



ELK RIVER LODGE NO. 35



Regular meetings held first Friday in each month. Visiting brethren cordially invited.
W. J. TIMLICK, Secretary.

MT. FERNIE LODGE NO. 47

I.O. O.F.
Meets every Thursday evening at 8 p.m. in I.O.O.F. Hall.
OWEN ROSS, P.G., R.S.

FERNIE AERIE, No. 561,

FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES

Meets on the Second Wednesday of each month at 8 p.m.

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NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a License to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands: Situate on the West side of Elk River and adjoining C. Waldies coal and petroleum location on the North side, commencing at a post marked "William Senkbell's coal and petroleum location" and running East 80 chains; thence North chains; thence West 80 chains; thence South 80 chains to place of commencement, containing 400 acres, more or less. Located Sept. the 14th, 1904.
William Senkbell, Locator.

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THE CITY BARBERS.
Shop opposite the Northern

THE COUNCIL MEETING

MORE FIRE FIGHTING APPARATUS NEEDED

Several Communications Before the Council. Temporary Arrangements for a Jail.

The City Council met on Monday evening all the members being present except Aldermen Trites and Liphardt.

A communication from W. W. Tuttle was read asking for permission to move his building on Cox St to the corner of Cox St and Baker Ave. The petition was granted on condition that it be moved within sixty days and that it be placed on the front portion of the lot.

The Deputy Attorney General wrote on the subject of the extension of police limits. He pointed out that according to sub-section 2 of the "Municipalities Incorporation Act" any municipality, subject to the approval of the Lieutenant Governor-in-council, could extend the limits of the municipality for police purposes only, all that was necessary was to pass the by-law and submit it to the government, along with a plan showing the proposed extension. The letter was referred to the city solicitor with instructions to prepare the by-law.

The city solicitor wrote accepting the salary offered at the last meeting. The letter was filed.

G. G. Moffatt and F. Johnson wrote applying for the position of city auditors. Their applications were accepted.

G. R. Lawrence, assistant Fire Chief wrote asking the council to purchase another hose reel, about 500 ft of hose, some more ladders and a few helmets. He also suggested a pole attachment to the chemical engine. A wagon gear now the property of the brigade could with little expense be made to answer for a ladder wagon and he asked permission to incur this expense. He also suggested that the public be cautioned against using the triangle fire alarm except in case of fire. This letter was referred to the Finance committee.

Ald. Cree, chairman of special committee re jail accommodation reported that the committee had interviewed Chief of Provincial Police McMullin and that he had forwarded and recommended to Victoria an offer from the city as follows: The city to rent from the government the present jail quarters with use of the Court Room, at a rental of \$15.00 per month for twelve months, and the government to pay 40c. a day per head for all provincial prisoners kept in said jail. Owing to the delay liable to occur in Victoria in getting this matter arranged satisfactorily a temporary arrangement had been made with the government Agent, viz. that the city take over the jail on Monday October 3rd under the above plan, and should the government agree to the city's offer an agreement would be drawn up to date from Oct. 1, 1904. Should the government not accept the offer it would agree to pay the sum of \$2.50 a day for the jailer during the time he had acted. The report was adopted.

The finance committee passed the following accounts:

Thomson Stationery Co. city seal \$15
John Carnsley & Co. Hand cuffs & etc. \$75.00
A. Joyce Collecting Census \$15.00
Sundry postages and express \$3.85
Total \$108.85

The sidewalk grade on Victoria Ave. from Burns block to the postoffice corner was discussed at some length. Ald. Beck reported buildings had been erected on different grades. On motion of Ald. Cree and Lundie it was decided to employ an engineer to establish a grade along this block to conform as near as possible with the grade of the buildings now erected.

The Mayor and Alderman Cree were appointed a committee to interview General Manager Lindsey on the subject of a new location for the tenderloin district.

The jailor was authorized to purchase lumber and spikes for the repair of sidewalk.

The meeting adjourned till Monday Oct. 10th.

ODDFELLOWS CELEBRATE

Grand Master of B. C. Banquetted by the Local Order last Night.

Ex Mayor Neelands, of Vancouver, Grand Master of the Order of Oddfellows for B. C. paid an official visit to the local lodge last night, when it met for the first time in its new hall in the Stork

building. A large turnout of members greeted the visiting grand master. After the meeting the members repaired to the dining room of the Imperial Hotel where a sumptuous repast was spread by the genial proprietors Messrs Jean and Murchison. After the wants of the inner man had been supplied a short toast list brought forth some very interesting speeches.

