fact that an extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders has been called to take place in London, England, for the purpose of winding up the concern, as the property cannot be successfully worked under the burden of liabilities which the company is carrying.

A Bad Egg.

Constable Lawder brought two prisoners over from Greenwood yesterday and lodged them in the jail here One was W. D. Brewster, who has been returned for trial on a charge of housebreaking. He is the man who broke into Williams' clothing store and tried to work the safe. The second prisoner is one Mose Austin, a vagrant who is to spend three months in Nelson behind the prison bars.

THE HUDSON'S BAY AT HOME

WAS A WELCOME INNOVATION IN BUSINESS METHODS.

Crowds of People Swarm to the Big Store and Enjoy the Hospitality of the Management.

The first "At Home" by a Nelson business house was that held yesterday by the Hudson's Bay Co. and that the innovation proved a success was amply demonstrated. The store was crowded throughout the day, the invitations sent out bringing hundreds of spectators. They were simply invited to pay a friendly visit, see all that was to be seen, partake of a cup of good tea and go their way rejoicing. It was not on the program that any business would be transacted, but so tempting was the display in every department that visitors did insist upon securing some of the good things in stock.

The manager and staff were indefatigable in their exertions to make the spring opening a sort of friendly affair. They did not even suggest trade, but when people had their eyes opened to the immensity and choice variety of the stock carried by the company they would insist upon making purchases, and of course their desires had to be complied with. The ladies, as usual, were the most critical, but their verdict was a decidedly favorable one. They were each presented with a tasty bouquet and invited to partake of a cup of Tetley's tea, a blend which the Hudson's Bay Company handle and strongly recommend. That it will become a favorite with tea drinkers in Nelson there can be no doubt, judging from the opinions yesterday expressed by connoiseurs.

The carpet and furnishing department was that set apart for the entertainment of visitors and it was fitted up luxuriously. Here was to be found quantity, quality and art in its highest stages—in the carpet line. The company make a specialty of this branch of business, and carry perhaps the largest stock in the province. The carpet department is upstairs, as is also the clothing and gents' furnishing branches.

On the ground floor are the dry goods, millinery, hosiery, dress goods, etc., and a grand display they make, while in the adjoining department is the choicest selection of groceries, crockery, china, cut glass, fruits, and everything calculated to make the larder more attractive and the table more decorative.

The manager and his staff proved themselves admirable hosts, and good music added not a little to the pleasure of the visitors.

Is Not a Member of the Firm.

Evil-minded people are circulating the report that the city electrician, James McPhee, is a member of the firm doing business under the name of the Kootenay Supply & Construction Company, dealers in electric machinery and supplies. Mr. McPhee was a member of the firm until January 19th of this year, but on that date he disposed of his interest to his partners, Messrs. Applewhaite and Dickson.

JIMMIE NEELANDS IS AFTER

THE SCALP OF THE CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

All Because of the Enforcement of One of the By-Laws of the City.

There are rumors afloat which will probably form the topic of a lively debate at the city council on Monday night. They are founded on smoke. Some days ago an alarm was rung in from the Nelson Wine Company, calling the fire brigade to service at that section of Baker street. The response was prompt; but when the driver gave his horses a free reign, he did not know exactly where he was to pull up. However, he brought the chemical to a standstill at the corner of Ward street, and acting chief Chambers dismounted to locate the fire. No blaze was visible and having made numerous enquiries, he concluded that it was a false alarm, and ordered the apparatus to be taken back to the fire hall. His attention was then called to the chimney of the Office saloon, from which a few sparks were emitting, but there was nothing to call for the unrolling of the hose. There was a chimney fire, but it was not of a serious nature. The proprietor of the saloon was duly summoned for a breach of by-law 63, section 10 of which reads as follows:

"All chimneys and flues within the corporate limits of the city of Nelson shall be by the owner, agent, lessee, occupier or other person having charge or control of the same, kept clean, so as not to be dangerous in causing fire."

Section 35 of the same by-law provides that any person or persons, or corporation guilty of an infraction or violation of any of its provisions shall, upon summary conviction, forfeit and pay in the discretion of the convicting magistrate the fine and penalty of a sum not exceeding $100 and the costs of prosecution, and in default of payment the offender or offenders, as the case may be, may be committed to the common jail for a term not exceeding two months.

The case was heard before his worship, mayor Fletcher, and a fine of $2.50 imposed.

At the time of the fire chief Lillie was away in Spokane securing a team of horses for the department. Upon his return he called upon James Neelands at the Office saloon and suggested that that gentleman might not like to be summoned to the police court for a breach of the by-law, adding that if the case were to be brought before the court a fine of $25 might be imposed, as this is the amount which it costs the city when there is a full turnout of the fire brigade. In this instance only six men responded to the call and the actual cost would be $10. The chief asked Neelands to pay this amount, guaranteeing that if he did so no summons would be issued. Neelands refused to comply with the terms and the summons was accordingly served and dealt with as above stated. Now the point comes in. Neelands is to write to the council complaining of the action of the chief in offering to compromise the suit, while Lillie holds that he was justified in the course pursued. There are nasty insinuations going the rounds, but these will doubtless be cleared up when the matter is investigated.

While chief Lillie has nothing to say concerning the case pending the laying of a complaint before the city council, it is understood that chimney fires have been a long standing cause of complaint to the fire department and a matter of expense to the city. To obviate this useless expenditure in part, chief Lillie has decided to enforce the by-law regulating chimney sweeping. In this he is perfectly within his powers of office and will undoubtedly be supported by the citizens at large; in fact it is reported that the services of a chimney sweep are now in great demand.

Printer Weds.

