DWARDS IS IDENTIFIED

ail Clerk McQuarrie Positive He is Man Who **Boarded Car**

erintendent Hussey Confident He Has P. R. Hold ups in the Toils and has Called Off all Further Search

(Special to The Daily News) amloops. May 16.-Assistant mail k McQuarrie has positively identified ards, one of the three me ie and the mounted police for com

then the police with their prisoners thed town last evening, McQuarrie immediately taken to jail to ascer-if he could identify anyone of them he man who entered the mail car rifled the registered mail sacks. ly public, it appears that when the mail car his mash off, enabling McQuarrie to get a good at his face. nfronted with Edwards, McQuarrie

tively identified him as the man rdered him to hand over the mai circumstantial urther

inst Edwards is found in the fact the nails in the heels of his boots tly correspond to the imprints found scene of the robbery and on the

unn, alias "Shorty," displays a good of bravado, but the evidence against is almost as conclusive as in the of Edwards. It appears that after police had made the arrest and orty" was lying wounded in the ditch asked sergeant Wilson to hand him Wilson asked him to point it, and upon picking it up and exam the pockets, the sergeant found of goggles similar to those worn the men who held up the train. erty" declared last night that they

shorty declared last might the shorty declared last might the had a moment's warning he approach of the police there would be been some lively shooting and some he police would no doubt have receive what he did, a bullet wound. vincial constable Fernie, it now ap-passed the men on the trail, that they were armed, and realiz-

that he might only make a mess of mpting their arrest single handed inued on his way as though enly indifferent and in reply to a quesere he was going, simply replied

hen being photographed at the jail orty" asked: "Do you want me to le or scowl? You can have it any

n Edwards' person was disbottle of catarrh cure, said to have taken from the mail car, as well as air of the tell-tale goggles.

rintendent Hussey is quite satisthat the right men have been taken has called off further search. he preliminary hearing opens in the the preliminary hearing opens in the rt house here tomorrow morning. The crowd assembled to witness the he crowd assembled to wall ast night

he Daily News' Phoenix correspondsends the following particulars con-ning L. Colquboun, the third man of

hold-up gang: hoenix, May 16.—L. Colquhoun was yed for a time as a mucker or n man at the Brooklyn mine of the nion Copper Co., in this camp, but weeks ago, and had not heard of since. Little was known

ernon, May 16.-Jim Christie, Moir Wilson are still under arrest here suspicion of knowing something of C. P. R. hold-up, but the police are inclined to think the state of the state o inclined to think their arres e. Mail clerk McQuarrie of the held-train was here Monday and saw istie. He says Christie corres the untalkative robber, but he fails entify Christie's peculiar and un-

ancouver, May 16.—Provincial conole Fernie is likely to participate in division of upwards of \$25,000 if it was that old Bill Miner is the leader gang of train robbers captured by

Monday afternoon.

or the arrest, dead or alive, of the dits who held up the westbound C.

R. express near Kamloops last Tuesnight there is a reward of \$11,500, it proves that the leader ig is old Bill Miner he runs a good nee of conviction for the robbery on C. P. R. near Mission Junction in

larry Draper and T. Hopper, of Spole, arrived from Kamloops last night h the bloodhounds belonging to the ner, which were engaged in the hunt the train robbers. Seen at the hcona, Mr. Draper said:

Well, we were a little too late in ting. We were on the track but 15 es away when a messenger arrived to us that the outlaws were caught. saw them afterwards at Quilchena. If helped to dress Shorty Dunn's He is a nervy beggar. He joked ut it all the time. He is probably an hand at crime.

