## SHORT LOCALS.

**Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.**

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

—Bishop Perrin delivered the third of his series of lectures to men on Sunday afternoon.

—Dan Mahoney, a sealer, died at the Jubilee hospital on Monday of consumption. He was a native of Boston, aged 33 years. He came to this city three years ago.

—The life of the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone was the subject of a very interesting reading by H. Chapman at the meeting of the Y. P. A. of Central church last night.

—George Myers and Minnie Vigelius were married by the Rev. E. Robson at the pastoral residence last night. The happy couple took the sound steamer on their wedding tour.

—The Y. M. I. gave its farewell hop before Lent at Harmony Hall last night. There was a large attendance and the affair was most enjoyable. Richardson's orchestra furnished the music.

—The British Columbia Deposit and Loan company has finally wound up its affairs. J. Keith Wilson, the liquidator, has presented his final report and been discharged from all responsibility.

—William C. Bryant, jr., and Miss Mary Ethel Seaton were married by the Right Rev. Bishop Cridge yesterday morning. Mr. John P Gropp acted as best man and Miss Minnie E. Bryant as bridesmaid.

—In the police court Martin Nelson and Matilda, klootchman, were charged with being drunk. Matilda recognized Nelson as the man who gave her the liquor. The duo were remanded till Wednesday morning.

—The members of the choir, active members of the altar society, ushers and Sunday school teachers of St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Cathedral, were entertained at dinner last evening at the Bishop's palace, Yates street.

—Henry McArthur and George Gray fought on the corner of Broad and Johnson streets last night. They were both drunk. Constable John Smith arrested them. McArthur was fined $5 or twelve days, Gray $10 or one month.

—Milton and Ottaway lodges, Sons of St. George, amalgamated at a meeting last night. The name of the former lodge was retained. The officers elected were: President, A. Watson; vice-president, T. G. Dearberg; secretary, Thomas Wise; treasurer, J. Weetman; messenger, Mr. Rutter; assistant secretary, T. Bavin.

—The case against John Piercy, charged with refusing to pay his car fare, was called in the police court this morning, but was withdrawn. Mr. Piercy paid the costs. That gentleman had offered a ten cents Straits Settlements coin in payment. The conductor refused to take it, and Mr. Piercy would not give any other coin.

—The body seen by the telegraph repairer some days ago amongst the surf at Lost river, southwest coast, had coat and shoes on. J. Williams, the operator at San Juan, says Norman Friend, the young Englishman who was drowned about New Years, had on no coat, so it could not be his body. This unknown was the body of a big man. His face was covered by his coat, so that he could not be recognized.

—Pride of the Ridge lodge, No. 37, I. O. G. T., met in Oddfellows' hall at Spring Ridge last evening and elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Chief Templar, Sister Lewis; Vice-Templar, Sister Duncan; Past Chief, Brother Collis; Secretary, Sister Blake; Financial Secretary, Brother Dabold; Treasurer, Sister Dwyer; Chaplain, Sister Dabold; Mar., Brother Anesty; Guard, Sister Raitt; Sentinel, Brother Nunn; Reporter, Brother Nunn.

—To-night is set for the meeting of the representatives of the different athletic clubs of the city to discuss the proposition of amalgamating or uniting into a general organization with one general athletic grounds, where every sport may have a common field for practice or exhibition. The meeting will be held at the city hall and it is urged that all who are interested in amateur sports be present that the fullest possible discussion take place.

—The ladies' committee of the P. O. Home acknowledge the following donations in January: Medicines, Langley & Co.; cake, ladies of St. John's church; cakes and ham, Court Vancouver, A. O. F.; cakes and buns, ladies of St. Andrew's church Sunday school; clothing, Mrs. Christie; home-knit stockings, Mrs. Brocklehurst; milk daily, Mr. Knowles; invitation to St. Andrew's church Sunday school entertainment and invitation to Reformed Episcopal church Sunday school Christmas tree.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

—The funeral of the late Andrew Mahoney took place from St. Andrew's R. C. cathedral at 10 this morning.

—W. A. Dowler, brother of W. J. Dowler, city clerk of Victoria, has been elected reeve of Oxford county, Ontario.

—J. St. Clair Blackett has been appointed agent for Victoria, Esquimalt and vicinity for the Provincial Building and Loan association of Canada.

