

KOOTENAY FRUIT GROWERS UNITE

Company Formed to Market Orchard Products—Will Erect Warehouses

Nelson, Dec. 27.—The Kootenay Fruit Growers' Union, Ltd., capital stock fifty thousand dollars, is now an accomplished fact, being duly incorporated under the Companies act, according to information just received by E. K. Beaton, secretary-treasurer of the union. The offices of the company will be in Nelson. The provisional directors are C. W. Bush, Kootenay; J. E. Annable, Shore Acres; A. D. Emery, Willow Point; J. Hyslop, Nelson; G. B. Appleton, Prosper; G. F. Attre, Queen Bay; and F. J. Locke, Crawford Bay—all ranchers. Mr. Bush is president.

MERRY-MAKERS KILLED

Four Explodes During Dance and Three Persons Meet Death.

Greensburg, Pa., Dec. 2.—Three persons are dead, eight may die from their injuries, and ten more are in the Westmoreland hospital, with serious burns, as a result of an explosion of dynamite which exploded in a Christmas celebration at Kaystone Shaft near here.

AUSTRALIAN FORCES

Defence Department Estimates That 100,000 Men Will Be Needed to Train Next Year.

Melbourne, Dec. 28.—Active preparations are being made by the committee with a view to the earliest possible footing in the shortest possible time. The latest calculations indicate that at least one hundred thousand youths between the ages of 14 and 20 years will be ready for training in July next.

FOUR MEN ASPHYXIATED

Five Others Who Are Still in Hospital Will Recover.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 28.—The bodies of four men who were asphyxiated early Christmas morning in the Pacific hotel, 601 Sixth avenue south, were identified through the efforts of Deputy Coroner William Borthwick.

WILL EXTEND RAILWAY

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 28.—Work on the extension of the Copper River and North-western Railway toward Fairbanks, in the Tanana gold district of Alaska, will begin as soon as the line to Kennecott is completed. March 1, according to information received here, the railway will be extended to Fairbanks, a distance of 700 miles, and it is estimated that the line can be built for \$10,000,000.

INVESTIGATION INTO IMMIGRATION

Three Customs Officers Give Evidence at Inquiry at Vancouver

Vancouver, Dec. 28.—Three customs officers, Harris, Cosgrove and Schooner, and a leading Chinese merchant named Sam Kee, were on the witness stand at the Chinese immigration inquiry yesterday, and the evidence adduced was of an interesting character. Inspired from the mass of private information which the crown counsel seemed to have at his finger ends, Mr. Crossan fired out questions which the probation and landing waters. Two of the officers admitted that it was their belief that they were detelling for the smuggling of Chinese, because they were too strict. Mr. Harris especially gave evidence showing how he had come into conflict with Collector Howell because he had been too strict, and was forced to acknowledge that Mr. Bowser, formerly chief landing water, showed him a diamond ring which had been given to him as a present by the interpreter, Charlie Yip Yee, the predecessor and relative of Yip On.

MAY OWNERS CHOOSE THEIR PAVEMENT?

Victoria City Solicitor, "No"; Vancouver City Solicitor, "Yes"

Some few days ago F. A. McDermid, city solicitor, gave it as his opinion that the city council was in no way bound to respect the wishes of property owners who petitioned for a certain type of pavement. A number of the members of the aldermanic board took issue with the solicitor on this point. By a singular coincidence the same matter has been under discussion by the Vancouver city council. At the Terminal city the city solicitor advises the board that "as long as property owners have signed the petition the city cannot go back of the petition." The Vancouver Province, in its issue of Friday, had this following reference to the matter: "It is understood that the city solicitor has advised that the recommendation of the city engineer for the permanent paving of Broadway from Grayville to Ontario must be based on the laying of a wood block pavement.

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ST. DENIS LAST SEEN BY ORDE

TUG SOUGHT SHELTER; STEAMER PROCEEDED

Tees Brought Little Further News of Finding of Wreckage at Cape Scott

(From Wednesday's Daily) Probably the last vessel to sight the foundered steamer St. Denis which was swamped off Cape Flattery while on her way from this city to Salina Cruz, Mexico, and all hands lost, was the Lorne, Capt. Cutler. The Lorne was towing a large sailing ship to sea on November 21, the day the ill-fated little craft passed. It was in the middle of the heavy weather had to run for shelter at Neah Bay.

