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FERNIE British Columbia, the PITTSBURG of CANADA

Apples Apples

Saturday Special

8 Varieties, all No. 1 Quality---
 Senator, York Imperial, Roman Beauty, Wagner
 Baldwin, Greening, Mann and Paragon, Special
 Per Box of about 45 pounds **\$1.75**

Tetley's Tea, a choice blend of
 India and Ceylon, per 3lb Caddy \$1.00
 King Oscar Sardines, 2 cans for 25c.
 Canadian Pack Sardines, 4 cans for 25c.
 Clover Leaf Red Salmon, 2 cans for 35c.
 Heinz Sweet Mixed Pickles, per bot. 45c.
 Heinz Tomato Chutney, per bottle 35c.

The Trites-Wood Co., Ltd.

Office Phone 50. Grocery Dept. 49

THE NEW MANUFACTURING PLANT

Columbia Macaroni Factory has Commenced Operations. Most Modern in Existence. Produce on the Market Next Monday.

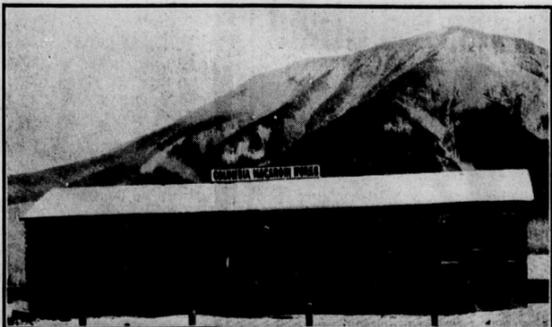
DIRECTIONS FOR PROPER COOKING.

We needed it badly, and now we have it, a big macaroni factory in Canada. We needed it all the more because all the macaroni used in Canada was shipped from Italy and the freshest we could get was from six months to a year old. Macaroni that is more than three months old is already deteriorating. The best results are found from goods that are but two weeks old. This will be brought home to the people of this district just as soon as the product of the Columbia Macaroni Factory is on the market, which will be on Monday, Jan. 9. As it is expected that every grocer in town will handle it be sure and ask for the local product, and get it fresh.

The goods will be packed under two different brands. The "Royal" brand will be made from Cream of Wheat and water. No other ingredients. "Marinaro Special"

will be made from Cream of Wheat and fresh eggs. Thus the local product will be absolutely pure.

At different times attempts have been made to manufacture macaroni in Canada but all failed because of lack of experience and improperly constructed buildings. This will not occur in the case of the Columbia Macaroni Factory, because Mr. Marinaro has had a wide experience, not only in the manufacture of the goods but in the selection of the ingredients. Before he came to America he was manager of eleven grist mills and he comes from the Province of Naples, where macaroni originated. After coming to America he saw that the people could not get fresh macaroni, and in 1903 he undertook to build a factory in Reynoldsville, Penn. After it was put in operation the product was universally accepted as the best



Columbia Macaroni Factory from the East. A wing extends 100 ft. in the rear of this building.

COUNCIL WIND UP BUSINESS

Heads of Departments Present Reports. Mayor Urges Duties of Citizenship. Light and Water Accounts are Overdue.

MAYOR WILL PROBABLY CALL PUBLIC MEETING.

City council met last night with the Mayor presiding and Aldermen White, Johnson, Beck and Kennedy present.

The Fire Chief's report for the year was read. This report appears in another column. It was received and referred to the council of 1911 for consideration.

The Chief of Police reported for the past twelve months. Received and filed.

The Government Agent billed the city for some \$130, account of smallpox expenditures.

Investigation of Light and Water accounts had developed that one consumer was \$1,000 in arrears and another was \$700 behind. Five or six Traders Licenses had not been collected. City Clerk reported that the Steam Laundry could not meet the balance of payment on the laundry building in 30 days, and asked for an extension of time. The next council will deal with the matter. There is about \$700 due for sewer rentals. Several have refused to pay on the ground that the charge for sewer rental is illegal.

Mr. Fisher appeared before the council and was instructed to prepare a private bill to be submitted to the Provincial legislature legalizing the frontage tax by-laws. Mr. Fisher will also prepare by-laws for work already done.

The Mayor reported that the Bonding Company was prepared to pay all the actual shortage of the ex-City Treasurer that had been shown. There was some \$3,600 available whenever the city was prepared to release the Company.

The Mayor will undertake to secure from the government the land around Fairy Creek dam.