—The members of the Victoria West Amateur Dramatic society gave a dance last night in Semple's hall. It was well attended and all had a merry time.

—The girls of St. Luke's gave an entertainment and sale of work at St. Luke's Sunday school on Monday evening. It was a very sucessful affair.

—The association in connection with No. 1 company, B. C. B. G. A., has decided to establish a sick benefit fund. Private William Muir has been appointed secretary.

—The Ladies' Aid society of the Metropolitan Methodist church will give a tag social on Tuesday evening. It will be held at the house of Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Hall.

—The Fruit Growers' association hold their annual meeting at Spokane commencing February 14th, and lasting for one week. The Northern Pacific railway have arranged to sell round trip tickets at a single fare. The tickets will be on sale on February 12th and 13th, and will be good until the 23rd.

—Tenders for the erection of a provincial home for aged people at Kamloops have been asked for by the lands and works department. The tenders must be in by March 6.

—The relief committee have asked the mayor to put more of the unemployed to work. The corporation have found work for 36; there are over 90 who still want employment.

—Dr. S. Tolmie, V. S., and Miss Harrup were married last evening by Rev. W. D. Barber. The groom was supported by John Lamberton, and Miss Harrup, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid.

—The Northern Pacific to-day announced a further reduction in rates between Portland and Puget Sound points and Chicago. First-class is made $49.50 and second class $47.50. The new rates go into effect on Saturday.

—R. T. Elliott, who is known better around the court house as a stenographer than as a law student, has passed his final examination most creditably. Mr. Elliott has been a diligent student, and well deserves the success which he has achieved.

—In the police court this morning Frank Sanson was fined $75 for supplying liquor to Indians. Alternative, four months. Sanson broke in the cabin door of Thomas Derrick, Chatham street, and on this count was fined $10. Martin Nelsen, drunk, was fined $5.

—J. Ellis, T. H. Matthews, George Sutherland, W. A. Gleason, A. B. Fraser and D. McLean, delegates from the different Victoria lodges of Royal Templars of Temperance, left yesterday for Nanaimo to attend a meeting of the grand council at present in session there.

The ship British General, Captain Tulloch, 98 days from Samarang with a cargo of sugar for the British Columbia Sugar Refinery at Vancouver, passed up yesterday afternoon in tow of the American tug Sea Lion. Her crew had no communication with the shore here and the particulars of her voyage are not known.

—A carload of slate blackboards was received from the east via the N. P. R. and the steamer North Pacific this morning. The blackboards are for use in the two new ward schools, which are nearly finished. Slate blackboards are a novelty in Victoria public schools. The slate is from Pennsylvania, and was supplied by Alonzo Hull & So., of Seattle.

—The Roman Catholic and the Anglican churches held special services to-day (Ash Wednesday), the first day of the Lenten season. At St. Andrew's Roman Catholic church there was mass and the distribution of the ashes. All the faithful had their foreheads crossed with ashes by the priests. During Lent there will be services in St. Andrew's cathedral Wednesday and Friday nights, and every Sunday night a special sermon on the Passion of Christ.

—A meeting of those interested in amateur sport was held last night in the city hall, when a resolution was passed heartily endorsing the objects of the Victoria Athletic Grounds association, and a committee of two members of each of the athletic clubs was appointed to consult with the directorate of the grounds as to the best way to proceed with the management of the grounds. The general feeling was that the new grounds would considerably promote athletics in Victoria.

—Perseverance lodge, No. 1, I. O. G. T., met last evening and installed the following officers: Chief Templar, Sister Hall; Vice Templar, Sister Clyde; Superintendent of Juvenile T., Sister Gilchrist; Secretary, Sister Townsend; Assistant Secretary, Brother Williams; Financial Secretary, Sister Macdonald; Treasurer, Sister Parsons; Chaplain, Sister Newbiggin; Marshal, Sister Murton; Deputy Marshal, Brother Connick; Guard, Sister Breckman; Past Chief Templar, Brother Russell; Reporter, Sister Murton.