W. G. McMorris was yesterday married to Miss Mary Eccles, the Rev. Dr. Wright, D. D., tying the knot. Both bride and groom are well known in Nelson and the numerous wedding presents testify to their popularity.

Our Many Thanks

are due and are cheerfully tendered to everyone of the multitude of people who made

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More anon.

Hudson's Bay Company.

The Tribune.

PREMIER DUNSMUIR stands between the people and the V. V. & E. subsidy mongers. He says that he will make the best bargain possible before closing a deal to build a railway from "the Coast to Kootenay." In other words, if the Canadian Pacific Railway Company offers to build the road without a subsidy, he will not pay the V. V. & E. crowd a subsidy for building it. That stand will meet with the approval of a large majority of the people of the province, notwithstanding the vaporings of men like Smith Curtis of Rossland, who want the government to pledge itself to make no deal with anyone except James J. Hill of St. Paul, Minnesota. These men do not want the road to touch any point in Kootenay. They merely want to give James J. Hill two million dollars of the money of the province to help him build an "independent" railway from Cascade, in Yale district, to a connection with his railway system at New Westminster. They want to give the man who is forcing independent railways like the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy to join his combine a chance to build railways that will force the only independent railway system in Canada into a combine that will throttle competition forever in British Columbia. James J. Hill of St. Paul, Minnesota, is not operating "independent" railways nowadays; instead, he is helping to operate the most gigantic railway trust that has ever been formed in the world.

NELSON has a competent man in charge of the fire department, and it is the duty of the people to see that he gets fair play if charges are trumped up against him by individuals who may be disgruntled because of his acts as an official. The by-laws respecting buildings should be enforced or repealed. Until they are repealed the chief of the fire department can be depended on to enforce them as far as it lies in his power. Officials who do this are sure to make enemies, but they will retain the respect of the majority of the people.

THE output of the Slocan mines for the first quarter of the year 1901 is up to the average. Eight thousand tons of ore have been shipped, and one of the mines, the Slocan Star at Sandon, has a larger force employed than at any time in the last two years.

A MAN named Rolt, who lives in Rossland, says it would be "a sinister spectacle to see the whole province in the hands of the C. P. R." What kind of a spectacle would it be to see the whole province in the hands of James J. Hill?

ON the first page of THE TRIBUNE today is a proposal that if feasible would solve the railway question in this province. The proposals now before the government all mean that the people shall give something and get nothing in return. This proposal does not give away anything. It merely turns one provincial asset into another asset. The province under this proposal sells land at wholesale in order to provide a broad and comprehensive system of railways, that when built would be owned by the people.

THE men who would give every thing in the province to James J. Hill of St. Paul, Minnesota, say if he is allowed to build the Crow's Nest Southern railway that the result would be an output of 10,000 tons of coal a day at the Crow's Nest Pass coal mines, or three million and a half tons a year, which is more than all the coal now produced and consumed on the Pacific coast. Such a statement is about on a par with the one that the Coast-to-Kootenay railway, if built, would do a business of $20,000,000 annually within five years. If these men believe that such an unprecedented increase of business is sure to result from the building of less than 400 miles of railway, why are they not using their great and busy brains in directing the attention of the government to the amount of revenue it would receive if these 400 miles of railway were built and operated by the people themselves? The hauling of 3,500,000 tons of coal in one year could be made to pay handsome returns on the capital invested. The road over which the enormous tonnage would be hauled would be 65 miles long and could be built and equipped for $750,000. One-quarter of a cent a ton-mile on 3,500,000 tons would bring in an annual revenue of $568,750. Place the cost of operation at 33⅓ per cent, and the people would have $379,176 with which to pay interest and sinking fund charges on the $750,000 capital expended. In three years the cost of the road would be wiped out, and the people would have the $379,176 with which to build court houses and jails and roads and trails. It is a wonder that Smith Curtis has not "figured" this out long ago. The figures are even more interesting than any of those prepared by senator George A. Cox.

Hill Vetoes the Manitoba Deal.

ST. PAUL, April 11.—The Pioneer Press says: "Word has escaped from an authoritative source that James J. Hill has interposed to prevent the sale of the Northern Pacific lines in Manitoba, and that he has, under the new order of things, other plans for these lines. Just what these plans are is not disclosed. It is said that all parties concerned are awaiting the outcome of the Hill-Morgan-Burlington deal, orders having been issued by those in control of the Northern Pacific to let proceedings rest for the present.

Stuck for the Costs.

TORONTO, April 11.—The Economist, an insurance paper published here, stated in its insurance report that the Royal Templars of Temperance was a fake organization. The Templars sued for libel and the jury today returned a verdict assessing damages at $1, holding that the Templars had not been seriously injured by the paper. The case is a costly one for the paper, however, as judge Falconbridge ruled that all costs, which are very heavy, should be paid by it.

EASTERN CANADIAN NEWS

Wired in Brief.

QUEBEC, 11.—The Leyland line steamers are to sail from Quebec instead of Montreal this summer.

TORONTO, 11.—The Ontario government today decided to vote $100,000 in aid of Queen's university.

QUEBEC, 11.—Lieutenant-colonel Benson, late D. O. C. in British Columbia, has arrived here to rejoin his regiment, the Royal Canadian Artillery.

MONTREAL, 11.—The death of J. C. McLagan of the Vancouver World causes general regret among newspaper men in eastern Canada, among whom he was well known.

TORONTO, 11.—Rev. Dr. Potts, treasurer, made report to the Methodist general conference committee this morning regarding the 20th century fund. The fund now reaches $1,200,000, eight hundred thousand of which has been received in cash, the balance outstanding. Of the total amount $590,000 is to be applied to church debts. Dr. Potts expects the fund to reach $1,400,000 by the time all the amounts are in.

Did Not Favor Home Industries.