City Engineer Potter bought some brick for the power house a long time ago. He failed to get an order for same so he had to pay for them himself. He asked the city for a bunch of firebrick that were lying useless at the power house to return to the Coal Co., from whom he had originally

in the United States. His patronage regularly increased and he kept his capacity up to the market.

Last year he made up his mind to come to Canada to build another factory, as he was informed that there was a splendid opening in this country. Fernie was selected as the strategical site for his plant. He first took a trip to Europe, where he visited the factories of Italy and France. He found none superior in equipment or better operated than his own. The Fernie plant is patterned after the Pennsylvania factory and is the most up-to-date in the world. Try the product and you will be convinced.

Cooking Macaroni.

In the matter of cooking macaroni too many cooks fall down lamentably. Macaroni is one of the most delicious dishes that can be prepared, if properly cooked. Be sure that for every pound of macaroni a gallon of water is used. Have the water boiling before putting in the macaroni. Keep over a hot fire for 15 to 20 minutes, stirring regularly. As soon as cooked, pour in a quart of cold water and strain. Serve immediately in any style that appeals to your palate, with milk, cheese, butter, olive oil, bacon or anything else desired.

A cordial invitation is extended to the ladies and gentlemen of Fernie to visit the factory and see that everything is conducted in a hygienic manner. Ring the bell and ask for the manager.

bought the Irish confetti. This would reduce the amount for which he was stuck by about one-third. Council were feeling so happy over the conclusion of their year's labors that they decided to pay the whole amount of the firebrick bill themselves and Mr. Potter narrowly escaped collapse from heart failure. The city had the use of the brick anyway.

The Mayor gave the council a heart to heart talk on the necessity of preventing a repetition of conditions that prevailed here early in the year 1910, when the city could not get a council and our credit was in danger of suffering thereby.

A public meeting may be called by the Mayor after the report of Auditor McDonald is presented and before election day.

Then followed one of the most touching and impressive scenes that have occurred within the sacred precincts of the city hall. The hour had arrived for dispersal. The curtain was coming down on the last act of the council of 1910. No man present but felt the stupendous significance of the moment.

It fell to the lot of Ald. Johnson to initiate the last sad motion. With eyes that were dim and fingers that trembled he wrote the final motion, "That we do adjourn." The hiss of the paper as it slid across to Ald. White could be heard in the farthest corner of the room.

The Dean wiped his glasses and cleared his throat suspiciously. He wrote without his customary flourish.

The Mayor took the paper. The strain was beginning to tell. More than one alderman reached in his pocket and drew out his handkerchief, to get his pipe underneath, to get his pipe underneath. The City Engineer burst into tears. He had swallowed a puff of cigar smoke. "Aldermen Johnson and White: That we do adjourn," said the Mayor in a voice husky with emotion. The aldermen raised their hands and it was all over.

Through the courtesy of Carmine Marinaro, manager of the Columbia Macaroni Factory, a representative of the Free Press had an opportunity of inspecting the big new factory on Thursday last.

The building housing the plant measures 150 by 100 feet, is two stories in height and is built of concrete blocks with a fireproof roofing. It stands in the centre of a city block and is protected by broad spaces from road dust in summer. The building is heated throughout by steam supplied by the boiler which heats the water and makes the steam used in the manufacture of macaroni.

The entire upstairs and much of the downstairs is divided into large chambers which are used for drying the product. The windows in these rooms all extend to the floor. An elevator connects the two floors. Besides the drying rooms downstairs there are the machinery room, the fan room, boxing and shipping room and office.

Macaroni is made from wheat products and water. In some of the fancy grades fresh eggs are used.

The dough is mixed in a mechanical mixer which takes one bag of flour at a time. After being mixed it is kneaded under corrugated rollers to the proper temper.

The dough is now compressed into cylinders heated by steam and powerful screws squeeze the dough through thick perforated copper plates. The form and size

of the perforations govern the form of the macaroni. The smaller sizes are chopped as the strands of dough are coming through the copper plates. The long strings are hung on rods to dry. These are first hung in the fan room under a fan the horizontal axis of which extends across the room. Afterwards the macaroni is hung in the still drying rooms, where all the moisture is taken out of it.

After about two weeks it is put up in wooden boxes and is ready for the market.

