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LOCAL ITEMS

Large stock of choice eating and cooking apples at Seaney's. +

Seventeen pound kit of Holland herrings, $1 35 per keg, at Seaney's +

Just arrived, a fresh shipment of White Star Jellies and Jams at Seaney's. ×

Supt. Arthur was down from the Wilcox during the week, and reports that everything is looking its best at the mine.

Always smoke the Monogram or Marguerite—the peoples' choice. W J. McMillen & Co., sole agent for B.C. Vancouver. ÷

The gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. Mark, will be the subject at the Methodist Church next Sunday at 7:30 p. m. Everybody welcome.

Choice lot of Okanagan, Northern Spy and Rhode Island Greening Apples ; also Washington, Baldwin and Winter Maiden Blush, at Seaney's. ×

The wife of A. C. O'Neill presented him with a beautiful little baby daughter an Monday last. Mother and little one are doing well.

Why send to Nelson or East for teas or coffees when I make a standing offer to refund you your money if I cannot give you as good if not better value for the same price—S. H. Seaney

When the registrar's quarterly report appears, Ymir will get credit for three marriages for the week ending February 26th. And there are three more to come.

The snow plough was in evidence on the railway line during the week. The snow fall was not more than 10 or 12 inches, but it made running over the rails unpleasant.

Among those registered at the Ross House during the week were : A. Harris. Ymir Mine ; M. Van deBogart, Dundee Mine ; J. Kelly, Ymir Mine ; W. J. Bremner, Dundee Mine ; J. Cosgrove, Ymir Mill.

The monthly meeting of the Ymir Citizens' Association will be held on Tuesday evening next, and as there is business of public importance to be transacted, a full attendance is requested.

All the rope has now been strung for the Hunter V., and all that has to be done is to splice the cable and stretch it. As soon as this is done, active mining operations will begin, and the mine will be a regular shipper.

Most favorable reports come in from the Gold Cup mine. The shaft from the tunnel station has been sunk to a depth of forty feet, and shows a big body or rich ore at the bottom. The ore is said to concentrate 1 in 50, and the mill is running smoothly.

A special meeting of the Ymir Liberal Conservative Association is called for this evening, at 8 p.m in the Foresters' Hall, to appoint a delegate to attend the Conservative Union meeting to be held at Victoria on Feb. 1st.

Miss Moore has entered upon her duties as teacher at the Ymir public school and has already established herself in the esteem of the pupils. She is a good, practical teacher, in whose carriculum affection has no place.

There are twelve men at work at the Dundee, and the mine, which has been completely pumped out, is now fulfilling expectations. There is still a lot to be done in the way of clearing before a big staff will be put on, but this will be accomplished in the course of a few weeks.

Bulletin No. 18, from the bureau of provincial information, is a very comprehensive review of the industrial conditions in British Columbia for 1903. It deals with the various industries of the province, and gives statistics which indicate undoubted progress.

Miss Smith, one of the nurses at the Ymir Hospital, left on the evening train yesterday and was married at Nelson to Mr. Roy Riblet, of tramway building fame. The happy couple were passengers on this morning's south bound train on their honeymoon.

Some wag, evidently one of the Ross House Savages, got at the regester the other day and made the following entries : John H. Young, Porto Rico, lady killer ; Sandy McDougall, hobo ; Tom Watt, chief Savage ; Chas. Archibold, booze slinger ; Jeff Davis, do ; Julius Kollmar, lumberger cheese merchant ; Pete Corrigan, gent at leasure ; Dave Murphy dog catcher ; J. N McDonald, night hawk.

Mr. Joseph Leahy, one of the principals in the Ymir Transfer Co., was, on Tuesday last, united in marriage to Miss Maud Carson, eldest daughter of Mrs. McLeod of the McLeod Hotel. The marriage took place in the Roman Catholic Church, Nelson, Rev. Father Althoff officiating. The young couple are great favorites in Ymir, and all join in wishing them a long, happy and prosperous life. Mr. and Mrs. Leahy will make their home in Ymir, and are expected back tomorrow.

The Bal Masque on Thursday Evg, January 28th, promises to be a big success. From present indications the competition for the prizes will be keen. The award will be granted to the most realistic assumed character. There are no stipulations as to costumes, except that you must be masked. Impartial judges will be selected in the ball room, and you are cautioned not to reveal your identity except to them fter being announced. A splendid assortment of gentlemen's costumes at—The Fair. ×

There was a public opening of the Cosmopolitan Hotel last night, and a very successful function it was. John Breau, the new proprietor, is one of he old timers in this district and an experienced hotelman, who is bound to do a good business. The proceedings opened with a dance at the Union Hall which was kept up until midnight, when all were invited to supper at the Cosmopolitan. A very recherche affair it was—proof of what the dining room will provide under the new management. After supper the guests returned to the hall and dancing was renewed and continued until cock crow.