NEW YORK, April 11.—Private cablegram advices last night brought the news that the Glasgow (Scotland) municipal committee has recommended the awarding of a big contract to an American steel company for the supplying of 3450 tons of rails and fish plates for the municipal street railway of Glasgow. Fully nine-tenths of the first equipment of the road, amounting to $900,000, was purchased in the United States. This rail contract will be the largest ever placed in this city for use in Great Britain. A steel company of Ohio gets the order.

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We have just received our first shipment of Carpets, direct from Kidderminster, England. These Carpets we bought just before the advance in the raw materials, so we will be able to sell them much lower than before. These Carpets are now ready for inspection. The patterns have been well chosen, and our prices are lower than the lowest of our competitors. This consignment includes Tapestries, Brussels, Velvets and Axminsters.

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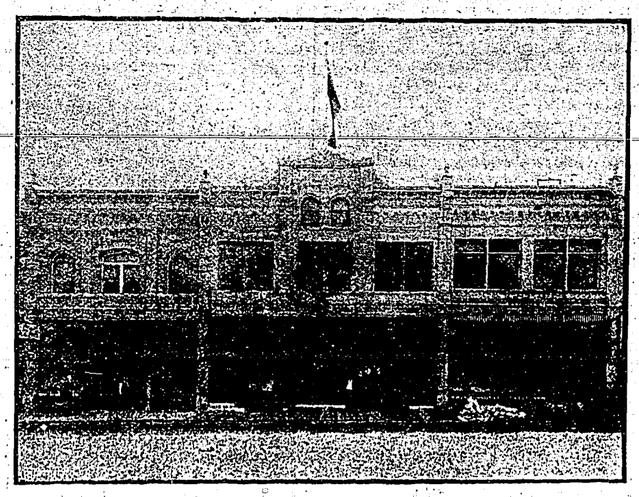

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Large comfortable bedrooms and first-class dining-room. Sample rooms for commercial men.

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Two Large Rooms joined by arch. Very suitable for offices. Rent $20. Houston Block. Apply

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The bar is always stocked by the best domestic and imported liquors and cigars.

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Bar stocked with best brands of wines, liquors, and Cigars. Beer on draught. Large comfortable rooms. First-class table board.

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ASSAYERS' SUPPLIES.

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

COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

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

ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES.

KOOTENAY ELECTRIC SUPPLY & CONSTRUCTION COMPANY—Wholesale dealers in telephones, annunciators, bells, batteries, fixtures, etc., Houston block, Nelson.

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BRACKMAN-KER MILLING COMPANY—Cereals, Flour, Grain, Hay. Straight or mixed cars shipped to all Kootenay Points. Grain elevators at all principal points on Calgary-Edmonton R. R. Mills at Victoria, New Westminster, and Edmonton, Alberta.

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

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A. MACDONALD & CO.—Corner Front and Hall streets, wholesale grocers and jobbers in blankets, gloves, mitts, boots, rubbers, mackinaws and miners' sundries.

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

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

J. Y. GRIFFIN & CO.—Front street, Nelson, wholesale dealers in provisions, cured meats, butter and eggs.

HARDWARE AND MINING SUPPLIES.

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

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

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

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

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TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES.

Sealed separate tenders for supplying the Kootenay Lake General Hospital with the undermentioned supplies for a period of six months will be received by the secretary up to the 15th April:

DRUGS
GROCERIES
MEAT
MILK
BREAD

Forms for the grocery and drug tenders will be furnished on application.

F. W. SWANNELL, Secretary.

NOTICE TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNERS

To T. A. STEVENSON, or to any person or persons to whom he may have transferred his interest in the Lily mineral claim, at Morning Mountain, Nelson Mining Division:

You are hereby notified that I have expended the sum of One Hundred and Fifty-seven Dollars in labor and improvements upon the above mentioned mineral claim, in order to hold said mineral claim under the provisions of the Mineral Act, and if within ninety days from the date of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditure, together with all costs of advertising, your interest in said claim will become the property of the subscriber under section four of an Act entitled "An Act to Amend the Mineral Act, 1900."

DANIEL HERB.

Dated this 12th day of February, 1901.

BANK OF MONTREAL

CAPITAL, all paid up....$12,000,000.00
REST 7,000,000.00
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HEAD OFFICE: TORONTO.

Paid-up Capital, - - - - - $8 000,000
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Interest allowed on deposits. Present rate three per cent.

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Manager Nelson Branch.

IMPERIAL BANK
OF CANADA

HEAD OFFICE, TORONTO.

Capital - - - $2,500.000
Rest - - - - $1,725,000

H. S. HOWLAND.....President.
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E. HAY.....Inspector.

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THE CURRENT RATE OF INTEREST ALLOWED.

Nelson Branch—Burns Block, 221 Baker Street.
J. M. LAY, Manager.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

THURSDAY'S QUOTATIONS.

STOCK.	Asked.	Bid.
B. C. Gold Fields	$ 2½	$ 2
Black Tail	11	8
Brandon & Golden Crown	8	5
Canadian Goldfields Syndicate	7	¼
Cariboo (McKinney)	38	35
Cariboo Hydraulic	1 55	1 44
Centre Star	1 00	75
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	85 00	80 00
California	5½	4½
Deer Trail Consolidated	2½	1½
Evening Star	5	3
Golden Star	8	7½
Fairview Corporation	3½	2½
Giant	4½	3
Granby Smelter	53	40
Hammond Reef	2	1½
Iron Mask	37	24
Jim Blaine	9	4
Knob Hill	55	45
Montreal & London	5	3
Morning Glory	9	6
Morrison	5	3½
Mountain Lion	40	15
Noble Five	8	5½
North Star	75	63
Nelson-Slocan	10½	9
Old Ironsides	85	78
Olive	12	10
Payne	40	32
Rambler-Cariboo Consolidated	27	24
Republic	26½	25½
Slocan Sovereign	6½	4½
Virtue	17	10
Victory-Triumph	1½	1½
War Eagle Consolidated	38	30
Waterloo	2½	2
White Bear	3½	3½
Winnipeg	8	6

SALES.

