

BUSINESS CHANGES.

Mr. Lebar will shortly open a general store at Northfield.

T. R. Morrow & Co., druggists, have opened in Nanaimo.

Richard Frayne, livery, Landsdowne, is offering business for sale.

H. Cicments, sawmill, Salmon Arm, is removing mill to Shuswap.

Hartley Bros., draymen, Vancouver, have dissolved partnership.

A. McCormick proposes opening a general store at Duncan's Station.

Frank Marwood, blacksmith, Enderby, has sold out to Wm. Hutcheson.

Meek & Harstone, grocers and hardware, Vancouver, have dissolved.

Schmidz & Moller, grocers, Nanaimo, are opening a bakery in connection.

Carney & Barnett, butchers, Nelson, were burnt out. Total loss said to be insured.

Samuel Hague, estate proprietor Dew Drop hotel, Nanaimo, will close out next month.

Thompson & Tytler, real estate, Chilliwack, have lissolved. Thompson & Co. continue.

Geo. O. Buchanan, sawmill on Kootenay Lake will remove and rebuild at Kaslo City during the summer.

and C. F. Lindmark, will open a general storeshortly at Revelstoke.

W. A. McIntosh, butcher, Vancouver, and the Douglas Lake Cattle Company contemplate an amalgamation.

A. C. Moust has withdrawn from the firm of W. S. Santo & Co., Nanaimo, to take charge of a business in Victoria.

John Hirst, general store, Parksville, has closed up and removed to Nanaimo, having entered the firm of Hirst Bros.

Geo. Mitchell and Chas. Lewis, of Winnipeg, contemplate opening in the jewellery and photograph business in Kamloops.

Corbould, McColl, Wilson & Campbell, barristers, intend opening a branch at Nelson, with E. R. Elliott, of Vancouver, in charge.

mitted Harold Bushby, of London, Eng., into partnership.

R. V. Winch, fruit and fish dealer, and E. H. Port, shipper of fresh fish, both of New Westminster, have entered into partnership under the style of Port & V'inch.

Arthur R. Langley has obtained a half interest in the business of the late Geo. Morrison, druggist, Victoria, and will manage that business from the 1st prox. Mr. Langley has been in the employ of Robert Ward & Co., Ld., for the past ten years, and worked his way up to book keeper.

PROVINCIAL TRADE NOTES.

An attempt is being made to run a biweekly stage from Nanaimo to Alberni.

The Nelson Electric Light Company's Bill having passed the Provincial Legisture, the work of fitting up the town with electric light apparatus will be forwith commenced.

The Mission creek dam has been completed and a first-class job made of it. The actual dam is over 200 feet long by 10 feet wide and 4 feet high-crib work, filled in with rocks. The diversion of the stream was made 500 feet long and 3 feet deep, through sandy soil. The cost of the work was slightly in excess of \$1,000.

The proposition has been made to estab-C. B. Hume, late with J. Fred Hume, lish a floating dry dock at Vancouver, and a company is now in course of formation with that object in view. The dimensions would be about 75 feet by 225 feet, which is large enough to accommodate almost any ship which comes into port. The proposed plan is made after that of the Merchants' dock at San Francisco.

The Inland Scatinel says that Mr. H. R. Bellam, the coal expert and inventor of a superior prospecting drill, is engaged with a committee of citizens in examining the country in the neighborhood of Kamloops for indications of coal in addition to those already known to exist at Guerin's. They have looked over the country nearly as far as Tranquille, on both sides of the river, and are favorably impressed with the geological formation as coal-bearing charge. C. S. McConnell, wholesale, hats, caps they started up the North Thompson for and men's furnishings, Vancouver, has ad. a trip of several days, taking with them present year, if the report is favorable.



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a surveyor, and will look over all the coal locations heretefore discovered, and explore for others wherever indications may warrant. The purpose is to make this an altogether thorough exploration for coal in the country tributary to Kamloops. It is encouraged by the C. P. R. officials, who believe that 60,000 tous will be annually required for steam purposes at this point for consumption on the western division to replace the wood which is now used and becoming scarce. The report to be made by Mr. Bellam will be anxiously waited for, for one of the things to be determined by it will be the construction of a branch by the C. P. R. to the coal fields within the

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