Owen Ross, recording secretary, filled the position of toastmaster in an acceptable manner. The first toast was "The King" followed by "Our City" which brought a capital speech from Mayor Stork. "The Home Lodge" was responded to by Ald. Beck. D. D. Grand Master, "Our visiting Brothers" was responded to by Brothers White and Johnson. The last toast "The grand lodge of British Columbia" brought the guest of the evening to his feet. Ex Mayor Neelands is an eloquent speaker and for more than an hour he held the closest attention of his audience as he went into the history of the order and the rapid and solid growth it was making.

THE POLICE COURT.

W. H. Whimster, City Police Magistrate, sat on his first case on Monday. It was a case of assault with intent to do bodily injury. The complainant was D. J. McMillan and the accused Charles Thompson a colored man. It came out in the evidence that the two men had quarrelled in the bar-room of the Napanee Hotel on Friday night, last. McMillan had got the best of the row and the accused walked off as if it was all over. A short time after he came back with a razor in his hand. Someone called "look out Mac" and the latter turned in time to dodge a vicious plunge from the accused, with the razor in his hand. The complainant swore that the accused made a second slash at his back. He escaped unhurt and T. H. Whelan the proprietor who was attracted by the noise took the razor from the accused. His Worship found the accused guilty of the charge and in sentencing him to pay a fine of \$100 and costs or serve six months at hard labor he stated that he would be easy with him in view of the fact that this was his first case in the city. The accused paid the fine.

The Magistrate's second case was that of violating the fire act, the accused being John McKechnie. Complaints had been made by A. Milton that the accused had set fires on the lot next to that owned by the witness. He had warned the accused several times but evidently to no effect and the fire had frequently spread to neighboring lots. The witness had reported the matter to the chief of city police who had also warned the accused. Finally the fire had sprung up fiercely in the heavy wind and had caused considerable damage and a good deal of work to get it under control. His Worship imposed a fine of fifty dollars and costs.

A windfall came to the city treasury yesterday from the police court fines. Four tin-horns paid the aggregate sum of \$125 for the carrying on of their profession during the past six weeks.

John Rowell was the first case. He was charged in the usual form with having no peaceable occupation and with living chiefly by the gains made from gaming. In addition to this Chief Warring proved that the accused used marked cards. The cards were produced, as was also a letter from the manufacturers in Chicago found on the accused. The letter was written at the time the cards were forwarded and explained their combination by means of samples enclosed. The accused pleaded guilty and His Worship gave him the option of paying a fine of \$50 and costs or 6 months imprisonment. The fine was paid.

Three other tin-horns answered respectively to similar charges. Their names were Harry Nash, Frank Carper and Harry Hudson. Chief Warring asked that, in view of the fact that he had no evidence that these men used marked cards, they might be dealt with more leniently. They each pleaded guilty and the magistrate imposed a fine of \$25 each and \$1 costs, with a caution that a repetition of the offence might prove more disastrous to them.

ANOTHER JAILOR APPOINTED

A meeting of the Police Commissioners was held on Saturday last to appoint a new jailor, A. Joyce refusing to accept the position for the salary offered. The application of C. H. Levers was accepted at the same salary. An additional condition was stipulated that the jailor should sleep at the jail. Mr. Levers took charge of his work on Monday Oct 3rd.

SPEEDY COURT TRIAL.

HIS HONOR JUDGE LEAMY VISITS FERNIE.

Three Criminal Cases tried. One Dismissed and each of the Others got Nine Months.

His Honor Judge Leamy, who is acting for Judge Forin during the latter's visit East, came to Fernie on Wednesday to hold a speedy courts trial.

James Devine, the Morrissey burglar who broke into the Crows Nest Trading Co's store last week pleaded guilty to the charge, and offered the drink plea as an extenuating circumstance. His Honor sentenced him to nine months at Nelson jail with hard labor. No counsel were employed in the case.

George A. Knox, a boarder at the Roma Hotel was the next. He was accused of stealing a collection of valuable coins from Wm. Gott the bar-tender, and also with attempting to get into the safe. He was previously up before Police Magistrate Whimster where he waived the preliminary hearing. He pleaded guilty to his honor. The prosecution submitted the facts of the case. The face value of the coins was only \$30 but their commercial value was ten times that amount. Some of the coins had been found in his possession. He also had a key which he had broken in trying to open a drawer in the safe. He likewise got nine months at Nelson.

