

This image shows a dark, textured vertical strip, likely a book cover or endpaper. The material has a mottled, grainy appearance with various shades of dark gray and black. There are several small, light-colored specks and fibers visible throughout the texture. The lighting is slightly uneven, with a subtle gradient from top to bottom.

speech by, and the danger of the importation of native labor under contract or agreement removed, there remain for consideration only such classes as might desire to emigrate from India or other country, or as having left India, and gone elsewhere, might be induced to emigrate to this country. To the immigration of the latter class, the regulation of the Canadian government requiring continuous passage from the country of which they are natives or citizens and upon through tickets should prove an effective bar, whilst as to the former the same regulation and warnings issued by the government of India, and greater care which it may reasonably be expected steamship companies will exercise in future, should prove a real deterrent.

It is understood that unless some change is made in the new civil service act, as now drafted, one of the most important of the new features will be the elimination of the present system of annual statutory increases. Instead of the arrangement which has hitherto existed, whereby all employees on the permanent staff get regular yearly increases until the maximum for their class is reached, the government proposes that hereafter the increases shall only be granted each year on the recommendation of the deputy minister. Thus the businesslike principles will be adopted of rewarding the civil service employees on the basis of merit alone, and the dross in the service will have to be content with the classification allowed for the respective classes. It is also the intention to reclassify the whole service, and it is stated that the present intention to divide the service into two main classes and the clerical or lower class. In the former will be included all officials who hold responsible positions requiring the exercise of executive ability and the oversight of various departments or branches. The clerical class will, as the term suggests, include the greater body of the service, who are employed principally in doing clerical work under the supervision of the higher officials.

One of the chief difficulties now before the government in the matter of making a final draft of the bill is in connection with the classification of those now on the civil service list under these respective divisions. It is understood that the minimum salary now allowed in the different classes of the service will be increased under the new act, and that the increase in the total expenditure for salaries will hereafter be considerably offset by the fact that only a proportion of the total number of employees will get the regular yearly increases now granted.

Another feature of the bill which tends to put the whole service on a more businesslike basis will be the appointment of all new members of the civil service by competitive examinations, under the direction of an independent and entirely non-partisan commission, according to the system that now prevails in Great Britain. It is further understood that these appointments will be at first only temporary, pending proof being shown that the appointee is able to do the work required satisfactorily. The bill will probably be ready for submission to parliament this week.

BANK OF MONTREAL

Profit for Past Year—Leading Methodist Dies Suddenly

MONTREAL, May 15.—The Dominion Iron and Steel company's officials today received a cablegram from the solicitors in London holding the Dominion Coal company's solicitors responsible for the delay in the hearing of the steel case before the privy council. The coal company, according to the cable has not yet completed the printing of the record which they are obliged to print in order to permit of filing the case within the prescribed date. This is in direct contradiction to the cables received by the Dominion Coal company from their London solicitors, who placed all blame for the delay on the steel company.

The annual statement of the Bank of Montreal for the year ending April 30 shows a net profit of \$1,623,523. John Dillie, vice-president of the Gould Cold Storage company and one of the best known Methodists of this city, died suddenly today, aged 70 years. Frank W. Stubby, manager of the Union Bank of Canada in this city, has resigned to accept a prominent position with the Traders' Bank of Canada at Toronto.

With the understanding that he refund the money taken from foreigners on the promise of securing them employment, Judge Choquet today dismissed the case against Samuel Lathowitz, who was arrested on Tuesday on the complaint of about 80 Poles and Galicians that he exacted a fee of \$2 promising to secure them work, but that on their return on the appointed morning he and his clerk had called the police to disperse them.

OLD SOLDIER'S DEATH

Man Who Exposed Work of the Golden Circle in American War

CHICAGO, May 15.—Felix Grundy Stidger, the exposé of the "Golden Circle," dropped dead at his home here on Monday night and was buried today. He was scarcely known by his neighbors and having only a small acquaintance with the civil war veterans of Chicago, his death attracted little attention here. If he had passed away 45 years ago, general Grant might have taken two more summers in Richmond.