—An "at home" was given last evening by the ladies' committee of St. Michael's church to welcome the new pastor, Rev. J. W. Hinton, who took this opportunity of making the acquaintance of his parishioners. No hall being available Mr. and Mrs. R. Daniels of Sunnyside, by request, placed their house at the disposal of the committee for the entertainment. The following ladies and gentlemen rendered vocal and instrumental solos, which were much appreciated: Mrs. Flinton, Mrs. Coverdale, Misses Grove, Wood, Griffith, Mr. Daniels, E. Daniels and M. Daniels, Rev. Mr. Flinton, Mr. Lovatz and Mr. Litchfield.

—Judge Hanford has rendered a decision at Seattle in the United States district court in the damage cases arising out of the Premier-Willamette collision. Damages against the Oregon Improvement company to the extent of $30,000 were granted. This sum was made up as follows:

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| To the libellant, Jacob Nelson, for personal injuries sustained by him | $2,500 |
| To the intervenor, Philip L. Reese, for the death of John E. Moe | 5,000 |
| To the intervenor, Emma B. Miller, for injuries sustained | 2,500 |
| To the intervenors, D. J. Wynkoop and Ella E. Wynkoop, for the death of their son, Frank C. Wynkoop | 3,500 |
| For the injuries sustained by D. J. Wynkoop | 2,500 |
| For the injuries sustained by Ella E. Wynkoop | 1,000 |
| For loss and injury to baggage and property | 300 |
| To the intervenor, E. W. Vest, for the injuries sustained by him | 700 |
| To the intervenor, Thomas Foran, for the injuries sustained by him | 3,500 |
| To the intervenor, John Rankin, for the death of his son, J. Rankin | 3,500 |
| To the intervenor, Ida F. Richardson, for the death of her husband, W. N. Richardson | 5,000 |

(From Thursday's Daily.)

—The Young People's Society of the First Presbyterian church held an "at home" at F. Gilchrist's house, King's road, last night to welcome home A. Gilchrist.

—The engine and cars for the Victoria & Sidney railway have reached Vancouver, and will at an early date be brought down by Cates & McDermott. The engine was built at Kingston and the cars at Cobourg. One of the cars is a combination baggage and smoker.

—An entertainment was given to the Christian Chinese last night by the joint missions of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches. Mrs. Lang gave a recitation in the Amoy dialect.

—Frederick J. Mesher of this city, and Miss Isabella Muir, daughter of Robert Muir of Sooke, were married on Tuesday evening at the home of F. J. Peate of Victoria West, by Rev. Joseph Hall.

—Sixty tons of chain for the new marine railway at Esquimalt have arrived at Vancouver and will be brought down by the Premier, one-half to-night and the other half to-morrow night. The chain was made at Liverpool.

—W. M. Brown and H. A. Brown, of Revelstoke, waited on the government yesterday and urged the construction of a wagon road from Revelstoke to the steamboat landing on the Columbia. They also asked for a road from Lardeau City to Trout Lake.

—Bishop Perrin yesterday baptized one of the scholars of the Church of England Mission school at the cathedral. He was assisted by the Rev. E. F. Lipscombe, superintendent of the mission. A hymn in Chinese was sung and the bishop delivered an address to the teachers and pupils.

—The barkentine Wrestler is still on White rock, Esquimalt, the attempt made this morning to pull her off having failed. Another attempt will be made tomorrow morning. The steamer Danube has been chartered to help, and it is hoped with the extra power it will be successful. The vessel is in an exposed position, and a high wind would do her very severe damage.

—The tug Lorne has returned from the cape where she went seeking. She reports the schooner Pioneer in Neah Bay with 57 sealskins taken during a cruise as far south as the Columbia river. The Pioneer lowered only three or four times and put into the bay last Friday to avoid the stormy weather. The Pioneer is the first Victoria sealer reported with any skins. The late storm did no damage to any of the vessels in Neah Bay.

—The Devoe case occupied three hours in the police court this morning. Frank Devoe, an employee in the electric light works, charges Mary Devoe, his wife, with stealing a quantity of furniture, and Frank Roy with having the stolen property in his possession. There were five or six witnesses who swore that the furniture belonged to the wife, while others testified to the contrary. Both cases were dismissed. The Devoes have been prominent in the police court for some time.