500 Republic 26½

EUROPEAN AND ASIATIC

News in Short Paragraphs.

BERLIN, 11.—King Otto of Bavaria has again suffered from severe hemorrhages of the kipneys and violent spasms.

POTSDAM, 11.—Emperor William at noon today unveiled the equestrian statue erected in honor of emperor William I.

NICE, 11.—Lord Salisbury has not left the grounds of his villa at Beaulieu since his arrival. Several members of his family arrived today.

LONDON, 11.—At the Croxton park meeting today, the Granby handicap of 100 sovereigns was won by Orkney, ridden by Danny Maher.

MELBOURNE, 12.—The federal cabinet at its first session today decided that it was unable to recommend the suggestion of Joseph Chamberlain, the colonial secretary, that Boer prisoners be sent to Tasmania.

COLOMBO, 11.—The U. S. cruiser Buffalo has just arrived here. The U. S. armored cruiser New York is expected soon. The Ophir with the duke and duchess of Cornwall and York on board arrived here this morning on the way to Australia.

LONDON, 11.—The Morning Post today says it is rumored that an Alexandria (Egypt) firm of cotton brokers have failed with liabilities reported to amount to £250,000, while it is said that the assets show on paper a margin of £30,000.

STUTTGART, 11.—Baron Schott Von Schottenstein, minister of war for Wurtemburg, concerning whom reports of resignation under pressure and of suicide pending painful disclosures were circulated last month, resigned his portfolio today.

COPENHAGEN, 11.—The United Steamship Company will start a new service between here and the Danish West Indies by way of Holland, England, and the United States. This service will be inaugurated whether the Danish West Indies are sold or not.

LONDON, 11.—When J. P. Morgan arrived in London he was met at the railroad station by Joseph Morgan, jr., his two children and a number of reporters. To the latter he declined to give any information. "Let me alone, will you!" he said to the group, hurried to his carriage, and drove off with a grandchild on each side.

TOULON, 11.—In behalf of the king of Italy, the duke of Genoa this morning distributed a number of decorations to the French ministers, and naval, military, and civil officials. President Loubet distributed medals to workmen who had been 30 years in the same employ. At noon president Loubet boarded the Lepanto, the Italian flagship, and lunched with the duke of Genoa.

An Independent Line Gobbled.

NEW YORK, April 11.—The Commercial Advertiser says: "It is authoritatively stated that the Morgan-Hill interests now own enough of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy stock to insure the successful consummation of the deal by which the road will pass to the control of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern. All of the Burlington's stockholders will have an opportunity of exchanging their holdings from 3½ bonds guaranteed by the Northern Pacific and Great Northern. A large proportion of these stockholders have already signified their willingness to accept the Morgan-Hill offer, and as soon as Mr. Morgan cables his approval of the final details an official announcement of the terms of the deal will be issued from the office of J. P. Morgan & Co.

Marked by an Unusual Incident.

LONDON, April 11.—The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Cunard Line Steamship Company today was marked by an unusual incident. A shareholder demanded that a committee of important shareholders be appointed to inquire into the policy and position of the company, declaring that the profits were made solely from transport work, and that another war and more butchering would be required to assure future dividends. The motion was not adopted, but the report recommending a 5 per cent dividend and a 3 per cent bonus was adopted.

Badly Wanted as a Witness.

LONDON, April 11.—A true bill conspiracy to defeat justice has been found against Rev. canon Richardson, rector of St. John's church, London township. Mrs. Richardson is an important witness for the defence in the Sifton murder case, and the crown and the defence alike have been unable to subpœna her, not knowing her whereabouts. Canon Richardson denies knowing her whereabouts. The case has been postponed until next assizes owing to the inability of the defence to procure Mrs. Richardson as a witness.

Crooked Gamblers Aboard Ship.

LIVERPOOL, April 11.—A gambling scandal occurred on the steamer Teutonic, which arrived here from New York this morning. Two first cabin passengers were caught cheating at poker. They secured considerably over £200, but were obliged to make restitution. The same men were discovered swindling in the pools of the ship's daily run, and were forced to give back a check for £50 which they had gained in this manner. Upon the Teutonic's arrival at Liverpool the swindlers were allowed to proceed with a warning.

Plague and Smallpox.

PEKIN, April 11.—Robert M. McWade, United States consul at Canton, reports that 10,000 deaths from the plague have occurred here during the past six weeks and that there are thirteen cases of smallpox on board the United States monitor Monterey. Only one death has resulted on the Monterey and the other cases of smallpox are progressing favorably. The meetings of the foreign ministers at Pekin have been postponed at the request of M. Degiers, on account of the Easter holidays.

Be Careful When on Vessels.

CHICAGO, April 11.—Vessels cannot be held liable for the loss of life on account of negligence, according to the decision of the United States court of appeals in the Mary D. Ayeronka case, there being no lien against the vessel itself. Numerous suits are pending around the lakes, and under the court's ruling it is expected that they will be dropped.

BUSINESS MENTION.

For Sale or Rent.—Piano at the Old Curiosity Shop.

Wanted—At once, one bodice and two shirt hands. Apply Mrs. Carr, Victoria blk.

Two large, well-furnished rooms to let. 1 and 5 Macdonald block, corner Josephine and Vernon.

Store to rent in the Madden block, fronting on Ward street. For particulars apply to Thomas Madden.