The man called Edwards, who is it to be Bill Winer looks like a young

i to be Bill Miner, looks like a young ow. I can't believe that he is an ex-ienced train robber. The work was raw. When they work they raw. When they were caught they

were only 40 miles from the scene of the OF INTEREST TO MINERS hold-up, and were not prepared for a fight. Edwards was the first to throw up his hands. They look like novices to

me.
"When we arrived at Ducks we sized up the country. The trail was then five days old. I concluded that the robbers would strike southeast through the timber country, and made for it across country. Our horses played out and before we were fairly in the race, it was

all over.
"Yes, I am sorry that my dogs didn't before, and have a pretty good record. They are St. Huberts, that is, southern states' hounds, but both were born and

raised in Texas.
"I have been in the dog business good many years. It requires a long time and endless patience and persever-ance to train dogs thoroughly for their work. I prefer them country bred, they are superior in bone, muscle and contion. A kennel bred dog is no good. I admit the faults of the St. Hubert breed. They are fast trackers and wear a man out in a long chase. Mine nearly exhausted the posse in the hunt for Smith in Oregon. They always attack the quarry too. I don't consider that a fault when the quarry is a law-breaker. But if I were tracking a lost child or a crazed man I should, of course, keep the hounds in leash. Besides they will obey my voice at any time, even in the thick

f a fight.
"I have two English hounds arriving. I expect that they reached Spokane to-night. They are more patient and bet-ter fitted for city work. I like to have my dogs trained first on a range and then gradually broken to city work. In training my dogs I make every outing a practice. The dogs enjoy it and they know that whenever they are taken out it means business. It keeps them keen.

"Yes, your police have made quick work. They always do. I have a great admiration for them, especially for the mounted police, they are fine fellows. I have often heard it remarked by officers on the other side of the border that they wish they had Canadian laws behind them. I have always felt proud of it because I am an Englishman by

Mr. Draper and his dogs leave for Spokane by this morning's train.

SNEAK THIEF AT YMIR

ROBS FELLOW EMPLOYEES AND TOUCHES HOTEL TILL

IS NOW HUNTING COVER WITH CONSTABLE ON HIS TRAIL.

Ymir, May 14.—Saturday a man named William Hagarty, employed at the Porto Rico company's logging camp, at Tamarac, coolly went through the contents of some of his fellow employees' baggage, taking a number of useful articles, including a savings banks book of a ma named Walker, which book showed a credit of \$100 in the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Nelson. Proceeding to Ymir he drew a cheque on the account for \$20 and with the book in charge of a hotel keeper obtained \$20. Later the hotel keeper obtained \$20. Later the same hotelman caught Hagarty helping himself to the contents of the till, and promptly made him disgorge and hustled him out of the house. Sunday a complaint was registered with constable Fraser, who proceeded on horse back to Erie. Although Hagarty was in Erie Sunday morning, he had left before the constable reached there. Fraser returned to Ymir and took the train south this morning in the hopes of getting sight of his man. The description of Hagarty is as follows: Height 5ft. 10 in. lagarty is as follows: Height 5ft. 10 in., weight about 175 lbs., wears mustac and has a sore on left ear. It is pre-sumed that he is making for North-port. It is also reported that this light ingered gentleman went across the

Track Laying to Commence at Unce-Granby's New No. 1 Furnace.

(Special to The Daily News)
Grand Forks. May 14.—Thirty car loads steel arrived in Midway yesterday and track laying west of Midway will com-mence at once and the work pushed with all possible dispatch towards the Simil-kameen district.

n district.

work of enlarging No. 1 furnace at ranby smelter is now completed, makes this furnace the largest one smelter, having now a daily capacity of 500 tons.

H. W. Worrington, superintendent of the Kettle Valley railway, has gone to Hepublic and will make a trip through the Colville reservation for the purpose of arranging for the right of way for the extension of the Kettle Valley line from Spotane to Republic, which, however, not now be commenced until the branch up the North Fork is completed.

SENT UP FOR TRIAL AT NELSON

(Special to The Daily News)
abrook, May 16—William VanDam,
sed of some \$135 and the over dose

SPECIAL WEEKLY ARTICLE MORE PROMINENT METALS.

THE YELLOW METAL IS DEALT WITH INTERESTINGLY.