Harry Allen, up to within two months ago express messenger on the Nelson and Fort Sheppard between Nelson and Northport, and lately employed on the Spokone Falls and Northern as a brakesman between Spokane and Northport was killed on Tuesday morning at Buckeye, a point about 20 miles out of Spokane. Allen was on the running board of the engine while the train was taking a siding in to the Buckeye Lumber Company's plant, and finding that some lumber was projecting which would catch him, he jumped, but too late. He was killed almost instantly Another brakesman who tried to escape the obstacle was seriously injured.

At the Roman Catholic Church, Nelson, on Wednesday morning Rev. Father Althoff united in marriage J. McDonald and Miss Rosalind Blanchard, both of Salmo. The bride, who formerly resided at Pilot Bay, and who is well known in the Kootenays was attired in a gown of white silk and Duchess lace, her long white silk veil being fastened with a diamond pin the gift of the groom. The bridesmaid was Miss O. Blanchard, sister of the bride, and the best man was D. S. McDonald, a brother of the groom. The church was specially decorated for the occasion and Miss McDonald who presided over the organ rendered the the wedding march as the newly married couple and their friends passed out of the building The newly married couple will make Salmo their home. They have the best wishes of all their Ymir friends.

Mrs. J. T. Muffett, who committed suicide in Spokane on Wednesday night by hanging herself in the cellar of the family residence, was well known in this district. Her husband was foreman of the properties owned by the Hastings syndicate of London at Erie, and for a time worked the property under lease, making good money. Last summer the family moved to Spokane, Mrs. Muffet being in bad health. The change did not improve her health. The deceased was an English woman and had been married for 35 years. Mrs. Muffet was the mother of five children, three sons and two daughters. John Muffet is a merchant at Fernie, B. C and is the eldest son. William H. Muffet is 30 years of age and Benjamin is 18. The two daughters are married and are Mrs. Laur Deville, residing in South Dakota, and Mrs. Maud Penning of Lamars, Iowa.

Word was received in town a few days ago of the death at the Old Men's Home, Kamloops, of William Herrin, one of the real old timers of British Columbia. "Old Bill," as he has been known for some years past, was 73 years of age. He was one of the first engaged in the steamboat business on the Fraser river, and during the Cariboo gold excitement he was one of the pioneers. There were times in his career when Bill could sign his cheque for a few thousand dollars, but a generous, big-hearted fellow as he always was, he could not keep money while any of his friends—and they were legion—were in want. Bill never let the left hand know what the right hand did—his bounty was unostentatious For years he acted as warfenger at Victoria, but one big "dope" deal by whiah he was to pocket $5,000, induced him to resign. He then acted as porter at the Oriental Hotel, a position he held for many years. Bill was always a "sport," and filthy lucre in the shape of coin had no charms for him, except in the spending thereof. Some eight years ago he moved up to Nelson, and took the janitorship of al most every office and building there. As he advanced in years and grew feeble he was obliged to give up many of his engagements and was ultimately obliged to accept a cot in the Old Man's Home. Poor old Bill!

A pencil mark in this space is a gentle reminder that your subscription is due Please cough up

LOCAL LEGISLATURE

THE DEBATE ON THE ESTIMATES

OPPOSITION TRYING TO CRIPPLE PROGRESS.

In the local legislature yesterday the debate on the estimates was begun the opposition distinguishing themselves as faultfinders.

Two or three interesting announcements were made by the premier during the afternoon. One was that the government has at least completed its bill relating to mineral taxation The contents of the bill were not disclosed as the first minister said he wanted it to go before the mining committee.

Another announcement from the premier was that night sittings would be held next week. This suggestion was opposed by Oliver, on the ground that it would interfere with the work of committees.

A promise was made by the premier that the idea would be abandoned if such proved to be the case.

McBride's bill to "remove doubt as to the validity of the election of the member for Lillooet" was read a first time but the opposition would not permit it to advance another stage.

McDonald, the member affected, states in an interview that he was elected by acclamation on September 19th, and that he accepted a cheque for his services as road boss for the remainder of that month. He did so on the advice of the government agent, who advised him that there could be no objection to his doing so as long as he had not been sworn in as a member. Although he continued to discharge his duties as road boss for the next two months, he did not accept pay for it.

SECRET CRIME SOCIETY.

As an instance of the way secret societies like the Mafia a organized in Southern Italy, it is worth reporting that the Italian police have arrested 71 persons, all members of a secret organization called the "Malavita," in the City of Foggia. It was discovered that the society was organized to commit all sorts of crimes. from highway robbery to kidnapping. Two schools were found, one to teach the way to use the knife and the other for pick-pockets. An admission fee of a few francs was charged, and the members were divided into three classes, and promoted from one to the other by a sort of supreme court, with headquarters at Bartlette. The distinctive uniforms of the members consisted of a red scarf to be worn as a belt and a long curl hanging down the forehead, or a green scarf for those of a lower degree in society. If any one of the members was arrested other members volunteered to give perjured testimony in his behalf, while a few more took charge of the witnesses for the prosecution, whom they scared by threats into refusing to testify. A special recruiting department was also a feature of the society.