BRAVE FISHERMEN RESCUE SAILORS

Thirteen of Crew Taken From Stranded Barque After Battle With Waves

Hullfax, Dec. 28.—A thrilling rescue of shipwrecked men by two heroic fishermen has been received here. Driven off her course by a southerly gale, and with the weather so thick that it was impossible to see any distance ahead, the Norwegian barque Petra, 1,198 tons, went ashore on Big Penning Island, 25 miles from Halifax. Her crew of 19 men were rescued with the greatest difficulty, and after a most arduous and hazardous trip. The Petra was bound to Halifax from Rio de Janeiro, and was caught in the gale that swept the coast of Nova Scotia.

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VERNON MAY SUE TELEPHONE CO.

Aldermen Complain Regarding the Destruction of Trees in City

Vernon, Dec. 27.—The resignation of H. W. Buckland as police magistrate was received at the last meeting of the city council. Mr. Buckland is leaving Vernon. Some discussion took place on the matter of the telephone company damaging the city trees, which the council thought was a shame after they had looked after and cared for them for such a long time, and the following resolution was adopted by the council, as amended by Ald. Martin, carried: "That the city solicitor be instructed to bring an action for damages against the Okanagan Telephone Co., for cutting down trees in the city, unless they give an undertaking not to do so, and to remove the trees in the future without permission from the city; and also clear away the stumps and refuse from those now cut down."

DOMESTIC SERVANTS

New Westminster, Dec. 27.—Mr. Hayley, a representative of the C. N. R., was present at the last meeting of the women's auxiliary of the Royal Columbian hospital to ask the assistance of the organization in connection with the enterprise the company has on hand to bring out a number of domestic servants from the Old Country to the coast.

HEALTH BOARD IS SHORT OF FUNDS

California Department Unable to Pay Adequate Corps of Inspectors

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 28.—That hundreds of Asiatics, mostly Hindus, are illegally in California and that the health board is short of funds to pay an adequate corps of inspectors, and that if the inspection force were made more effective there would be fewer Hindus and other Orientals in California.

ELECTRIC CARS COLLIDE

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POWER FROM ELK RIVER

Ferrie, Dec. 27.—The B. C. Electric Railway Company will apply for the right to use five hundred feet per second of water from the Elk River near Elkton. This application will come before the government agent, Mr. Armstrong, at Cranbrook next Monday.

GUGGENHEIMS MAY SELL CANNERIES

Chicago Packers Likely to Enter Salmon Industry on Alaskan Coast

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 27.—It is reported here to-day that the Guggenheims have under consideration a proposition to sell ten salmon canneries in Alaska, along with ships, fishing gear and other component parts of the Northwestern Fisheries Co., which they control, to Libby, McNeill & Libby, meat packers of Chicago. The price to be paid is \$1,000,000.

ACTOR DIES SUDDENLY

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 28.—Just before the curtain of a theatre was to rise last night, Frank Weathering, leading man for Gus George, was stricken with hemorrhage and died in a few minutes.

FORGETFULNESS CAUSES DISASTER

Signalman Blamed for Railway Wreck in Which Over Score Lost Lives

Kirby-Stephan, Eng., Dec. 28.—An inquiry into the disaster which befell the Scotch express near Havro Junction was held on Monday in a tiny inn near the spot where the train was derailed and burned.

ROOSEVELT'S DENIAL

Has Not Discussed Next Presidential Campaign With President Taft.

New York, Dec. 28.—"All talk about President Taft and Mr. Roosevelt's presidential possibilities for 1912 is most absurd," said Colonel Theodore Roosevelt yesterday. "That was the colonel's answer to the story that he and Taft had reached an understanding regarding the presidential campaign two years hence.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the Goods of Bardon Christensen, Deceased, Intestate, and in the Goods of Hagen B. Christensen, of Bona Coule, Deceased, Intestate.

Take notice that Letters of Administration of the estate of the above named deceased have been duly issued out of the Victoria Registry to the undersigned, and all persons having claims against the said estates or either of them are required to send full particulars thereof in writing, duly verified, to the undersigned, on or before the 5th day of February, 1911, after which date the administration will proceed with the distribution of the estates, having regard only to such claims of which they shall have received notice.

DATED the 2nd day of December, 1910. DOMINION TRUST COMPANY, LTD., 221 Government St., Victoria, B. C., Administrators of the Estates of Bardon Christensen and Hagen B. Christensen.

SHOT DURING A BARREL

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 27.—Grover Land, catcher, connected with the Cleveland Americans, and Patrick Bohanon, formerly with the Louisville team of the American association, are being held to-day in connection with the shooting of Stephen Theophanis, a Greek restaurant keeper. Theophanis is believed to have been fatally wounded. It is alleged that the two ball players were members of a party that ended its Christmas celebration to-day by throwing fire crackers through the windows of the restaurant. The shooting was the result of the quarrel that followed.