Our article on the more prominent ietals this week is on gold. It is a difficult subject to treat upon in a way to make it the least entertaining to the to make it the least entertaining to the ordinary mining man. The writer of this particular article in talking the matter over with a well known prospector this last few days, was asked what is the use of writing upon that subject (gold)? "Why gold is found everywhere and anywhere you can't tell us (gold)? "Why gold is found everywhere and anywhere, you can't tell us
where to find it!" It is certainly a
short way of putting it but none the less
correct, as nearly all the country rock
in this district carries gold in small
quantities. Besides that gold has recently been found in one of the neighboring camps to Nelson, which has always been considered a rather lowgrade silver camp, and yet within the
last few days, ore has been found there last few days, ore has been found there assaying over \$400 per ton in gold. In writing the following article the writer has been led more by giving information about gold, and the ores bearing it, than with the intention to in-

struct prospectors and others where Regarding our correspondence column we are pleased to see that senders of samples are following the instructions that we have so often printed. If all will do this we shall be only to pleased to answer all queries and give our opin-ion upon all samples submitted.

GOLD

It would hardly seem necessary to give a description of gold to our readers as gold is so common (and yet so rare) in British Columbia yet in conformity with this series of articles we think it better to do so.

NATIVE GOLD has a color and streak

of orange-yellow often inclining to a silver-white, seldom to an orange-red. It has a metallic luster and is opaque. It is very malleable and ductile. Its hardness varies from 2.5 to 3, and its gravity from 15.6 to 19.3, the latter being the gravity when pure. In this latter state it is never found native, as it nearly always contains silver, copper, or iron. Like silver it is also found native in combination with mercury, samples having been obtained contain-

native in combination with mercury, samples having been obtained containing 60 to 71 per cent of mercury. Ordinary metallic gold as found in nature, contains from a trace up to 16 per cent of silver. The purest gold that has been found, so far, being obtained from Queensland, where it was found in Mount Morgan district. This gold yields 99.7 per cent of gold (of \$19.94 with gold at \$20.00 per ounce), the remainder being copper with only a minute trace of silver present. Some very fine gold is found in the Kootenays, the highest known being 95 per cent of gold.

Argentiferous-gold, or electrium, is found in many parts of the world; this is a compound of gold and silver in the ratio of 1 to 1. Owing to the difference in the weight between the two metals, it will only contain about 36 per cent silver, and 64 per cent gold.

Bismuth-gold with a color of a pinkish silver white, is also frequently found. It contains about 65 per cent gold. The chief place where it is found is at Maldon in Victoria.

Gold is soluable in no single acid, though it readily dissolves in a combination of nitric and hydrochloric acids. Free chlorine also dissolves it, this being the foundation of the chlorination process. It is also soluable in weak solutions of the alkaline cyanides, to which is due the cyanide process for the extraction of gold. Pure gold when precipitated from its saits, or upon being parted from silver has a dark purple brown color but when heat is applied it quickly assumes its well known color.

The gold of the world has been mostly garred and directly from quartz veins but from the gravel and sands of the Ingered gentleman went across the river and stole from some of the females there.

Miss S. Strickland, of the Jubilee hospital, Victoria, has been engaged as nurse for the Ymir general hospital and arrived this morning.

Work today commenced on the Goodenough group recently bonded to the Ymir Gold Mines Limited.

Last week three pre-emptions were Last week three pre-emptions were recorded in the Salmon river valley about inte miles south of Salmo.

Miss Jean Clark and B. J. McKenzie will be married on Wednesday in the Presbyterian church here.

The Ladies' Guild of Ymir are giving a dance Victoria Day in the Miners' Union hall.

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pounds was found in Australia, whilst within the last few years several very large nuggets have been found in the Klondyke and Yukon districts.

The minerals which gold is chiefly associated with are: Iron pyrites which far exceeds all others in quantity and which is nearly always auriferous, (marcasite or cubical arsenical pyrites being an exception as it rarely carries cold values): arsenical pyrites which is (marcastic of chindra alsolutes)
mineral in some of British Columbia's richest gold mines; copper pyrites which apparently carries the
gold values in the Rossland district;
ginc blende which in the Ymir and Lardo district carries rich values in gold;
pyrrhotite or magnetic iron pyrites,
which when associated with arsenic
or copper pyrites carries rich values in
gold, but when these two are absent
only carries very small values; galena,
which in the Boundary and certain parts
of the Salmo districts carries very high or which sometimes accompanies of the Salmo districts carries very high values in gold. Apart from these the price of a wered in the evening into a new night-blooming cereus, with a of elegant long, long green bills and ten denominations. Putting complaint, the fives and tens other matters together, chief aron thought that an interview blice court magistrate would community to the control of t