The Canadian Limber and Sawmill Company, with headquarters at Trout Lake, B. C, has let a contract for 100,000 000 feet of logs, involving an expenditure of half a million dollars, to Mr. E. L. Kinnon. English capital is backing the enterprise, and the contract is the largest so far let in the interior of the Province. Manager J. B. Henderson states that the mill will give employment to 100 men, and will have a capacity of 60,000 feet per day. The company owns from four to six hundred million feet of timber along he lake front.

LARRY'S LETTER

Deer Tim—The last week I wrote to ye the cat ran away wid me pen cutting off the mews that was wid me. I was just starting a pome beginning

Lives ov great men all remoind us
We can stur things here below,
If we only use the shovel
E'er the footprints pack the snow,

whin up bounct Maryann, the cat, an runs off wid the pen. That's a bad habit he's getting, that cat ov moine.

You'll be sorry to heer that our ould frend, Billy Herrin, is dead at the Owld Men's Home, Kamloops. He was a true ould frend, was Bill, an' now that he's gone they're all saying the good things about him that they should ov said when he was aloive.

If you've any bouquets to throw at a frend
Let e'm fly while he's still on earth,
For kind words said
Ov a man whin he's dead
To him are ov little worth.

The Ross House Savages is——

There's that darn cat off wid the pen agin. Larry Finn.

Jerry Ryan, who hails from Spokane was up before majistrates Buckworth and Ross this afternoon charged wit h a theft of a shirt from the DesBrisay Jobbing Co and a pair of rubbers from Newitt and Co. He tried to sell the goods after stealing them, and was arrested. The prisoner, who has been employed at the Masterson saloon cutting wood, pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to two months imprisonment for each offence, the sentences to run concurrently.

The Provincial Government has lost no time in bringing in the amendments to the Provincial Election Act, to remedy the defects that have been found to exist in the present Act. Attorney -general has shown good judgment in deciding to repeal the present law and substitute an entirely new act. Although the changes are few and confined to only a small number of details it will be much more convenient for returning officers and other persons to have the Act complete in itself than to have to refer to two separate acts and see in what manner the earlier law is changed by the new Act, as would be the case were the Bill now before the House merely framed to amend certain sections in the existing Statute.

A dispatch to the Pall Mall Gazette from Berlin declares that the correspondent is in a position to announce positively that it has been decided at St. Petersburg that Japan's wishes shall be met in such a way as to secure the maintenance of peace. The dispatch adds that the only question is whether Russia "shall declare her decision to Japan alone or to all the power interested in the solution of the far eastern question."

To determine the exact place the responsibility for the wreck of the steamer Chilkan, United States marine inspectors Whitney and Turner began an investigation on Monday. It is likely the hearing will last the greater part of the week, as the officers of the vessel and many of the survivors will give testimony.

Arthur N. Hall, leader of the Iroquois Memorial Association, announces that he will offer the site of the Iroquois theatre for the erection of a memorial to the victims of the fire at Chicago.

The board of governors of McGill university has at present under consideration the proposal to found a school of railway engineering and transportation in general in connection with the university

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C. DELL SMITH, EDITOR.

SATURDAY, JAN. 23.

ESTIMATES for the ensuing year have been submitted in the Local Legislature, and it is pleasing to find that the wants of the newly-created electoral district of Ymir have been duly recognized and provided for. Ymir gets $8000 for roads, trails and bridges, and an extra $2000 for a bridge over the Salmon River at Ymir. The amount secured by our local representative, Mr Harry Wright, is but a trifle lower than was asked for at a public meeting convened for the purpose, shortly before the legislature met. At this meeting Dell Smith moved that $2,000 be asked for, to build a suitable bridge over the Salmon River, and strengthened his motion by showing that the revenue from mines at the other side of the stream would justify the expenditure. The motion was opposed by "mine-owner" Paddy Daly. Paddy had evidently been "towld" to oppose anything and everything that Dell would propose, and with due subserviency he obeyed orders, irrespective of consequences. Needless to say the resolution was carried. We have time and again called attention to the dangerous condition of the Ymir bridge, and the loss that would accrue to the town as well as to the public exchequer were the wretched structure to be swept away by floods. It has had already several narrow escapes, and will probably go this spring except something be done in the interval to prevent such a calamity. However, we have a business government in power in British Columbia now, and a representative who will see to it that his district is properly provided for. In the matter of appropriations Ymir fairly heads the list, and yet we are not getting all we are entitled to, considering the contributions from the district to the public exchequer. Under a better financial condition we would get all we are entitled to, but the big majority of the people, who supported Harry Wright, are satisfied that the amount appropriated is all that could be reasonably expected under existing circumstances. Unfortunately, a couple of the appropriations asked for at the public meeting alluded to were for private roads to private mines; but the government engineer will be around, and draw the line between private monopoly and public utility. It is to be hoped that the money appropriated for the Ymir district—particularly the sum set apart for the Ymir bridge—will be used at once, so that the advantages may be practically appreciable at the earliest possible moment. You have done well, Harry.