—A public meeting has been called by Mayor Teague for Saturday afternoon at 4. The citizens' relief committee will then present their report, which was drawn up at a special meeting held on Wednesday afternoon. The relief committee is still keeping open the office in the market hall, but it is not of much use, as the corporation cannot put on any more men, and the provincial government, which was asked to help, has replied by referring the committee to a section of the municipal act which stipulates that each corporation shall provide for its own poor. The Canadian Pacific Navigation company employes have subscribed $111 to the funds of the Benevolent society.

—At the regular meeting of Victoria West lodge, No. 29, I. O. G. T., on Wednesday evening the following officers were duly installed by Brother R. Semple, L. D.: Chief Templar, Brother G. W. Andrews; Vice Templar, Sister J. Semple; Secretary, Brother Dan Macdonald; Assistant Secretary, Sister J. Macdonald; Financial Secretary, Brother W. Earle; Treasurer, Sister E. Andrews; Chaplain, Sister Dyker; Marshal, Brother Dunnet; Guard, Sister S. Macdonald; Sentinel, Brother A. Virtue; Past Chief Templar, Sister Grace Andrews; Superintendent Juvenile Temple, Sister J. B. Semple; Assistant Superintendent Juvenile Temple, Sister Eva Andrews; Reporter, Brother D. Macdonald. A public entertainment will be given in aid of this lodge on Wednesday, 14th inst. A good programme will be presented, in which the Victoria West Amateur Dramatic society will take a prominent part.

## THE MARKETS.

There was a heavy supply of eastern poultry in the market this wek, and there is rather a lively war of price cutting among those who are handling it. There is also considerable eastern mutton and beef in the market, which is being sold under market prices. The market has few features this week. A few rabbits brought in sold readily at 50 cents a piece, and other consignment would do well. An advance in potatoes is not improbable.

Retail prices are below:

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| Flour | |
| Salem | 5 75 |
| Ogilvie's (Hungarian) | 6 00 |
| Lake of the Woods (Hungarian) | 6 00 |
| Premier | 6 00 |
| Three Star | 5 75 |
| Victoria | 5 75 |
| Lion | 5 75 |
| Royal | 5 50 |
| Wheat, per ton | 30 00@40 00 |
| Oats, per ton | 32 50@35 00 |
| Barley, per ton | 32 00@35 00 |
| Middlings, per ton | 30 00 |
| Bran, per ton | 27 00@30 00 |
| Ground Feed, per ton | 30 00@35 00 |
| Corn, whole | 45 00 |
| " cracked | 50 00 |
| Cornmeal, per 10 lbs | 40 |
| Oatmeal, per 10 lb | 50 |
| Rolled Oats, per lb | 6 |
| Potatoes, per bag | 1 50 |
| Honolulu sweet potatoes | 5c per lb |
| Cabbage | 3 |
| Hay, baled, per ton | 18 00@20 00 |
| Straw, per bale | 1 00 |
| Onions, per lb | 4 |
| Eggs, Island, per doz | 30 |
| Imported eggs | 25 |
| Australian sugar, per pound | 6 1-2 |
| Butter, Island roll, (2 lbs) | 60@75 |
| New Zealand Creamery, per lb | 35 |
| " Creamery, per 3 lbs | 1 00 |
| Cheese, Canadian, per lb, retail | 20 |
| " American, per lb | 18@20 |
| Hams, American, per lb | 20@22 |
| " Canadian, per lb | 17@22 |
| Bacon, American, per lb | 22 |
| " Rolled, per lb | 18 |
| " Long clear, per lb | 17 |
| Shoulders, per lb | 14 |
| Lard, per lb | 18@20 |
| Pig's feet, per doz | 75 |
| Tongues and Sounds, per kit | 2 25 |
| Meats—Beef, per lb | 7@15 |
| Sides, per lb | 8@9 |
| Mutton, per lb | 10@15 |
| Pork, fresh, per lb | 12@15 |
| Chickens, per pair | 1 50@2 00 |
| Turkeys, per lb | 20@25 |
| Geese, per lb | 20@25 |
| Fish—Salmon (Spring), per lb | 10@12 |
| Rabbits, apiece | 50 |
| Salmon (Smoked), per lb | 8@10 |
| Halibut | 10@12 |
| Smoked halibut | 12 1-2 |
| Cod, per lb | 8@10 |
| " (Nfld), per lb | 12 1-2 |
| Small fish | 5@8 |
| Smelts, per lb | 10@12 |
| Sturgeon, per lb | 7@8 |
| Herring (Labrador), per doz | 50 |
| " (smoked) " " | 50 |
| Eastern oysters, fresh, per quart | 75 |
| Fruits—Apples, per pound | 5@8 |
| Oranges | |
| " (Mexican) | 30@35 |
| " (Japanese), per box | 75 |
| Lemons, California, per doz | 25@35 |
| " (Australian) | 25@30 |
| Pine apples, apiece | 25@50 |
| Cranberries, per quart | 15@20 |

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## THE BENCH SHOW.