ATTACKED WITH AN AXE

strictly called gold minerals. The three we give below are the most important. SYLVANITE, or graphic tellurium SYLVANITE, or graphic tellurium, has a brilliant metallic luster. It is very brittle and has an uneven fracture. Its color and streak are either a steel gray or a silvery white. It is the most abundant compound of gold and tellurium carrying about 25 per cent of gold, 12 per cent silver, the balance being tellurium. Its resemblance, in crystalline form, to the written Hebrew characters gives it its name of graphic

haracters gives it its name of graphic tellerium.
NAGYAGITE, or foliated tellerium, is a compound of gold, lead, tellerium and sulphur, carrying about 9 per cent gold. It has a blackish lead gray color and streak, and as its name would imply a foliated structure with a metallic luster. It is frequently called black tellerium. PETZITE. This mineral is a telluride gold and silver, carrying about 25 per per cent of gold, 42 per cent silver, and 32 per cent tellurium.

It is usually found in a massive form

It is usually found in a massive form either compact or in fine granulations. It has a metallic luster and is brittle. In color it varies from a steel gray to an iron black. Native gold is frequently interspersed between the granulations. This ore is frequently found in Colorado, in Republic, Wash., as well as several placed in British Columbia, the Gold Cup mine at Ymir being one instance. CORRESPONDENCE

A. N., Waneta, B.C.—The rock you send us this time is very similar to that submitted in April. Your No. 1 sample as stated in our last reply (April 29) will probably carry a little gold and silver. The fee for this assay will be \$1.50; for gold only it is \$1.00. Your No. 2 sample will possibly carry as much in values if not more, as the quarts is more solid and of better appearance for carrying values. We will hold both samples one week awaiting a reply from you, as to which we should have assayed. You must enclose fee for one or both samples.

F., Grand Forks, B. C.—We will take your word for the fact that the veins of quartz on your ground look "very pret-Waneta, B.C.—The rock you

quartz on your ground look "very pret-ty." No doubt they do, but in our opin-ion, the quartz, which owes its color to ion, the quartz, which owes its color to iron stains, will carry very little or no values. Possibly by exploring the small stringers of quartz which you have you may run into more solid formation and from the description you give and our knowledge of the country you may possible the your may possible the country you may possible the your gold ore. Z., Ymir, B. C.—Writes asking if we

can tell him what marcasita argentea is. The letter arrived late in the week and we should like a few days to look the matter up. In the meantime if any of our foreign readers know what the min-eral is we shall be pleased to hear from

A. McD., Kaslo, B. C.-Your No sample is pyrites and blende in quartz. Nos. 2 and 3 are very similar, with a little galena intermixed. If we advised at all we should advise assaying for gold and silver; the fee for which will be \$1.50 in each instance. N. McD., Nelson—We cannot reply to

your questions as you do not with conditions published.

................... CANADA'S GROWING DAYS

Ottawa, May 15 .- (Special)-Canada's aggregate trade for the ten months ending with April was \$435,742,955, an increase of \$63,-801,543 over the ten months of last year. The imports of goods for con-

sumption for the past ten months were \$255,297,575, an increase of \$25,280,200.

The exports of Canadian produce were \$189,757,171, an increase of \$25,280,000. There was an increase of over six millions an increase of over six millions in the duty collected. Every branch of trade shows an increase. There was an increase of two and half millions in the out-put of the mines, four millions and a quarter in the fisheries, three millions and three-quarters in the forests, three millions and a half in animals and their products, eight millions and a quarter in agricultural products, and nearly three millions in manufactures.
The imports for the month of

April show an increase of two millions and a quarter and the exports four millions and a quar-

************** GUN CLUB TOURNAMENT.

Arrangements for Meeting of Trap Shooters on 1st of July.

The members of the Nelson gun club are preparing to hold a tournament on Dominion Day. The traps, which are already in good condition, will be considerably improved for the event.

The club has a large active membership list and has some funds in the treasury. The members hope to be able to offer prizes attractive enough to draw a number of trap shooters from neignboring towns, as they did for the tournament held last Dominion Day.