PREJUDICE and low, mean venom, will carry some men to terrible extremes, and the only practical cure is to touch their pockets. It brings fellows of this class to their senses in nine cases out of ten. We are about to apply the cure in this camp. The Official Gazette, published under government auspices at Victoria, contains applications for crown grants in the Ymir district, of which nobody but the applicants are supposed to know anything—and for reasons which others know as well as they. To obtain a crown grant for a claim, the mining recorder must be satisfied (according to the wording of the Mineral Act chap. 34, sec. 36, sub. sec. 5) that the applicant has:

"Inserted a copy of such notice in the British Columbia Gazette and in a newspaper PUBLISHED and CIRCULATED in the division in which the claim is situated, or in the absence of such LOCAL paper, in the one nearest thereto," etc.

At least four of the applicants for crown grants in the Ymir district have not complied with the law in this particular, and these four applications we have been advised to protest, by the best legal authorities in the province. We shall certainly adopt the advice and put these fellows to the expense of advertising over again or acknowledging some crookedness. The spite on the part of two of the parties alluded to is probably due to the fact that we had the temerity to cut them off our list as delinquent subscribers. In the other instances the sting carries a political virus. The spirit of the Act clearly is that those living in the district in which the crown grant is applied for should know that such application is being made. The LOCAL papers in which these applications are advertised are not PUBLISHED or CIRCULATED in this district. It looks very suspicious. We shall see within the prescribed twenty days.

THE Dominion Exhibition Commissioner has received from the Skenna River mining division, B. C., several samples of ore taken from the deposits along the Portland Canal, near the boundary line, as settled by the Alaskan Boundary Tribunal. The ore is taken from the Canadian side, and the report of the recorder at Port Simpson says that 148 tons of ore shipped recently netted $130 per ton. Anotner sample of ore which they have received from the same district shows $90 per ton gold, $60 copper and $34 silver.

The London Standard's Berlin correspondent says the deadlock existing regarding the removal of the dispute between Canada and Germany is due to the fact that the London Government has referred Germany to Ottawa as independent in commercial matters, while Ottawa referred her back to London on grounds that Canada was part of the Empire. Germany is sincere in the matter. Since the last notification by the German Federal Council, prolonging preliminary commercial treaty with Brstain and her colonies, Canada is not mentioned in the hope of a friendly agreement on this question at an early date.

The Italian engineer, Signor Guiseprdi Teti, already noted for several inventions, has made a new discovery in the field of aerostatics, and has constructed a flying machine which, it is reported, will surpass and even eclipse the dirigible balloon of M Santos Dumont. The airship, which Signos Teti calls an aerordinamo, is said to be able to make headway even against a hurricane.

STRENUOUS efforts are being made to obtain the release of Colonel Lynch who fought for the Boers against Great Britain and whom the electors of Galway chose to represent them in the house of commons. It is hoped that a pardon may be obtained for Colonel Lynch before king Edward pays his second visit to Ireland. Some of the nationalists say that if he is not released before parliament meets, the question of his imprisonment will cause an exciting scene in the house. Let it cause the exciting scene. Lynch fought against his own countrymen in the Boer war, and sneak that he is, sought the protection of Britain when he came back from France, whither he fled in his cowardice. Traitors of the Lynch type deserve no compassion. In the United States he would be lynched.

AT the cabinet meeting held in Ottawa on Tuesday afternoon it was decided to call the house on March 10th. The nominations for the bye-elections in Westmoreland and Rouville, necessary owing to the calling of Messrs Emmerson and Brodeur, to the cabinet will be held on January 30th, polling February 6th, if necessary. It is evidently the intention of the Government to press, if possible, the Grand Trunk Pacific deal. What a liberal campaign fund that will provide!

THE record as a dividend paying gold mine is probably held by the Champion Reef company in the Kolar gold field in India. During ten years this company has paid dividends amounting to 1,022½ per cent on its capital stock, which has a par value of £260,000, or $1,300,000. The lowest rate in any one year of that period was 67½ per cent; the highest was 165 per cent, paid for the last fiscal year.

IN anticipation of a flood of death claims and personal injury suits, amounting to upwards of $6,000,000, the financial interests behind the Iroquois Theatre Company have commenced a fight to prevent the coroner's jury disclosing the identity of the killed. Under instructions of attorney Pyne the managers will refuse to answer questions touching the financial backing of the play house.

IT is now almost definitely decided that the Socialists of Kootenay will put up a candidate at the coming Dominion elections. The Socialists are growing in strength in this province, and have already two representatives in the local legislature. It is very doubtful if the party could carry the constituency, but it would be interesting to know its strength in the Kootenays.

TAKING UP A COLLECTION.