**Partial List of Awards for the Dogs on Exhibition.**

There was an increased attendance today at the bench and poultry show in the Market hall, the ladies being present in almost as large numbers as the sterner sex. The judging is proceeding very slowly and it will be night before the ribbons are all distributed and the cards posted. Interest this afternoon centred in the award of special prizes in the collie class. That offered by Dr. Hamilton for the best dog went to G. R. W. Stuart's Marker, while that of William McKeon, jr., for the best dog or bitch, was given to J. B. Carmichael's bitch Metchley Florrie. The experts are busy this afternoon scoring the poultry. Below is a partial list of the awards for dogs:

Mastiffs—Dogs: 1, Sultan, owner, W. G. Baird; 2, Trust, owner, H. D. Irvine.

St. Bernards—Dogs: 1, Mrs. Bourchier's Bruce; 2, F. T. Sherborn's Bosco. Dog puppies—1, witheld; 2, F. W. Hall's Duke; reserve, Dr. G. L. Milne's Leo II.

Newfoundlands—Dogs: 2, H. Kline's Prince.

Collies—Dogs: 1, G. R. W. Stuart's Marker; 2, W. A. Richardson's Roy; V. H. C. Reserve, W. S. Chambers' McGregor III. Bitches—1, J. B. Carmichael's Metchley Florrie; 2, Thos. Fairfoul's Bristonhill. Mat. Puppies—Dogs: 1, J. S. Bowker's Walter C. Bitches—L. S. Miller's Dido 1; H. D. Irvine's Pensarn Zella; 2, W. J. McKeon Jr.'s, Miss Chanee, Reserve.

English Setters—Dogs: 1, F. G. Walker's Trust; 2, F. T. Turner's Mars. Bitches—1, P. J. Packard's Addie Gladstone; 2, F. T. Turner's Nellie; V. H. C. Reserve, F. T. Turner's Lolo Montez II. Dogs puppies—1, and 2, Alex. Hendry. Bitches—P. J. Packard's Belle of Victoria.

Gordon Setters—Dogs: 1, W. Bickford's Shot; 2, A. Almanzia's Boy A. Bitches—W. Bickford's ellie. Puppies—Dog: A. Almanzia's Sport, 1st. Bitches, 1, A. Almanzih's Bell.

Beagle Hounds—Bitches: Geo. A. Janes' Dott, 1.

Greyhounds—Bitches: 1, Wm. McKeon's Blue Bell.

Staghounds—1, J. Cameron's Brindle.

Pointers—Dogs: 1, E. J. Walls' Clover; commended, Geo. A. Janes' Sport. Bitches: 1, E. J. Walls' Dina; 2, Geo. A. Janes Fanny; bitch pup 2nd, E. J. Walls' Baby.

Irish Setters—Dogs: 1, Mrs. L. F. Perrin's Ireland Yet; 2, Dr. Duncan's Pat; V. H. C. Reserve, Wm. McKeon's Frank. Bitches: 1, Mrs. L. F. Perrin's Irish Lass and 2nd, Dr. Duncan's Topsy. Puppies, dogs: 1st, J. McB. Smith's Dasher; 2, C. E. Pooley's Patsy.

Pugs—Dogs: 1st, W. P. Frank's Royal; Bitches: commended, W. P. Frank's Goldelse.

Japanese Feejees Dogs—1st, C. Phillips' Sport.