As it is not fikely that there will be any municipal celebration this year, on account of the number of things for which mechants and others have already been assed to subscribe, and as the boat club regatta will not be held earlier than July is, the gun club's tournament seems likely to be the only Dominion Day attraction in Neison. Arrangements for the event are in charge of a committee consisting of C. D. Blackwood, G. P. Wells and C. H. Ink.

PROGRESS AT THE PAYNE. Walker Smith, the lessee of the Payne is putting new life into our old dividend payer, says the Sandon Mining Standard. He has about 25 men working at the mine and the mili is running day and night, and will continue so while the water for power lasts. With while the water for power lasts. With the concentrating one body between No. 4 and 5 levels, and the back fillings from the old stopes, there is ample rich mill feed in sight for months to come Pending the settlemen of the duty, the zinc concentrates are being stored at the mill. Of this ore there are about 100 It resulted in his being feet the ore will tain into a surface.

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British Columbia was \$5,704,908, in 1905, output was over \$6,500,000. There are very few minerals that can be week to Trail.

BOATMAN STREET NEARLY KILLEN BY GEORGE ANDERSON

ASSAILANT "SKIN-THE-GOAT" IS NOW A FUGITIVE

(From Tuesday's Daily)
What may yet prove to be a case murder and under any circumstances was a most serious assault, took plac pool west of Slocan Junction, yesterda morning about 5 o'clock, when Charlie Street was attacked by George Ander-son with an axe and very dangerously

wounded.

Both the men are fishermen and boatmen at the lower pool below the second Bonnington Falls, and as such, are well known to all city fishermen and viswell known to all city fishermen and visitors to the falls. Street, the man so murderously assaulted, is said to be of a particularly quiet and inoffensive dispostion, while Anderson's reputation is said to be rather the reverse. Anderson is known locally as "Skin-the-Goat."

Both men met at the Junction hotel on Sunday night and it is said there was a row of some sort over a game of cards, ending in Anderson catching hold of Street's long beard and pulling some of it out, when the latter promptly knocked Anderson down. Those pres-

some of it out, when the latter promptly knocked Anderson down. Those present then interfered and it was thought that the matter was done with. Anderson went off, but Street remained at the hotel until shortly before 5 o'clock yesterday morning when he started off for his cabin at the pool which adjoins Anderson's. According to Street's story, Anderson was waiting for him at his cabin and upon Street making his appearance, rushed at him and struck him with an ordinary woodman's axe, felling him to the ground and inflicting three frightful wounds on the head. Street has a very heavy head of black hair and wears it unusually long, and this fact probably saved him from instant death. The first blow hit the skull just behind the right ear possibly penerating the skull but just how far Dr. Hawkey, who is in charge of the case, cannot now say for certain. The second blow cut the left ear in two and the third inflicted a nasty cut in the back of the neck. All three blows annear to have

blow cut the left ear in two and the third inflicted a masty cut in the back of the neck. All three blows appear to have glanced a little, otherwise any one of them might have proved instantly fatal. The Jones brothers, who are also boatmen at the pool, and who witnessed the assault, interfered and drove Anderson off, who left Street lying on the ground covered with blood and went away vowing further vengeance.

Dr. Hawkey was sent for and went down on the first train yesterday morning. He found Street in an exhausted condition but able, with help, to walk up to the Junction station. He was brought into the city on the Slocan train and taken to the Kootenay Lake hospital in a cab about 5 o'clock last evening.

Dr. Hawkey thinks Street will recover Dr. Hawkey thinks Street will recover in time, but admits that he is in a very serious condition indeed, how serious, the next few days will disclose.

Anderson's disappeared from his home shortly after making the assault and could not be found yesterday. Word of the affair was sent into W. H. Bullock-Webster, chief constable of the provincial police, and he at once set off for the given was read exceed every new part and exceed every new target and exceed every new targets.

vincial police, and he at once set off for the city power plant and crossed over at Miles' Ferry.