To let—Furnished front rooms over Vanstone's drug store; $2.50 per week. Also six-room house to let.

A first-class expert salesman wants position in clothing store. A. Guenther, 1175 Baker Street, Nelson.

A large, pleasant, furnished room with all modern improvements, northeast corner Lake and Cedar streets, Nelson.

We have buyers for gold and copper mines, The Prospectors' Exchange, room 4, K-W-C Block. Telephone 101. Nelson, B. C.

Japan Tea of all kinds to suit your taste. Sun Cured, Spider Leg, Pan Fired in bulk or packages. Kootenay Coffee Co.

Nelson Employment Agency, Baker street, J. H. Love, Phone No. 278. P. O. box 465. Help of all kinds furnished.

For fresh candies, fruits, nuts, &c., cigars and tobaccos of the best brands, call at the Bon Ton Confectionery, Baker street, Miss A. L. Klinkwitz.

That fine blend of Ceylon Tea we are selling at thirty cents per pound is giving the best of satisfaction to our many customers. Kootenay Coffee Co.

If you have a mine or prospect for sale, send samples of ore and report to The Prospectors' Exchange, room 4, K-W-C Block. Telephone 101. Nelson, B. C.

Western Canadian Employment Office—Male and female help of all kinds furnished free of charge. Victoria street, next door to Public Library. Phone 270. P. O. Box 711.

We have Indian, Ceylon and China Teas in great variety, choicest quality. We make a specialty of blending teas and sell them in any quantity at lowest rates. Kootenay Coffee Co

WALL PAPER

We have just opened up our spring consignment of wall papers which comprise all the latest patterns for 1901. As we do the bulk of the wall papering business in Nelson, we know the patterns which commend themselves most readily. You will be re-papering in a few weeks. Call in now and make your selection while the assortment is complete.

F. J. BRADLEY & CO.
NELSON. JOSEPHINE STREET

A FULL LINE OF

Front Doors
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Inside Finish
local and coast.
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of all kinds.

IF WHAT YOU WANT IS NOT IN STOCK WE WILL MAKE IT FOR YOU
CALL AND GET PRICES.

J. A. Sayward

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First-class hotel property in Nelson, for rent. Business gives big returns. For particulars address P. O. Box 719, Nelson.

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Special attention given to all kinds of repairing and custom work from outside points. Heavy bolts made to order on short notice.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NELSON

PUBLIC MEETING.

In accordance with a petition presented to me requesting me to convene a meeting of the citizens of Nelson for the purpose of discussing and considering the question of the urgent necessity for the erection of a new Court House in this city, I hereby convene a Public Meeting of the citizens of Nelson to be held in the Opera House on Friday next, the 12th April, instant, at 8:30 o'clock p.m., to discuss and consider the subject referred to in the said petition.

FRANK FLETCHER, Mayor.
Nelson, B. C., April 10th, 1901.

Good Advice ....

Can be given, taken and used without spoiling it. Just as good after using as before; and it makes no difference how many use it, it is good always. The best advice we can give our customers in the Kootenays is to send us their mail orders, and be sure and see our new Spring lines when they visit Nelson.

JACOB DOVER, The Jeweler
NELSON, B. C.

All watch repairing guaranteed, as we employ none but the best workmen.

Mail orders receive our prompt and careful attention. Our prices are always right.

THE
Mansfield Manufacturing Co.
NELSON, B. C.

To
Builders and Contractors

Having taken over the business of the West Kootenay Brick & Lime Company, Limited, of Nelson, I beg to ask for a continuance of the patronage which you have heretofore extended them. My aim will be at all times to supply you with our products at lowest possible prices. Being in a position to manufacture goods in larger quantities than before, we shall be able to supply the trade at a lower figure.

It is our intention to install machinery to manufacture our marble products, and next season we shall be in a position to supply these products at reasonable rates.

We shall also keep on hand a stock of Fire Brick, Fire Clay, Tiles and Cement.

Our Bricks and Lime Rock have taken the First Prizes at the Spokane Industrial Exposition in 1899 and also this year. We also secured prizes last year and this year for Ornamental and Building Stone.

We are prepared to offer special rates to Contractors and Builders.

ERNEST MANSFIELD,
for The Mansfield Manufacturing Company.
Successors to
The West Kootenay Brick & Lime Co., Ltd

P. Burns & Co.

HEAD OFFICE AT NELSON, B. C.

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Meats

Markets at Nelson, Rossland, Trail, Kaslo, Ymir, Sandon, Silverton, New Denver, Revelstoke, Ferguson Grand Forks, Greenwood, Cascade City, Midway, and Vancouver.

Mail Orders Promptly Forwarded

West Kootenay Butcher Co.

ALL KINDS OF
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K. W. C BLOCK
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E. C. TRAVES, Manager

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THE PROSPECTORS EXCHANGE

No. 4, K. W. C. Block, NELSON, B. C.

Gold, Silver-Lead and Copper Mines wanted at the Exchange.
Free-Milling Gold Properties wanted at once for Eastern Investors.

Parties having mining property for sale are requested to send samples of their ore to the Exchange for exhibition. We desire to hear from all prospectors who have promising mineral claims in British Columbia.

Prospectors and mining men are requested to make the Exchange their headquarters when in Nelson.

All samples should be sent by express, Prepaid. Correspondence solicited.

Address all communications to

Telephone 104
P. O. Box 700

ANDREW F. ROSENBERGER,
Nelson, B. C.

REMOVAL

The Galt Coal office has been removed to the Ward building, on Baker street—two doors west C. P. R. offices. A full supply of Galt Coal now on hand.

W. P. TIERNEY,
Telephone No. 265 General Agent

C. W. West & Co.

COAL! WOOD!