"We have a certain parson," Dean Hart of Denver writes, giving his name "whom we keep on the frontier. He is a rough diamond, and has a knack with the miners. Not long ago he went to the camp called Rico, borrowed the dance hall over the saloon for his service, 'rounded up the boys' and the hall was filled. After the sermon came the collection—a very important feature. The preacher ran his eye over his audience, and seeing a certain gambler known as 'Billy the Kid.' 'Billy,' he said, 'take up the collection.' Very much honored, Bill took his big sombrero hat, and with an important and dignified air, as was fitting for the occasion, he made his way to the front and held his hat for a young man on the foremost chair to donate. The young miner dropped in a quarter. Billy looked at it then putting his hand under his coat tails drew his revolver and said, with the utmost gravity, 'Young man take that back; this here's a dollar show.' Then with his hat and revolver moving around the hall, he got as many dollars as there were people."

Some of the most profitable forms of advertising require time; seedtime and harvest is the law here as elsewhere.

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Some business men would not swallow a progressive notion if you gave it to them with a silver spoon, but that makes it all the better for the wise ones.

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Provincial Secretary's Office,
28th December, 1903.

HIS HONOR the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has been pleased to make the following appointment:

PERCY JAMES GLEAZER, of Ymir Esquire, J.P., to be a Deputy Mining Recorder for that portion of the Nelson Mining Division known as the Ymir District, with sub-recording office at Ymir, vice Mr. A. B. Buckworth.

METHODIST CHURCH, YMIR.

Services are held under Miners Hall every Sunday morning at 11; evening at 7.30. Interesting service, familiar hymns, everybody welcome. — [illegible] Collis, Minister.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School and Bible Class at 3 p.m. Service 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Rev H Young, pastor.

AUSTRALIANS IN CANADA.

One of the most ominous features of the depression which is settling over the Australian Commonwealth is the rapid depopulation of that country. In the past couple of years the exodus from the island continent has assumed alarming proportions, and the emigrants are almost invariably from those classes of society on which the prosperity of the community chiefly depends. It is a significant fact that the decrease in the growth of population is coincident with the extension of those Socialistic principles which have attracted so much attention to Australia. In the thirity years proceeding 1891 the population had increased by 800,000. Since then the growth has been only about 5,000. It has actually decreased in the past year or two. In Victoria where labor legislation has made the greatest advances, the loss of population has been 125 000 in a decade. In the past six months 16,000 persons have left New South Wales, and a recent issue of the Australian Globe says that the entire outward-bound passenger accomodation of steamship lines in secured months in advance. No wonder this paper expresses alarm at the situation. Commenting on the subject it says:—

"Well may it be said that these facts afford a scathing commentary on the Socialistic labor policy of the existing State Government. Here is a country whose industrial institutions are run solely in the interests of the worker, whose politicians leave no stone unturned to meet his every demand, in which of all countries of the world it might be thought that labor has found its Elysium, and yet the workingman, as well as his employer, finds that he cannot make a living in it."

The ex Australians are said to be "mostly of a class born or long settled in the country, tradesmen and master craftsmen, sheep raisers, and farmers." Many of them return to England, others go to South Africa, and many more come to Canada.

THE YALE-CARIBOO CONSERVATIVES.

At the Conservative convention held at Kamloops on Thursday, M. Burrill of Grand Forks, was chosen as candidate at the forthcoming dominion election.

There were eighty nine delegates present, one delegate being allowed for each twenty votes cast at the provincial elections. The total voting strength including proxies was three hundred and nine.

Ex-premier Semlin was chairman of the convention and J. T. Robinson, secretary.

Three nominations were received.

M. Burrill of Grand Forks, was proposed by J. P. Gray of Greenwood, seconded by Isaac Crawford of Grand Forks.

W. L. Shatford of Vernon, proposed by Price Ellison, seconded by W. A. Johnsan of Quesnel Forks.

J. T. Robinson of Kamloops, proposed by Mayor Michel, seconded by James Gill of Kamloops.

Each of the three candidates addressed the convention and their qualifications were freely discussed in their absence before the vote was taken.

The first ballot resulted in Shatford receiving 144 votes; Burrill 110, and Robinson, 54. Robinson was dropped and a second ballot gave Burrill 167 and Shatford 138.

Burrill's nomination was made unanimous on motion of Shatford, seconded by Robinson.

Barrister L. P. Duff is now being spoken of as liberal candidate for Victoria. John Macmillan has already announced his candidature and intends to stay in the field. George Riley, the sitting member, may want renomination, and in that event he is pretty sure to get it. Ex-mayor McCandless is a favorite with many liberals, but his business engagements will not permit of his entering dominion politics.

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D. CAMPBELL.

F. L. CHRISTIE DISBARRED.

At the last meeting of the Law Society of British Columbia, held in Victoria on January 8th, Frank L. Christie, a barrister and solicitor of the supreme court of British Columbia, was disbarred from practice as a barrister, and struck off the roll of solicitors. The complaints against Mr. Christie were laid by George H. Edwards and Herman Clever, both of the Kootenay district, and were to the effect that Christie had acted for them in certain legal matters and had collected money, which he should have paid over. However the money was never paid, and though it had been asked for repeatedly, is still said to be due. Letters and documents in the original matters were attached to the affidavits with which the complaints were supported. Though Christie was advised of the charges against him, he did not appear at the meeting of the benchers called to consider them.