Anderson was traced some four miles up Rover creek by the chief, but the man had got too long a start to be captured easily, and leaving two men to follow him up, chief Bullock-Webster returned to the city last night on the coast train. This morning he will go south on the Great Northern so as to head off Anderson at Erie if he succeeds in making his escape that far. Chief Bullock-Webster says that but for the interference of the Jones brothers Anderson webster says that but for the interference of the Jones brothers Anderson would undoubtedly have killed Street when he made the attack. The axe was taken away from Anderson but he got another and tried to renew the assault but Street had been taken out of the way and the Jones brothes finally ded in driving Anderson off.

ELECTRIC LIGHT RATES

SERVICE WILL BE CUT OFF.

BUSY SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL

the power plant construction as the city engineer was absent at the plant.

The council met at 8:15, with mayor Gillett in the chair and aldermen Hume. Annable, Selous and Irving present The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. The finance committee reported recommending minor pay rolls, including the bush fire fighters specially employed amounting to fill. The report was adopted. The board of works reported, recommending extension of a sidewalk on Carbonate street near Park, the re-covering of a box drain on Carbonate street, and that no improvements be made at present on Cedar street. The report was adopted. An application from Mrs. Bard asked for a sidewalk on the south side of Carbonate street, between Cedar and Park streets, It was felt that the report of the board of works sufficiently dealt with the request.

A letter signed by W. J. Astley, H. L. Lindsay and W. G. Adams and by J.

eague, as secretary of the boat club, ttention to the nuisance of charred ust and wood sparks from the Yale.

light committee for a report.

Chief Deasey of the fire department presented his report for April, of fires, practices, inspections and drills of school publis. The report was filed.

A letter from Hon. N. A. Belcourt, of the Dominion senate, was read, asking that the council endorse the invitation of the Canadian parliament to their majestes, the king and the queen. On motion of ild. Selous and Ald, Humes the invitation was endorsed.

aid. Selous and any amount was endorsed.
City clerk Wasson reported a requirement from A. Allan for the expenditure of for improvements to the cemetery, request was referred to the board.

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A letter from H. and M. Bird reported correspondence with the C. P. R. land department, and recommended application by the city for a right of way down Cottonwood creek. The matter was referred to wood creek.

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After an informal discussion the mayor and aldermen Selous and Hume were appointed a standing committee on the conduct of the appeal in the power plant case. Ald. Selous brought up the question of Chief Deasy's recommendations in regard to the payment of call men, that the payeb increased to \$18 a month, with a fine of \$2.50 for absence from fires or drills, and that a light wagon be kept at the Observatory street station to avoid taking the hose reel up the hill.

The first recommendation, with the chief's suggested Cules and regulations for call men, was adopted.

The mayor recommended action in concention with arrears of electric light rates. He remarked that the city needed all the owne ythat was due.

Ald Irving thought that the city cierk already had authority to order discontinuance of the service.

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The mayor recommended a resolution making it obligatory on the city officials to cut off the service as soon as rates are in arrears.

Aid. Seious advocated a charge for cutting off and restoring service, and immediate suit for recovery in each case, he pointed out that the city had no security for electric light rates, as they were not chargable against property.

It was moved by Ald. Selous, seconded by aid, Annable, that on and after the light of each month those who are in arrears for electric light rates be notified it payment is not made before the end of the month the service will be cut off, and immediate suit made for recovery. This resolution was unanimously adopted.

It was agreed that on his visit to cut off the services, the superintendent, or his assistant, should give a final notice, and formally request payment, and that a charge of one dollar be made for restoring the service.

In reply to aid, Irving the mayor explained that the force at the city power house would be reduced by one on June lat, and extra service when needed Octurnished by the staff of the superintendent of electric light.

Aid. Selous referred to the revival of the advocacy of a change in the official time of Nelson. He approved of it, but remarked that every effort had ended in an appeal to the C. P. R. company. He hought that if all city institutions, others and schools conformed to a new standard that all others would follow, without waiting for the railway company.

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Aid. Annable presented a request from the sanitary inspector for an extra set of harness. The request was granted.

The mayor reported that the new sprinkier was shipped from London, Ont. to May 7th and would arrive in about 10 days.

Aid. Irving advocated the issuing by the ouchcil of members of the fire department against death or injury. Aid. Annable thought that the men all carried policies. Consideration was deferred.

The council their adjourned to May 28th at 8 p. m.

BUSY SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL
HELD LAST EVENING.

