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This is the first time in our recollection that Fernie has not been represented at the Nelson Assize Court.

A good deal of interest is centred on the question of where the Kootenay Central will connect with the Crows Nest Line. A. B. Fenwick a man well acquainted with the situation told the Cranbrook Herald last week that the new line would leave the Crows Nest near Elko, crossing Bull River near the old pack bridge, and the Wild Horse near the present wagon road. Following the hills around just back of Fort Steele it would continue on to the Windermere country. The alternative route lies on the west side of the Kootenay River joining the Crows Nest at Fort Steele Junction. The former route would evidently be the superior one from a tonnage point of view, while the latter would be the shorter by a distance of about 30 miles. The large deposits of iron ore on Bull River await only the advent of a railroad to make them very valuable, the water falls on that River may be turned to good account in developing the country, and the Fernie fuel for smelting purposes is near at hand.

By the present indications there will be considerable activity in railroad construction in South East Kootenay in the near future. The Kootenay Central will be built next summer. The Corbin road from Spokane to some point on the Crows Nest branch has long been talked of. The Great Northern will without doubt extend their line eastward from Fernie to connect with their line at Lethbridge. In opposition to these encroachments on the part of the American line the C. P. R. or its accredited agents, it is now said, will build through the coal areas of the Crows Nest and through the Flathead. Again, the immense coal areas in the upper Elk valley await the action of these rival railroads to give their products access to the outside markets. The C. P. R. has personal interests in that section which make it imperative that its own line be built into the heart of that country. Rival coal companies will soon be operating there, which will readily afford ample inducement for rival transportation companies to seek business and it is not improbable that the G. N. R. may find it advantageous to build up the parallel valley.

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See Richards adv. for cheap fruits.

An aged couple, Mr. Whales and Mrs. Hennessey, were united by marriage on Wednesday evening of this week. The ceremony was performed at Mrs. Hennessey's home Victoria Ave., by Rev. John Robson B. A. in the presence of a few intimate friends, among whom was Mrs. D. Clark niece of the groom. Mr. Whales is seventy five years of age while his bride is less than a score of years his junior.

Dr. Harry Keith of Coal Creek was united in marriage last Wednesday to Miss May B. Carter of Cranbrook. The ceremony took place at the residence of Mr. M. B. King, brother-in-law of the bride, Rev. H. Beacham officiating. The wedding was a quiet one, only the relatives being present. Mr. and Mrs. Keith left for the Coast to spend their honeymoon, after which they will make their home at Coal Creek, where the worthy Doctor has a large practice.

Mr. John Lewis came in from the upper Elk Valley on Tuesday morning and left this week for New York to represent South East Kootenay at a sporting Club's exhibit. The C. P. R. is putting up the expenses of sending Mr. Lewis to New York. He will take with him some excellent exhibits of game of various kinds shot under his guidance in the upper Elk valley. He will also have exhibits of minerals. This exhibit will do much to bring the resources of the district to the attention of outside people and will doubtless result in increased tourist trade.

Mr. W. A. Letcher of the Coal Company Office left for Nanaimo on Sunday. His companions at the "Quarters" where Mr. Letcher boarded presented him with a beautiful gold locket and chain as a token of the esteem in which he was held. Mr. Letcher had expected to bring his family to Fernie in a short time. He has had to change his plans some but they will join him at Nanaimo as soon as practicable.



NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

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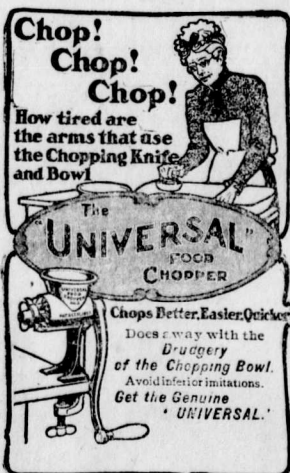
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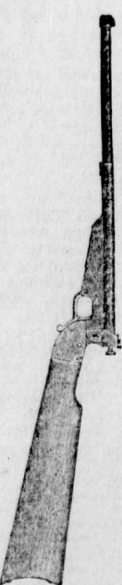
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