The resolution of disbarment was passed by the benchers and ordered to be printed in the British Columbia Gazette. The local supreme court registry office is also in receipt of notice of Mr. Christie's disbarment. G. H. Edwards alluded to, was foremerly engineer at the Ymir Mill.

MANUFACTURERS' LOYALITY.

At the meeting of the Mackenzie Liberal Club, held the other night in Prospect Hall, Toronto, Stapleton Caldecott spoke on the policy of Joseph Chamberlain, and put in a very strong plea against the present protective system of taxation, saying that it was not the government that was taxing the country, but rather the manufacturers, who were making the poor farmer pay 20 and 30 per cent. taxes on his machinery, and instead of this tax going to the government, it went into the hands of a select few. "It is a remarkable fact," said Mr. Caldecott, "that the manufacturers of this country are all rich men as a class, but still when spoken to about free trade they raise a row just because they would not be able to make a profit from the tax which the government would place on importations. They turn around and sing "God Save the King" with as much fervor as the most of us, and still they can do this thing I don't call this loyality; rather it is loyality of the "lip to mouth" kind."

Never in the hottest days of August have there been so many dog-bite cases in hospitals as during the last three weeks in New York, Thirty six cases have been treated. Lack of warmth and the difficulty of obtaining food, when even refuse is frozen, has driven stray dogs to a condition of wolfish irritability similar to that produced by the heat of mid summer. Several of the more dangerously injured are still in the hospital.

The rumor of the death of the pope which was circulated in Madrid, having come to the ears of the pontiff, his holiness exclaimed to a friend: 'What already? Leo was left in peace for five years after his election, while with me these rumors have begun at only the end of a few months. It may be a good thing to look at this from a superstitious standpoint, but I am not inclined that way and think it may even prolong my life."

Miss Mary Van Horne, youngest sister of Sir William Van Horne, died at Montreal on Monday.

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NOTICE.

In the County Court of Kootenay, holden at Fort Steele.

IN PROBATE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on 19th day of November, 1903 it was ordered by J. A. Forin, Esq., Judge of the said Court, that James Ferguson Armstrong, Official Administrator of the County of Kootenay be administrator of all and singular the estate of WILLIAM J. SALMON, of Wilcox Mine, near Ymir, miner, deceased, intestate.

Every person indebted to the said deceased is required to make payment forthwith to the undersigned.

Every person having in possession effects belonging to the deceased is required forthwith to notify the undersigned.

Every creditor, or other person, having any claim upon or interest in the distribution of the personal estate of the said deceased is required, within thirty days of this date, to send by registered letter, addressed to the undersigned, his name and address and the full particulars of his claim or interest, and a statement of his account, and the nature of the security (if any) held by him.

After the expiration of the said thirty days the Administrator will proceed with the distribution of the estate, having regard to those claims only of which he shall have had notice

Dated at Fort Steele this 26th day of November, 1903.

JAMES FERGUSON ARMSTRONG,
Official Administrator
Fort Steele, B. C.

H. P. RENWICK,

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Ymir Waterworks Co.

NOTICE is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Ymir Waterworks Co. will be held at the company's office, Ymir, on the 8th day of February, 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m., to receive the annual report and statement of accounts, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meetfng.

By order,
T. H. ATKINSON,
Secretary

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MINERAL ACT.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE.

New Victor, Royal and Excelsior Mineral Claims, situate in Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District.

Where located: On Wild Horse Creek about seven miles from Ymir.

Take notice that I, John McLatchie, of the city of Nelson, acting as agent for Frank Bowser, Free Miner's Certificate No. B 71,728, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37 must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements

Dated this 19th day of Sept., 1903.

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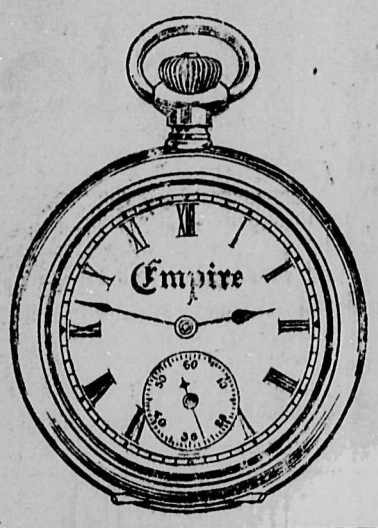

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THE ESTIMATES.

TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR YMIR BRIDGE.

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The estimates of expenditure for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905, were submitted in the Local Legislature on Monday last. They show a decrease in expenditure of about $50,000 from the estimates of 1903, being $2 442 354-31. There is an advance under the head of public debt from last year for which public works and others departments have to suffer.

Under this head the estimate is $668-979.31 as against $517.329.31 last year. Civil government salaries are reduced some $20,000, administration of justice about $1,000 while legislation goes up $4 000, partly on account of the increased membership of the legislature.