(From Tuesday's Dally)
The vexed question of changing the time in Nelson by putting clocks on an an hour, and thus securing a more equal division of the hours of daylight, assumed a definite form at last night's meeting of the city council. On motion of Ald. Selous, a resolution advocating the change was unanimously adopted.

On the recommendation of the city solicitor a standing committee was appointed to confer with him on the conduct of the power plant appeal case. While no other resolutions were adopted on the subject it was unanimously agreed that no expense should be spared to secure the best possible presentation of the citys case before the privy council.

Many other matters were dealt with affecting the fire department, electric light rates delinquents, streets, side walks, etc. For the first time during the year, the council heard mo report on the power plant construction as the city engineer was absent at the plant.

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PROGRESS OF CRANBROOK

FINK MERCANTILE CO. ABOUT TO ERECT STORE BUILDING.

STAPLES' MILL REDUCED TO HALF TIME TEMPORARILY.

(Special to The Daily News)
Cranbrook, May 14.—The Fink Mercantile company has a notice out calling for tenders for the excavation of the foundation of a stone building. This new building is going in on the two lots between the post office and A. L. McLermott's office and place of business. The lots cover some 50 feet frontage. It is said that the new store will run back from the street from 100 frontage. It is said that the new store will run back from the street from 100 feet and be two stories in height. As the notice specifies for foundations for a stone building it may be assumed that the firm intends o take no risk from fire. The place selected is about the best husiness site in the city. Cranbrook business site in the city. Cranbrook appears to be an exception to the gen-eral rule that towns and cities grow to

eral rule that towns and cities grow to
the west. Progress in the case of the
queen city of the Kootenays grows about
north and east.

The new Fink building will be near
the proposed government offices, the proposed Masonic Temple, new postoffice
and so forth. We appear to be moving
away from the C. P. R. depot.

During the severe thunderstorm on
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Friday last a bolt ran over the whee at Staples' mill, Wycliffe, and utterly ruin-ed the armature of the electric light dynamo. This will throw the arc lights in the yard out of action, and reduce the operation of the plant to the day shift merely, pending the arrival of a

snitt merely, pending the arrival of a new dynamo.

It may not be generally known for a fact but we have at least a few examples of venemous snakes in Bast Kootenay. An unquestionable specimen of the copper head was killed by W. H. Whitney near Wycliffe a few days ago. This specimen was small, but was quite large enough to do mischief if one stepped on it without warning. The copperhead is a dark colored animal with the true viperine head—flat and lance shaped. The identification of the example killed on the St. Mary's river was absolute by parties who have seen hunabsolute by parties who have seen hun-ireds of those snakes in the south.

....... COMPULSORY VOTING

Ottawa, May 16.—The sub-con mittee on elections has made a recommendation, which if adoptrecommendation, which if adopted by parliament, means compulsory voting. The resolution adopted declares that anyone who does not cast a vote when entitled to is disqualified from voting in any similar election for six years. A person so disqualified may go before a judge of a court of record and obtain a certificate of re-enfranchisement by proving illness or other good court of record and obtain a cer-tificate of re-enfranchisement by proving illness or other good and sufficient reason for not having voted. Anyone who is dis-enfranchised and votes is liable to a fine of \$50 to \$100 or to imprisonment for three months.

year ago, because at that time the B. C. millmen in the interior were not making an even break, but were losing money. Now, the demand is so great, many of our lumber firms being compelled to refuse orders, it would have been only natural that we should try and make up for the bad past season by taking the fullest advantage of the present situation, exacting every cent we could. But we have done nothing of the kind. We go through to Manitoba and successfully compete there, and we have taken the cost at the mills here and after allowing for freight rates, making an even break, but were losing roads, and possibly for a light railway. W. S. Drewry, P. L. S. of New Denver, has been in the city for several days awaiting the arrival of Mr. Lammers and has a gang engaged. Mr. Drewry will leave for the timber limits today or tomorrow, are companied by T. G. Prector.

The development of the Crawford bay limits, of course, contemplates the erection and operation of the mill near Neiting and operation of the mill near Neiting and with a full knowledge all the conditions in Alberta and further east. The demand for lumber is all out of proportion to the visible supply and we would have been fully justified in making the advance far greater than we have.