Stidger was a secret service man during the last two years of the war. He worked his way into the southern secret order of southerners in the northern states known as the "Knights of the Golden Circle" and became one of its chief officers. When the south was about ready to give up the conflict after the battles of Gettysburg and Vicksburg, its spirit was rejuvenated by the knowledge that this order had plans all set for the delivery of 40,000 Confederate prisoners in Fort Douglas, in Chicago, and other northern cities.

Plans also had been made for delivering over to the confederacy the state of Illinois, Missouri, Indiana and Ohio.

GEORGETOWN

There was a representative meeting of the board of trade and night and much business of general importance was discussed. The noteworthy part of the proceedings, however, was the endorsement of the report of the freight rate committee and a passage of a resolution forwarding that report to the Railway Commission without any further waiting upon the C. P. R. officials.

Those present: F. D. Starkey, president, E. K. Beeson, secretary, H. Byers, E. B. McDermid, W. A. Macdonald, A. Lean, F. M. Lay, G. P. Wells, T. Stark, A. W. Dyer, W. W. Bear, C. W. Busk, W. G. Gillett, S. A. Kelly, I. G. Nelson, D. Slade, J. E. Annable and G. Horstead.

After the reading of the minutes correspondence was read between the board of trade and the Railway Commission with reference to Kootenay freight rates. The commission wanted to know whether the Kootenay would agree to the decision as between Portage la Prairie and Winnipeg and whether the Nelson board would consent to the board as at present constituted making a decision upon the matter submitted to board as lately constituted.

To this reply was made that the Nelson board would agree to the decision which might prejudice its cause, it knowing nothing of the case between Portage la Prairie and Winnipeg and that the Nelson board had prepared a case and would like to see the commission's decision. At the same time it would prefer the commission to hold sittings in the west, rather than at Ottawa.

The Victoria board of trade had passed a resolution endorsing the petition presented by the silver-lead mine owners as to an extension of the period of lead bounty.

Further correspondence was read with the C. P. R. as to the change of service upon Kootenay lake, a change which had promptly been made at the instance of the board. A motion was passed thanking the C. P. R.

Next was taken up the question of a proper telephone service along the arm, a service which was promised on the connection with the Nelson board. These subscribers having been obtained the B. C. Telephone company was communicated with. The company replied promising to install the line this summer but would not hold it to any hope of reducing the rate, \$4 per annum, in the near future. Six months must be paid in advance or a note signed in lieu thereof for payment within 30 days. As the cable across the lake would probably have to be obtained from England the installation of the service could hardly be completed before August.

A letter from the Dominion fair authorities at Calgary was read to the committee that the C. P. R. would give a single fare for exhibitors and judges.

A letter was read from the Winnipeg Industrial exhibition asking for a Nelson exhibit.

A letter was read which had been sent to the Spokane chamber of commerce as to a business men's excursion to Spokane. A reply was received assuring that Spokane would welcome Nelson at any time.

A letter was read from the Vancouver board of trade saying that town lots offered by the Prince Rupert and Hazelton companies were not situated at the terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific but eight miles south.

Another letter was read from a Nelson citizen saying that a deal for fruit lands in the West Arm had fallen through because the prospective purchasers had been informed that the land was generally swampy.

The publicity committee reported that they had taken over from the old 30,000 Club. The receipts to date were \$469.14 and the expenditure \$406.45. There was a debt undiscovered of \$280. The monthly subscription amounted to \$175. An illustrated list of the names to be published on Kootenay fruit growing. The publicity committee was daily in receipt of many letters referring to prospective settlers.

The freight rate committee reported that they had a full report of the Kootenay case and suggested that it now be laid before the railway commission. A visit was expected from Mr. Peters but so far no word had been paid. As to a uniform bill of lading and rate of cartage recommended by the Eastern Manufacturers' Association, the committee suggested that this be considered.

I. G. Nelson complained that the railway commissioners so far had ignored the Nelson board of trade.

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The resolution passed by the executive of the Associated Boards endorsing

the lumbermen of the province asking for a non-enforcement of the recent orders in council forcing lumber upon the market which came before the board and was endorsed.

W. W. Bear said that the matter of extended express delivery through the city would be taken up later by him, as the confusion of certain correspondence now being carried on with the express company.