This was a case of quick justice. The offence was committed on Monday night and within 36 hours he was doing time.

The next case was James Doran accused with the theft of a \$20 bill. He was defended by L. P. Eckstein. E. Wriglesworth was the chief witness. He swore that he saw the accused pick a \$20 bill from the sidewalk near the Free Press corner. Accused denied this accusation and claimed that the two \$20 bills found on him were his own. His Honor gave Doran the benefit of the doubt and dismissed the case.

Constable Walker left yesterday for Nelson with the two prisoners Devine and Knox.

THE IMPERIAL CO. BUSY.

Mr. Lewis when in the city on Tuesday gave a brief account of the work being done by the Imperial Coal and Oil Company on Fording River. He himself has been working his pack-train of six horses for the Company during the Summer. The camp is located on Fording River about 30 miles above Michel. Mr. W. R. Wilson has charge of the work with a force of twenty-two men. The preliminary development work is progressing very satisfactorily and the property is now about ready for tunnelling. Seventeen seams had been uncovered and the quality of the coal so far as tested had come up to the highest expectations of the Company. The development work would probably be continued all through the Winter.

MICHEL NEWS.

The new two roomed school house will be completed this month.

The new jail will be completed this week. Some objection has been made to its location, it being situated between the Methodist Church and the site selected for the Catholic Church. Already \$400.00 has been subscribed for this new church building.

A Dancing Club has been organized in town. The practise meeting is on Wednesday evening and a dance is given every Saturday evening. The Almond family supply the music.

The lumber mills at The Loop and Sparwood are running full blast.

The Mines are running less than a half time. The want of cars is the cause.

Two Pittsburg hunters under the guidance of C. L. Smith and M. Norboe are out hunting game across on Bull River. They expect to be back this week.

Three Fernie sports were down to Michel prairie on Sunday after chickens.

Mr. Cook of Cowley has taken over the personal management of his dairy business at Michel.

Two cases of diphtheria have broken out here, two children of Wm. Sayers being down with the disease. The house has been quarantined by Constable Henderson. This is the first outbreak of the disease in Michel.

Dr. McSorley who recently underwent

an operation for appendicitis is visiting friends at Enderby while he recuperates. A medical man from Toronto is looking after his practice.

Rev. S. J. Thomson of Cranbrook delivered an address in the Methodist Church on Wednesday evening.

A petition is being circulated asking the Coal Company to erect a skating rink in the town. It is being largely signed.

A grand reception was given on Monday evening in honor of Mrs. Georgina Dudley who left the following morning for Nanaimo where she will make her home in future. She was presented with a beautiful silver set and afterwards a very pleasant evening was spent in the hall where dancing was continued until a late hour. Mrs. Dudley is very popular in Michel where she has always been foremost in promoting pleasant social gatherings. The Misses Dudley will leave for Nanaimo next week to join their mother.

The oldest landmark in Michel disappeared this week. It was the old mess house, built by the C.P.R. engineer staff in construction days. This house and other log buildings are being pulled down by the Coal Co. to make room for a new row of houses. The old landmark was occupied by Mrs. Anthony as a boarding house. She has moved into the building previously occupied as an hotel.

Mr. Ambery of Hiram Walker and Co's western office at Vancouver visited his brother in the Coal Co. office this week.

Donald McKay the Government road builder has a gang of men repairing bridges and the corduroy road between the town and the Elk River bridge. They are also extending the government road north up the Elk valley.

Several Michel sportsmen went up the Elk 25 miles after game a few days ago. They report having shot five goats but only one head was brought in. They are poor sportsmen who do not bring their game home.

"Columbus Day" the 412th anniversary of the discovery of America will be commemorated by the Italians of Michel by holding a picnic next Wednesday, Oct. 12th. The Fernie Band will be present and a good program of sports is promised.

The boiler house has been extended to cover the new boiler recently installed.

It is reported that the coal company purpose installing a large wash house here.

The coke oven contract was finally completed this week. The work on a few ovens was long delayed on account of the scarcity of brick. Michel has now 462 ovens.

READY TO BUILD BRIDGE

PILE DRIVER AND TIMBER ON THE GROUND. A. G. BROWN OF SPOKANE IN CHARGE.

The pile driver, engine and all accessories arrived in Fernie this week from Kalispell and the Fernie Cartage Co. received the contract to place it in position on the west side of the river for driving piles for the trestle approaching the bridge. The hammer of the driver weighs three and a half tons. Two cars of bridge timber also arrived and has been unloaded and five more cars of similar material is expected to arrive soon. A. G. Brown of Spokane, representative of Porter Bros. arrived on Tuesday to oversee the construction of the bridge.