Cocker Spaniel Dogs, black—1st, G. L. Milne's Capt. Hunter; 2nd, J. S. Graham's Mount Tolmie. Bitches, black: 1st, G. L. Milne's Duck; 2nd, J. S. Graham's Baby Mine. Puppies, dogs: 1st, G. L. Milne's Geo. Lawson; 2nd, Charles Dempster's Rideau; raven bitches, G. L. Milne's Nellie M; 2nd, G. L. Milne's Lizzie Cole; red bitch, 1st, G. L. Milne's Lady Sylvia; liver dog, 1st, Miss Maude Chambers' Mac; liver bitch, 1st, G. L. Milne's Lady Dallas; black and white bitch, 1st, George Jay's Nettie; liver and white dog, 1st, Duncan Stuart's Jack; liver and white bitch, 1st, Geo. Jay's Fanny; black and white puppy dog, 1st, Master A. Chadley's Doc; black and white puppy bitch, 1st, F. T. Turner's Peg; 2nd, Chas. Wilson's Nellie.

Rough Coated Great Dane—Dog: Puppy, 1st, Wm. McKeon's Grover.

Beagle Bitch—1st, Geo. A. Janes' Dot.

Bedlington dog—1st, D. Patterson's Fido; bitch, 1st D. Patterson's, Blue Snag.

## LA GRIPPE'S VICTIM.

**A Former Victorian's Death—Bridge Foreman Badly Hurt.**

Vancouver, Feb. 8.—C. Z. Perry, manager for the Sun Life Assurance Company, formerly of Victoria, died this morning of complications following la grippe, aged 40.

L. McPhillips went over to Victoria today to attend the meeting of the benchers.

Joseph Miller, bridge foreman for the C. P. R., was brought down from North Bend this morning seriously injured by falling from the end of a bridge.

**Law Intelligence.**

The appeal in Lam Sing v. McGillivray was heard before Mr. Justice Walkem and Mr. Justice Drake this morning. This was an appeal to two judges of the supreme court from an order of Judge Bole setting aside the verdict of the jury and ordering a new trial. The action was brought by Lam Sing against Donald McGillivray of New Westminster, contractor, as guarantor for the price of goods sold to one Lambort or in the alternative as the principal debtor. At the trial at Chilliwack on November 30th, 1893, the evidence on both sides was given, and the only question put to the jury was "to whom was credit given?" and the jury decided it was given to McGillivray. Subsequently, on the motion for judgment, Judge Bole set aside the verdict of the jury on the ground that it was against the evidence, as no guarantee had been proved, and ordered a new trial. From that order the plaintiff now appeals. When E. M. N. Woods, New Westminster, for the plaintiff, opened the appeal, A. Henderson, New Westminster, for the defendant, took the preliminary objection that the notice of appeal was bad, in that it gave no grounds of appeal as required by rule 671 of the supreme court rules. The appeal was neither to the divisional court nor to the full court, but to two judges of the supreme court, and the court expressed some doubt as to whether or not the notice of appeal had to set out the grounds of appeal, but held that in any event leave to amend could be granted. The appeal then went on, and the court, without calling on Mr. Henderson for the respondent dismissed it with costs, being of the opinion that there was no evidence that the defendant was either a guarantor or a principal creditor, and that Judge Bole was in consequence right in upsetting the verdict of the jury. The case will now go back to the New Westminster county court for trial.

**Lien on the N. & E. S. Railway.**

The appended despatch is from the Seattle Telegram of Wednesday:

Spokane, Feb. 6.—A lien for nearly $400,000 was filed agaist the Nelson & Fort Sheppard extension of the Spokane & Northern railroad by Peter Larson at Nelson, B. C., to-day. The contract for the building of the extesion was let to Larson, who completed his contract about two months ago. The amount of the lien filed is for the unpaid half of the contract price. Larson, togther with a number of sub-contractors, left here secretly on a special train at mid-night last night for Nelson to file the lien before any legal interference could be instituted. Only a few days of grace remained in which to file the lien. D. C. Corbin, president of the road, is now in New York city to raise money to pay off this indebtedness. The road will contine to operate as usual.

The body of an unknown man, aged about 45, was found in the woods near Winnipeg hanging from a tree. Evidently the case was one of deliberate suicide.

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## KOOTENAY TOPICS.

The Week's News From the Mountain Cities and Camps.

### DRUMMING UP VOTERS EVERYWHERE

**Enthusiastic Citizens Provide a Fund for the Purpose—Slocan Enjoying a Boom—Ore Coming Out by the Hundred Tons.**

(Nelson Miner.)