"Another matter that I think we made clear at Calgary was the great rise since last year that has taken place in labor and in others fifty per cent, the general cost of production to the millmen has been greatly increased so that we have, I think, acted very reasonably in making only the advance now scheduled. It can not be truthfully said that we are

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'holding up' the new settler, on the con-trary we are giving him every consider-ation under the circumstances.

"Another matter we had before us was adopting a uniform system of grading lumber. A set of standard rules was framed and an inspector will be named to see that these rules are maintained.

"I think," said Mr. Wells in conclu-sion, "that our meeting in Calgary has done good and has made it clear that we are acting in a reasonable way and not trying to take the full advantage of the lumber situation at the present time."

METHODIST CONFERENCE

DISCUSSION OVER LORD'S DAY OB-SERVANCE QUESTION

DIFFICULTY IN SATISFYING THE REQUIREMENTS OF NELSON

(Special to The Dally News) Victoria, May 16.—What was virtually proposal that all good Methodists boycott the Sunday street car, coming as a recommendation in the report of the Sunday observance committee, furnished the most interesting mat-

ter in the Methodist conference proceed-

ings this morning. The report contained one section urg ing that the people of the Methodist church in British Columbia refrain from using Sunday cars, trains, steamers, etc., and also from attending Sunday dinner

parties, picnics and similar worldly pleasures.

Amendments were offered that the items be divided, also that the clause be referred back for amendment. Then ame the debate. Rev. Mr. Sanford, of Nanaimo, led the opposition, urging loss of influence by the adoption of hard and fast lines of conduct and the consequently necessary weakening of individual responsibility in Christian conduct.

T. R. Pearson, of New Westeminster denied the necessity for Sunday street cars, although admitting electric light to be an everyday necessity. He held that cars should only be operated six days per week, but that there should be no reduction from the present standard wage from seven.

Ultimately the report was amended, deprecating the use of Sunday cars except as a matter of necessity.

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The conference voted approval of the efforts of the Lord's Day Alliance and expressed regret at the opposition toward the efforts of this association to provide for Canada a more orderly Sablath.

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On the initiative of Mr. Curtis, of New On the initiative of Mr. Curtis, of New Westminster, a resolution was passed placing the conference on record as approving the plans for a provincial antituberculosis sanitarium.

Various other reports, chiefly of financial matters, were presented and this afternoon committee work was chiefly in evidence. It is improbable that the conference can conclude its labors before Friday night.

Add. Annable presented it request from a nature at of the content Methodists. Rev. Ashley Hall had been assigned to the Kootenay city, but is not acceptable, Rev. R. Newton Powell, being especially asked for, but his present charge (Princess street church, Vancouver) declines to surrender him. As a compromise Nelson offered to accept any minister who might be sent for a single year, after which they wanted Rev. W. E. Prescott, pastor of Wesley church Vancouver. None of the ministers are willing to fill a stop-gap pastorate of a single year, with all the incidental costs and inconveniences of moving, and there the matter rests. Princess street church, Vancouver, has served preliminary notice that it wants Rev. Mr. Sanford next year. He is now pastor of Hallburton street

is now paster of Haliburton street church, Nanaimo, and is unquestionably one of the strongest men of the confer-C. P. R. CROP REPORT

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Outlook in Alberta Excellent—Recent Rains
Just What Was Wanted

Calgary, May 16—The crop report issued today by general superintendent Jamieson of the western division of the C.P.R., reports all crops doing excellently. The rain of the past two days is just what was wanted. In southern Alberta winter wheat is looking exceptionally well, and spring wheat all over the province could not be better. There is very little acreage of winter wheat north of Red Deer, but what little there is is doing well, and a good crop will be harvested.

On the new C.P.R. branches east of Lacombe and Wetzskiwin, conditions are very promising and a heavier yield of grain than in previous years is expected, increase in acreage in these two districts is fully 50 per cent. The barley and oat harvest in Alberta is always an exceptionally heavy one, and the harvest this year will be equally as good. Flax is progressing favorably, and prospects are spiendid for cereals. All grasses are up to the usual standard. Most of the new settlers are now breaking new ground,