Maintenance of public institutions advances of about $18,000 and charities and hospitals about $5,000. Some $6,000 is saved under the administration of justice other than salaries. Education goes up $3.000, transportation $1,000 and miscellaneous, $7 000.

Public works decrease from $668,250 last pear to $363,250 this year.

Cariboo and Lillooet each get $10-000, although there is also a provision of $20.000 for the main trunk road in Cariboo.

Yale	$ 6,000
Kamloops	9,000
Okanogan	7.000
Similkameen	7,000
Greenwood	2,500
Grand Forks	5,000
Revelstoke	8,000
Slocan	5.000
Ymir	8.000
Kaslo	8.000
Columbia	6.000
Cranbrook	5.000
Fernie	5,000

In addition to the above there is provision for a bridge over the Elk river at Morrissey, $7.000, and one over the Lardeau at Poplar creek, $2.500 and one over the Salmon river at Ymir, $2,000.

There is no provision in the estimates for Nelson and Rossland, they now being city constituencies.

Important developments are expected in Calgary during the next day or two in connection with the package containing $10.000 Bank of Hamilton bills, lost six weeks ago in transit between Winnipeg and the Coast. John G. Gallahan has been in Calgary quietly working on the case for over a week. A sensational announcement is looked for now. Detectives have been in constant contract with mail clerks running between Calgary, Moose Jaw and the Coast. The detectives have sought the co-operation of the Mounted Police and the latter are ready to proceed with any arrest when the proper time comes.

A plant for making silk from wood erected near Sydowsaue, Germany, is at present turning out fifty pounds of stein silk a day, which product can be increased in quantity to 2,000 pounds. The silk is soft in texture, and creamy in color. Each thread is made up of 18 single strands. A single strand is hardly preceptible to the naked eye. In strength it is but one third that of real silk. The pulp undergoes a chemical process and is pressed through very fine tubes by hydraulic pressure, forming the single strands which go to make up the thread.

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Buffet cars run on trains between Spokane and Republic.

Effective Nov. 22nd. 1902,

Leave	Daily Train	Arrive
8.45 a m	Spokane	6.45 p.m
10 40 a.m	Rossland	4.35 p.m
9.32 a m	Ymir	5 35 p.m
7.20 a m	Nelson	7.20 p m
11:05 a m	(Grand Forks)	3 35 p m
9.30 a.m	Republic	5.15 p m

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It is probable that the Chicago city council next Monday night will again consider and revise the new theatre ordinance. A meeting between the theatre managers and a special committee of the aldermen will be held later in the week at which managers will announce what is physically possible for them to accomplish in making their theatres safe, and re-open for the balance of the season. It is said there will be a strong fight in the council before the action looking to furthur relief of the theatres is made.

At the request of a St. Louis firm of undertakers, four policemen were detailed as pallbearers at the funeral of Frank Magin, which took place yesterday. Magin was a member of the waiters' union and his friends were all members of the union. The family and undertakers sought pallbearers from among these men, but they met with refusal because non-union drivers were to be employed on the carriages.

The Newcastle Presbytery has decided to try the Rev. R. A. Elwood., of Wilmington, Del., on charges in connection with the preaching of a sermon, last June, entitled: "Should the murderer of Helen Bishop be lynched." It is alleged Elwood delivered the sermon at Wilmington which so worked up the people that the next night a mob took George White and burned him to death.

John R. Dick, of Rugby, Colorado, asks for special information concerning Tom Evans, one of the victims of the late explosion at Michel. Mr. Dick will be glad to hear from a yone who can give him the desired particulars.

The will of the late John Cameron of Iroquois village, Dundas county, bequeaths $500 to Presbyterian Home missions in British Columbia.

It is safe to say that for every life that is saved through the curative effects of cod liver oil another is lost in catching the fish.

F. A. Nickells, of Salmo is appointed a justice of the peace, for the county of Kootenay.

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SOME INTERESTING DETAILS OF THE BIG TORONTO STORE.

Toronto has long been noted as the city of fine stores. With her miles of beautiful residential streets, her avenues of trees, splendid lake front, unequalled street car service and her great department stores, such as that of the Robert Simpson Company, her citizens possess advantages few other cities can boast.

The firm, on Mr. Simpson's death, in 1897, became a limited company, and no modern phenomenon of the business world, so far as Toronto is concerned, has occasioned more remark than the growth of the business of the Robert Simpson Company. Large though the building is and added to from time to time as it has been,

The Robert Simpson Company building stands in the most prominent position in the city, viz., the southwest corner of Queen and Yonge Streets, where, situated in the very centre of the city, it has long been one of the most familiar land-marks of the town. As a specimen of modern store architecture, it stands supreme in Canada. It extends from Queen Street on the north clear through the block to Richmond Street on the south, with a long series of magnificent front windows on Queen, Yonge and Richmond Streets. Counting the basement, the store numbers seven selling floors, each of which would provide

Room for a Regiment's Drill Manoevers.