It would take a long time for a Canadian to learn all the names of the various forms in which macaroni is sold. Macaroni, spaghetti, vermicelli are fairly familiar words to the most of us, but what of names like "prairie chickens' eyes"? This would not be so bad, but when you say it in Italian, instead of English, you have mastered only one of about one hundred similar names.

The machinery is driven by a 30 horsepower motor supplied with "juice" from the city plant.

Near the factory Marinaro Bros. have erected one of the most commodious and artistic residences in the city. They have already brought four skilled workmen from Pennsylvania and as the demand for their product grows they will be obliged to increase the staff of skilled help.

POLICE DEPT. REPORT

Mayor and Aldermen, City of Fernie:

Gentlemen: I beg to submit herewith report for the past year:

The amount of fines paid was \$4,518. The cases brought before the Magistrate were 503. I may say that in all the serious crimes committed within the city during the past year, the criminals have all been successfully dealt with, with but one exception, that of the blowing up of the G. N. Ry. Co. safe. The burglars in this robbery got away with only one

mileage book. Great Northern Detective Harriman was here at the time and all courtesy and assistance was given him both by myself and staff. There is one thing to draw your attention to in this connection, and that is that one of the policeman was away on leave of absence, leaving only one man on duty at night, and in this way making it hard to be in both parts of the city at one time.

This year we placed two men on at night, and I have found this to materially reduce the number of crimes committed within the city, and I am sure the peace of the City of Fernie compares most favorably with any other city in this Province.

The general health of the city has been good this year, although we have had seven cases of smallpox to contend with, which entailed considerable extra-work on the part of the force. I am pleased to say that this extra work has been practically eliminated since the building of the hospital.

I would like to say in connection with the force under me that I find them to be everything that I could desire and always willing and ready to do everything they are called upon to do.

The Fire Chief has assisted me materially on different occasions and for this we desire to thank him.

Our expenditure for the past year was \$144.09 less than estimated by me.

Number of cases as follows:
 Prisoners who paid fine, 303.
 Prisoners sentenced, city jail, 98.
 Prisoners sentenced, Nelson jail, 10.
 Prisoners sentenced, N. W. penitentiary, 3.
 Suspended sentence, 59.
 Cases dismissed, 12.
 Interdictions, 14.
 Bound over to keep peace, 2.
 Deported, 2.

R. N. Clerke,
 Chief of Police.

1910 A BANNER YEAR FOR FERNIE

No Serious Fires and Losses are Relatively Small. Fire Dept. in Efficient Condition. Chief McDougall Makes Annual Report.

HE WOULD LIKE A HORSE AND BUGGY.

Report of the Chief of the Fire Department:

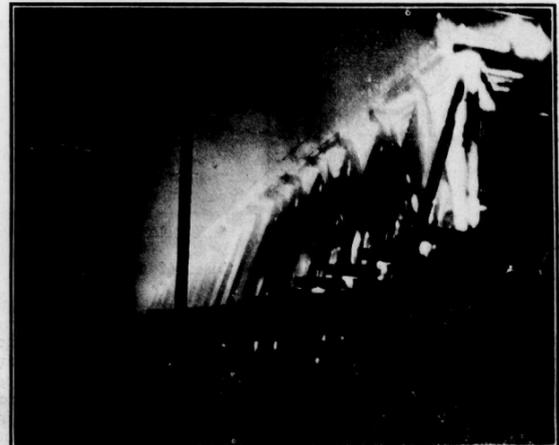
His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen—I beg to submit herewith the annual report of the fire department for the year 1910. The number of fires during the year was 17, the loss therefrom aggregating \$7,473.

I have prepared a classified list giving the supposed cause, losses to buildings and contents, and insurance carried on same, which is as follows:

Overheated stove, 1.
 Careless in using matches, 2.
 Chimney, 1.
 Bush fire, 2.

Burning rubbish, 1.
 Spontaneous combustion, 2.
 Explosion from coal oil stove, 1.
 Unknown causes, 5.
 Classified list of losses on buildings and contents and insurance carried on same:
 March 3, Ship's Bakery; loss \$35; insurance \$500.
 March 5, Brown's paint shop; no loss; no insurance.
 May 3, Bush fire in Annex; no loss; no insurance.
 May 4, H. Wilkes' residence; loss \$465; insurance \$4,500.
 June 2, Bush fire in Annex; no loss.
 June 4, H. Harrison's residence; loss \$1025; insurance \$1025.
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Fire at the Slack Bins, Fernie, October 6. Taken at 3 a. m. Photo, courtesy of Miss Ashworth