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JANUARY 15, 1909.

GREAT PROSPERITY

The official report of the postmaster general for the year 1908 has just arrived. It gives another record of this town and the progress of the province in general. The postal returns are perhaps the best indication of any district.

The total revenue for the entire province was \$343,510. During the year the money orders issued amounted to \$445,350, and the money orders paid amounted to \$239,016.

Calgary stands eleventh in the Dominion, the leading cities being Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Ottawa, Hamilton, London, Quebec, St. John's Halifax.

The receipts of the leading post-offices in Alberta are as follows:

Calgary \$90,941; Edmonton \$68,801; Lethbridge \$14,541; Medicine Hat \$12,291; Strathcona \$7,881; Red Deer \$7,269; Wetaskiwin \$4,760; Macleod \$5,562; High River \$5,243; Lacombe \$4,708; Banff \$4,200; Stettler \$4,017; Pincher Creek \$3,861; Claresholm \$3,565; Innisfail \$3,472; Taber \$3,424; Fort Saskatchewan \$3,408; Oids \$3,350; Vegreville \$3,130; Nanton \$3,057; Vermillion \$3,000; Didsbury \$2,900; Camrose \$2,476; Okotoks \$2,299; Ponoka \$2,251; Frank \$2,225; Leduc \$2,091; Cardston \$2,081; Carstairs \$1,973; Raymond \$1,935; Colman \$1,899; Hardisty \$1,816; Gleichen \$1,782; Daysland \$1,609; Stavelly \$1,489; Benkview \$1,462; Granum \$1,409; Crossfield \$1,257; Sedgewick \$1,238; Cochrane \$1,224; Canmore \$1,126; Ekshw \$1,073; Magrath \$1,011; Bowden \$1,005; Cowley \$1,005.

BUFFALO IN THE WEST

There are now 475 head of buffalo at Elk Island Park east of Edmonton. The herd is doing well since its removal from Montana. Next spring part of the herd at Elk Island will be taken to the new park at Battle River when the remainder of the Montana herd is brought north. The complete disappearance of the bison is now impossible.

EVERYTHING ALL RIGHT NOW

The merry bells of Yule have ceased.
The home is re-arranged,
And every one, from Father down
Has got his presents changed.

Get your
TIN GALVANIZED IRON
and FURNICE WORK
—done at the—

Cardston Tin & Cornice Shop
BAKER and CAMPBELL

A FAULTY COMPARISON

An Eastern journal observes that "Mr. J. P. Morgan, of New York, gave ten thousand dollars to aid the Italian sufferers, while Canada, which is not as rich as Mr. Morgan, gave one hundred thousand dollars." Mr. Morgan is a very wealthy individual, no doubt. But Canada is a great country, and even one of its smaller Provinces has within it the wealth of a thousand Morgans.

IN THE WEST

The Canadian Pacific Railway proposes to expend \$30,000,000 upon extensions and improvements in the Canadian West this year. The Canadian Northern and the Grand Trunk Pacific will spend correspondingly large amounts. The Western crop of 1908 was valued at \$125,000,000. No wonder that the new Provinces forge ahead. And we can understand why they smile at the skeptical East.



Public Notice

A Sitting of the District Court
Will be held at
Cardston, on Thursday, January 21st.
S. H. Woods
Deputy Attorney General
Edmonton,
12 January 1909.

Kootenay and Alberta Railway Company

NOTICE is hereby given that an APPLICATION will be made at the next Session of the Legislature of the Province of Alberta FOR AN ACT TO INCORPORATE A RAILWAY COMPANY to be called "The Kootenay and Alberta Railway Company" with power to construct and operate the following line of railway:

1. To begin at a point at or near Cowley, Alberta, going southerly through the Valley known as Beaver Valley and thence west to the North Kootenay Pass in the Rocky Mountains.
2. To begin at a point at or near Cowley, Alberta, going south-westerly through Pincher Creek down the settlement of Pincher, Cardston and thence easterly to a point at or near Coote on the International Boundary Line between Canada and the United States.
AND to make agreements with other Railways for the use of their lines, and to do all such other things as may be necessary and proper, with such other necessary and usual powers, rights and privileges.
DATED at Edmonton this 7th day of January, 1909.
Emery, Newell & Bolton,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

THEATRE

— AT ASSEMBLY HALL —
TUESDAY EVENING

Jan. 19th

The Cardston Dramatic Co. under the auspices of the Alberta Stake Sunday School, will present the popular Western Play, entitled:

The Gold King

Which is bristling with Thrilling Scenes and Startling Situations

Cast of Characters

Tom Carew } Young } H. Brown
Dandy Dick } Miners } S. Woolf
Old Nevada—The Wanderer }
—Athos M. Johnson
Vermont—An Old Timer, B. May
Silas Steel—a Pill Peddler }
—J. M. Anderson
Jerdan—the Detective, E. Jensen
Jube—a black boy, Mose Johnson
Win-Kye—the Chinaman }
—Beth Newton
Mother Merton—a Landlady }
—Sadie Wolsey
Agnes Fairlee—the School Marm }
—Eva Harker
McSelle—a Waif, Eunice May

The above mirth provoking Drama is teeming with "Wisdom and Wickedness". The costumes will be picturesque and stage settings good. Turn out and encourage "Home Talent".

Prices 25, 35 and 50c.

TICKETS AT DRUG STORE

Doors open 7:30 Curtain 8:30

Prof. M. Johnson
MANAGER

BURTON'S VARIETY STORE

"Cash Goods at Cash Prices"

Ladies House Waists

We are clearing up three odd lines of Ladies colored Waists all new goods, but broken in sizes

1st. Lot

Sizes 34, 36, 38. Worth 60 to 70c.

Our price 40c.

2nd. Lot

Sizes 34, 36, 38. Worth 75 to 85c.

Our price 50c.

3rd. Lot

Sizes 36, 38, 40. Worth 95 to \$1.00

Our price 65c.

Burton's Variety Store

The Alberta Star, Cardston and the Farmers' Advocate, Wpg. for \$2.00

To make fortunes out of the future you must put something into the present.

Agents Wanted to sell Securities FOR SALE, Fruit Lands and cheap homes, City Lots, farms & Suburban acreage.

Gold-coppers pay big Dividends all over British Columbia.

BRITISH COLUMBIA ILLUSTRATED
Containing over 100 views, Post Paid 25c. stamps. Richest Province in British Empire

Nothing Risked, Nothing Gained Nothing Ventured, Nothing Won
Splendid Opportunity to Invest

The Richest men in the world are investing in British Columbia Copper Gold and Silver mines. Why can't you begin now? The greatest Gold-Copper discovery of the age is in British Columbia.

Big Four Consolidated Gold Mines, Ltd. Capital \$625,000
Every Dollar Subscribed used in Development of Mine

Special offer—20c. per Share, will shortly advance to \$1
Mines directly west of Le Roi and Le Roi No. 2 shares sold from 5 cts to \$100.00 and Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. of Canada, Ltd. shares \$150.00 each, the Giant California adjoining our own, shares about \$110.00. Granby Mine paid over 3,000,000.00 Dividends per year. Gold-Copper mines in British Columbia pay large Dividends. Big Four assays from \$5.00 to \$800.00 in gold copper, silver with 30 per cent in the treasury. Invest now and you won't regret it.

NOTE—Most of these mines sold for a few cents once, but over capitalized even now pay big dividends. Big Four is on the railway, near smelters.
16 shares and mines received Highest Awards for richest gold-copper ore sent to St. Louis Exposition, Big Four had best display at Dominion Fair, New Westminster, B. C., no less than 100 shares sold for cash, above sale. Shares can be had on instalment plan, on yearly contract, 10 per cent. cash, balance monthly.

Nearly Two Miles of Railway on Property

Company has no debts or liabilities. Send for Illustrated Prospectus and Booklet, "Mining - a - Day" to Secretary, with 5 cents in stamps.

BIG FOUR MINES, LIMITED.

P. O. BOX 174, VANCOUVER, B.C., CANADA

Woolf Hotel

Pioneer Hotel of Cardston

European Plan

Our Service is Unexcelled

Pratt and Thompson

UNION BANK OF CANADA

Capital, Rest and Undivided Profits Exceed \$5,000,000

The Habit of Saving systematically has made more men "well off" than have large incomes.

fortunate investments and "Juck" combined. It is practically a certain road to a comfortable competence.

A Savings Account in the Union Bank will help you form the habit of saving.

Open a Savings Account with \$1.00 or upwards—add to it regularly as much as you can spare—and we will add interest at the highest current rate at regular intervals.

Cardston Branch. R. H. Baird, Manager.