After passing of the accounts for the past month the meeting adjourned.

OTTAWA NOTES.

Campbell's Bill Reported—Logan Stated for the Senate.

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It is stated here that Hance J. Logan, M. P. for Cumberland, N. S., will probably be appointed to the senate. The Ottawa river is still rising and J. R. Booth's mill has had to shut down owing to its height. Other power plants may follow suit. The Chaudiere mills are closed down. If present conditions prevail for another two weeks big floods will continue.

Vandals tore open a grave in the old cemetery at the back of the Protestant hospital today. They broke open the coffin and exposed the remains. The police seem to be powerless to prevent this and sir Wilfrid Laurier is to be appealed to immediately.

MEXICO IN LONDON

Exposition That Will Rival the Franco-British Exhibition

LONDON, May 15.—The Franco-British exposition will soon have a rival for popular favor in the Crystal Palace. Nearly all the exhibits for the great show of Mexico's products are here or will arrive in the next few days. The exhibition is now in the hands of the people and ready for public inspection. Great interest in the exhibition is being manifested in London commercial circles and will doubtless be the result of very great extending the trade relations between Great Britain and the Latin-American republic.

The exhibition will be in two divisions, departmental and industrial. The former will be grouped art, army, navy, transportation, education, forestry, agriculture and fisheries, mineralogy and metals, chemicals and miscellaneous.

The industrial division will be arranged in two sections, one representing manufactures and the other the numerous interesting home industries.

The public place will be devoted to showing the manufacture of Mexican goods and various apparatus and appliances peculiar to Mexico will be on view. The weaving of silk, wool and other fabrics together with wood carving, pottery, etc., will also occupy a prominent place in this division, while there will be a unique collection of the small craft and employments, which are so different from articles and productions of the same kind in European centers.

LOUISE BREHANY

Artist at the Opera House Next Tuesday Evening

Endowed by nature, says a press notice, with one of the most wonderful vocal organs ever given to a human being, Miss Louise Brehany, the famous American soprano, has just arrived in this city and is to give a concert at the opera house next Tuesday evening.

Hardly a day has elapsed since her arrival in this city, and she has already given a performance of her art, which has been a most successful one. Her voice is of a rare quality, and her performance of the songs of the opera house has been a most successful one.

It was suggested that either June 4 or June 11 be selected, the excursionists leaving on Thursday night and returning on Sunday morning.

G. W. Wells moved and A. W. Dyer seconded that the excursion be held on June 11, and that a special committee be appointed to look after the details of the excursion.

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GRANBY SHIPMENTS

High Grade Ore From the Crescent Mine for the Trail Smelter

Phoenix, May 9.—The ore shipments from the Granby mines for the month of April were \$1,200,000, considerably less than the record of March but greater than for any month previous to March. The decrease from the March tonnage was the result of one or more of the furnaces being out of commission while being connected

up with the new steel tube dust chamber. The shipments from the Granby mines for the first four months of 1908 were \$3,750,000, as compared with \$2,000,000 for the same months of 1907.

The Crescent, one of the high grade ore mines in Skylark camp, shipped 30 tons of gold silver ore to the Consolidated smelter at Trail on Saturday. The last ore shipped from the Crescent was sent to the Trail smelter in February and is said to have run about \$100 per ton in gold and silver.

After a steep of six months the B. C. Copper company's mines are again in operation, the whistles of the Mother Lode Emma and Oro Denoro are blowing regular and many miners have started to work so there is rejoicing throughout the Boundary.

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A new and special feature of this year's celebration will consist of a fishing competition, open to visitors only, for May 26 for the first round and May 27 for the second round. The winner of the first round will receive a silver cup and the winner of the second round will receive a gold cup. The competition will be held on Kootenay lake and the winner will be the one who catches the most fish in the shortest time.

Another important feature of the day will be a football match (challenge) between Nelson and Kaslo and a warm encounter is to be expected. Both teams have been assiduously practicing for this event.