The Kootenay Mail is the name of a new paper which will make its appearance in Revelstoke in a week or two. It will be controlled by a company composed of the leading men of the town.

Messrs. Green Bros., J. L. Retallack, G. O. Buchanan, William Baillie, and Geo. Kane have subscribed a purse of fifty dollars and sent a man into the mountains drumming up names for the voter's list.

An attempt was made in Kaslo a short time ago to resuscitate the Kaslo Board of Trade and reorganize as a purely local board but the people of the town did not fall into line, and the probability is that the Kaslo board will soon be a thing of the past.

Word has been received from Mr. Goodhue, manager of the Kootenay Hydraulic Placer Mining company, to hurry forward improvements ordered, as it has been decided by the Rochester N. Y., Syndicate to put a force of 200 men to work on the 1st of March, or sooner if the weather will permit.

A. E. Hodgins has commenced active work on the contract with the Nelson Hydraulic company. This week the supplies were started for the grounds and everything will be humming in a day or so. Joe Parkins has been engaged as cook.

**Nelson Tribune.**

S. E. Barton of Seattle, fire insurance adjuster, is in Nelson adjusting the International hotel loss. As usual, the insurance company will get the best of it.

There is a good opening in Southern Kootenay for a first-class dentist. The people are beggining to tire paying the exorbitant charges demanded by itinerant dentists, who come, stay a few weeks, and leave the country, carrying with them money that rightfully should be kept at home.

The first number of Revelstoke's new paper, "The Mail," is expected to be issued in March.

The active members of the Nelson fire department have adopted a regulation assessing a fine for using "cuss words" at fires. Some of the boys who swear are now wondering how much of their yearly stipend they will actually draw down.

The Revelstoke Star is much surprised at the voters' list of the Nelson polling division, as printed by the government, showing so few names. The Star will also be surprised when the returns from the election come in.

The collector of voters of the Revelstoke polling division has been instructed to send all the names collected by him to the collector of voters of the Nelson polling division, in order that an accurate list be made out. There are now over 900 names on the voters' list in West Kootenay, and every name that of a real live man.

The ladies of Nelson have undertaken the task of raising funds to purchase a new fire bell.

One day last week a small s-now-slide caught one of George Hughes' rawhide outfits when coming down from the Idao mine. One mule was covered completely over, and the driver, "Long John," and nothing but his head above snow line when the rescuing party arrived. No lives lost.

The Kaslo Examiner raises a great howl because the old city council of Kaslo advertised in outside papers, like the San Francisco Examiner, for proposals to establish industrial enterprises at Kaslo. Outside papers made Kaslo, and its people should not expect to get free advertising all their lives.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Green of Kaslo were "surprised" by their friends on Wednesday evening. The date of the surprise was the fifth anniversary of their marriage. The presents were all of wood.

The hotelmen of Kaslo are "kicking" at the attempt to raise the hotel license from $200 to $400. If the raise is made some of those now in business will seek other fields.

On St. Patrick's day the ladies of the Catholic church will give a fair in Kaslo and a contest for the most popular young lady in the parish. The premium is a beautiful gold watch. The contestants are Miss Mary Scanlan of Nelson and Miss Maggie Ethams of Kaslo. Rev. Father Accorsini has been working hard since his arrival here, and if there is money in the country, the debt against the pastoral residence at Nelson will surely be paid.

Mr. Hanson intends building a sawmill on the Kootenay, above Fort Steele, and in that event will establish yards at both Fort Steele and Mannville. Mr. Mathers will erect a sawmill near the wagon road between Mannville and the North Star mine, and will establish yards at Fort Steele and Manville.

La grippe has been bad through the district. Five Indians died at the Mission and one Chinaman at the Wild Horse creek.

The winter has been exceptionally mild, with little snow, and on the last day of December a drizzling rain fell in the Fort Steele section.

Mr. Jennings has ten men at work in Victoria gulch, Wild Horse Creek.

Charles Lewis, late foreman at the North Star mine, on St. Mary's river, and formerly a ranchman in the Columbia river valley, committed suicide by cutting his throat at Hanson's hotel in Wasa, on December 28th.