On these seven floors, in twenty-three distinct departments, practically everything needed in daily life, may be bought for the lowest economical price for which a store can sell it.

Experienced, enterprising "buyers" are scouring the world nearly six months of the year securing the most suitable merchandise where it is produced best and cheapest. Quantity is no drawback. The bigger quantity bought, the lower the price. If the goods are right the Robert Simpson Company cannot take too much of them.

The business now known as the Robert Simpson Company Limited, was established away back in 1873, by the late Mr. Robert Simpson. An unequalled judge of dress goods and silks, his store soon acquired a reputation for dress fabrics second to none in Canada, and that reputation has been one of the store's most valued and most carefully treasured assets ever since. Soon Yonge Street rivalled King Street in its attractiveness for the ladies of Toronto, and when after the great fire in 1895, the new building was erected, Yonge Street was indisputably master of the situation. To-day the tide of retail business flows fullest right at the corner of Queen and Yonge Streets, so less than four blocks north of where it centered ten years ago.

it was still too small until a few weeks ago to accommodate the wealthof merchandise which comprises the Robert Simpson Company's "forward" stock.

An Addition Equal to One-sixth of the Building

has just been arranged for, by utilizing the great reserve stock room on the top floor and shifting the reserve stock to an outside warehouse. This move gives room on the first floor for the display of the finest stock of dress goods and silks in Canada, and one of the finest on the continent. The Cloak department, where ready-to-wear garments for women are sold now occupies the entire second flat of the main building, a space equal to a fair sized province of Ontario field. The sample furniture show-room occupies the next entire floor, carpets and curtains the next, while on the fifth floor above the ground is situated the largest and most popular restaurant in Toronto with a ten-mile view over the city in three directions. One entire floor of the Richmond Street wing is given over to Men's Clothing, and it has become the most popular place in Toronto for men who do their own shopping. Simpson Clothing is famous, it being chosen from the cream of the production of the Canadian manufacturers in competition.

On the third floor of the Richmond Street wing is situated

The Great Modern Mail Order Department

which has made the name of Robert Simpson Company Limited, famous throughout the Dominion. It is safe to say that every post-office in Canada has done and is doing business with this department. Through the Mail Order System, families miles away from any considerable centre of population, may utilize the facilities of this great modern store with the greatest of convenience and the most entire satisfaction. The system is very simple. Twice a year the firm sends a catalogue to every household in the land whose name and address they have. This catalogue contains a complete revised and up-to-date list of about every article a Canadian or a Canadian household wants or requires in everyday life. Each item is numbered, fully described and very often illustrated so that the reader receives a true and definite idea of the goods referred to. Lastly, the price is quoted plainly, and it invariably gives the mail order customer the full advantage of the big city stores economical method of handling business. Seated comfortably at home, the mail order customer in the wheat section of the territories, in the mountain towns of the Rockies, in the thriving little settlements of New Ontario and even in far-off Dawson in the Yukon, wherever he or she may be, so long as the Canadian Mail service reaches near their place, that customer may buy from the big Robert Simpson Store in Toronto.

As Though Distance Did Not Intervene.

When the order reaches the Mail Order department of the Robert Simpson Company it is at once entered as received, and handed to one of the trained crop of practical buyers, who go to the departments where the goods are on sale and buy just as the customer would herself were she shopping in person using all the judgment and good sense which comes of handling many of such orders every day. The goods are assembled in the Mail Order department checked over and passed on to the parcellers, who check them again, wrap them, and pass them to the shipper. The Dominion Express Company and the Canadian Express Company detail six special wagons to handle the store's express parcels with the least possible delay, while the firm's own delivery department horses handle the packages shipped through the post-office, with the speedy promptness necessary to catch the very first trains starting for the points from whence the orders were received. Some time ago as an experiment the firm took a bunch of letters selected at random from orders received and had them photographed so as to show the post-mark of the offices from whence they came. The photo was reproduced and published. Seldom, indeed, has a more conclusive [illegible] a firm's wide usefulness been placed before the public. From Victoria, Halifax, roughly speaking, the entire Dominion of Canada was represented.

The 1903 Fall and Winter Catalogue

of the Robert Simpson Company is now being mailed to the firm's friends as fast as a large staff can address the envelopes and dispatch the parcels. It is a magazine of some 200 pages replete with information as to styles, qualities, new ideas and prices. The book itself is as attractively gotten up as any magazine, with half-tone cuts, showing the magnificent departments where the goods are sold. Any reader of this paper may receive one of these catalogues free on sending name and address plainly written to the Robert Simpson Company Limited, Toronto.

Moreover, the firm extend to them the heartiest welcome to look through the store should they visit Toronto. Every modern facility at the store's command, such as waiting-rooms, writing desks, lavatories, parcel check office, etc., is free y at their service, while the largest and finest stock of merchandise the store ever gathered together from the markets of the world is on sale at a scale of prices only possible to a business of such magnitude.