Anthracite	$10.75
Crow's Nest	6.15
Blairmore	6.75

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AGENTS IMPERIAL OIL COMPANY, LTD.

No order can be accepted unless accompanied by cash.

Office: Corner of Hall and Baker Streets. TELEPHONE 33.

BOARD OF HEALTH REGULATIONS

For the Prevention of the Spread of Smallpox in the City of Nelson.

All passengers arriving at the City of Nelson from all points east of the Kootenay River will be required to furnish the inspector or officer in charge of the carrying out of these regulations with a certificate from the health officer of the city or town from which he or she has left, containing the following particulars:

1. (a) That he or she has not been in any place or building infected with smallpox.

(b) That he or she has not lived in any place or building which lies dangerously near any infected building or district.

(c) That he or she has been successfully vaccinated since January, 1901.

2. If the inspector believes that any person is infected, or that his or her clothing or other effects contain infection the inspector shall detain such person and his or her clothing and effects as aforesaid, until the period of incubation is over, and such person and his or her clothing and other effects shall be at once disinfected.

3. If he only suspects that any person on board, or the effects of any such person have been exposed to infection, he shall notify the medical health officer of the locality to which the person is going to meet the train or boat, and to keep the person thereafter under observation.

4. In the event of any passenger bringing any baggage (hand or otherwise) or whether the same shall be forwarded by express, the following certificate may also be required from the health officer of the town or city aforesaid:

(a) That the said baggage (here give a full description of said baggage so that there can be no question as to identification) has not been in any place or building infected with smallpox.

(b) That the said baggage has not been stored or used in any place or building which lies dangerously near to any infected building or district.

5. All railway and steamboat companies must strictly adhere to the following regulations:

(a) All mail and baggage from points above mentioned destined for the City of Nelson, on or before leaving the last point of call on Kootenay River must furnish the inspector or officer in charge of the carrying out of these regulations, with a certificate from the health officer of such points where fumigation takes place that same has been done.

(b) All cars or steamboats on which have been discovered infected persons, baggage or mail will not be permitted to again convey passengers, baggage, etc., into the City of Nelson until disinfected and fumigated to the satisfaction of the medical health officer of this city.

(c) No Indians shall be allowed to land in the City of Nelson under any conditions.

This proclamation goes into effect immediately.

FRANK FLETCHER,
Mayor of the City of Nelson.
D. LA BAU,
Medical Health Officer.
Nelson, B. C., March 2nd, 1901.

CLASSES OF INSTRUCTION FOR PROSPECTORS AND OTHERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that classes of instruction for prospectors, miners and others interested in mining are being held in Rossland, B. C., under the control of the Rossland School of Mines, assisted by a grant from the Provincial Government.

The Instructors are J. M. McGregor, B. A. Sc., F. L. S., and H. E. T. Haultain, B. A. Sc.

The course extends over the months of January, February, March and April, and consists of a series of lectures and classes on five evenings of each week.

The course covers:—

CHEMISTRY.—A short course of lectures preparatory to the course in mineralogy and blowpiping.

MINERALOGY AND BLOWPIPING.—Lectures on the elements of mineralogy illustrated by hand specimens and a course of blowpiping.

GEOLOGY.—Lectures on elements of geology as illustrated from the geology of British Columbia, and the mode of occurrence of ore deposits, vein formation, fissures, faults, etc., and field methods.

PROSPECTING AND WINNING OF ORES.—The application of the principles of mineralogy, geology, and mechanics to the discovery and winning of valuable minerals, and the methods and appliances in use to open up the deposits, and the various methods of ore treatment.

MECHANICS.—The elementary principles of mechanics and their application to mining, dealing with strength of iron, steel and timber, and machinery.

DRAWING.—The elements of drawing, such as will enable the student to make serviceable sketches in the field, the free-hand sketching of machinery, and the principles of reading maps and plans and surveys.

There will be a small reference library.

RICHARD McBRIDE,
Minister of Mines.

NOTICE.

Town Lots, New Denver.

Notice is hereby given that, in pursuance of the notification published by this Department, and dated 22nd June, 1899, under section 38 of the "Land Act," agreements for the sale of Lots in the Town of New Denver, which were purchased from the Government at public auction on 20th July, 1892, and upon which the balance of purchase money and interest is not fully paid up by the 30th of April next, will be cancelled and all moneys paid therein will be forfeited.

W. C. WELLS,
Chief Commission of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 21st March, 1901.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Lewis Noll and Wesley E. Cox, carrying on business as hotelkeepers in the premises known as the Porto Rico hotel at Porto Rico Siding, B. C., under the firm name of Noll & Cox, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. For the future the Porto Rico hotel will be conducted by Lewis Noll, who will assume all liabilities of the late firm and to whom all accounts owing said firm are herewith payable.

LOUIS NOLL,
WESLEY E. COX,

Witness: ROBT RENWICK,
Nelson, March 26th, 1901.

TRADES UNIONS.

NELSON SOCIALISTIC EDUCATIONAL CLUB meets every Sunday at 3 o'clock p.m. in the Miners' Union Hall. A cordial invitation is extended to every one to come and take part in discussions. John Roberts, secretary.

LAUNDRY WORKERS' UNION OF NELSON No. 8591, A. F. of L.—Meets in Miners' Union Hall, C. P. R. lock, corner of Baker and Stanley streets, on fourth Friday in every month at 7:30 p.m. sharp. Visiting members of American Federation cordially invited to attend. C. Frederick, president; A. W. McFee, secretary.

NELSON MINERS' UNION NO. 96, W. F. of M.—Meets in miners' union rooms, northwest corner of Baker and Stanley streets, every Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting members welcome. M. R. Mowatt, President. James Wilkes, Secretary. UNION SCALE OF WAGES FOR NELSON DISTRICT—Per shift, machine men, $3.50; hammersmen miners, $3.25; muckers, carmen, shovelers and other underground laborers, $3 00.

TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL.—The regular meetings of the Nelson Trades and Labor Council will be held in the miners' union hall, corner Baker and Stanley streets, on the first and third Thursday of each month, at 8 p. m. C. J. Clayton, President; A. F. Curle, Secretary.

THE regular meetings of the Carpenters' Union are held on Wednesday evening of each week, at 7 o'clock, in the Miners' Union rooms corner of Baker and Stanley streets. Charles Clayton, President. John McLeod, Secretary.

BARBERS' UNION.—Nelson Union, No. 196, of the International Journeymen Barbers Union of America, meets every first and third Monday of each month in Miner's Union Hall, at 7:30 sharp. Visiting brothers cordially invited to attend. R. McMahon, president; J. H. Matheson, secretary-treasurer; J. C. Gardner, recording secretary.

LABORERS' UNION.—Nelson Laborers' Protective Union, No. 8121, A. F. of L., meets in Miners' Union hall, C. P. R. block, corner of Baker and Stanley streets, every Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. sharp. Visiting members of the American Federation cordially invited to attend. A. J. Curle, President. John Roberts, recording secretary.

NELSON PAINTERS' UNION—The regular meeting of the Painters' Union is held the first and third Fridays in each month at Miners' Union hall at 7:30 sharp. George Escrit, President; Henry Bennett Secretary

COOKS' AND WAITERS' UNION—Regular meetings every Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock, in Miners' Union Hall, corner of Baker and Stanley streets. Visting brethren cordially invited. Chris Loft, president; H. Smelser, financial and recording secretary.

PLASTERERS' UNION—The O. P. I. A. No. 172, meets every Monday evening in the Elliot block, corner Baker and Stanley streets, at 8 o'clock. J. D. Moyer, president; William Vice, secretary, P. O. Box 616.

FRATERNAL SOCIETIES

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

NELSON ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER No. 123 G. R. C.—Meets third Wednesday. Sojourning companions invited. George Johnstone, Z., E. W. Matthews, S. E.

NELSON AERIE, No. 22, F. O. E.—Meet second and fourth Wednesday of each month, at Fraternity Hall. George Bartlett, president John V. Morrison, secretary.

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

KOOTENAY TENT NO. 7, K. O. T. M.—Hold their regular meetings on the first and third Thursdays of each month. Visiting Sir Knights are cordially invited to attend. G. A. Brown, R. K.; A. W. Purdy, Com.; R. J. Steel, D. R. C.

EXAMINATION FOR ASSAYERS FOR LICENSE TO PRACTICE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

IN ACCORDANCE with section 12 of the "Bureau of Mines Act," examinations for efficiency in the practice of assaying will be held at Nelson, B. C., on the 15th day of April, 1901, and following days.

Entrance for the examination must be made in writing to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners at least ten days before the date set for beginning of examination, and must be accompanied by the prescribed fee ($10).

Any additional information desired may be obtained from H. Carmichael, Secretary, Board of Examiners, Victoria.

RICHARD McBRIDE,
Minister of Mines.

Department of Mines,
Victoria, B. C., 12th March, 1901.

NOTICE.

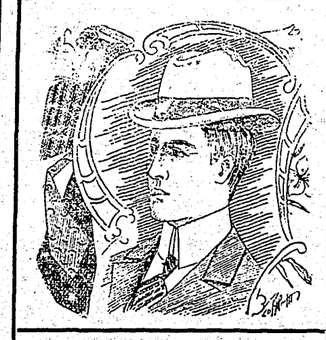
Courts of Assize, Nisi Prius, Over and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery will be holden in the Court House at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at the places and on the dates following, namely:

City of Nanaimo, on the 23rd day of April, 1901.
City of New Westminster, on the 23rd day of April, 1901.
City of Nelson, on the 7th day of May, 1901.
City of Revelstoke, on the 7th day of May, 1901.
City of Vernon, on the 15th day of May, 1901.
City of Kamloops, on the 23rd day of May, 1901.
City of Vancouver, on the 21st day of May, 1901.
City of Victoria, on the 28th day of May, 1901.
Town of Clinton, on the 28th day of May, 1901

By Command,
J. D. PRENTICE,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
20th March, 1901.

Slaughter Clothing Sale



Having decided to devote my whole attention to the manufacture of Tents, Awnings, and all lines of manufactured canvas goods, and to retire from the Clothing, Gents' Furnishings Boots and Shoe business, I will, commencing

Thursday, April 11th

offer my entire stock at Eastern Wholesale Prices until it is disposed of. This is a Genuine Clearing Sale. The following will give you an idea of the prices at which I intend to clear:

Bargains in Men's Clothing

Men's Serge and Worsted Suits, regular $16.00 suits for $9.00; Men's Canadian and Scotch Tweed Suits, regular $12.00 suits for $7.50; Men's Odd Pants in Tweeds, Serges, Worsteds from $1.25 up; Overcoats in great variety, Spring and Fall Beavers, Worsteds, Tweeds and Whipcorps at half the regular prices; Overalls and Jumpers, regular $1.00, for 80c.

Cuts in Gents' Furnishings

White Shirts, $1.00 and $1.25 shirts at 50 and 60c; Blue Flannel and Serge Shirts, regular $1.75 and $2.00 for $1.00; Light and Dark Flannel Shirts from 40c to $1.25, regular at $1.00 to $2.50; Black Sateen Shirts, regular $1.50, for 75c; Regatta Shirts from 50c up; Sox, regular 25c per pair, now 6 pair for $1.00; large and varied collection of Collars and Ties; Blankets from $1.50 per pair up; All Rubber Goods at cost; Men's Fine Box Calf, Black and Tan Shoes, regular $5, for $3.75, $3.00, and $3.25; Miners' Heavy Shoes, from $1.50 up; Hats, all qualities, shapes, colors and sizes to choose from, $5.00 Hats for $3.00. Other prices in proportion.