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then, does he propose to solve the problem? Probably by the taxation of land values. This important project—almost a revolutionary one in England—was heartily favored by sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman and his successor is understood to be not less favorably inclined to it. So that it will, no doubt, later on, if the Asquith government remains in power long enough, that one bold radical measure is as it were the precursor and herald of the exorcise for, another still bolder and more radical.

And notice is hereby given that all creditors and others having claims against the estate are required to file same with or send same to the assignees at Vancouver aforesaid, with full particulars of their claims duly verified, and the nature of their security, if any, held by them, on or before the 31st day of May, A. D. 1908. All parties indebted to the estate are required to pay the amounts forthwith to the assignees.

And notice is hereby given that after the 31st day of May, A. D. 1908, the assignees proceed to distribute the assets among the creditors of whose debt or claim he shall then have had notice and will not be responsible for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any creditor of whose debt or claim he shall not then have received notice.

Dated at Vancouver, B. C., this 6th day of May, A. D. 1908.

RUSSELL & RUSSELL,
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TENDERS WANTED FOR THE PURCHASE OF A MINERAL CLAIM

TENDERS addressed to the undersigned at his office in the Court House, in the City of Nelson, will be received up till the hour of 5 o'clock in the afternoon of Friday, June 5th, 1908, for the purchase of the Mineral Claim, Lot 74, Group 1, Kootenay which was declared forfeited to the Crown at the tax sale held in the City of Nelson, on the 6th day of November, 1906, for delinquent taxes up till June 30th, 1906.

The upset price upon the said mineral claim, which includes the amount of delinquent taxes and costs at the time of forfeiture, with interest, taxes which have since been paid, and 40 chains to point of Crown Grant (\$25.00), is \$138.38, which is the least amount that will be considered as a tender.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque for the full amount of the tender, payable to the order of the Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works, at Victoria, B. C., at par.

Dated at Nelson, B. C., this 7th day of May, 1908.

HARRY WRIGHT,
Government Agent.

LAND NOTICES

NELSON LAND DISTRICT, DISTRICT OF WEST KOOTENAY.

TAKE NOTICE that A. F. Dudgeon of Nelson, B. C., occupation lumberman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of lot 174, G. 1, West Kootenay, B. C., thence east 30 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence west 30 chains; thence south 40 chains to point of commencement, and containing 30 acres, more or less.

A. F. DUDGEON,
Per J. Cameron, Agent.
March 30, 1908.

NELSON LAND DISTRICT, DISTRICT OF WEST KOOTENAY.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Wm. Graham of Coleman, Alta., occupation, Miner, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted about two miles up Mosquito creek, and about two miles west of Garnet creek, and marked "Wm. Graham's N.E. corner," thence east 30 chains; thence west 30 chains; thence north 30 chains; thence south 30 chains to point of commencement.

WM. GRAHAM,
SIGNED LEAHY, Agent.
Dated April 29th, 1908.

NELSON LAND DISTRICT, DISTRICT OF WEST KOOTENAY.

TAKE NOTICE that Nell I. McDermid of Lacombe, Alta., occupation druggist, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the N.W. corner of Sec. 2, T. 20, R. 10, Fire Valley, thence south 30 chains; thence west 30 chains; thence north 30 chains; thence east 30 chains to point of commencement, and containing 120 acres more or less.

Dated April 25, 1908.

NEIL I. McDERMID

TAKE NOTICE that John Phillip Evans of Nelson, B. C., occupation bookkeeper, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted on the East side of the Columbia river, south of McDonald creek, running East 40 chains; North 28.45 chains; West 40 chains; South 40 chains; West 20 chains; North 12.55 chains more or less to point of commencement, containing 340 acres more or less.

JOHN PHILLIP EVANS,
JAS. CAMERON, Agent.
Dated March 28, 1908.

NELSON LAND DISTRICT, DISTRICT OF WEST KOOTENAY.

TAKE NOTICE that Jacob Weber of Coleman, Alta., occupation, Miner, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the center of the South boundary of Lot 758 Group One, Kootenay District, about nine miles

Francis Rolph, of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, aforesaid account, for the general benefit of his creditors.

A meeting of creditors will be held at the offices of Kelly, Douglas & Company, Limited, at the City of Vancouver, on Saturday, the 16th day of May, A. D. 1908, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

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