The grade work is proceeding favorably with the exception of the gumb cut on the Foss section which again threatens to give more trouble. Forty men are working on this cut in three sections and with ordinary luck they will have it cleared in time for the track laying which is expected to start at Morrissey in a few days. The yard work is also making good progress. No further orders have been issued regarding the branch to the C.P.R. track.

J. D. Quail has received a large consignment of stoves.

The regular monthly meeting of The Ladies Benevolent Society will be held next Friday Oct. 14th, at 3.30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Robson.

J. W. Dally arrived in the city from the Flathead yesterday. He has acquired a wide knowledge of that country from several prospecting tours through it.

The new school board received word this week from the Superintendent of Education, Victoria, that though the schools were formally taken over by the city on Sept. 12th, the government would pay the expenses up to Oct. 1st.

HOCKEY ORGANIZED.

FIRST MEETING HELD ON MONDAY NIGHT.

Officers Elected. The Meeting was Largely Attended and the Prospects for a Good Season are very Bright.

The organization meeting of the Fernie Hockey Club was held in Purdy's store in the Cuthbert Block. It was largely attended and a great amount of enthusiasm was displayed by those present. Indeed, seldom have we seen so much interest taken in the cause of sport in this city as on this occasion.

G. R. Lawrence occupied the chair and A. M. Grimes acted as secretary. The full list of officers elected is as follows. Honorary President, G. G. S. Lindsey, General Manager of the C. N. P. Coal Co.

Patrons, Mayor Stork, W. R. Ross, M. P. P., James McEvoy, W. W. Tuttle, Dr. Corsan and J. H. Bricker. President, R. W. Wood. 1st Vice Pres. Ald. Liphardt. 2nd " " A. Mutz. 3rd " " S. Herchmer. Manager, C. W. Sheppard. Secretary-Treasurer, A. M. Grimes.

Managing Committee, Messrs G. R. Lawrence, W. J. Blundell, A. J. Purdy, C. W. Sheppard and A. M. Grimes. Delegate to Convention, J. E. Sheppard. The appointment of a captain was left to the players at a later date. The price of the membership was fixed at one dollar. The prospects for the coming season were discussed by those present and the prevailing opinion was most optimistic. The city possessed two new players who held high honors in hockey circles in the east and the prospects were good for still further additions. The meeting took a strong stand against allowing the slightest tinge of professionalism to enter into their club.

A new rink for the city was discussed briefly. The matter was in the hands of private individuals and the prospects were good for the consummation of their plans for a first-class rink for the coming season. Mr. Purdy offered the club the free use of his store for meeting purposes which called for a hearty vote of thanks by the meeting.

GRAND MASTER AT FERNIE

New Masonic Hall Dedicated. Grand Banquet Tendered the visiting Grand Master.

The local Masonic lodge was visited last Friday by W. J. Bowser, Grand Master of Vancouver; Geo. Johnson, Grand Senior Warden, of Nelson and other Grand Officers. The occasion was the dedication of the New Masonic Hall in the McEwing Block, which has been elaborately fitted up for the sole use of the local Mason lodge. A very large number of members were present. This event had been arranged to take place at the same time that the Grand Masters annual visit to Fernie was fixed. After the meeting the members repaired to the dining room of the Napanee Hotel where an elaborate banquet had been prepared in honor of the visiting Grand Master. The banquet was a very successful affair.

A PRISONER ESCAPED.

A prisoner named Davidson made a dash for freedom on Wednesday. Jailor Levers took two prisoners to mend a sidewalk opposite the King Edward Hotel that morning. He left the men at the place and stepped into Sheppard and Elliott's to get some spikes. Returning almost directly he found one man gone. Enquiring of the other he learned that the missing man had disappeared behind a pile of lumber in the lumber yard. Mr. Levers hastily making enquiries followed the man into the brush behind the hospital and into the G. N. right of way. Here he lost trace of him, though afterwards he learned at the Fernie Co's mill that a man answering the missing man's description had passed there a short while after. Telegrams were sent to various points advising of the escape.

Davidson was a prisoner brought in from Morrissey about one month ago to serve two months on the charge of vagrancy.

A meeting of the Fernie Liberal Association was held on Wednesday evening when preliminary steps were taken to assist in the coming campaign. President Stork was elected to attend the party caucus at Nelson.