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Soldiers Who Surrender in the Presence of the Enemy Will Be Courtmartialed.

LONDON, April 11.—A news agency this afternoon publishes a dispatch from Cape Town confirming a dispatch on the same subject cabled to the Associated Press yesterday, which says that general Dewet is so distracted by the hopelessness of his cause that he can be fully described as insane. He goes in fear of his life amidst his own troops and keeps himself surrounded night and day by a bodyguard of chosen adherents. But from his own ranks voices are now frequently heard calling imperatively for peace.

The war office has issued the following special regarding surrenders in the field: "Any officer or soldier who when in the presence of the enemy displays a white flag or other token of surrender will be tried by general court martial."

No further news has been received regarding the reported resumption of peace negotiations in South Africa, but the fact that the censor allowed the report to pass and the fact that the government has not issued a denial are held to prove that negotiations of some sort are in progress.

The casualty list issued yesterday reported the fact that lord Methuen was discharged from the hospital last week, this being the first notification that he had been ill.

There is no information from South Africa beyond the fact that the British have evacuated Hoopstadt, which the Daily Mail observes "seems to show that lord Kitchener's force is none too strong."

It is announced from Brussels that the Dutch Transvaal committee has handed to Mr. Kruger a check for 1,000,000 florins collected in Holland for the assistance of the Boers. It appears that Mr. Kruger's entourage assert that the route from Leydsdoran to Koutpasberg is heavily fortified and able to resist the British for a long time.

Big Telephone Combination.

BALTIMORE, April 11.—Final steps were taken today in the big telephone consolidation scheme engineered by the syndicate headed by George R. Webb of this city. At the meeting of the directors of the United Telegraph & Telephone Company today the following properties were acquired: Maryland Telephone & Telegraph Company, capital stock $1,000,000; Pittsburg & Alleghany Telephone Company, capital stock $1,500,000; West Pennsylvania Long Distance Telephone Company, capital stock $1,000,000; Home Telephone & Electric Company, capital stock $200,000; Alleghany County Telephone Company, capital stock $200,000; Hartford County Telephone Company, capital stock $10,000. In all about 500,000 phones either in actual operation or under contract awaiting installation will go into the combination.

Booming the Buffalo Exposition.

BUFFALO, April 11.—William Hutchinson of Ottawa, the commissioner of the Dominion of Canada to the Pan-American Exposition, arrived in the city this morning, accompanied by H. C. McBride of London, the architect of the Canadian building. They will inspect the Dominion structure, which is in an advanced stage of erection and is expected to be completed early in May. They speak in enthusiastic terms of the prospects of the exposition.

Wrecked Steamer Sold.

VICTORIA, April 11.—The wrecked collier Williamette, which went ashore near Union on March 26th, was sold by auction today at the scene of the wreck. She was purchased by Moran Brothers of Seattle for $80,000, and 900 tons of coal remaining in her was sold to the same purchasers for $195.

Railroad Accident in Colorado.

PUEBLO, April 11.—The Atlantic limited, northbound on the Denver & Rio Grande railway which left here at 12:30 p m, collided at Elen, seven miles north of here, with a southbound train. Three trainmen were severely injured. So far as known none of the passengers were injured.

Rich Quartz Struck on the Skeena.

VICTORIA, April 11.—News was brought by the steamer Boscowitz that a strike of rich quartz had been made near Kitzlass canyon on the Skeena. Quartz has been struck there going about $1000 to ton.

CITY. LOCAL NEWS

There were two drunks before the presiding magistrate at the police court yesterday morning. They were each fined $5 and costs.

A certificate of work was yesterday recorded in favor of T. J. Sims, on the Lucky May mineral claim on Morning mountain.

Frank Osler and a party of investors were up at Crawford Bay on Wednesday looking over some good properties in the neighborhood of the Bluebird. If the rock assays well, a deal will be made.

The board of public works are called together for 10 o'clock this morning, and the finance committee for 8 o'clock this evening.

From Trout Lake.

J. Langstaff of the Trout Lake Topic came in last night. The main topic of Trout Lake is railway construction, and as soon as work starts in earnest, a lively time is expected. Mr. Langstaff gives a very encouraging account of the mining operations in the district, and says that as soon as facilities are afforded for getting the ore to market mining operations will be brisk. A number of rich properties are awaiting the advent of the railway, when they will become regular shippers.

PERSONAL.

W. F. Teetzel left last night for Spokane, going by way of the C. P. R. to Rossland, thence by Jim Hill's "cripple" to Spokane.

H. J Scott has gone back to Victoria satisfied that he can get more out of a square foot of inside Nelson real estate than out of an acre of Victoria realty.

Robert Irving, manager of the Kootenay Steam Navigation Company, is paying Nelson a visit.

F. L Christie, Sandon, and H. M. Billings, Salmo, registered at the Phair last night.

At the Madden House yesterday among late arrivals were J. Torrens of Phoenix, and M. Bonner and M. Gill of Rossland.

Frank Mortimer, Denver, and John Rowe, Portage la Prairie, were among the late arrivals at the Tremont last night.

At the Queen's yesterday there were registered Mrs. J. Harper, Moyie, Mrs. Podington, Crawford Bay, and D. Stephens, Nanaimo.

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Cornice Poles Complete	75c
Extension Rods	35c
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Swing Poles, Complete	$ 2.00
Cornice Poles, any length, per foot	04c
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