This week a ton and a half of supplies were boated down the Kootenay to the mouth of Forty-nine creek, whence they will be taken to the scene of operations of the Nelson Hydraulic Mining Company. The contracts let by that company last week will keep a force of twenty men at work for a couple of months. "Joe" Parkin and "Mat" Corrigan have ben awarded the contract for boarding the men.

The Hall Mines, Limited, is using a diamond drill in the Kootenay Bonanza mine on Toad mountain. It is a Sargison hand drill with capacity of 10 feet a day. It is doing good work, the diorite on Toad mountain not being seamy, as in the slate in Slocan district. At present, the drill is in the new shaft on the Kootenay Bonanza and is running through good ore.

For every carload of ore that is shipped from the Slocan mines a carload of hay or grain is shipped in. The only difference is in the tonnage. The ore averages twenty tons to the carload and the feed about eleven. The hay and grain is worth somewhere in the neighborhood of $30 a ton and the ore $125.

Supplies are now being packed up to the Lizzie C, two and a half miles southeast of Nelson, and work on the tunnel will be resumed next week. The claim is one of the LaBau group. Charlie Ewing and George Johnson will do the work.

The Washington mine of Slocan district sent a 1200-pound chunk of ore to the Midwinter Fair at San Francisco. The piece was carefully sampled and yielded 83 2-10 per cent. lead and 130 ounces silver.

The houses and cabins at the Washington and Dardanelles mines, Slocan district, are nearly covered with the beautiful. There is no danger of snow-slides, however, at either place.

Ed Kingen, Al Palmer and Bob Cameron have leased the Antelope claim, one of the Dardanelles group, Slocan district. They have a fair body of high grade ore to start in on.

The machinery for the Number One concentrator arrived over the Nelson & Fort Sheppard from Bossburg this week, and was loaded on a barge and towed up as far as Balfour. It will be towed through to Ainsworth by the Nelson on Monday. E. D. Carter, who superintended the removal of the machinery, was in Nelson on Wednesday and reported work on the concentrator building well under way. It is more than probable that the machinery will be started up with steam power, as the creek from which the water power is taken is too low at present to furnish sufficient power. The power from that source will, however, be ample in the spring. The Number One company also expect a carload of horses and feed by to-night's train.

J. W. Lowes, manager of the Carpenter Creek hotel at Three Forks, was in Nelson on Monday, and reported the arrival of mail at the Forks that was 31 days coming through from Revelstoke. The mail came down the Columbia to Nakusp, thence by way of New Denver to Three Forks. He also said that there was a daily stage from Three Forks to Kaslo and on three days a week two stages, yet mails were carried but three days a week.

Mining operations in Slocan district are fairly booming, considering that but few of the mines are in the hands of men with large capital and the cost of getting the ore to the steamboat landing so great. The Slocan Star has had to quit hauling ore, as the ore house at Three Forks is chock full. The Alamo is working eight men and is ready to make a shipment of ore. Work has started up on the Queen Bess, and the Freddie Lee people, no longer afraid of snow slides, will resume work at once. S. S. Bailey has completed a rawhide road from the Payne group to Three Forks, and has let a contract to haul ore through to Kaslo. Other regular producers like the Washington, Noble Five and Mountain Chief are making their usual shipments. Over 200 head of stock are used in rawhiding and teaming ore between the mines and Kaslo. Yet people will say there are no mines in British Columbia.

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The Noble Five, of which the principal owners are the Hennessey Bros. and McGuigan, is a solid compact body of high grade ore which is being taken out by 20 men at the rate of from 8 to 10 tons per day.

**Mainland Deputations.**

The gentlemen composing the Westminster delegation to interview the government in reference to the Fraser river bridge arrived from the mainland last evening and are at the Driard. They will see the government this afternoon. The deputation comprises Mayor Hoy, City Solicitor McColl, Aldermen Duncan, Hay, Herring and Ovens, and T. J. Trapp, president of the board of trade. Mayor R. A. Anderson of Vancouver, by request, accompanied the deputation. He also wishes to lay several matters before the government. At first it was intended that he should ask for certain amendments to Vancouver's charter, but is was decided just before he left to leave the matter over. The Chilliwack deputation was last evening reinfroced by Reeve S. A. Cawley, and this evening they will interview the government relative to dyking and irrigation matters.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.